

COUNTY OF DELAWARE
ADDENDUM # 1
MITIGATING TREE HAZARDS IN DELAWARE COUNTY PARKS (ePAR-021126)

The County of Delaware advertised on the County of Delaware's website/PennBid and in the Philadelphia Inquirer and Daily Times newspapers the Invitation to Bid for: MITIGATING TREE HAZARDS IN DELAWARE COUNTY PARKS (ePAR-021126) on Friday, January 23, 2025. Submissions are to be received via PennBid on Wednesday, February 11, 2025 @ 11:00 a.m.

*****BID QUESTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS AND ANSWERS*****

- **COSTS SHOULD ASSUME REMOVAL OF CHIPS FROM THE SITE.**
- **APPENDIX A HAS BEEN UPDATED TO REFLECT CLARIFICATIONS FROM QUESTIONS.**
- **ATTACHMENT B HAS BEEN UPDATED TO REFLECT NUMBER OF TREES AT SMEDLEY PARK FOR REMOVAL GOING FROM THREE (3) TO TWO (2) DUE TO TREE HAVING FALLEN SINCE BIDDING PROCESS BEGAN.**

Question #1: Rose Tree Park has 2 trees to be removed under section A #1-1. Please update

Answer: There is only one tree to be cut and fully removed from Rose Tree Park. It is located between the amphitheater and Leedom. The second tree near that tree is detailed in section A 1-3, "remove dead branches from healthy tree – marked with blue line."

Question #2: Missing Martin Park details in Appendix A. Please update.

Answer: The tree is adjacent to the property located at 640 Farnum Road. The property owner is permitting access to the tree. Please coordinate with the Parks and Recreation Department if any issues are encountered. Appendix A has been updated to reflect this information.

Question #3: In order to safely remove the trees along Bridge St in Kent Park, we are requesting a road closure permit that affects two dwellings and a business at 4000 Bridge St. Road closure would be anticipated at 4 hours.

Answer: If permitting is necessary for the removal of any trees, that is acceptable. Successful bidder will be responsible for obtaining permits from the relevant entities for the closure and notifying the occupants in the affected areas to ensure minimal disruptions. All permitting costs must be incorporated into the cost of the bid.

Question #4: Kent Park- Darby Creek Trail tree, Section C #3-2 shows "Cut branches/top and Leave On-Site. PDF says "Cut and Remove entire tree". Satellite maps says "Cut down branches and remove, leave trunk standing. Seeking clarity of Kent Park tree near trail.

Answer: Leave trunk standing, cut and remove branches/top of tree.

Question #5: PDF shows three trees for complete removal & two trees cut down and left on site. Bid table shows three trees for complete removal & three trees cut down and left on site. Please advise.

Answer: Smedley Park – the third tree in the bid table came down after it was written. The CORRECT NUMBERS are two (2) trees to be cut down and left on site, two (2) trees to remove completely. Attachment B has been adjusted accordingly.

Question #6: 5 trees are marked, but PDF shows only 4 trees in pictures at the bird sanctuary entrance. Please clarify number of trees to be removed.

Answer: There are only four (4) Trees to be cut at the bird Sanctuary.

Question #7: There is a large Red Oak to be felled and left on site behind the condos. This tree will cause damage to surrounding mature trees and juvenile trees. Also, an adjacent maple tree will need to be felled (not on the removal list) to gain a felling path that reduces overall damage to surrounding trees. Is this acceptable?

Answer: Yes, it is acceptable, but it is not a requirement of the bid. If removal of the maple tree represents a more cost-effective solution than other options for safely felling the tree, please incorporate that cost in the appropriate section and notify the Parks and Recreation department before proceeding.

Question #8: For trees that are being cut but left standing and left onsite, how would you like them cut and what height should they be cut to?

Answer: Please, leave the trunk standing at approximately 8-10 ft. or, if needed, at a lower height that will not cause damage or present a safety hazard. If after commencing work, the tree is found to be in a more advanced state of decay and/or will not remain standing at or below 8-10 ft. please notify park staff so they can authorize complete removal.