

## INVITATION TO QUOTE

Sealed quotes to replace the Town of Ferdinand's grit removal system will be received by the Town Council of the Town of Ferdinand, Indiana, at the Town Hall until 3:00 p.m. (local time), July 28, 2026 and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The current grit removal system that needs replacing is a Smith and Loveless, Pista Grit Trap series, Model #4.0, Serial No. 03-1481-G. It is a Vortex style grit removal system. Specifications are available by contacting Ben Brinkman, [sewer1@ferdinandindiana.org](mailto:sewer1@ferdinandindiana.org), 812.639.7598 and you are encouraged to request a site visit to determine compatibility.

Each quote must be submitted in a sealed envelope, addressed to the Town Council, Town of Ferdinand, P.O. Box 7, Ferdinand, Indiana 47532, or delivered to Ferdinand Town Hall, Ferdinand, Indiana. Each sealed envelope containing a quote must be plainly marked on the outside as "Grit Removal System", (hereinafter referred to as the "apparatus"), and said envelope should bear on the outside the name of the Quoter and his address. If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the quote must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Town Council, Town of Ferdinand, P.O. Box 7, Ferdinand, Indiana 47532.

Quotes will be taken under advisement. Quoters must submit a non-collusion affidavit, list of similar experience, and financial statements deemed adequate by the Town.

The Town reserves the right to consider quotes that provide for alternatives to the specifications or quoted equipment which, in the opinion of the Council, are equivalent or better than that contained in the specifications. The Town further reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to take the same under advisement for a period not to exceed fifty (50) days, and to waive any irregularities.

All applicable laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of all Indiana authorities having jurisdiction over this quote, the acceptance thereof, and the completion of performance shall apply to the project throughout.

Each quote must state a total cash price for the apparatus delivered to and installed at 543 W. 5<sup>th</sup> St., Ferdinand, Indiana, with full payment upon delivery and acceptance.

The apparatus must meet all specifications, other than where specifically and conspicuously noted by the quoter, with an accompanying statement explaining the exception. If the quote is accepted, only such stated exceptions will be accepted.

The items included in the following specifications are considered to be the minimum quality acceptable. Any exception or variance must be explained, and if not deemed by the Council to be equal or better than the specified item, may be grounds for rejection of the quote.

Ownership of the apparatus must vest in the Town at the time of acceptance. The apparatus will be titled in the name of the Town soon after acceptance.

The Town will not purchase insurance to cover the apparatus until the time of acceptance, and the bidder shall bear all risks of loss or destruction prior to acceptance.

The quoter shall state the maximum number of days after Notice of Acceptance of bid when the apparatus will be delivered, installed, and fully operational. The apparatus must be fully operational by no later than June 1, 2027.

Submit only one (1) quote that meets or exceeds the minimum specifications and includes delivery and installation. Substitutes, stock units, or alternates will be permissible at the sole discretion of the Town Council.

All quotes must be signed. Failure to do so could cause the quote to be considered non-responsive and rejected.

The Town Council in considering the best quote will consider price and payment terms, inspections, testing, quality, workmanship, delivery date and arrangements, service and warranty arrangements, the ability and capacity of the quoter, the integrity, character, and reputation of the bidder, and the competency and experience of the quoter. Quoters will provide additional information as requested to aid the Town Council in their determination of the best quote.

It will be the responsibility of the quoter to assure that their proposal arrives at the proper location by the time indicated. Late proposals, telegrams, facsimile, or telephone bids will not be considered. Quotes will not be considered from firms, individuals or the same owners of separate companies submitting more than one bid.

Any erasures, strike over's and/or changes to prices written in numerals should be initialed by the quoter. Failure to initial may be cause to reject the bid as irregular and disqualified from consideration.

THE PURCHASER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY QUOTES, WHICH DO NOT MEET THESE SPECIFICATIONS AND IS THE SOLE DECIDER TO DEEM WHICH QUOTE IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE PURCHASER.

**Quotes to Include Delivery Fee to 543 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Ferdinand Indiana 47532-0007, installation, and training to operate the apparatus and any anticipated tariffs.**

Town of Ferdinand  
Benjamin J. Brinkman, Water/Wastewater Superintendent