#### **RFB 23-45 Questions and Answers**

#### 1. What is the budgeted amount for the project?

GUC does not provide budgeted amounts for projects.

2. Is there an estimated dollar amount for this project? Bidders are responsible for providing a bid value for this project. GUC does not provide

#### bid estimates for projects.

## 3. Will the trees to be removed be marked by a representative from GUC before the bid so the contractor has a better understanding of which trees exactly are to be removed?

All trees should already be marked with silver tags. In the event a tag is not on a tree, a GUC representative will work with the contractor to identify the tree during the project. The bid documents listing the number of trees per parcel shall be used for bidding purposes, tags in the field should be used as a reference.

4. Just to clarify is there a bid or performance bond with this contract. Page 12 of 27 states that there is a 5 percent bid bond and page 15 of 27 has n/a filled in on the bond sections. Yes, a Revision was sent out on 9/28/2023. (Please replace the original RFB 23-45 that you received with the attached RFB 23-45 REV1.)

5. What are the stump removal specs. Examples-depth of grinding, exclusion zones around utilities and is stump mulch to be removed and be back filled with topsoil? Stumps shall be ground to a minimum of 12" below grade, additional grinding may be required depending on tree size and stump depth. The contractor and Engineer will discuss potential impacts of UG utilities for each occurrence. Stump mulch shall be removed and back filled with topsoil.

#### 6. Define remove stump and "landscape".

Stump and stump mulch shall be removed and backfilled with topsoil. Topsoil shall be used as back fill and landscaped to be level with the surrounding area.

#### 7. On the tree removals, are we required to remove the wood or simple chip the

#### brush? (assumes a maintained area)

Per the bid, "All tree and debris generated by the Contractor from tree removal shall be chipped and removed from the site." This includes debris that is too large to be chipped.

#### 8. In non-maintained areas, can we leave debris in place?

In non-maintained areas chipping debris from that parcel can be left in the right of way but must be smoothed out level with the surrounding ground. All debris too large to chip shall be removed from the site. Debris from maintained parcels shall not be transported and dumped on non-maintained parcels. It is the contractor's responsibility to properly dispose of trees and chips.

# 9. What is the expectation around landscaping when doing a stump removal? See question 6.

### 10. Is stump grinding adequate for all stump removals?

Stump grinding is an adequate method for stump removal.