

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Turf surface- Soccer Fields

The City of Boonville is soliciting proposals from interested parties for 5 artificial turf soccer fields. One field is a soccer/baseball combination field.

A RFP Soccer information sheet is available from Kate Fjell, at 660-882-2332 or by email, kate.fjell@boonville-mo.org which contains useful guidance, details, expectations and city preferences. Proposals are due by Thursday, May 11 at 2PM to Kate Fjell, Boonville City Hall 401 Main Street, Boonville, MO 65233

If a new entrant needs more time and he/she may make a timely request justifying an extension; the City may grant a short extension to not later than Wednesday, May 17th.

Soccer Turf- Information Sheet **“Final and Best”**

The City of Boonville is now soliciting final proposals for the construction of turf systems on 5 soccer fields in Boonville, MO. One field is a combination soccer/baseball.

The Boonville Soccer complex has been a work in progress for several months. The City has engaged with many “players” in this context over said period. In this process, the City has endeavored to educate itself enabling it to make a fully informed selection as to the turf, the installation and the fair pricing of this product.

Several vendors have submitted “informal” proposals with detailed product specifications and pricing information. This information has been reviewed by staff but has and will remain “confidential.”

Full RFPs should include the following information:

- Base bid, any alternative bids
- Detailed specifications on the turf product, drainage and soil stabilization method, relative to the City’s preferences detailed below with justification or explanation for an alternative to the City’s preferences
- Information on ongoing maintenance, grooming, testing or inspections after construction completion
- Bond information- is the base bid inclusive of a bond cost
- Any potential funding or grant opportunities
- Related experience, specifically soccer complex experience with references
- Information about the company and the work that is completed versus the work that will be subcontracted

The City has determined that the following enumerated characteristics or specifications are “preferred” by the City. We have learned that there are pro’s and con’s, nuances, trade-offs, and differences of opinion as to the standards. As such this list on “preferences” is not mandatory- exceptions will be considered, as evaluations will be of the totality of the proposal. They are set forth to give a sense of the City’s desires as determined by them after this education process.

City Preferences

Pile Height:	2-2 ¼"
Face Weight:	48oz or close
Baseball Field:	Dual Slit film, or a slitfilm/monofilament combination
Soccer fields:	Dual slitfilm, slitfilm or slitfilm/monofilament combination. NO monofilament
Infill:	5 pounds +/-, combination of rubber and sand, approx. 70/30 ratio of rubber/sand
Warranty:	Minimum of 8 years Turf- 3 rd party and manufacturer Civil- by vendor
Dirt Work:	Provide insight/ guidance during grading phase completed by others
Soil Stabilization:	Lime stabilization, include a not to exceed figure in budget and unit price
Infrastructure:	City will do some: drainage, water lines, sidewalk, pedestrian lighting and perhaps field curbing with city crews. (interested vendors must pledge to guide and work with this project structure)
Financing:	Is there any available? (this item has decreased in importance but could provide a "boost" to one's proposal if attractive).
UV Stabilization:	Desire maximum retardation
Rock:	Drainage, 6" minimum with details on size and type of rock
G-Max:	≤165, lower is better (145 is desired)
Nailer Board:	No preference- lean toward treated vs. synthetic
Turf Bind:	Stronger the better
Groomers:	Please provide make, model and detailed information
Field Lighting:	No requirement to include in proposals. If included be sure it is fully itemized and separated from turf work.
Maintenance:	Provide details on any annual maintenance, testing, grooming, etc provided as part or in addition to base bid.

Again, the preceding preferences are not inviolable but do represent our present thinking. Proposals will be evaluated in their entirety.

This RFP is described as a “best and final” competitive proposal. It is promulgated pursuant to City of Boonville procurement standards. Primarily to provide full and open opportunity for anyone to respond. As noted, the City has already engaged with several vendors that have already submitted detailed, substantive proposals. Further, the City has propounded detailed questions to all vendors and responses have been received. Again, this information has been maintained at a staff level.

As such, vendors who have previously submitted “informal” proposals need NOT resubmit. A simple affirmation of previous submittals is satisfactory. The City will also assume that all vendors’ previous answers to questions in past dialogues and exchanges will be binding and valid.

If a previously engaged vendor desires to change or amend their previous submittals, they should simply set forth- explicitly- that specific information to the City. There is no need to resubmit all information.

Such changes may be initiated by considering the City’s “preference list”, vendor generated changes or a desire to enhance one’s competitive position.

Obviously, total cost will be a crucial factor. However it will be neither exclusive or the controlling factor in our decision. The City also desires to contract with an installer and manufacturer with excellent reputation and experience, who is willing to partner with the City to see this project to completion. Finally, the financing alternatives offered by prospective contractors will be considered.

If you are a new vendor who has not previously engaged with the City you are welcome to submit a full proposal. It can be guided by the City “preferences”. Kate Fjell is your contact, 660-882-2332 or by email, kate.fjell@boonville-mo.org for instructions and details related to your proposal (field layouts, etc.).

In all cases, the City of Boonville reserves the right to seek further clarification or change in final submittals including negotiations to pricing elements, all to achieve the best and most comprehensive proposal as it relates to the Boonville Soccer Complex, solely defined by the City of Boonville. This process has continued for a while and the City is prepared to move toward a final determination shortly. The vendors engaged to date have invested significant time and effort- the City appreciates the education process provided and feels it is now time to decide such that everyone- win or lose- can move on with new endeavors.

As such we encourage vendors who have previously submitted information to the City to respond to this request at your earliest convenience so that the City may forthwith engage and conclude its final evaluative process. The City anticipates a quick “turn-around” with these final submittals; early responses will assist in that intent. Initial responses may be by email, please follow with signed hard copy with postal service or hand delivery.

The City thanks everyone for their interest, effort and patience. Obviously only one vendor will prevail. With the growth of soccer and other sports we wish everyone success in their future opportunities.

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