



**TOWN OF STRATHAM
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

Request for Proposal

RFP # 05-26-01

Stevens Park Pavilion

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Stevens Park Pavilion

The Town of Stratham is requesting proposals from qualified contractors for the construction of a new pavilion, restroom facilities, and subsurface wastewater disposal system at Stevens Park located at 68 Bunker Hill Avenue, Stratham, NH 03885. The project is intended to provide a permanent covered gathering space and public restroom facilities to support park users and community events.

The Town reserves the right to request additional information or clarification of any submitted proposals. Proposals and pricing must remain open for sixty (60) days. This solicitation will become an addendum to any resultant contract.

The RFP is available on our website at

https://www.strathamnh.gov/departments/administration/bids_rfps_for_sale/index.php

Proposals will be reviewed in accordance with the Evaluation Criteria stated within this RFP. This RFP supersedes all other proposals, oral and written, and all negotiations, conversations, or discussions between the Town and any other entity related to the subject matter. The award of the contract shall be made to the proposer offering the best overall value to the Town of Stratham, as determined solely by the Town, and shall not necessarily be awarded to the lowest-priced proposal. The Town reserves the right to consider all factors it deems pertinent to the Town's interests and to make an award that, in its judgment, best serves the public good.

Interested firms should submit five (5) paper bound copies of the proposal and one (1) copy of the sealed bid price with the submission to the following address:

Town of Stratham NH
Attn: Department of Public Works
10 Bunker Hill Avenue
Stratham, NH 03885

They shall also submit an electronic copy of the proposal in PDF format provided via email to admincoordinator@strathamnh.gov or on a USB jump drive (also known as a thumb drive). The electronic file name should contain the project name and the submitting firm. The sealed proposal shall be plainly and clearly marked with the project name and the name of the firm submitting the proposal. Interested firms are encouraged to submit succinct, well-organized proposals where the requirements of this RFP can be easily identified. Sealed proposals are due by June 17th, 2026, by 3:30 PM, either by mail or personal delivery. Proposals received after that due date and time will not be considered.



PROJECT DETAILS

DESCRIPTION:

The Stevens Park Pavilion project is intended to provide a permanent covered gathering space and public restroom facilities to support park users and community events. The proposed pavilion structure will consist of an approximately 60-foot by 40-foot open-air pavilion with enclosed restroom areas.

The project will also include construction of two public restroom facilities within the pavilion structure, including all required plumbing, utility coordination, finishes, fixtures, ventilation, and associated building systems necessary for a complete and operational installation.



Associated site utility work will include installation of a proposed 1,250-gallon concrete pump chamber, a 3,000-gallon concrete septic tank, and approximately 900 linear feet of Enviro-Septic leach field system, along with all related piping, controls, electrical connections, grading, trenching, and restoration required for a complete and functional subsurface disposal system.

The awarded contractor shall be responsible for coordinating all work necessary to complete the project in accordance with the plans, specifications, permitting requirements, and applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

Upon request, the Town will provide site plans, structural plans, and subsurface disposal system plans prepared by Emanuel Engineering, Inc., which shall serve as the basis for all work performed under the awarded contract.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, equipment, supervision, permits, and coordination necessary to complete the project in accordance with the plans prepared by Emanuel Engineering, Inc. and all applicable codes and standards.

The work shall include, but is not limited to, the following:

Pavilion Construction

- Construction of an approximately 60-foot by 40-foot pavilion structure in accordance with the approved structural plans
- Installation of all foundations, footings, slabs, framing, roofing, trim, and related structural components
- Furnishing and installation of all hardware, fasteners, and connection materials required for a complete structure
- Coordination of inspections and compliance with all applicable building code requirements

Restroom Construction

- Contractor-provided layout and construction plan for two proposed restroom facilities located within the pavilion structure
- Construction of restroom walls, framing, doors, finishes, fixtures, and accessories
- Installation of all plumbing systems, water service connections, sanitary piping, ventilation systems, and electrical components necessary for complete restroom operation
- Installation of ADA-compliant restroom fixtures and accessibility features in accordance with applicable standards

Septic and Utility Installation

- Installation of a proposed 1,250-gallon concrete pump chamber
- Installation of a proposed 3,000-gallon concrete septic tank
- Installation of approximately 900 linear feet of Enviro-Septic leach field system



- Excavation, trenching, grading, backfilling, and site restoration associated with utility installation
- Installation of all piping, pumps, controls, alarms, electrical connections, and related appurtenances required for a fully operational subsurface disposal system
- Coordination with utility providers and inspection authorities as required

Site Work and Restoration

- Site preparation and grading associated with pavilion and septic construction
- Restoration of disturbed lawn and landscaped areas
- Erosion and sedimentation control measures throughout construction
- Final site cleanup and removal of construction debris

General Requirements

- Coordination with the Town and project engineer throughout all phases of construction
- Compliance with all applicable OSHA, state, federal, and local safety and permitting requirements
- Contractor responsibility for all necessary permits, inspections, and approvals unless otherwise noted by the Town
- Protection of existing park infrastructure and public areas during construction as much as possible

Please include any exclusions, assumptions, or proposed alternates within your proposal submission.

KEY DATES

Event or Requirement	Date and Time
RFP Posted to Town’s Website	May 20th, 2026
Current site visit	Open to the Public
Deadline for submissions of questions due via email to admincoordinator@strathamnh.gov	June 3rd, 2026
Responses to comments and questions posted to Town’s website and distributed to all those who made inquiries	June 10th, 2026
Proposals Due (via paper or electronically)	June 17th, 2026 at 3:30 PM
Opening of Proposals	June 18th, 2026

MANDATORY SUBMITTING FIRM REQUIREMENTS

Submitting firms are required to assume responsibility for all services offered within the firm’s proposal regardless of whether they are produced “in-house” or performed through a sub- contract arrangement. The submitting firm will provide the name of a project manager who will serve as the sole point of contact regarding contractual matters, including payment of all contract costs and fees.



PROPOSAL FORMAT / EVALUATION CRITERIA

In order to ensure a uniform review process and obtain maximum degree of compatibility, it is required that the proposals be organized in the manner specified below.

1. Title page: The submitting firm should identify the RFP subject, the name of the contractor, local address, telephone number, name and title of contact person and date of submission.
2. Table of Contents: Provide clear identification of the material by section and by page number to include the scope of work and material specifications.
3. Company History and Qualifications: Briefly describe your company's history and any relevant experience for this project.
4. References: List at least three (3) client references for whom similar work has been completed (see attached reference sheet).
5. Costs: Describe the costs for the services, equipment, materials and installation. Describe the payment structure for the project, required deposits, progress payments, etc. that you propose for the project work requested within this RFP.
6. Subcontractors: Provide a list (including name, address, contract information and principal contact at each Subcontractor) of any subcontractors you will use in performing the work for the Town.
7. Warranty: Provide terms, conditions and length for all warranties on labor and materials.

SELECTION CRITERIA

A selection committee will score proposals based on the following factors:

1. The proposal's responsiveness to the RFP, including the format of the proposals, capabilities of the firm, professional and technical approaches, clarity, and demonstrated ability to lead the project.
2. The ability of the firm to address the project scope and core competencies outlined in this RFP.
3. Innovation and creativity in the proposal's approach to the project.
4. A proven track record of working with clients to navigate comparable efforts, overcome impediments, and successfully complete projects on time and within budget.
5. The capabilities and experience of the Project Team.
6. Cost Proposal



RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

The Town of Stratham reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or accept the proposal the Town deems to be in its best interest. The Town of Stratham assumes no responsibility or liability for costs incurred by consultant teams in responding to this RFP or in responding to any further request for interviews, additional data or information, or clarification of any items included in the proposal. The Town reserves the right to request additional data or information or that the firm provide the Town a presentation in support of written proposals. The Town further reserves the right to:

- Not award a contract for the requested services;
- Waive any irregularities or informalities in any proposals;
- Accept the proposal deemed to be the most beneficial to the public and the Town;
- Negotiate and accept, without advertising, the proposal of any other respondent in the event a contract cannot be successfully negotiated with the selected firm; and
- Retain products submitted by respondents for its own use at its sole discretion.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Interview: The submitting firm may be required to make a presentation of their proposal. This will provide an opportunity to clarify or elaborate on the proposal, but will not, in any way, provide an opportunity to change any cost or fee amount originally proposed. Should the Town choose to schedule presentations, the submitting firms will be notified of time and location.
2. Modifications: The Town will allow both submittal modifications and withdrawals up to the RFP's closing time.
3. Request for Additional Information: The submitting firm will furnish clarifying information if requested by the Town.
4. Acceptance/Rejection/Modification to Proposals: The Town reserves the right to negotiate modifications to proposals that it deems acceptable, reject any and all proposals, and waive minor irregularities in the proposals and/or Town procedures.

OTHER DEFINITIONS, CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Contract Documents – The contract documents shall consist of the “Stevens Park Pavilion”, all documents submitted by the firm in satisfying this request, and a signed contractual agreement executed in a form approved by the Town.

Default – The Town shall have the right to declare the firm in default if (a) the firm becomes insolvent; (b) the firm makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; (c) a voluntary or involuntary petition of bankruptcy is filed by or against the firm; or (d) the firm is unable to provide evidence of required insurance coverage as set forth below. Further, the Town may declare the firm in default if it fails to perform as required by the contract and such failure continues after notice is provided to the firm and it fails to cure the default. If the firm is declared in default or is in breach of the contract for any reason, the Town shall have the right to terminate the contract.



Firm – Any combination of the firm and its respective sub-contractors that will provide the services requested. All subcontractors will be required to provide evidence of insurances and name the Town as an Additional Insured in the same way as the submitting firm.

Indemnification – The firm must agree to defend, hold harmless, and indemnify the Town, their officers, agents and employees against any and all claims, or injuries to any person or entity, arising out of the actions of the firm, its officers, agents, or employees arising from or related in any way to its contract with the Town.

Liability Coverage – The successful Firm will be required to provide certificate(s) of insurance as follows:

- General Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$3,000,000 aggregate
- Automobile Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit
- Workers' Compensation per State of NH Statutes
- Professional Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000

The Town of Stratham is to be named as an additional insured.

Certificates of insurance naming the Town of Stratham as an additionally insured entity must be filed with the Town Administration Office within two weeks of the award of the contract. The firm shall provide no less than thirty (30) days prior notice of insurance cancellation, or any material change in coverage.

Non-Appropriation – Any contract shall include a non-appropriation clause which states, “In the event that sufficient funds are not appropriated for project completion and other requested services during the ensuing fiscal year, the Town of Stratham may terminate this agreement by written notice within thirty (30) days of adoption of the budget for the fiscal year in question, and the agreement shall be terminated effective immediately.”

Non-Transferable – The firm shall not have the right to transfer or assign the contract to any other person, company or corporation.

Payment Terms – To be determined. If, in the opinion of the Town, the quality of service is unsatisfactory or if any other non-performance or sub-standard issues arise, payment may be withheld, and/or the contract may be terminated. The amount and withholding period are at the discretion of the Town.

Termination for Performance – The contract may be terminated at any time by the Town for unsatisfactory performance. In such case, the Town will provide written notice to the firm citing the unsatisfactory performance and giving the firm ten (10) working days to improve its performance to the satisfaction of the Town. If the firm's performance does not improve to the satisfaction of the Town, the contract for services may be immediately terminated by the Town.

Termination Options – In the event the Contract is terminated, the Town reserves the right to employ another firm to complete the term of this agreement. The original firm shall be responsible for any extra or additional expense or damage suffered by the Town. In that event, the firm shall be required to indemnify the Town of Stratham for any loss that may be sustained.



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LIST OF REFERENCES

IMPORTANT: This form must be returned with the bid proposal form.

1. Name of Client/Company:

Address:

Contact Person/Title:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

2. Name of Client/Company:

Address:

Contact Person/Title:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

3. Name of Client/Company:

Address:

Contact Person/Title:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

Authorized Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____ Title _____



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RFP Receipt Acknowledgement

Contractor Name: _____

Contractor Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

Contact person's E-mail Address: _____

Date RFP Acquired: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____