

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD CONTRACT No. 24-022

Issued: March 6, 2024

Vendors are advised the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) intends to direct award a contract to Phoenix Grounds Maintenance Ltd for the provision of maintenance services for parks and trails for Gabriola Island.

Services include, but are not limited to:

- Turf grass mowing and seasonal maintenance
- Path maintenance
- Litter removal
- Irrigation system management

The estimated value of the agreement may be greater than \$75,000.

The RDN wishes to direct award for the following reasons:

- Vendor meets all of the RDN requirements.
- Continuity of existing services.
- Difficulty in finding qualified and experienced contractors.

Vendors wishing to challenge the RDN's intention to direct award a contract to Phoenix Grounds Maintenance Ltd must submit their objection, in writing, via email to the following person on, or before 3:00 p.m. PST on March 20, 2024:

Bryan Legg
Superintendent of Parks Operations
Regional District of Nanaimo
Email: blegg@rdn.bc.ca

Objections must be submitted on company letterhead and be signed by an individual authorized to represent the company submitting the objection. Vendors must clearly state the reasons why they believe they are qualified to supply the services that are being proposed to be direct awarded and why the services should be competitively tendered.

The RDN retains the right to determine its future course of action depending on any responses received and to perform its due diligence as required prior to making a final decision.