

- d. Bid Alternate #3:
Substitute the construction and staking of a poured-in-place concrete retaining wall by constructing a segmented block retaining wall system (Redi-Rock Retaining Wall Systems or equivalent), including all associated earthwork. Price shall include alternate connection details (if needed) and supporting documentation that confirms the selected retaining wall will support the alternate decking.
 - e. Bid Alternate #4:
Construction and staking of an 8-foot-wide concrete sidewalk on 10-foot-wide aggregate base at the grades identified on the plan provided in the bid document, including associated soil erosion control measures, temporary heavy duty construction fencing, earthwork, and lawn restoration. A decision on the inclusion of Bid Alternate #4 will be provided upon receipt of a permit from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy after contract award.
 - f. Bid Alternate #5:
Design and installation of an irrigation system to sprinkle the lawn areas located between the existing sidewalk adjacent to parking and the observation platform and/or retaining walls. The connection shall be made to the existing water source for the adjacent public restroom building.
 - g. Bidders shall refrain from including additional alternates in their respective bids unless identified in an Addendum issued prior to the bid opening.
 - h. The determination of the lowest bid will be based on the total sum of the base bid and any bid alternates selected for inclusion by the city.
 - i. A prospective bidder inquired about the lack of design for Bid Alternates #1, #2, and #3. The Engineer indicated that bidders/contractors would be required to provide designs for the alternates that could be reviewed and approved by the city's Engineer.
 - j. A prospective bidder inquired about how not bidding on alternates would impact bid selection. The Engineer stated that the city intends to complete the project in its entirety at the lowest cost submitted and as project funding allows. Bidders are not required to submit pricing on proposed alternates.
 - k. A prospective bidder inquired about the location of plans for Bid Alternate #4. The Engineer indicated that the plan could be located near the back of the Project Manual.
5. Bonding requirements:
 - a. Bid Bond (5%)
 - b. Performance Bond (100%)
 - c. Labor and Material Bond (100%)
 - d. Maintenance and Guarantee Bond (50%)
 6. Project Funding Requirements
 - a. This project is being partially funded by the MDNR Land & Water Conservation Fund and the Grand Ledge Downtown Development Authority.
 - b. Contractor is required to buy American-made products
 - Submittals including but not limited to mix designs, shop drawings, and material certifications are required for approval by the Engineer prior to use on the project
 - c. Contract EEO requirements
 - d. Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements do **NOT** apply.
 - e. Federal and State of Michigan debarment requirements

7. Construction Period:
 - a. Notice to Proceed: October 28, 2025 (approx.)
 - Contractor to submit schedule for controlling items of work prior to pre-construction meeting
 - b. Substantial Completion: May 15, 2026
 - c. Final Completion: May 29, 2026

8. Permitting:
 - a. Eaton County Building Permit:

A permit from the Eaton County Building Official is required for the construction of the proposed structure. An allowance of \$5,000.00 has been determined for the Building Permit. This allowance shall be included in the Lump Sum price submitted for the Base Bid.
 - b. Eaton County Soil Erosion and Sedimentation Control Permit:

A permit from the Eaton County Drain Commissioner is required for soil erosion and sedimentation control measures. The City of Grand Ledge has applied for the Base Bid. If Bid Alternate #4 is selected, a plan for that proposed work shall be submitted by the City for review and approval. The Contractor shall be responsible to obtain permit from the County and provide the required inspection fee due at time of permit issuance. The costs associated with this permit shall be included in the Lump Sum price submitted for the Base Bid.
 - c. EGLE Floodplain Permit (Bid Alternate #4):

A permit from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy will be required if Bid Alternate #4 is selected. The City of Grand Ledge has applied for this permit. The results of this application will not be known at the time of bidding. A determination on Bid Alternate #4 will be made once the status of the application is known but shall be accounted for in the construction schedule submitted to the city. There is no fee associated with this permit. The selected contractor shall be required to comply with all provisions identified in the permit.

9. Project Coordination:
 - a. Jaycee Park Playground – Anticipated completion November 2025

10. Securing Project Site and Maintaining Public Access
 - a. Contractor to provide a plan for staging the project for city review and approval.
 - b. Contractor shall provide a plan demonstrating how site will be secured and maintained during construction and throughout any potential seasonal suspension of the work.
 - c. Contractor to provide a plan maintaining ADA accessible access to the public sidewalk along E River Street and the pedestrian pathway along the Grand River.
 - A prospective bidder indicated that the adjacent site could only provide 3-foot walkway and 5-foot was not possible. This issue will need to be resolved after the required plan is submitted.
 - d. Access to public restrooms shall be maintained unless otherwise determined by the City.
 - The city typically closes the restrooms to the public around November 1 and reopens them in April of the following year.

11. Miscellaneous
 - a. Provisions for Cold Weather Concrete
 - b. Grand River Environmental Concerns
 - c. Lawn Restoration and Watering
 - d. Additional Q&A from Prospective Bidders
 - e. A prospective bidder requested clarification on what items require colored concrete. Structural concrete items are defined as the retaining wall, decking and columns only.

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