



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NIAGARA FALLS

**REQUEST FOR TENDER - SERVICES
RFT5-2019
CITY-WIDE BEAUTIFICATION
LANDSCAPING MATERIALS & SERVICES**

SECTION 3: SPECIFICATIONS

1. GUARANTEE

- a) The contractor must guarantee all workmanship and materials for a period of three (3) weeks from date of completed work.
- b) All work must meet the approval of the City Representative or designate. Otherwise the City may request the plants be changed or removed at the contractor's expense.
- c) Damaged or inferior material will be rejected by the City Representative or designate.

2. SITE PREPARATION

- a) The contractor is responsible for obtaining and /or verifying all required plant locations prior to installing any plants.
- b) All debris (dead plant material, litter, etc.) from inside and around the flower beds & planters will be removed from site.

3. ANNUAL/PERENNIAL BEDS

- a) The contractor shall **loosen soil to a depth of six (6) inches** in areas where plant material will be planted.
- b) The contractor is to take every precaution to ensure the irrigation system is not damaged. Any and all costs occurred from repairing or replacing any damage caused by the Contractor to the irrigation system will be charged to the contractor. The City will have the damaged irrigation system repaired/replaced immediately and all costs will be deducted from the contractor's payment.
- c) The contractor is responsible for removing/eliminating weeds and unwanted plant material prior to planting. Extra care will be taken to remove bindweed in corner flower beds at A13 - Falls Ave (aka Roberts St. or 420 Highway) @ Stanley Ave.
- d) Some beds will require additional soil to supplement what is already there. **This will especially be the case at streetscape beds, but not limited to - A4, A5, A6, A9 (Bench), A10 (sign), A12, A19 (all), A20, A21 A22, A25 (enlarge bed), A 28, and A29 (all), where salt & sand has mixed in with existing soil, or large amounts of clay exist. The City will provide the soil and the Contractor will deliver and install. NEW, A30-A34 (construction of beds to take place in 2019, exact timeline is unknown, once constructed maintenance will begin).**

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- e) Maintenance Cemeteries seeking bi-weekly rate to maintain the beds at Fairview Cemetery and Lundy's Lane Cemetery. Maintenance works are **OPTIONAL** and may be enacted or removed at the discretion of the City. See schedule G.

4. RAISED PLANTERS

- a) Nine planters contain 2550 Spring bulbs - (B1, B2, B3, B6, B7, B11, B12, B13 & B14). The Contractor shall remove the bulbs, after the blooms have diminished, and deliver to the City Representative at Fairview Cemetery.
- b) The contractor shall follow this process when preparing the Raised Planters:
 - i) loosen the top six (6) inches through hand cultivation.
 - ii) supply and install soilless mix on top of existing soil to a depth of 2" below the top of the planter
 - iii) add granular 30-30-30 slow release fertilizer to the top 1" of soil. The application is 1.5 cups per 36 square inches of soil.