

## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION #1:

1. The planting plan provides mature sizes, but not what the size or nature of the plant stock should be at the time of submittal or planting. Page 10 of the Specifications, Plant Specifications #5 refers to Deciduous Trees and Shrubs as Bare Root. A few of the specified trees and many of the shrubs are not available as Bare Root and the Window for acquiring these materials is ending now (typically Nov – Feb). In spec #6, the conifers are called out as Plugs, is this correct? In spec #7, it refers to Live Stakes, but I don't understand what plant stock you wish those to be. Live stakes are typically Native Plant material, often used in Wetland Mitigation projects or the like. Container material is more readily available and likely to have the specific plant Genus and Species that are called out in the plant schedule. Please advise.
  - a. **The owner intends to amend its specifications for the project with Addendum #2. The amendment will require contractors to submit bids for plants in container material ONLY for the below sizes.**
2. The use of plant protectors in a commercial landscape bed is atypical. If the material is under threat of predation would a temporary deer fence suffice? If the size specifications hold for Bare Roots, Plugs, and Live Stakes then 'Blue Tubes' make sense, if the plant stock changes to containers, would they still be required?
  - a. **As containers are now required, the blue tubes will no longer be required.**
3. Regarding the irrigation modification, is the intent to keep the shrubs and lawn in the island area on separate zones? I don't think that was made clear in the specifications.
  - a. **The intent is to maintain the two zones. One for the shrubs and one for the lawn. The intent for the shrubs irrigation zone is to provide an irrigation system that irrigates based on the plants selected in the planting plan. Contractors shall avoid specifying irrigation head types that are not appropriate for the plants involved.**
4. I've been looking over the plant layout that Kents Nursery made for you for the Admin Service Grounds Improvements. Do you have a more accurate plant list with sizing and counts of perennials?
  - a. **Please see the table below.**

Administrative Services Grounds Improvement Planting Plan Quantities and Sizes

Quantity	Description	Product Container Size	Plant initial intended size range	Plant Mature Size	Notes
3	Forever Goldy Arborvitae	5 gallon	3' - 4'	12-15 x 4-5	Intended size range is preferred over container size
1	Dwarf Conifer	5 gallon		6-8 x 6-8	
10	Dwarf Conifer	5 gallon		2-3 x 2-3	or Dwarf Boxwood
3	Convexa Japanese Holly	3 gallon		6-8 x 6-10	
3	Mock Orange	3 gallon		6-8 x 6-8	
5	Dwarf Blue Artic Willow	1 gallon		5-6 x 5-6	
1	Elegantissima Dogwood	3 gallon	5' - 6'	6-8 x 6-8	Intended size range is preferred over container size
3	Dwarf Lilac	3 gallon		4-6 x 4-6	
5	Rose Glow Barberry	1 gallon		4-5 x 4-5	
12	Glow Girl Spirea	1 gallon		3-4 x 3-4	
17	Dwarf Barberry	1 gallon		2-3 x 2-3	orange / red leaf variety
9	Little Henry Itea	3 gallon		2-3 x 2-4	or similar
30	Salvia	Pint			May Night' variety (specifc location TBD)
12	Catmint	Pint			Walker's Low' or ' Summer Magic'
12	Rudbeckia	Pint			Black Eyed Susan'
12	Coreopsis (Tickseed)	Pint			Prefer 'Early Sunrise', 'Solar Jewel' ok
20	Echinacea Purpurea	Pint			Pink and Red varieties (no white)