



**Request for Proposal  
2024 Capital Motor Grader and Wing  
November 2, 2023**

# City of Fargo Request for Proposal

The City of Fargo is requesting proposals for one (1) Motor Grader and Wing. Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Fargo Auditor's Office at 225 4<sup>th</sup> Street North, Fargo, ND 58102, for the purpose of evaluating costs and operating parameters on a new Motor Grader and Wing. Upon completion of the evaluation by the selection committee an order may be placed. Bids must be uploaded to [fargond.bonfirehub.com/](http://fargond.bonfirehub.com/) or submitted to the City of Fargo Auditor's office at 225 4<sup>th</sup> Street North, Fargo, ND 58102. **Proposals will be received until 2:00 PM on November 2, 2023.**

## Need Help?

Please contact Bonfire at [Support@GoBonfire.com](mailto:Support@GoBonfire.com) for technical questions related to your submission.

## CITY OF FARGO RIGHTS

The City reserves the right to cancel this RFP in writing or postpone the date and time for submitting proposals at any time prior to the proposal due date. The City by this RFP does not promise to accept the lowest cost or any other proposal and specifically reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any formal proposal requirements, to investigate the qualifications and experience of any Proposer, to reject any provisions in any proposal, to modify RFP contents, to obtain new proposals, to negotiate the requested services and contract terms with any Proposer, or to proceed to do the work otherwise.

The City hereby notifies all proposers that it will affirmatively insure that in regard to any contract entered into, pursuant to this request, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity and are encouraged to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids that is in the best interest of the City. All questions and inquiries will be addressed to:

## Equipment Specifications:

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# GENERAL SPECIFICATION

**MODEL:** Unit shall be a new current year model.

**WARRANTY:** Shall be stated in **writing** on the form provided.

**DELIVERY:** Proposer must perform a complete pre-delivery service prior to delivery of equipment. All units are F.O.B., Fargo Central Garage.

**Proposer must state the number of days for delivery from time of order.**

**MANUALS:** One (1) complete service manual, Flash Drive or printed  
One (1) complete parts manual, Flash Drive or printed  
One (1) operator's manuals.  
One (1) training video (if available)  
One (1) complete service filter part number list

**TRAINING** Upon delivery to end-user Proposer will provide instruction to operators on proper operation and daily maintenance.

**BIDDER** There shall be \$500,000.00 minimum of product Liability coverage by the manufacturer and minimum of \$500,000.00 liability coverage by the product installers to protect the City of Fargo. Certification shall be provided with proposal.

Preference may be given to Proposer who has a local dealer with a reasonable amount of parts inventory for the unit that has been proposed and a complete service facility. On new models or equipment not previously purchased by the City of Fargo, the selection committee may elect to have a demonstration of the models being considered.

# **Motor Grader and Wing Bidding Specifications**

## **1.0 INTENT**

It is the intent of this specification to provide for the purchase of one (1) new and unused Motor Grader and Wing to be used by the City of Fargo.

The City of Fargo has evaluated different styles of Motor Graders and has determined that this published specification is best suited for the City of Fargo needs in terms of quality and features. This specification shall not be interpreted as restrictive but rather as a measure of quality and performance against which all other Motor Graders and Wings will be compared.

In comparing proposals, comparison will not be confined to price only. The successful proposer will be one whose product is judged as best serving the interests of the City of Fargo when price, product, quality and delivery are considered. The City of Fargo also reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or any part thereof, and to waive any minor technicalities. A contract will be awarded to the proposer submitting the lowest responsible proposal meeting the requirements.

## **2.0 EQUIVALENT PRODUCT**

Proposals will be accepted for consideration on any make or model that is equal or superior to the Motor Grader and Wing specified. Decisions of equivalency will be at the sole interpretation of the City of Fargo. A blanket statement that equipment proposed will meet all requirements will not be sufficient to establish equivalence. An original manufacturer's brochure of the proposed product is to be submitted with proposal.

## **3.0 INTERPRETATIONS**

In order to be fair to all proposers, no oral interpretations will be given to any proposer, as to the meaning of the specification documents or any part thereof. Every request for such a consideration shall be made in writing. Based on such inquiry, the City of Fargo may choose to issue an addendum in accordance with local state laws.

## **4.0 GENERAL**

The specification herein states the minimum requirements of the City of Fargo. All proposals must be regular in every respect. Unauthorized conditions, limitations, or provisions shall be cause for rejection. The City of Fargo will consider as irregular or non-responsive any and all proposals that are not prepared and submitted in accordance with the proposal document and specification, or any proposal lacking sufficient technical literature to enable the City of Fargo to make a reasonable determination of compliance to the specification. It shall be the proposer's responsibility to carefully examine each item of the specification. Failure to offer a completed proposal or failure to respond to each section of the technical specification (COMPLY: YES NO) will cause the proposal to be rejected without review as non-responsive. All variances, exceptions and/or deviations shall be fully described in the appropriate section. Deceit in responding to the specification will be cause for rejection.

**5.1 General**

**Yes**

**No**

1. Base machine weight shall be no less than 37,500 lbs. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Tires shall be a radial 17.5 x 25 SNOPLUS or approved equal. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Machine shall be 6-wheel drive. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.2 Engine**

1. The engine shall be a turbo-charged, direct injection, variable horse power diesel engine with a minimum rating no less than 185 HP. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Doors shall be provided for engine compartment to protect against airborne debris. \_\_\_\_\_
3. An engine block heater, 120volt shall be available to assist in cold weather starting. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Engine coolant shall be extended life coolant with protection to no less than -34°F. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Engine shall have oil and fuel filters, air filter, pre cleaner and indicator. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.3 Powertrain**

1. Transmission shall be a direct drive, power shift, counter shaft type with fully automatic hands free shift feature. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Machine shall be equipped with an inching pedal for improved modulation and machine control. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Transmission shall not have less than eight (8) forward speeds and not less than four (4) reverse speeds. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Differential Lock/Unlock shall be electro-hydraulically controlled and shall not have speed restrictions for engaging/disengaging. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.4 Steering**

- 1. Joystick Hydraulic Power Steering. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Auto Articulation. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.5 Brakes**

- 1. Four wheel power brakes completely sealed. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Parking brake shall be sealed and adjustment free. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.6 Hydraulic System**

- 1. Lock valves shall be integrated into the main implement valve to prevent cylinder drift. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Blade lift cylinders shall have independent float capability. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. The machine must have enough hydraulic controls and hydraulic lines to run the following implements.
  - 1. Snow wing mast. \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. Snow wing lift. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Hydraulic oil must have an operating temperature range between 104° to -40° F. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.7 Front Axle and Tandems**

- 1. Front axle oscillation with left and right wheel lean. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Front and rear fenders. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. The machine must be equipped with a “0” degree wheel lean bar to help eliminate any tire wear on outer edges. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Oscillating 4 wheel tandem drive, with full machine articulation having no interference between tandem wheel and machine structure. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.8 Operators Station**

- 1. An enclosed sound suppressed cab with rollover protective structure (ROPS) with Powered Cab Air Pre-cleaner. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Cab shall have a fixed front window with intermittent wiper/washer, left and right hand doors with side windows having wiper/wash and the rear window shall have an intermittent wiper/wash and sun screen. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Minimum 40,000 BTU heater and air conditioner with front and rear defrosters with independent speed control and additional circulating fans. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. All standard and optional gauges as indicated in the manufacturer’s literature. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Auxiliary controls shall be available for control of attachment implements and/or work tools. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Digital machine hour meter shall be provided. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. AM/FM radio with auxiliary input jack and speakers. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Seat shall be a fully adjustable cloth, air suspension seat with retractable seat belts. Thigh and lumbar support shall be included. \_\_\_\_\_
- 9. Two (2) 12 volt sources shall be provided, one for a 2-way radio and the second for accessories. \_\_\_\_\_
- 10. Two (2) outside heated mirrors and one (1) inside wide angle rear view mirror. \_\_\_\_\_
- 11. Rear View Camera. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.9 Moldboard**

- 1. A 14’ long, 27” high and 1” thick moldboard shall be available with 8” X 5/8” thick cutting edges installed. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. The standard mounting hardware for cutting edges and end bits shall be 5/8”. \_\_\_\_\_

- 3. Hydraulic controlled blade side shift, tilt and blade float hydraulics. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Circle Drive Slip Clutch. \_\_\_\_\_

**6.0 Electrical**

- 1. Starting system shall be a 24 volt direct electric type. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Machine shall have an alternator that meets the amperage requirements of the machine and added lights and accessories. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Electrical system shall have a master disconnect switch. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Headlights with front turn signals, dimmer switch for road lighting. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Stop, tail, rear turn signals, engine compartment and back up lights shall be LED. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Cab mounted low-profile LED beacon light with tree guard and switch mounted in cab. Federal Signal Highlighter 454201 or approved equal. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. LED ripper work lamps, mid frame lights to illuminate moldboard, wing lamps mounted on the right hand side of cab to illuminate snow wing, and front mounted cab lights. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. White Noise Back-up alarm. \_\_\_\_\_

**6.1 Additional Features**

- 1. Adequate push block/front counterweight. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Complete filter set for Motor Grader:
  - Oil, Fuel, Air and Cab. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Hydraulic Short Post snow wing, 12' blade, Falls Model 2012ASP Short Post Hydraulic Wing, STD Cutting Edge, 4 port relief manifold, STD rear post, STD Buffer Brace or approved equal. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Slow moving vehicle sign on rear (triangle). \_\_\_\_\_



**Exceptions & Deviations**

Proposer shall fully describe every variance exception and/or deviation. List the item number here and fully explain any items in non-compliance with specification. Additional sheets may be used if required.

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**ADDITIONAL ITEMS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BASE BID PRICE (please identify those items below and include pricing).**

Additional Items not Included in Base Bid Price	Cost of Items

**Warranty**

Motor Grader:

Base Manufacture:

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Other Warranties that apply:

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**\*Please provide Warranty Protection documents explaining what is covered in the Complete Machine Warranty 5 years / 5000 hours\***

**Proposal Form**

**2024 Capital Motor Grader and Wing**

City of Fargo — Street Department

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Grader Make: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Wing Make: \_\_\_\_\_

Model: \_\_\_\_\_

**Motor Grader w/ Wing**

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Option:**

Complete Machine Warranty 5 years / 5000 Hours \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Delivery Date**

Number of days for delivery from date of order: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) (Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) (Phone)