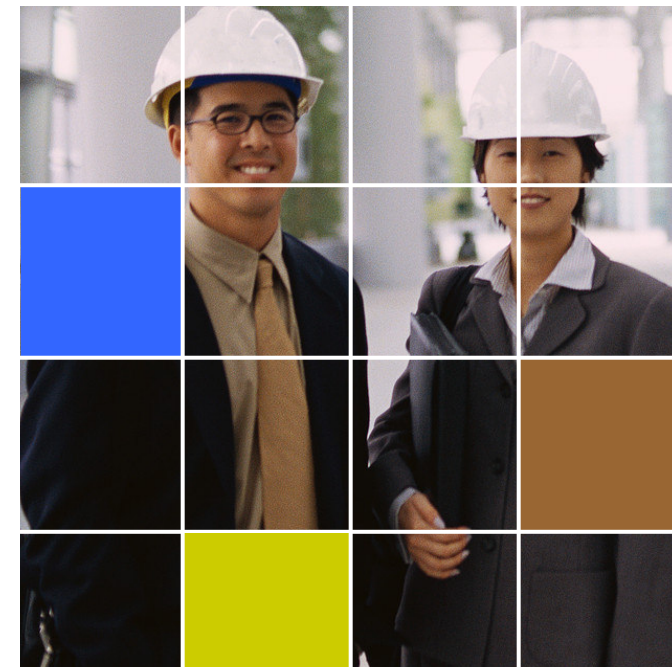


**Areas of interest for contractors with  
Kansas City, Missouri Parks &  
Recreation**

- Mowing & Grounds Maintenance
- Tree Services
- Specialized Commodities
- Construction
- Building Maintenance
- Professional Services

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## Mowing and Grounds Maintenance

Mowing contracts for public rights of ways and private lots as well as in parks and along boulevards and parkways will include these specifics

- **Cut:** All grass shall be cut at the height of three and a half (3.5") inches on boulevards, parkways and parks.
- **Trimming:** All trimming shall be accomplished maintaining the required three and a half inch (3.5") cutting height in parks and on boulevards.
- **Grass Clippings:** Removal of cut grass from the ground area where growth occurred will not be required however the area should be free of clumped grass and tire tracks or ruts.
- **Foreign Growth Removal:** Foreign growth will be removed each maintenance cycle as it appears in mulched areas, tree mulch rings, shrub beds, rose beds, ground cover beds and from all cracks and expansion joints in walks, curbs and gutters.
- **Shrub beds/landscape beds:** Shrub Beds/Landscape Beds shall be weeded each maintenance cycle to completely remove all plants not intentionally placed within the bed.
- **Edging:** All concrete sidewalks, curbs and steps must be mechanically edged to a one inch (1") depth and quarter inch (1/4") width, where they exist, using a metal blade exposing the concrete surface.
- **Trash & Litter Removal:** Removal of debris from hard surface areas such as sidewalks and driveways.
- **Safe Operation of Equipment:** All equipment used by the Contractor to perform services shall be operated in a safe manner consistent with the manufacturers' recommendations. The equipment shall be operated at a speed that poses no danger to the public and achieves the desired appearance.
- **Daily Contact:** The Contractor must make daily contact with the assigned Landscape Inspector.

## Tree Service

- **Requests For Service:** Processing and completion of pruning, removal of dangerous trees, planting and other tree related requests are a daily function of Forestry Operations.
- **Tree Pruning Service:** Forestry Operations is responsible for all trees within street right of ways and other city properties with the goal of pruning all trees every six years citywide (as funding permits).
- **Tree Removal Service:** Forestry Operations removes hazardous and dead trees from city right-of-ways, parks and other public properties as they are identified.
- **Stump Grinding Service:** As part of our tree removal program the tree stump is ground.
- **Tree Planting Service:** Forestry Operations plants replacement trees on street right-of-ways where trees have been removed or where a vacant planting location exists (as funding is made available).
- **Street Light Trimming Program:** Forestry Operations is responsible for trimming over 78,000 street lights for illumination and wire clearance on a three year cycle (as funding is made available).

### Contracted Tree Services

- Most tree services contracts for tree pruning or removal are bid annually in March. Planting contracts are bid generally in December and July for the spring and fall planting seasons.
- Contracts may be for work citywide or in a localized area of the city. They range in dollar amounts from \$50,000 to over a \$1,000,000 dollars.
- Contractors interested in bidding on these contracts need to have a city vendor number and be certain they are in compliance with the City's bonding and insurance requirements.
- Forestry Operations may have additional credentialing and equipment requirements in order to perform some services.

## Specialized Commodities

Kansas City, Missouri Parks & Recreation purchase specialized commodities for

- **Aquatics:** Pool chemicals, swimwear, and pool equipment.
- **Recreation:** Trophies, T-shirts, sports equipment, craft and recreation supplies, fitness equipment, games.
- **Horticultural Supplies:** Poinsettia cuttings, plant materials, turf chemicals and equipment, and greenhouse supplies.
- **Park and Fountain Maintenance:** Topsoil, water treatment chemicals, fountain pumps and equipment, trash barrels and bags, "Pooper-scooper" bags, park recreational equipment, and turf paint.

In addition to the commodities we purchase for these areas, we often require repairs for fountain pumps, fitness equipment, pool and related components, and appliances

## Planning and Design

Responsible for the planning and design of all Capital Improvements with the Park System. Planning requests proposals and bid from professional consultant and contractors.

- **Planning:** Planning and Design routinely request consultant services from the following disciplines:
  - Civil Engineering
  - Architecture
  - Electrical Engineering
  - Landscape Architecture
- **Construction:** Planning and Design routinely request bids for the following construction projects:
  - Boulevards, roadways, parkways and parking lots
  - Trails
  - Playgrounds
  - Shelters
  - Drinking Fountains
  - Landscape
  - Athletic Fields
  - Park Equipment
  - Park Lighting