



**Request for Proposal**  
**Tractor with Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower**  
**and Attachments**  
**December 4, 2023**

# City of Fargo Request for Proposal

The City of Fargo is requesting proposals for (1) tractor (1) Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower, (1) Rotary Angle Broom and (1) Drop Spreader. Sealed proposals will be received at [fargond.bonfirehub.com/](http://fargond.bonfirehub.com/) or 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 (1) Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower, (1) Rotary Angle Broom, and (1) Drop Spreader. Upon completion of the evaluation by the selection committee an order may be placed.

**Proposals will be received until 2:00 PM on December 4, 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:

### Operational Questions:

Mike Nitschke  
Operations Supervisor  
1800 North University Drive  
Fargo, ND 58102  
Phone(701) 298-2740  
E-Mail:[Mnitschke@fargodome.com](mailto:Mnitschke@fargodome.com)

### Equipment Specifications:

Tom Ganje  
Fleet Purchasing Manager  
402 23<sup>rd</sup> St N.  
Fargo, ND 58102  
(701) 241- 1460  
[Tganje@FargoND.gov](mailto:Tganje@FargoND.gov)

## 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.

**PROPOSER:** 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.

## **1.0 INTENT**

It is the intent of this specification to provide for the purchase of a new and unused (1) Tractor (1) Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower, (1) Rotary Angle Broom and (1) Drop Spreader to be used by the City of Fargo.

The City of Fargo has evaluated different styles of (1) Tractor (1) Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower, (1) Rotary Angle Broom and (1) Drop Spreader and has determined that this published specification is best suited for the City of Fargo's 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 Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower with Attachments 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 (1) Tractor (1) Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower, (1) Rotary Angle Broom and (1) Drop Spreader 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.

**5.0 SPECIFICATIONS**

**YES**

**NO**

**5.1 Engine**

- 1. Tier 4 final; liquid cooled; 3 cylinder diesel engine. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Minimum of 35 Gross HP. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Air cleaner will be dual element dry type with air restriction indicator. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Spin-on, throw-away type oil filter. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Spin-on fuel filter with water separator. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Minimum fuel tank capacity of 15 gallons. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Direct fuel injection. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8. Exhaust under engine hood and pointed directly away from the operator. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.2 Transmission**

- 1. Hydrostatic transmission. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Two (2) ranges, high and low, in forward and reverse. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. 4 wheel drive capabilities. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Dual speed range, high/low. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.3 Hydraulic system**

- 1. Open center system for wintertime operations. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Minimum pump capacity of 6gpm. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Hydraulic front two (2) point implement lift. \_\_\_\_\_

**YES**

**NO**

**5.4 Tires**

- 1. Front (drive) minimum of 26 x 12 -12 tubeless turf tires. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Rear (steering and 4wd) minimum of 20 x 10 -10 tubeless turf tires. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.5 Steering**

- 1. Wheel with tilt steering column. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Hydraulic power steering. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.6 Power take off**

- 1. Front PTO. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Shaft drive with PTO clutch. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Hydraulic wet multi discs. \_\_\_\_\_

**5.7 Cab**

- 1. Hand operated throttle. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Hydraulic implement lift. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Hour meter, fuel gauge, engine oil pressure gauge, coolant temp gauge and warning indicator lights. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. High back, deluxe adjustable air suspension seat, two adjustable armrests and a retractable seatbelt. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. Factory installed cab closed enclosure with ROPS. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Interior and exterior rear view mirrors. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Multiple speed windshield wipers. \_\_\_\_\_

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|--|------------|-----------|
| 8. Front and rear warning lights and turn signals. | _____      | _____     |
| 9. AM/FM/Bluetooth radio.                          | _____      | _____     |
| 10. Full HVAC heating and air-conditioning.        | _____      | _____     |
| 11. Cruise control and speed control.              | _____      | _____     |

**5.8 General**

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| 1. Standard factory counterweight package.                       | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Two forward facing LED working lights on cab, fuse protected. | _____ | _____ |

**5.9 Front Mounted Rotary Mower**

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| 1. Mower deck will be 60" wide with an overall maximum width of the attachment of 66". | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Cutting height from (1) one to (6) six inches.                                      | _____ | _____ |
| 3. Flat-free caster wheels.  | _____ | _____ |
| 4. Front and rear gauge wheels.  | _____ | _____ |
| 5. Belt shield.  | _____ | _____ |
| 6. Minimum blade tip speed of 14,000FPM.   | _____ | _____ |
| 7. Rear discharge.   | _____ | _____ |

**6.0 60" Rotary Angle Broom**

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| 1. Minimum clearing width of 55" when broom is straight.                               | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Broom has hydraulic ability of being angled 25° in each direction. (right and left) | _____ | _____ |

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
3. Polypropylene brush will be minimum of 24" in diameter.	_____	_____
4. Brush operational speed minimum 200RPM.	_____	_____
5. Telescoping drive shaft.	_____	_____
6. Attachment will come equipped with storage stand.	_____	_____
7. Ability to spin brush forward and backwards.	_____	_____

**6.1 Rear Mounted Drop Spreader**

1. Includes mounting hardware and wiring harnesses.	_____	_____
2. Stainless steel hopper to eliminate corrosion.	_____	_____
3. Minimum of 4 cubic foot of material capacity.	_____	_____
4. Vibration motor to eliminate material bridging.	_____	_____
5. Maximum rotary speed of 7RPM.	_____	_____
6. Operational controls mounted in cab of tractor.	_____	_____

**6.2 Additional Items**

Vendor can supply tractor, rotary mower, rotary angle broom and rear mounted drop spreader.

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**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 including price:**

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**Extended Warranty Options including price:**

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**Tractor Warranty:**

Base Manufacture: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Engine: \_\_\_\_\_

Hydraulics: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Base Attachment Warranty:**

Rotary Mower: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary Angle Broom: \_\_\_\_\_

Drop Spreader: \_\_\_\_\_

**Proposal Sheet**

**2024 Commercial Front Mounted Rotary Mower with Attachments**  
City of Fargo

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Tractor**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attachments**

**Rotary Mower:**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \_\_\_\_\_

**Rotary Angle Broom:**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \_\_\_\_\_

**Drop Spreader:**

Make: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Price including attachments** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Delivery Date:**

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Signature)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Title)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Date)*

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*(Phone)*