

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Sun 'n Lake of Sebring

RFP NO. 16-11

Tanya Cannady, General Manager  
5306 Sun 'n Lake Blvd.  
Sebring, FL 33872  
e-mail: alee@snldistrict.org  
Facsimile Number: 863-382-2988

OPENING TIME: 2:00 P.M.  
OPENING DATE: 11/29/2016

**THIS IS NOT AN ORDER**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO PROPOSE ON THE FOLLOWING:**

**Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District**

4 - Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens Mowers

**SEE ATTACHED PROJECT DOCUMENTS**

The complete set of proposal documents is available on the District web site at [www.snldistrict.org](http://www.snldistrict.org) or call 863-382-2196

**Proposals must be received in the District Office before:**

**Time:** 2:00 P.M.      **Date:** 11/29/2016

State of Florida Tax Exemption Number is  
85-8012528797C-8

Signed: Tanya Cannady , General Manager

Date: 11/03/2016

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**Items in bold are required to be returned with proposal submittal.**

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ADVERTISE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH, 2016 IN  
THE HIGHLANDS NEWS SUN

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

**PROPOSAL:** To insure acceptance of the proposal, follow these instructions.

**SEALED PROPOSALS:** All Proposals must be submitted in a sealed package. The submitted proposal will contain one (1) original and two (2) marked copies. The face of the package will contain the date and time of the proposal opening and the proposal number. Proposals not submitted on the District's forms may be rejected. All proposals are subject to the conditions specified herein and on any attached sheets, specifications, special conditions or vendor notes. Any changes to the proposal document must be in ink and must be initialed.

**PROPOSAL OPENING:** Shall be on the date and at the time specified in the proposal documents. It is the proposer's responsibility to assure that their proposal is delivered at the proper time and place of the proposal opening. Proposals which for any reason are not so delivered shall be returned to the proposer unopened. Offers by telephone or facsimile cannot be accepted.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** The award hereunder is subject to Chapter 112, Florida Statutes. All proposers must disclose with their proposal the name of any officer, director or agent who is also an employee of the District. Further, all proposers must disclose the name of any District employee who owns, directly or indirectly, any interest of ten percent (10%) or more of the proposer's firm or any of its branches. Gifts from proposers to Employee's or Employee's Families is strictly prohibited per Florida Statutes 112.313 and 112.3148.

**AWARDS:** As the best interest of the District may require, the right is reserved to make award(s) by individual items, group of items, all or none, or a combination thereof, with one or more suppliers and to reject any proposals or waive any informality or technicality in proposals received. The District intends to select a proposal from the highest qualifying responsible bidder from this bid. Vendors who are awarded contracts are asked to extend the same pricing and conditions to other entities who may want to "piggy-back" on a District Bid or Request for Proposal.

**DISPUTES:** In case of any doubt or difference of opinion as to the items to be furnished hereunder, the decision of the District General Manager shall be final and binding on both parties.

**LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** Federal, State, County and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner effect the item(s) covered herein apply. Lack of knowledge by the proposer will in no way be cause for relief from responsibility.

**LIABILITY:** The vendor shall hold and save the District, its officers, agents and employees harmless from liability of any kind in the performance of or fulfilling the requirement of the Purchase Orders, which may result from this proposal.

**CANCELLATION:** This agreement may be terminated in whole or in part in writing by either party with thirty (30) days notice in the event of substantial failure by the other party to fulfill its obligations under this agreement through no fault of the terminating party.

**NOTE: ANY AND ALL SPECIAL CONDITIONS ATTACHED HERETO WHICH VARY FROM THESE GENERAL CONDITIONS SHALL HAVE PRECEDENCE.**

## **PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME INFORMATION STATEMENT**

All invitations to bid as defined by Section 287.012(11), Florida Statutes, requests for proposals as defined by Section 287.012(16), Florida Statutes, and any contract document described by Section 287.058, Florida Statutes, shall contain a statement informing persons of the provisions of paragraph (2)(a) of Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, which reads as follows:

“A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.”

All vendors who submit a Bid or Request for Proposal to Sun 'n Lake of Sebring, are guaranteeing that they have read the previous statement, and by signing the bid documents, are qualified to submit a bid under Section 287.133, (2)(a) Florida Statutes.

## **GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS**

### **1. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE**

The Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District (hereafter "the District") is seeking proposals from interested manufactures (hereafter "the SUPPLIER") to provide four 4 - Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens Mowers. The District intends to select one supplying firm from the Request for Proposals (RFPs) to deliver and install the requested equipment.

### **2. EFFECTIVENESS AND DURATION**

The agreement(s) resulting from this solicitation is for the items and materials described in this proposal document.

### **3. REFERENCES**

Proposers will complete and return, with the Proposal, a list of at least three (3) client/customer references including company name, address, contact person, telephone number and date you provided the equipment/services to the client. The List of References form provided in these documents should be used. If the Proposer already has a preprinted list of references, then indicate on the District's List of References form "See Attached List." Attach the preprinted list to the District's form and submit both with the Proposal.

### **4. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

The following documents included in this Request for Proposal package are required to be submitted along with the Information Requested for this proposal:

- 4.1 Proposal Form
- 4.2 List of References Form
- 4.3 Statement of Insurance Compliance Form
- 4.4 Non-Collusion Affidavit of Proposer
- 4.5 Conflict of Interest Statement
- 4.6 Disputes Disclosure Form

### **5. EFFECTIVE PERIOD OF PROPOSALS**

All proposals must state the period for which the proposal shall remain in effect. Such period shall not be less than 120 days from the proposal date.

### **6. RIGHT OF REJECTION BY THE DISTRICT**

Notwithstanding other provisions of this RFP, the District reserves the right to award this contract to the supplying firm that best meets the requirements of the RFP, and not necessarily, to the lowest bidder. Further, the District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals prior to execution of the contract, with no penalty to the District.

### **7. CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS**

After review of the proposals, the District intends to enter into contract negotiations with the selected supplying firm. These negotiations could include all aspects of equipment, service, and fees. If a contract is not finalized in a reasonable period of time, the District will open negotiations with the next ranked firm.

**8. AWARD OF CONTRACT**

The proposer to whom a contract is awarded shall be required to enter into a written contract agreement with the District in a form approved by legal counsel for the District. This RFP and the proposal, or any part thereof, may be incorporated into and made a part of the final contract. The District reserves the right to negotiate the terms and conditions of the contract with the selected proposer.

**9. CONTRACT TERM**

It is the intent to award a contract for the duration of the project

**10. QUESTIONS**

All questions concerning this RFP shall be submitted in writing to the name and email address below before 11/21/2016. All responses to questions will be addressed in the form of an addendum issued after the question deadline to be posted with the RFP on the District web site [www.snldistrict.org](http://www.snldistrict.org) by 11/24/2016.

Allison Lee, Administrative Services Coordinator  
[alee@snldistrict.org](mailto:alee@snldistrict.org)

Contact made with any other employee of, and/or elected officials of the District regarding this RFP will be grounds for the rejection of the contracting individual/firm submittal.

**11. SUBMITTAL OF PROPOSAL**

All firms submitting a proposal will need to submit one (1) marked original and two (2) copies of their documents in a sealed package. The left front of the package shall read:

4 - Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens Mowers  
RFP # 16-11  
Due Date: 11/29/2016 – Time: 2:00 P.M.  
Company Name and Address

Documents will need to be mailed or hand delivered to:

Tanya Cannady, General Manager  
Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District  
5306 Sun 'n Lake Blvd.  
Sebring, FL 33872

All documents will need to be delivered to, or received in the mail by the due date and time. Any document submitted or received after this date and time shall not be considered and will be returned to the sender unopened. The District takes no responsibility for late mail or late delivery service.

**12. BID PROTEST**

Failure to file a protest within the time prescribed in section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, shall constitute a waiver of any right to protest the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in the RFP, including any provisions governing the methods for ranking bids, proposals, or replies, awarding contracts, reserving rights of further negotiation, or modifying or amending any contract, or to protest the decision or intended decision concerning a RFP contract award.

# SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District hereby requests proposals from interested suppliers to provide four (4) Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens Mowers. The District intends to select one supplying firm from the Request for Proposals (RFPs) to deliver and install the requested equipment.

## 1. Accessories:

12 – 062849 TrueSet Cutting Unite GP400 22' 15 Blade  
12 – 068614 22" Groove machined aluminum roller (2 – 3/16" diameter)  
12 – 4223940 GP400 Grass Catcher Kit (New Eclipse Style)  
4 – LMAC415 Dew Whip Holder

## 2. Warranties

3 Year or 3000 hour warranty

## 3. Freight and Installation

The cost of delivery needs to be itemized and included in the final price of the bid.



## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

One selection will be made from the equipment supplier proposer/bidder who is deemed to be the best suited among those submitting proposals on the basis of the previous Scope of Materials and the evaluation factors listed below. Proposer/Bidder shall be descriptive in their proposal on each of, but not limited to, the areas listed below.

Once the District has reviewed the submitted proposals, the District selection committee will use the criteria listed below to evaluate each proposal separately. These criteria are in no particular order.

1. Value
2. References
3. Quality and conciseness of the proposals
4. Relative distance of distributor warehouse from the District

**SUN 'N LAKE OF SEBRING  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**  
4 - Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens  
Mowers  
**PROPOSAL FORM**  
**RFP NO. 16-11**

To: Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District  
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The undersigned hereby declares that after carefully examining these proposal documents, they are fully aware of all conditions affecting such work/items, for which proposals were advertised to be returned by 11/29/2016 and does hereby submit the following proposal for completion of said work/items. All changes must be initialed in ink.

**FOR THIS PROPOSAL TO BE CONSIDERED VALID IT IS MANDATORY THAT THE PROPOSAL BE SIGNED IN THE SPACE PROVIDED**

The Proposer:

A. Acknowledges receipt of:

- 1) Proposal Specifications
- 2) Addenda:

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

B. Has examined the Proposal Documents and understands that in submitting his Bid, he waives all right to plead any misunderstanding regarding the same.

As requested in the General Conditions, attached are two marked duplicate copies of the original Proposal Form and ALL attachments. \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No (check one)

Attached, as required in the General Specifications section, is the List of References. \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No (check one)

**Equipment to be provided for a proposed price of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_ US Dollars**

The District reserves the right to accept any or all proposals, to waive informalities, and to reject all or any part of any proposal as they may deem to be in the best interest of the District.

This Proposal Form is a mandatory form to ease tabulation and analysis; however, it can be accompanied by additional support forms. An officer or representative who has official authorization to sign proposals **MUST** sign this Proposal Form. Failure to sign in the space provided below will result in the Proposal being rejected.

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_  
FEIN or SS# \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Owner/Partner/Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Title/Position of Owner/Partner/Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Owner/Partner/Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**LIST OF REFERENCES FORM**  
4 - Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens Mowers  
**RFP NO. 16-11**

As per the General Specifications Section, below is a list of at least three (3) client/customer references including company name, address, contact person, telephone number, date of equipment provided, maintenance services provided, description of project and value of project. (Note: only list those clients/customers in which a similar scope of work was provided)

1.      Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_                  Length of time since provided: \_\_\_\_\_  
            Address:                  \_\_\_\_\_                  Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_                  Work Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
            Telephone:                  \_\_\_\_\_                  Value of Project: \_\_\_\_\_  
            Equipment provided: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_  
            Description of Project: \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_

2.      Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_                  Length of time since provided: \_\_\_\_\_  
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                                 \_\_\_\_\_  
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                                 \_\_\_\_\_  
                                 \_\_\_\_\_

3.      Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_                  Length of time since provided: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**\*\*THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL**

**NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PROPOSER**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_, being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. He/She is \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ the proposer that has submitted the attached proposal;  
Title Company Name

2. He/She is fully informed with respect to the preparation and contents of the attached proposal and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such proposal;

3. Such Proposal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham proposal;

4. Neither the said Proposer nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other proposer, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Proposal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or communication or conference with any other proposer, firm, or person to fix the price or prices in the attached proposal or any other proposer, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the proposal price or the proposal price of any other proposer, or to secure through any collusion, connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against the Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District, Sebring, Florida or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and

5. The price or prices quoted in the attached proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the proposer or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public, State of Florida

\_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires

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**CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT**

STATE OF FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_
Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who was duly sworn,
deposes, and states:

- 1. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ with a local office in \_\_\_\_\_ and principal office in \_\_\_\_\_.
City and State City and State
2. The above named entity is submitting a Proposal for the Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District RFP # 16-11 described as: 4 - Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens Mowers
3. The Affiant has made diligent inquiry and provides the information contained in this Affidavit based upon his own knowledge.
4. The Affiant states that only one submittal for the above proposal is being submitted and that the above named entity has no financial interest in other entities submitting proposals for the same project.
5. Neither the Affiant nor the above named entity has directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraints of free competitive pricing in connection with the entity's submittal for the above proposal. This statement restricts the discussion of pricing data until the completion of negotiations, if necessary, and execution of the Contract for this project.
6. Neither the entity nor its affiliates, nor anyone associated with them, is presently suspended or otherwise ineligible from participation in contract letting by any local, State, or Federal Agency.
7. Neither the entity, nor its affiliates, nor anyone associated with them have any potential conflict of interest due to any other clients, contracts, or property interests for this project.
8. I certify that no member of the entity's ownership or management is presently applying for an employee position or actively seeking an elected position with the Sun 'n Lake of Sebring Improvement District.
9. I certify that no member of the entity's ownership or management, or staff has a vested interest in any aspect of the District.
10. In the event that a conflict of interest is identified in the provision of services, I, on behalf of the above named entity, will immediately notify the District.

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name and Title

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014
Personally Known \_\_\_\_\_ Or produced identification \_\_\_\_\_. Identification Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public-State of \_\_\_\_\_ Printed, typed, or stamped commissioned name of notary public
My commission expires \_\_\_\_\_

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**DISPUTES DISCLOSURE FORM**

**Answer the following questions by placing an “X” after “YES” or “NO”. If you answer “YES”, please explain in the space provided, or via attachment.**

Has your firm or any of its officers, received a reprimand of any nature or been suspended by the Department of Professional Regulations or any other regulatory agency or professional association within the last five (5) years?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Has your firm, or any member of your firm, been declared in default, terminated or removed from a contract or job related to the services your firm provides in the regular course of business within the last five (5) years?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Has your firm had against it or filed any requests for equitable adjustment, contract claims, bid protests, or litigation in the past five (5) years that is related to the services your firm provides in the regular course of business?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, state the nature of the request for equitable adjustment, contract claim, litigation, or protest, and state a brief description of the case, the outcome or status of the suit and the monetary amounts or extended contract time involved.

I hereby certify that all statements made are true and agree and understand that any misstatement or misrepresentation or falsification of facts shall be cause for forfeiture of rights for further consideration of this proposal for the Sun ‘n Lake of Sebring Improvement District, RFP #16-11 (4) Jacobsen GP400 Gas Riding Greens Mowers.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature and Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed or Typed Name and Title

