

April 23, 2024

RE: Request for Qualification (RFQ) 2024-RR-16 – Tree Trimming & Grounds Maintenance College-wide

On Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 3:00pm, the College Purchasing Department received electronic proposal responses thru BidNet related to Request for Qualification (RFQ) 2024-RR-16 – Tree Trimming & Grounds Maintenance College-wide.

Proposals were received from the following eleven (11) proposers related to the above aforementioned RFQ; they are listed in alphabetical order:

- ALEVON GREEN, LLC
- ARBORCARE INC.
- ARBORIBUS DELUXE LLC
- BRIGHTVIEW LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC.
- NEXT GREEN WISE GROUP
- NEXT MONARCH TREE SERVICES
- NATEXPERTS
- NEXT SFM SERVICES, INC.
- SUPERIOR LANDSCAPINGLAWN SVC
- TROPICAL SOUTH LANDSCAPING INC. DBA TROPICAL SOUTH TREE SERVICES
- VISUALSCAPE INC.

The Purchasing Department will be reviewing the proposals received. Upon completing Purchasing's initial evaluation, all responsive and responsible proposals will be provided to the Evaluation Committee for their review, ranking and final recommendation. All scheduled meetings will be announced and posted on the College's Purchasing website under Bid Postings and on BidNet under the "Communications" tab.

Any Vendor, or any persons or entities acting on the behalf of any Vendor, may not contact the College President, any College Trustee, College Foundation or its Board members, any employee of the College or any employee of any College Trustee concerning any aspect of a Solicitation, from the release of the Solicitation through the end of the 72-hour period, as provided for in section 120.57(3), Fla. Stat., following the action on the recommended award by the College's District Board of Trustees.

Except as otherwise specifically provided for by the Solicitation, all communications to the College concerning any aspect of the Solicitation during the foregoing time period must be made in writing and only to the College's assigned Purchasing Department officer or the College's Office of Legal Affairs. It is the responsibility of the Vendor to advise any person or entity authorized to act on its behalf of this requirement. A violation of this provision shall be grounds for rejecting a response.

This provision shall be referred to as the "Cone of Silence".

Any questions related to the procurement process shall be addressed to: **Ronald Rodriguez** Purchasing Buyer, rrodri23@mdc.edu