

BID REGISTRATION

You MUST register using this form in order to receive notice of any addenda to these documents. Please email the completed form to the Administration Department as soon as possible. It is the vendor's responsibility to verify if addenda have been issued.

Bid Number and Title: 2025-06: Jungle Road Park Landscaping Services – Butterfly Garden

Receiving Period: November 26, 2025 prior to 2:00 p.m. (Please note that UPS and Fed EX do not guarantee next day delivery before 2:00 pm in this zip code)

Bid Opening: November 26, 2025, 2:00 p.m.

Mandatory Site Visit: November 12, 2025, 2:00 p.m.

This form is for bid registration only. Please scroll down for additional information.

BIDDER REGISTRATION
EMAIL THIS FORM IMMEDIATELY TO
maakhus@townofedistobeach.com

Carefully complete this form and email it to the Administration Department. You must submit one form for each bid being registered.

Company Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: State: Zip Code: _____

Phone: E-mail: _____

Cut along the outer border and affix this label to your sealed bid envelope to identify it as a "Sealed Bid." Be sure to include the name of the company submitting the bid where requested.

SEALED BID • DO NOT OPEN

SEALED BID NO.: 2025-06

BID TITLE: Jungle Road Landscaping Services

DUE DATE/TIME: November 26, 2025, prior to 2:00 PM.

SUBMITTED BY: _____
(Name of Company)

DELIVER TO: Town of Edisto Beach
Administration Department
2414 Murray Street
Edisto Beach, South Carolina 29438



**Town of Edisto Beach
Administration Department
Mark Aakhus
RFP #2025-06**

**Jungle Road Park Landscaping Services –
Butterfly Garden**

The Town of Edisto Beach is seeking proposals from qualified contractors for the turn-key installation and ongoing maintenance of an irrigated butterfly garden at Jungle Road Park. This project will enhance the park's natural beauty, provide ecological and educational benefits, and create a welcoming public space that supports pollinator species.

The selected contractor will be responsible for design, soil preparation, planting, irrigation, educational signage, warranty, and ongoing maintenance of the garden.

Sealed bids will be received in the Administration Department, **prior to 2:00 p.m., November 26, 2025**. Bids will be opened at 2:00 p.m., November 26, 2025.

A **mandatory** site visit will be held on **November 12, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. at Jungle Road Park** located at 107 Jungle Road in the Town of Edisto Beach, SC 29438.

Attached are important instructions and specifications regarding responses to this Bid. Failure to follow these instructions could result in Bid disqualification.

Bids may be mailed, express mailed, or hand delivered to:

**Town of Edisto Beach
Administration Department
2414 Murray Street
Edisto Beach, South Carolina 29438
(843) 869-2505**

BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS: To ensure acceptance of this bid, follow these instructions.

BID DOCUMENTS MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT PRIOR TO 2:00 P.M. ON THE DATE SPECIFIED. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.

1. **EXECUTION OF BID:** Bid must contain an original signature of an authorized representative in the space provided on the signature page. Bid must be typed or printed in black ink. Erasable ink is not permitted. Corrections made by bidder to any bid entry must be initialed by the person who signs the bid.
2. **BID OPENING:** It is the responsibility of the bidder to assure that their bid is delivered at the proper time and place prior to the bid opening. All bid openings shall be public, at 2:00 p.m., on the date specified in the Notice to Bidders. Bids, which for any reason are not so delivered, will not be considered. **Bids must be submitted in hard copy only. Electronic or faxed submittals will not be accepted.**
NOTE: Bidders may call the Administration Department for bid results. The telephone number is (843) 869-2505 extension 212. Bid files may be examined during normal working hours by appointment.
3. **TAXES:** Bidders are responsible for the payment of any applicable taxes that are connected to the purchase of any materials or subcontractors used in the execution of this bid.
4. **MISTAKES:** Bidders are required to examine the specifications, delivery schedule, bid prices and all instructions pertaining to the requirements of this bid. Failure to do so will be at bidder's risk. In case of a mistake in extension of a unit price, the unit price will govern. Corrections made by bidder to any bid entry must be initialed by the person who signs the bid.
5. **INVOICING AND PAYMENT:** The successful bidder shall submit a properly certified invoice to the Town at the prices bid. **An original invoice shall be submitted to the Town of Edisto Beach, Administration Department, at 2414 Murray Street, Edisto Beach, South Carolina, 29438.** The vendor shall include the bid number and/or the purchase order number on all invoices. Invoices will be processed for payment when approved by the user department.
6. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** All bidders must disclose, with their bid, the name of any officer, director or agent who is also an employee of the Town or any of their agencies. Furthermore, all bidders must disclose the name of any Town employee who owns, directly or indirectly, any interest of any amount in the bidder's firms or any of their branches.
7. **WARRANTY:** Unless otherwise specified, the bidder agrees that the services furnished under this bid shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranty the bidder gives to any customer for comparable services, and that the rights and remedies provided herein are in addition to and do not limit any rights afforded to the Town by any other provision of this bid. Regardless, all projects are warrantied for one year from date of completion.

8. **ADDENDUM:** Any changes in the bid shall be made in the form of a written addendum by the User Department. No other person shall be authorized to make changes verbally or in writing. If an addendum is issued, the addendum sheet must be signed by the bidder and emailed to maakhus@townofedistobeach.com.
9. **LIABILITY:** The vendor shall hold and save the Town, its officers, agents and employees harmless from liability of any kind in the performance of this bid and against claims by third parties resulting from the supplier's breach of contract or the supplier's negligence.
10. **PATENTS AND ROYALTIES:** The bidder, without exception, shall indemnify and save harmless the Town and its employees from liability of any nature or kind, including cost and expenses for, or on account of, any copyrighted, patented or non-patented invention, process, or article manufactured and used in the performance of this bid. If the bidder uses any design, device or material covered by letters, patent or copyright, it is mutually agreed and understood without exception that the bid prices shall include all royalties or cost arising from the use of such design, device or material in any way involved in the work.
11. **SEALED BIDS:** All bid submittals must be completed and submitted in a sealed parcel. **(DO NOT INCLUDE MORE THAN ONE BID SUBMITTAL PER ENVELOPE. BID SUBMITTAL SHALL INCLUDE ONE (1) ORIGINAL)** The **Original** bid submittal(s) shall be submitted on the forms provided by the Town of Edisto Beach. All bids are subject to the conditions herein; failure to comply will subject bid to rejection.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **DEFINITIONS:** The term "Town" means the Town of Edisto Beach, South Carolina, and its authorized designees, agents or employees.
2. **AWARD(S):** The award of this bid shall be based on low bid meeting specifications and other criteria as specifically called out in this document. As the best interest of the town may require, the right is reserved to make award(s) by individual item, group of items or as indicated in the bid form; to reject all bids or waive any minor irregularities or technicalities in bids received. The Town will not accept the bid of vendors or contractors who are delinquent in the payment of taxes, licenses, or any other money due by them to the Town. This solicitation does not commit the Town to award a vendor or to pay for any costs incurred in the preparation of the bid; or to procure or contract for any articles of goods or services. In determining the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in addition to price, the following may be considered:

The ability, capacity, equipment and skill of the bidder to fulfill the contract. Whether or not the bidder can fulfill the contract within the time specified, without delay or interference. The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder. The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws and ordinances relating to the contract. The sufficiency of the financial resources to fulfill the contract to provide the goods and/or services. The quality, availability and adaptability of the suppliers or contractual services to the particular use required. The ability of the bidder to provide future maintenance and service, as required or needed. The number and scope of conditions attached to the bid. Whether the bidder has failed to fully perform prior contracts to the Town's satisfaction, or is past due, delinquent, or owes the Town any money of any type.

3. **NON-CONFORMANCE TO BID CONDITIONS:** Services not delivered as per delivery date in bid and purchase order may result in bidder being found in default, in which event any and all re-procurement costs may be charged against the defaulting vendor. This non-conformance to bid conditions may result in immediate cancellation of the purchase order.
4. **ASSIGNMENT:** Any contract issued pursuant to this bid and the monies which may become due herein is not assignable except with the prior written approval of the Town Administrator.
5. **DISPUTES:** In the event of any doubt or difference of opinion as to the methods provided herein, or the level of performance rendered, the decision of the user department director shall be final and binding on both parties.
6. **PLACING OF ORDERS:** The award of this bid does not constitute an order. Before any services can be performed, the successful bidder must receive written or oral notification in accordance with the practices of the User Department.
7. **PRECEDENCE:** Any requirement set forth in any section of the bid documents shall be binding as if called for by all sections. If there is a difference in the terms anywhere in this document, the most restrictive shall prevail.
8. **ADDITIONS/REVISIONS/DELETIONS:** Additions, revisions or deletions to the general conditions, specifications or bid price sheets that change the intent of the bid will cause the bid to be non-responsive and the bid will not be considered. The Town Administrator shall be the sole judge as to whether any addition, revision or deletion changes the intent of the bid.
9. **TERMINATION/SUSPENSION:** The Town Administrator reserves the right to terminate or suspend the award of this bid, in whole or in part, when it is in the best interest of the Town to do so. The Town Administrator will notify the vendor, in writing, of any such action with notice of the effective date of termination or suspension. This notice shall also specify the state of the work at the time of termination or suspension. If the User Department determines that the performance of the vendor does not comply with the bid requirements, the division may:
 - a. Immediately suspend the work; and
 - b. Notify the vendor of the non-performance with a requirement that the deficiency be corrected within ten (10) days of notification.
10. **PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS:** The specifications and other bid documents upon which the prices in the vendor's bid proposal are based on, are hereby made a part of the purchase order by reference hereto.
11. **PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BOND:** If a bond is required, it will be called out in the Special Conditions section of the bid. The vendor shall furnish a performance and payment bond, in an amount equal to the amount awarded, as security for the faithful performance and payment of all the vendor's obligations under the bid documents. The bond shall remain in effect at least until one year after the date when final payment becomes due, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations or by the bid documents. All bonds shall be in the form prescribed by the bid document except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, U.S. Treasury Department and A.M. Best rated A VIII or better.
12. **UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN(S):** The vendor agrees that unauthorized aliens shall not be

employed nor utilized in the performance of the requirements of this solicitation. The Town shall consider the employment or utilization of unauthorized aliens a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Naturalization Act (8 U.S.C. 1324a). Such violation shall be cause for unilateral termination of this Agreement by the Town.

Employers may avail themselves of a program by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement called E-Verify. E-Verify is an Internet-based system operated by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), part of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in partnership with the Social Security Administration (SSA). E-Verify is currently free to employers. E-Verify provides an automated link to Federal databases to help employers determine employment eligibility of new hires and the validity of their Social Security numbers.

If your company wishes to avail themselves of this program, you can register online for E-Verify at <https://www.e-verify.gov/employers>, which provides instructions for completing the registration process. At the end of the registration process, you will be required to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that provides the terms of agreement between you as the employer, the SSA, and DHS. An employee who has signatory authority for the employer can sign the MOU. Employers can use their discretion in identifying the best method by which to sign up their locations for E-Verify. To find out more about E-Verify, please visit <https://www.e-verify.gov/employers>.

13. **ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS:** The vendor acknowledges that the Town, during any fiscal year, shall not expend money, incur any liability, or enter into any agreement which, by its terms, involves the expenditure of money in excess of the amounts budgeted or the reduction of revenues for those budgeted agreements that may be available for expenditure during such fiscal year. Any agreement, verbal or written, made in violation of this subsection is null and void, and no money may be paid on such agreement. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the making of agreements for a period exceeding one year, but any agreement so made shall be executory only for the value of the services to be rendered or agreed to be paid for in succeeding fiscal years. Accordingly, the Town's performance and obligation to pay under this agreement is contingent upon annual appropriation.
14. The Town does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or in the provision of goods and services.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

1. **CONTAMINATION:** Any equipment that is leaking fuel, lubricant, coolant, hydraulic fluid or any other hazardous material shall immediately be repaired by the Contractor to stop the leak. The Contractor shall clean up and dispose of any leaked fluids according to all applicable laws, ordinances, rules and regulations within 24-hours of occurrence. All repairs, removal, clean-up and/or disposal shall be at no cost to the Town.
2. **PERMITS:** The Contractor is responsible for obtaining all permits and licenses. The costs for any permits or licenses shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.
3. **SITE:** The Contractor is responsible for providing a waste dumpster and temporary restroom facility, if applicable.
4. **INSURANCE:** The Contractor is responsible for procuring and maintaining for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors. A Certificate of Insurance evidencing referenced coverages is to be submitted to the Town of Edisto Beach prior to being awarded any business. See attached Certificate of Insurance request for minimum insurance requirements
5. **SAFETY:** The Contractor is responsible for providing for the safety of all Contractor's or subcontractors personnel working in the Project Area.
6. **WORK AREA CLEAN-UP REQUIREMENTS**
 - a. During the progress of the Work, the Contractor shall keep the premises and maintained travel lanes free from accumulations of waste, discarded or surplus material, rubbish and other debris or contaminants resulting from the Work.
 - b. Following completion of the Work, Contractor shall remove all waste material, rubbish and debris from and about the premises as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment, machinery and surplus material. The Contractor shall leave the site clean and ready for occupancy by the Town at substantial completion of the Work.
7. **WARRANTY:** Unless otherwise specified, the bidder agrees that the services furnished under this bid shall be covered by the most favorable commercial warranty the bidder gives to any customer for comparable services, and that the rights and remedies provided herein are in addition to and do not limit any rights afforded to the Town by any other provision of this bid. Regardless, all projects are warrantied for one year from date of completion.
8. **INVOICE PAYMENTS**

By signing and submitting an invoice the Contractor certifies that all work and/or materials have been completed in accordance with the Bid Documents.
9. **FINAL INVOICE:** Payment of final invoice will be issued only upon final completion of the work as signed off by the User Department and upon submission of any applicable releases of liens, material documentation, warranties, etc.
10. **HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL:** If historical or archaeological artifacts are discovered at any time on the project site, the Contractor must notify the Town. The Contractor shall follow any rules or requests from agencies with jurisdiction. If required to stop work, delay work or perform extra work in the affected area, delays and additional costs will be considered an unforeseen difficulty.

11. PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BOND: A Performance and a Payment Bond are required for all projects over \$50,000 for 100% of the contract price. The vendor shall furnish a performance and payment bond, in an amount equal to the amount awarded, as security for the faithful performance and payment of all the vendor's obligations under the bid documents. The bond shall remain in effect at least until one year after the date when final payment becomes due, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations or by the bid documents. All bonds shall be in the form prescribed by the bid document except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, U.S. Treasury Department and A.M. Best rated A VIII or better.

1. Project Introduction and Background

The Town of Edisto Beach is seeking proposals from qualified contractors for the turn-key installation and ongoing maintenance of an irrigated butterfly garden at Jungle Road Park. This project will enhance the park's natural beauty, provide ecological and educational benefits, and create a welcoming public space that supports pollinator species.

The selected contractor will be responsible for design, soil preparation, planting, irrigation, educational signage, warranty, and ongoing maintenance of the garden.

2. Project Goals

- Establish a sustainable, pollinator-friendly butterfly garden using native and regionally adapted plants.
- Provide an engaging public amenity supported by interpretive signage.
- Ensure the long-term health and beauty of the garden through an effective maintenance program.

3. Scope of Work

The selected contractor shall provide all labor, equipment, and materials necessary to prepare, install, and maintain the garden in accordance with the specifications outlined below.

Irrigation:

- Inspect and connect to existing infrastructure
- Install irrigation lines, heads, and controllers

Garden Preparation:

- Soil sampling and amendments
- Define planting areas (throughout Jungle Road Park and the Trailhead Kiosk located across Jungle Road at the Jungle Road Park Parking Lot)

Garden Installation:

- Collaborate on plant selection
- Provide planting plan and layout
- Install plants and signage

Warranty:

- 1-year warranty on all installed plants and irrigation systems and installation

Maintenance:

- Ongoing maintenance including weeding, pruning, mulching, pest management, fertilization, etc.
- Town will maintain irrigation system. Contractor to let Town know of any irrigation maintenance needs.

4. Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Points
Project Understanding & Approach	15
Relevant Experience & Qualifications	15
Plant Selection, Proposed Planting Area & Signage Concept	20
Maintenance Plan	15
Warranty & Guarantee	5
Cost Proposal	30

Total Possible Points: 100

5. Proposal Submission Requirements

All proposals must include the following sections:

1. Cover Letter outlining Project Understanding & Approach
2. Planting Plan/Area & Signage Concept
3. Maintenance Plan
4. Qualifications & Experience
5. Warranty
6. Cost Proposal (use cost table provided)
7. Insurance & Licensing

Pre-Bid Site Visit (Mandatory): November 12, 2025, 2:00 p.m. (Jungle Road Park)

Additional Information:

- o ***ALL PROPOSALS SHALL BE VALID FOR 90 DAYS.***

By signing this proposal, contractor certifies site visit, verifies site conditions and dimensions, and is responsible for the complete work pertaining to site conditions. It is the responsibility of the contractor to verify any quantities provided by the Town.

Direct Questions to Mark Aakhus at maakhus@townofedistobeach.com.

Site Cleanup

1. Following completion of the work, Contractor shall remove all waste material, rubbish and debris from and about the premises as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment, machinery and surplus material. The Contractor shall leave the site clean and ready for occupancy by the Town at substantial completion of the work.

BID SHEET BID NO. 2025-06
BID TITLE: Jungle Road Park Landscaping Services

Turn-Key Installation (includes all project components except signage, irrigation, and annual maintenance):

Signage: _____

Irrigation: _____

Annual Maintenance: _____

CONTRACTOR _____
Authorized Representative

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

By signing this I, _____, certify I have performed a site visit, verified site conditions and dimensions, and am responsible for the complete work pertaining to site conditions. It is my responsibility to verify any quantities provided by the Town.

Signature

Date

Print Name

CONTRACTOR _____
Authorized Representative

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

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TOWN OF EDISTO BEACH CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE REQUEST

In accordance with your agreement with the Town of Edisto Beach, a Certificate of Insurance evidencing the below referenced coverages is to be submitted to the Town of Edisto Beach prior to any services being performed.

The Certificate of Insurance must evidence the following coverages, and/or terms and conditions (these are minimum requirements) as marked below:

- ☐ Provide a Cancellation Clause giving 30 days prior written notice in the event of cancellation, non-renewal or material change in policy.
- ☐ Name the Town of Edisto Beach as Additional Insured.
- ☐ An Insurance Company Rating Classification of A+, A or A- (Excellent) with financial assets of at least \$100 million.
- ☐ **General Liability** – Commercial General Liability Limit for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$2,000,000 aggregate other than products/completed operations. \$2,000,000 aggregate for products/completed operations.
- ☐ **Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability** – Workers' Compensation limits as required by the laws of the State of South Carolina and Employers' Liability limits of \$500,000 per accident.
- ☐ **Automobile Liability** – \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- ☐ **Umbrella Liability** – Combined Single Limit for bodily Injury, Property Damage, Personal & Advertising Injury of \$1,000,000 including Products/Completed Operations and Contractual.
- ☐ Certificate Holder should read:
Town of Edisto Beach, 2414 Murray Street, Edisto Beach, SC 29438

Please email Certificate of Insurance to the attention of:

Mark Aakhus

maakhus@townofedistobeach.com

and follow with original via mail to same at:
Town of Edisto Beach, 2414 Murray Street,
Edisto Beach, SC 29438

**PLEASE PROVIDE W-9 and obtain a
business license**