Cherokee Nation Entertainment, LLC. (CNE), a wholly owned tribal company of the Cherokee Nation, is seeking proposals from qualified bidders for Lawn Care/Landscaping for our South Coffeyville, Oklahoma location. Site visits are required and may be arranged by contacting buyer, Rebecca Scheufler, at email below.

All bids are due at 5:00 PM, March 14, 2025.

PLEASE SUBMIT BIDS TO: Rebecca Scheufler, email <a href="rebecca,scheufler@cnent.com">rebecca,scheufler@cnent.com</a>. Bids received after the bid closing will be rejected. It is the intention of Owner that if an acceptable proposal is received, the selected firm will be notified in writing within 10 business days of bid opening. Any bid received after the time set for opening of Bids, shall not be considered and will be returned. It is the intention of CNE that if an acceptable bid is received, the Contract will be awarded by within 30 days of bid opening. Please note that winning bid(s) will be published. CNE reserves the right to issue one award, multiple awards, or reject all bids. All bids are subject to negotiation prior to award. Awards may be issued without discussion of bid received, and bids should initially be submitted on the most favorable terms from price and technical standpoint. Any award resulting from this Bid/Proposal will be subject to CNE Terms and Conditions. Your bid should indicate hourly (\$) rate (when applicable), individual work effort, delivery schedule or time of completion. Any item(s) with exceptions, substitutions, exclusions, additions or qualifications must be noted and clearly indicated on return bid.

This procurement is subject to Cherokee Nation Tribal Employment Rights Office ("TERO") regulations that include a fee of ½ of 1% of total contract award and, if applicable, the completion of a TERO Labor Agreement and payment of associated fees. The successful bidder's award will be published on the Cherokee Nation's procurement website and their performance will also be measured, recorded, and reported to the Cherokee Nation. The complete Act is available by contacting the TERO OFFICE at Tahlequah 918-453-5000. TERO bidders are required to provide a copy, front and back, of their TERO certificate with return bid(s) and failure to do so will result in such bidders not receiving the TERO preferences afforded TERO bidders under the CNE procurement and contracting policies and procedures.

CHEROKEE NATION GAMING COMMISSION (CNGC) - This requirement may be subject to CNGC policies and procedures. Licensing requirements may be required of the successful vendor(s) to be coordinated with the CNGC. These requirements may include licensing fees as well security and background checks of vendor(s) employees. Current policies and procedures can be found on the Cherokee Nation website or by contacting the CNGC office at 918-431-4116.

BONDING NOTICE CNE generally requires payment and performance bonds for all construction contracts in excess of \$100,000. However, qualified TERO-certified firms are encouraged to bid, regardless of bonding capability.

By submitting a response to this Request for Proposal, the Contractor certifies to the best of their knowledge and belief that the Subcontractor, the firm, or any of its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, or proposed for debarment by any federal, state, local or tribal entity. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined the Subcontractor rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to CNB or its entities, CNB may terminate the contract resulting from this Request for Proposal for default.

In accordance with Cherokee Nation Law, 28 C.N.C.A. §20 no contractors or subcontractors of any Cherokee Nation entity may contract with any business owned by a first degree relative of any elected official of the Cherokee Nation.

## Scope of Work

Generally, Contractor shall provide all labor, materials, equipment, tools and services required to provide

full, professional lawn and landscaping maintenance and installation at Company's Property (the "Work"),

Specifically, the Work shall include the following:

1. Base Services. Contractor shall perform the following Work on the Property on a weekly basis at

the minimum, and more frequently as required by weather and growing conditions:

## A. Turf Maintenance:

- Mowing, edging, blowing, and trimming of all turf areas.
- Mowing height to be based on the season and what is horticulturally correct for the turf variety.
- Mowing frequency shall be as required to maintain a lawn in the manner acceptable to Company's Representative or designee (max height of 3") **Zone B.**
- Never scalp the lawn or remove more than 1/3 of the existing top growth in one mowing
  - during excessive periods of growth or after extended periods of rainfall, the turf is to be
  - lowered in the appropriate manner possibly requiring multiple cuts.
- Areas that are unable to be mowed due to being too wet should be weedeated and/or by any other means kept trimmed back to prevent unsightly overgrowth.
- Rutting due to wet conditions should be avoided
- Any unsightly or visible clippings which remain on the turf are to be promptly removed.
- **Zone B** Weed prevention/fertilization and mowing program to be applied.
- **Zone** A mowing height should be maintained at a max height of 6" (No weed prevention program and/or fertilization required for this area)
- **South Field** to be priced as mowed and/or "brush hogged" per complete mowing, not to be included in in monthly services. Mowing intervals will be determined by onsite management as an "as needed basis". (No weed prevention program and/or fertilization required for this area)

## B. Shrub, Tree and Plant Maintenance:

- All suckers shall be continuously removed. Pruning for general cleanup of trees and shrubs is recommended in the fall/winter season. All pruning cuts are to be made flush ("stubbing" will not be allowed).
- Periodically prune trees as needed to protect pedestrians or vehicular traffic (trees in pedestrian areas to be pruned with the canopy at 7' or higher).
- All major pruning shall be done with the expressed authorization of Company's Representative or designee and may require Company Security assistance to reduce potential safety risk.
- Remove all dead branches and diseased foliage immediately.
- Remove insect or disease infected plant materials.
- All trimming and pruning shall be performed to acceptable standards, with the correct equipment. Care must be taken not to use "weed eater" type machinery against the trees (Company, in its sole discretion, may require Contractor to replace trees damaged by weed eaters).

# C. Turf and Bed Applications:

- Contractor shall notify Company's Representative before commencing any chemical
  application program and all chemicals used on the Property must be approved by
  Company's Representative and must conform to state or federal requirements.
  Material Safety Data Sheets for all chemicals used by Contractor on the Property shall be
  provided to Company's Representative.
- Contractor shall strictly adhere to all OSHA or other regulatory agency safety laws, chemical manufacturer's directions, and applicable Company policies and procedures in the use, storage and disposal of chemicals at the Property.
- Contractor is permitted to use such pesticides and chemicals as found necessary/advantageous. Chemicals shall be applied only by a properly licensed and approved pesticide applicator. Contractor shall provide Company with a current copy of the Oklahoma Agricultural Food and Forestry Division license that identifies the vendor as a certified applicator for the 3A Certified Applicator Category (Turf and Ornamental Outdoor).
- Contractor assumes all liability for damage and/or injury for use, storage and disposal of all chemical products or equipment.
- Contractor shall take all precautions necessary to eliminate chemical misuse, personal property damage, and/or damage to wildlife.
- Contractor shall notify owner in the event of any unusual circumstances regarding plant deterioration, wildlife death (mammal, fowl or fish) or other abnormal occurrences.
- All turf, beds and flowering shrubs shall be fed as needed (a minimum of two times and a maximum of three times per season) with a compatible fertilizer.
- Flower beds are to be cleaned and kept free of any debris and/or weeds.
- All turf shall be treated with a Spring pre-emergent and a Fall pre-emergent weed control.
- Turf and beds shall be spot treated for weeds as needed.
- Herbicide spray shall be used to prevent growth in paved areas or areas where vegetated growth is not permitted.

- D. All grass clippings, branches, cans, paper and other litter are to be removed from the landscape during the performance of the Work.
- E. Irrigation Irrigation system controls are to be properly maintained and operated. Appropriate timeframe for irrigation operation is from 2:00am to 8:00am in high traffic areas. Secondary areas can be operated outside of this timeframe with the permission of the Company's Representative.

## 2. Additional Services. Additional Services shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Irrigation Repair Repair of existing and installation of new irrigation systems
- Sod Repair of existing and/or installation of new sod as requested by Company.
- Mulch Mulch shall be placed annually in beds at a minimum of 2" in depth and as requested by Company.
- Seasonal Color Contractor shall, upon Company's request, procure standard and premium

flats of seasonal colors and install the seasonal colors as directed by Company. Company shall reimburse Contractor for Contractor's actual cost of the flats procured for installation on

Company's Property.

- Tree Planting Contractor shall, upon Company's request and direction, plant trees up to three inches (3") in diameter.
- Tree Removal Contractor shall, upon Company's request and direction, remove trees from

Company's Property.

- Aeration Contractor shall, upon Company's request, aerate any areas as directed by Company.
- Design and Installation Services Contractor shall, upon Company's request and direction,
  - design and install new landscaping on Property. Design services shall be performed by a certified landscape architect. Design and installation shall be performed within 24 hours

of

Company's request.

Other Callout Services – Company may request the lawn and landscaping services of
Contractor for projects not covered by the Base Services or the listed Additional Services.
Contractor shall provide Company with a cost estimate to perform the Callout Services.
Contractor shall not incur any costs or begin performing any Callout Services without

express

authorization from Company or Company's Representative.

# **Contractor's Fee**

1. Base Services. Contractor shall bill Company per month in advance for the Base Services.

	RATE
Base services for zone A & B (monthly rate)	
South field priced as per complete "brush	
hogging"	

2. Additional Services. Additional Services requested and/or approved in advance by Company's Representative shall be billed monthly in arrears at the following rates:

	RATE
Irrigation repair and installation	
Seeding grass	
Sod installation or replacement	
Mulch installation	
Seasonal color installation	
Spraying herbicide in paved and undesirable areas	
Tree planting or removal -Trees to be priced per quote	
Tree and shrub trimming	
Over seeding	
Aeration for turf as identified and requested by Company	
Skid steer with operator	
Brush hog with operator	

#### **Additional Terms and Conditions**

- 1. Contractor must notify Company's Representative of any damage to any property (CNE or private) caused by Contractor or Contractor's equipment.
- Contractor must provide Company with a copy of their Certificate of Liability Insurance (complying with Company's requirements) prior to commencement of Services.
   Contractor's employees shall wear uniform clothing that provides identification of the vendor
- Contractor's employees shall wear uniform clothing that provides identification of the vendor when working on CNE Property (No denim).
- 4. A Company work badge, supplied by Company Security, must be worn by all Contractor employees while on Property.
- 5. Contractor shall provide its employees with appropriate safety gear for the required work and thorough training in proper safety practices.
- 6. Contractor shall schedule all work with Company's Representative or designee (any alterations to
  - that schedule must be approved by the same designee).
- 7. Contractor shall protect the property of Company or Company's guests from all potential hazards.
- 8. Contractor shall own and properly maintain professional grade equipment in such quantity and quality that shall be sufficient to maintain the Property.
- 9. Contractor shall provide a minimum of six (6) full time employees including a competent onsite
- supervisor maintaining the Property during the in-season months (April through October) and
  - appropriate level of staff to maintain the Property during the off-season months (November through March).
- 10. Trees, shrubs, flowers or turf that are damaged or killed due to the Contractor's operations, chemicals, irrigation failure, or negligence shall be replaced by Contractor at Contractor's sole expense and no expense shall be passed on to Company.
- 11. Sprinklers or structures, whether related to physical building or not that are damaged due to the
- Contractor's operations must be repaired or replaced by the Contractor promptly at no expense to

Company.

- 12. Contractor shall work with the Career Services department of the Cherokee Nation to place as many Cherokee citizens as possible in the job opportunities that become available under this Service Agreement.
- 13. Company will maintain a Vendor Performance Scorecard (attached as Exhibit A). Company and
  - Contractor shall meet quarterly to discuss the findings and recommendations noted on the scorecards.
- 14. In the event of a conflict between the terms and conditions of the Base Contractor Agreement, this Work Order or any document incorporated by reference, then the following order of precedence, from highest to lowest, for terms, conditions, and interpretation shall apply: (1) Base

Contractor Agreement, (2) Work Order.

