City of Joplin, Missouri

Request for Proposals

#2026-RFP-22

For

Cultural Resource Survey for the 24-08 Joplin RTP Project

City of Joplin, MO

Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Services

602 S. Main Street 64801

(417) 624-0820 Ext. 1539

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Joplin, Missouri will accept sealed bid proposals until Monday, June 01, 2026, at 2:00 pm. as set forth in the bid packet to PROCURE the following service:

Cultural Resource Survey for the 24-08 Joplin RTP Project

The RFP is available from Paul Bloomberg, Parks and Recreation by calling 417-624-0820 ext. 1504 or by emailing pbloombe@joplinmo.org. Any bids received after the specified deadline will not be considered.

The City reserves the right to evaluate all bids, to reject any or all bids and re-bid at a later date. The City may waive any irregularities in the bid or negotiate variances from specifications and make awards that are in the best interests of the City. The City will have final decision in all matters regarding acceptance of bids and issuance of awards.

The City encourages minority and female-owned businesses to submit bids on all City purchases.

Paul Bloomberg
Parks & Recreation Director

Publication Date: Friday, May 01 , 2026

I. NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS:

Invitation
Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received before 2:00 p.m. CDT on Monday, June 1, 2026, at the Finance Department at Joplin City Hall, 602 S. Main Street, Joplin, Missouri 64801 for the Cultural Resource Survey for the 24-08 Joplin RTP Project.

Project Description
The City of Joplin, Missouri is seeking written proposals from qualified firms/providers to conduct a phase I cultural resource survey (CRS) with shovel testing.
The Consultant shall conduct a Phase I Cultural Resource Survey (CRS) for the Cultural Resource Survey for the 24-08 Joplin RTP Project, located in Jasper and Newton Counties, Missouri, to identify archaeological resources within the defined Area of Potential Effect (APE) and support compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Guidelines for Phase I Archaeological Surveys and Reports.
Shovel testing will be performed in specific locations corresponding with ground disturbance locations for the project. In total, there are 80 locations as shown in Attachment A. Precise geocoded locations will be provided to proposal accepted.

RFP Timeline
Date of Issuance: Friday, May 01, 2026

Deadline for Proposal Submittal: 2:00 PM, Monday, June 01, 2026

Submit Proposal to: City of Joplin

Sealed Proposal: #2026-RFP-22
Cultural Resource Survey for the 24-08 Joplin RTP Project
Parks and Recreation
3301 W 1st Street
Joplin, MO 64801

Point of Contact: Paul Bloomberg, Parks and Recreation Director
Parks Department: Email: pbloombe@joplinmo.org Phone: (417) 624-0820 Ext. 1504 Fax: (417) 625-4738

Respondents shall restrict all contact with the City and direct all questions regarding this RFP, including questions regarding terms and conditions and technical specifications, to the Point of Contact.

II. FORMAT FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS:

General Instructions
Qualifications shall be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of the Respondent's ability to meet the requirements of this RFP. Emphasis shall be on the quality, completeness, clarity of content, responsiveness to the requirements, and an understanding of the City's needs.

The City will not compensate Respondents for any expenses incurred in Response preparation of for any presentation that may be made, unless agreed to in writing in advance or required by law. Respondents submit the Responses at their own risk and expense.

Responses that are qualified with conditional clauses, alterations, items not called for in the RFP documents, or irregularities of any kind are subject to rejection by the City, at its option.

The City makes no representation of any kind that an award will be made as a result of this RFP or subsequent interview or recommendation. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Responses, waive any formalities or minor technical inconsistencies, or delete any item/requirements from this RFP when deemed to be in the City's best interest.

Responses shall consist of answers to the questions asked in the RFP. It is not necessary to repeat the question in the Responses; however, it is essential to reference the question number with the corresponding answer.

Failure to comply with requirements contained in this RFP may result in the rejection of the Responses.

III. SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Proposal
In order to facilitate the analysis of responses to this RFP, Consultants are required to prepare their proposals in accordance with the instructions outlined in this section. Consultants whose proposals deviate from these instructions may be considered non responsive and may be disqualified at the discretion of the City of Joplin.

Proposals shall be prepared as simply as possible and provide a straightforward, concise description of the Consultant's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Expensive bindings, color displays, promotional materials, etc., are not necessary or desired. Emphasis shall be concentrated on accuracy, completeness, and clarity of content.

A. Each of the seven (7) sections listed below shall be tabbed and labeled.
B. Each page shall be numbered on the bottom right hand corner.
C. Submit one (1) original proposal and five (5) copies.
D. The proposal shall be organized as follows:

Proposed Tab Section	Title
1.0	Cover Letter
2.0	Company Background
3.0	Company Experience
4.0	Responses to Scope of Services
6.0	Previous Experience
7.0	Signature Page Form

Submittal Requirements

The proposals will be based on the criteria introduced in the above section and must include the following components:

1.0 Cover Letter: A maximum one page letter stating the Respondent's interest in being considered for this project.

2.0 Company Background: An introduction to the Respondent's background, including number of years active in company and field, education, and number and type of projects completed for all personnel that will be assigned to this project.

3.0 Company Experience: A list of projects the Respondent has completed within the past five (5) years that are similar to the project requested in this RFP. Special attention should be given to projects completed for other governmental entities, particularly cities and State Historic Preservation Offices. Include company name, address, person(s) to contact, telephone number, a brief description of the project completed, and date completed for references.

4.0 Responses to Scope of Services: Narrative on project approach. Describe the schedule of events necessary to complete the project clearly defining the roles of all involved personnel. **Include cost in a simple not to exceed amount.**

5.0 Sample Document(s): The Respondent shall provide at least one (1) but not more than three (3) examples of company experience.

6.0 Signature Page Form: See Attachment B at the end of this RFP. The form shall be signed and submitted with the Proposal.

IV. SPECIFICATIONS OF SERVICES REQUESTED:

General Statement

The City of Joplin is seeking a qualified 36 CFR 61 archaeologist to conduct and complete a **Cultural Resource Survey for the 24-08 Joplin RTP Project**. This project consists of the construction of eighty (80) 4-foot-wide x 6 ½ concrete pads for the installation of eighty (80) 6-foot ADA compliant park benches, forty-eight (48) bicycle racks, eight (8) bicycle repair stations, as well as twenty-one (21) trail/park trail way signs will also be installed along approximately 18 miles of non-motorized public trails in 12 various park locations including Cunningham, Mercy, Wildcat, McIndoe, Tin Cup, Grand Falls, Landreth, Parr Hill, Senator Ron Richard Memorial Park, Humphrey, Leonard, and Mohaska to encourage walking and biking. Shovel testing is only being request in the locations for concrete pad installation.

The selected Consultant shall be expected to use accepted professional standards and practices to prepare and complete the project based on the following criteria:

All work related to this project will either be supervised or completed by personnel who meet 36 CFR 61, Appendix A, professional qualifications.

Funding for this project is made available through recreational trails grant from the U.S. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). **All correspondence must include the Project Number 24-08 Joplin RTP Project.**

V. EVALUATION PROCEDURE AND FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE EVALUATION PROCESS:

A. Fee to provide the scope of services will be provided in a not to exceed amount;
B. The ability of the Proposers to perform the work or provide the service promptly or within the time specified, without delay or interference;
C. The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience, and efficiency of the Proposer, and;
D. The quality of performance of previous contracts or services.

A selection committee made up of qualified City staff shall review and evaluate all responses.

In general, the proposals will be evaluated based on, but not limited to, the general evaluation criteria listed above, as well as background, experience, response to scope of services, costs and supporting documents as part of the submittal requirements.

VI. GENERAL INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS:

Public Information
All information, documentation, and other materials submitted in response to this solicitation are considered non-confidential and/or non-proprietary and are subject to public disclosure.

Type of Contract
The final contract form shall be negotiated between and be mutually acceptable to the parties. Any contract resulting from this effort will be negotiated at the sole discretion of City of Joplin (the "City"), and/or their agents.

No Lobbying
Respondent acknowledges and accepts that from the Date of Issuance of the RFP until a final decision has been made by the City, it will not take any action, make any effort or support or engage others on its behalf to take actions or efforts with attempt to influence the decision making process for this RFP in the favor of the Respondent. This includes direct contact with the City Council, City Manager and City staff of the City of Joplin, commissioners of the Historic Preservation Commission, and others who may be engaged in the process. Additionally, the Respondent acknowledges and accepts that it will not attempt to use public communication such as the news media, social media, etc. as a means of attempting to influence the RFP evaluation or decision making process. Any Respondent violating any of the aforementioned conditions is subject to immediate disqualification from consideration.

Deadline for Submission of Interest
The Respondent will submit Responses at the time and location described below:

Time/Date: Received by 2:00 PM CDT on Monday, June 01, 2026. RFPs received after this time and date will not be accepted.

To: City of Joplin
Sealed Proposal:
Bid #2026-RFP-22
Cultural Resource Survey for the 24-08 Joplin RTP Project

Parks and Recreation Department
3301 W 1st Street
Joplin, MO 64801

The Respondent shall submit one (1) original with five (5) identical copies of the Response in print and with one PDF copy provided on USB drive. An original

signature must be included on the "THE CITY OF JOPLIN REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM" document submitted with original document.

Late received Responses will be returned to the Respondent unopened. Properly submitted Responses by the Respondents will not be returned. Hard copies of RFP materials must be enclosed in a sealed envelope (box or container) addressed as noted above; the package must clearly identify the submittal deadline and that the response is for the North Heights Survey Phase I project.

Evaluation of Qualifications
The evaluation of the Responses shall be based on the requirements described in this RFP. All properly submitted Responses will be reviewed, evaluated, and ranked by the City, with input from the Committee as noted above. The City will contact those Proposers with the top ranked proposals that best meet the City's needs. The number of selected proposals will be determined by the selection committee. Each of these will be required to meet with the selection committee at a time to be specified. The City reserves the right to contact only one company at this stage and to immediately proceed with contact negotiations if appropriate. The proposals will be reviewed in depth with the selection committee at that time. The City will contact the Proposer that best meet the City's needs and attempt to negotiate an agreement that is acceptable to both parties. An anticipated decision is scheduled to occur by February 13, 2026.

City's Reservation of Rights
The City may evaluate the Responses based on the anticipated completion of all or any portion of the Project. The City reserves the right to reject any and all Responses and re-solicit for new Responses, or to reject any and all proposals and temporarily or permanently abandon the Project. The City makes no representations, written or oral, that it will enter into any form of agreement with any respondent to this RFP for any project and no such representation is intended or should be construed by the issuance of this RFP.

Acceptance of Evaluation Methodology
By submitting its Responses to this RFP, Respondent accepts the evaluation process and acknowledges and accepts that the determination of the "most qualified" firm will require subjective judgments by the City.

No Reimbursement for Costs
The Respondent acknowledges and accepts that any costs incurred from the Respondent's participation in this RFP shall be at the sole risk and responsibility of the Respondent.

Eligible Respondents
Only individual firms or lawfully formed business organizations may apply (this does not preclude a Respondent from using consultants). The City will contract

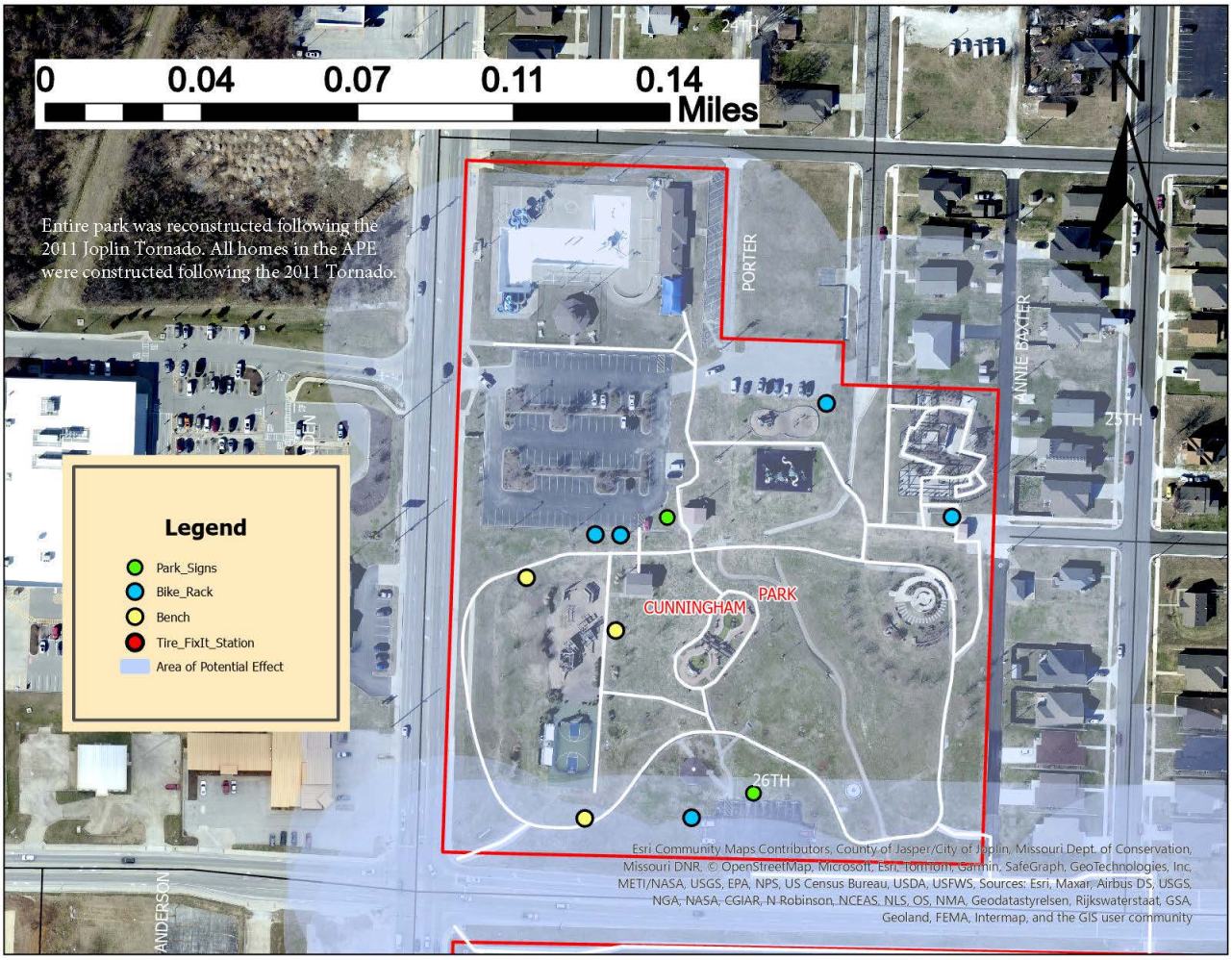
only with the individual firm or formal organization that submits its Responses. All work related to this project will either be supervised or completed by personnel who meet 36 CFR 61 professional qualifications.

Reference Checks
Respondent acknowledges and accepts that through the RFP evaluation process reference checks and background investigations may be conducted as a part of the due-diligence process.

Disposition of Proposals
All submitted proposals become the property of The City.

Nonconforming Terms and Conditions
A proposal that includes terms and conditions that do not conform to the terms and conditions in the RFP is subject to rejection as non-responsive. The City reserves the right to permit the Proposer to withdraw nonconforming terms and conditions from its proposal prior to a determination by The City of non-responsiveness based on the submission of nonconforming terms and conditions.

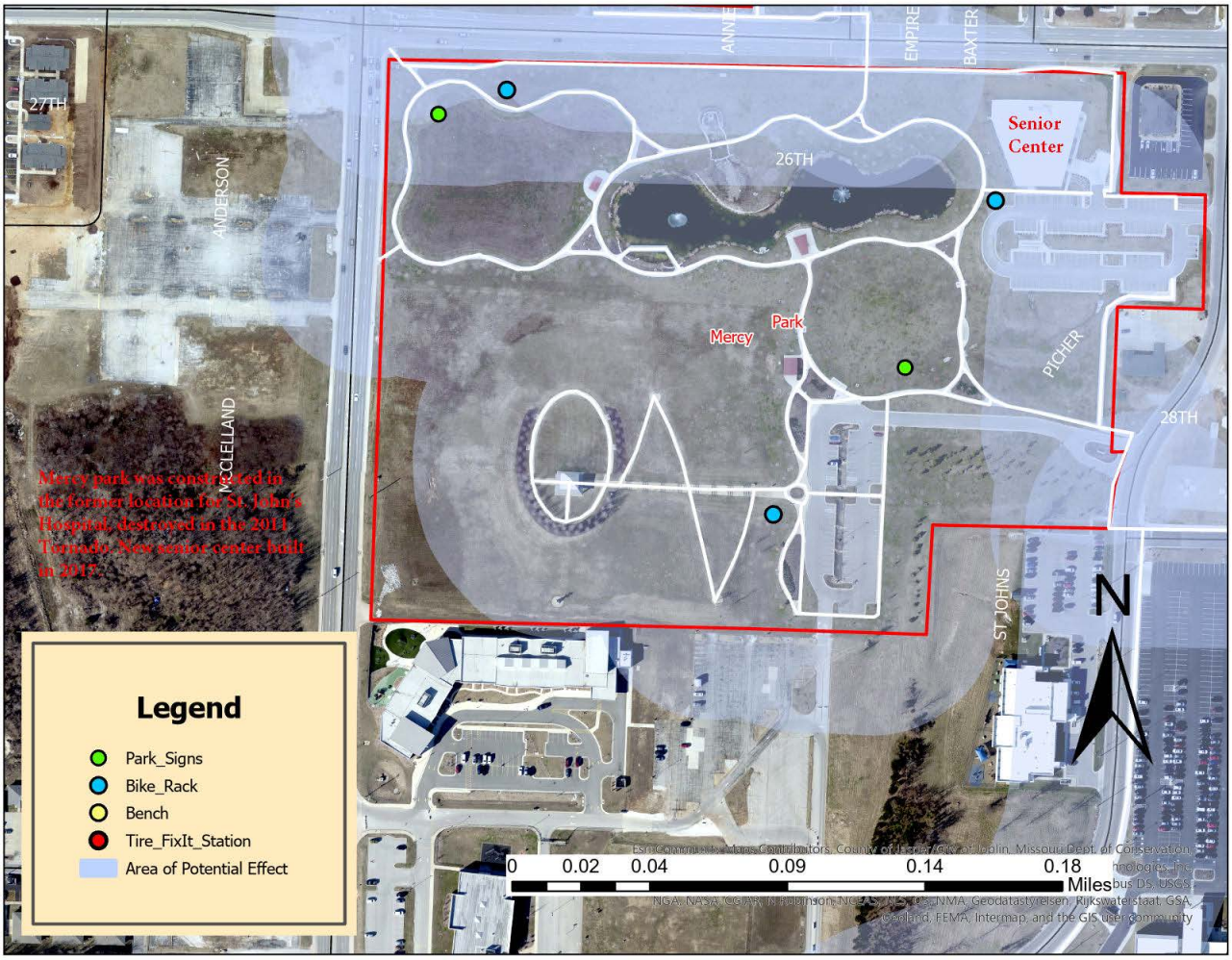
Debarment
By submitting a proposal, the Proposer certifies that it is not currently debarred with submitting proposals for contracts issued by any political subdivision or agency of the State of Missouri or the Federal government and that is not a person or entity that is currently debarred from submitting proposals for contracts issued by any political subdivision or agency of the State of Missouri or the Federal government.


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Miles
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Entire park was reconstructed following the 2011 Joplin Tornado. All homes in the APE were constructed following the 2011 Tornado.
Legend
Park_Signs
Bike_Rack
Bench
Tire_FixIt_Station
Area of Potential Effect
24TH
PORTER
ANNIE BAXTER
25TH
CUNNINGHAM
PARK
26TH
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Tire_FixIt_Station
Area of Potential Effect
N
XENIA
WINDSOR
This block was constructed circa 1960
INDEPENDENCE
VANDALIA
HUMPHREY
PARK
UTICA
EUCLID
HIGHLAND
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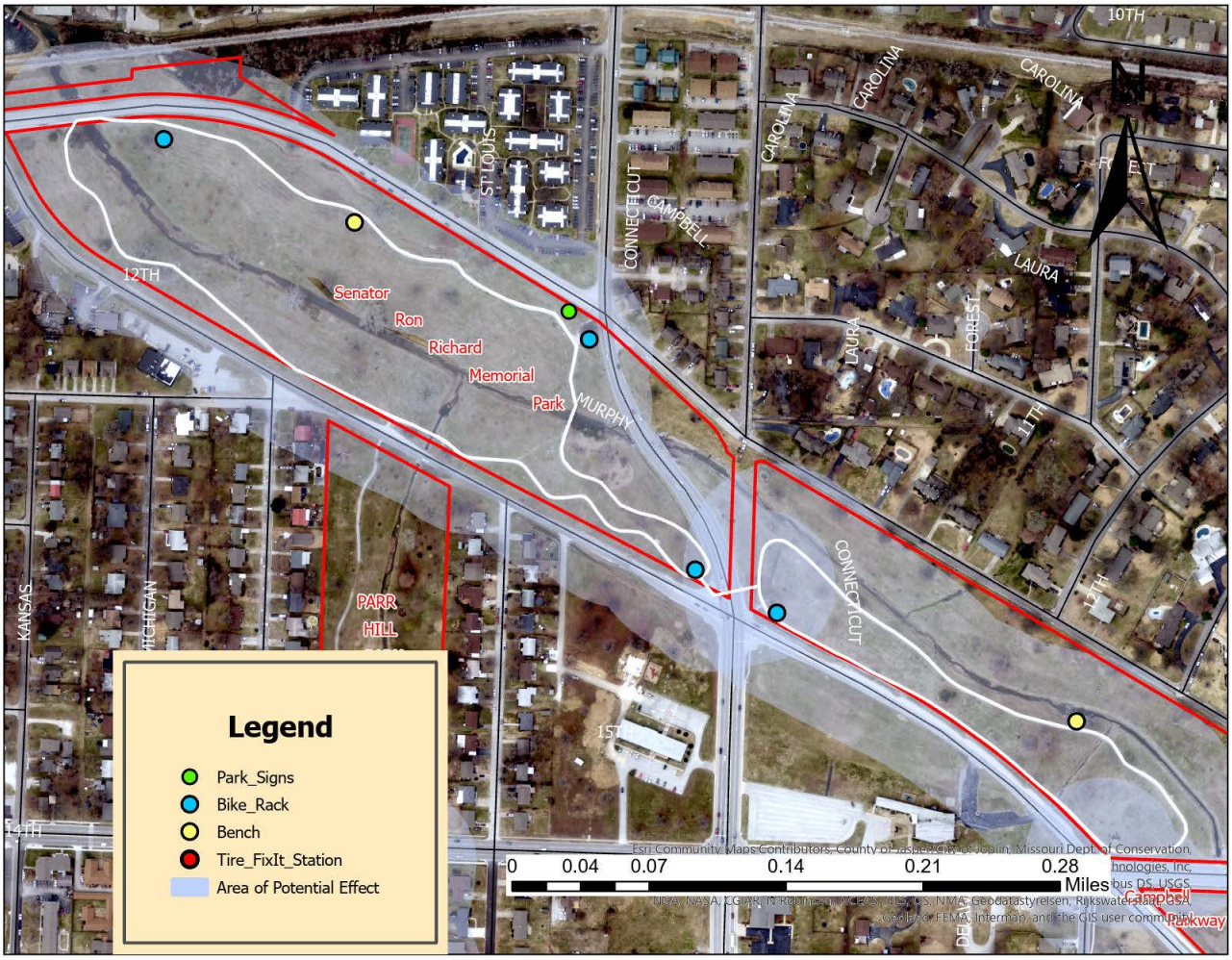

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Area of Potential Effect
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ISLINGTON
HAMPTON
GLENVIEW
ROANOKE PARK
JACCARD
OZARK
CHAPEL
CHRISTIAN CEMETERY
LANDRETH PARK
WALL
SERGEANT
PEARL
BYERS
MAIN
MOFFET
PERSIMMON
WILSON
POOL
NORTH
FURNACE
SPRING
VALLEY
HILL
MINERAL
BROADWAY
COX
DIVISION
CENTRAL
GALENA
RAILROAD
2ND
3RD
4TH
5TH
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ARTISTIC
JASPER
PARK
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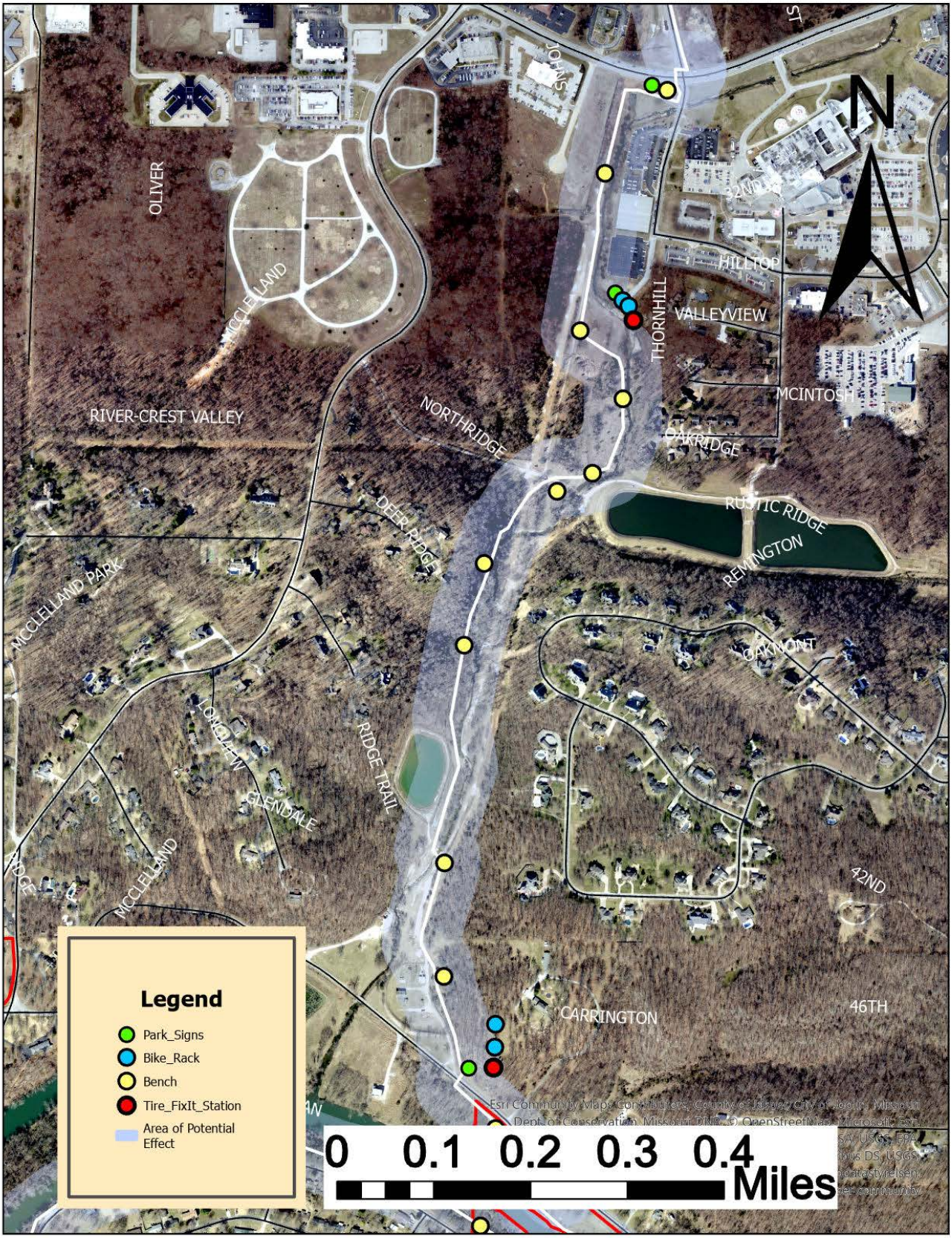

OZARK
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Leonard Estates constructed in 1984
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27TH
ANDERSON
McCLELLAND
ANNE
EMPIRE
BAXTER
26TH
Senior
Center
Mercy
Park
PICHER
28TH
ST JOHNS
Mercy park was constructed in the former location for St. John's Hospital, destroyed in the 2011 Tornado. New senior center built in 2017.
Legend
Park_Signs
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Area of Potential Effect
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This area was located in the EDR (Expedited Debris Removal) area, and were either reconstructed or newly constructed following the 2011 Tornado.
Legend
Park_Signs
Bike_Rack
Bench
Tire_FixIt_Station
Area of Potential Effect
PARK MOHASKA
HILLSIDE
BYERS
MOFFET
SERGEANT
CONNOR
PICHER
BIRD
JACKSON
MOHASKA
SABRA
LUKE
PEARL
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31ST ST
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Miles


Legend
Park_Signs
Bike_Rack
Bench
Tire_FixIt_Station
Area of Potential Effect
Parr Hill Park constructed 1972
The area west of the park was constructed circa 1955
The area west of the park was constructed circa 1955
This area was located in the EDR (Expedited Debris Removal) area, and were either reconstructed or newly constructed following the 2011 Tornado.
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PARK
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NEW HAMPSHIRE
MASSACHUSETTS
WISCONSIN
ST LOUIS
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Bench
Tire_FixIt_Station
Area of Potential Effect
Senator
Ron
Richard
Memorial
Park
PARR
HILL
12TH
10TH
CAROLINA
CONNECTICUT
CAMPBELL
ST LOUIS
LAURA
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OLIVER
MCCLELLAND
RIVER-CREST VALLEY
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DEER RIDGE
MCCLELLAND PARK
RIDGE TRAIL
GLENDALE
HILLTOP
VALLEYVIEW
THORNHILL
MCINTOSH
OAKRIDGE
RUSTIC RIDGE
REMINGTON
OAKMONT
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CARRINGTON
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Area of Potential Effect
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Attachment B

THE CITY OF JOPLIN

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

RFP #2026-RFP-22

 # P25AF01712-004

Company _____

Address _____

Contact Person_____

Telephone Number_____

Email_____

NOTE TO RESPONDENTS: SUBMIT ENTIRE SECTION WITH RESPONSE. THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER MUST BE COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND RETURNED WITH THE RESPONDENT'S QUALIFICATIONS. FAILURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN AND RETURN THIS EXECUTION OF OFFER WITH THE QUALIFICATIONS MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS.

SIGNING A FALSE STATEMENT MAY VOID THE SUBMITTED QUALIFICATIONS OR ANY AGREEMENTS OR OTHER CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS, WHICH MAY RESULT FROM THE SUBMISSION OF RESPONDENT'S QUALIFICATIONS, AND THE RESPONDENT MAY BE REMOVED FROM ALL PROPOSER LISTS. A FALSE CERTIFICATION SHALL BE DEEMED A MATERIAL BREACH OF CONTRACT AND, AT THE JRC'S OPTION, MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF ANY RESULTING CONTRACT.

By signature hereon, Respondent acknowledges and agrees that (1) this RFP is a solicitation for Interest and is not a contract or an offer to contract; (2) the submission of Responses by Respondent in response to this RFP will not create a contract between the City and Respondent; (3) Neither the City or the Committee, or any of their representatives, have made a representation or warranty, written or oral, that one or more contracts with the City will be awarded under this RFP; and (4) Respondent shall bear, as its sole risk and responsibility, any cost which arises from Respondent's preparation of a response to this RFP.

By signature hereon, Respondent offers and agrees to furnish to the City all of the products and/or services more particularly described in its Responses, and to comply with all terms, conditions and requirements set forth in the RFP documents and contained herein.

By signature hereon, Respondent affirms that they have not given, nor intends to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service to a public

servant, elected officials, leadership or staff of the City or partner organizations in connection with the submitted Responses.

By signature hereon, the Respondent hereby certifies that neither the Respondent nor the firm, corporation, partnership or Developer represented by the Respondent, or anyone acting for such firm, corporation, or institution has violated the antitrust laws of this state, or the Federal antitrust laws, nor communicated directly or indirectly the Responses made to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business.

By signature hereon, Respondent represents and warrants that:

Respondent is a reputable company regularly engaged in providing products and/or services necessary to meet the terms, conditions and requirements of the RFP;

Respondent has the necessary experience, knowledge, abilities, skills, and resources to satisfactorily perform the terms, conditions and requirements of the RFP;

By signature hereon, Respondent certifies that the individual signing this document and the documents made part of the RFP is authorized to sign such documents on behalf of the company and to bind the company under any agreements or other contractual arrangements, which may result from the submission of the Response.

By signature hereon, Respondent affirms that no compensation has been received for participation in the preparation of the specifications for this RFP.

By signature hereon, Respondent affirms that it has not violated any of the noted No-Lobbying provisions or specification contained in this RFP.

By signature hereon, Respondent agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and the Committee, all of their officers, agents and employees from and against all claims, actions, suits, demands, proceedings, costs, damages, and liabilities, arising out of, connected with, or resulting from any acts or omissions of Respondent or any agent, employee, subcontractor, or supplier of Respondent in the execution or performance of any agreements or other contractual arrangements which may result from the submission of these Responses.

Submitted and certified this ___ day of _____.

BY:

Signature Date: _____

Name (Printed): _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____