



City of North Port
FINANCE DEPARTMENT/PURCHASING DIVISION
4970 CITY HALL BLVD
NORTH PORT, FLORIDA 34286
Office: 941.429.7170
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A SOLE/SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

Sole/Single Source No: SS NO. 26-13

Date Posted: October 7, 2025

Written Response Due Date: October 14, 2025

This is not a formal solicitation and there are no submissions required. The proposed contract action is for product or services for which the City intends to negotiate and award with only one contractor/vendor under the authority of and in accordance with Florida State Statute 287.057(5)(c). Any responses received as a result of this Notice of Intent shall be considered solely for the purpose of determining whether to conduct a competitive procurement. Responses will not be considered as proposals, bids, or quotes.

- **DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE/PRODUCT: Repair for John Deere mowing equipment from authorized dealer**
- **AMOUNT** (This is an acquisition with an estimated value of): **\$15000**
- **VENDOR: EVERGLADES FARM EQUIPMENT INC**

Interested firms or individuals may identify their interest and capability to respond to the requirement by submitting in writing their name, address, point of contact, telephone number, e-mail, and a statement regarding capability to provide the specified procurement per the attached specifications. Interested firms will be considered only if they respond with clear and convincing documentation that they are capable of meeting or exceeding the requirements stated herein. All responses received within seven (7) calendar days after the date of publication of this synopsis will be reviewed by the City. A determination by the Procurement Manager not to compete this proposed action based on the responses to this notice is solely within the discretion and approval of the Procurement Manager and City Manager.

All sole/single source purchases exceeding the formal threshold indicated in the policies and procedures manual will require Commission Approval.

All responses must be in writing and returned to **ATTENTION: PURCHASING**, City of North Port, 4970 City Hall Boulevard, Suite 337, North Port, Florida, 34286 or by: Fax 941-429-7173, or by e-mail purchasing@northportfl.gov. Note the number of the Sole Source Information inquiry on documentation.

Information regarding this Intent may be viewed and downloaded from DemandStar's website at www.demandstar.com. Links to DemandStar are also available from the City website at www.northportfl.gov. This Notice of Intent is posted on the City FTP site at <https://northportfl.gov/filesshare>. If you have any questions, concerns, or problems accessing this request using the link, please contact Michael White, Contract Administrator I, at 941.429.7174. Request for additional information or clarification regarding the specifications must be sent via facsimile to 941.429.7173 or via email to purchasing@northportfl.gov. No verbal requests will be honored.



Procurement Request

City of North Port

Request

Request Type *

Sole/Single Source/Standardization

Capital? (?) No Yes**PRR-EX (?)** Yes**FY ***

2026

Type code ***Preparer**

Barbara Wolf

Pre-Director Approver(s) (?)

	Name
1	Garrett Woods
2	Chelsea Buell

Department *

PUBLIC WORKS

Division(s)

FLEET

Commission Meeting? * Yes No**Commission Override (?)** Yes No**Purchase****Payment Method *** Visa Purchase Purchase Order**Purchase Type *** Single Purchase (current FY)
 Blanket Purchase (current FY)**Purchase SubType *** None Change Order
 Amendment**Description ***

Blanket for factory authorized John Deere mowers and small equipment repair services.

*Section 2-407 of the City of North Port Procurement Code provides guidelines for determining if good(s) or service(s) is/are a sole/single source. **All Sole/Single source requests will be posted on DemandStar & the City's Purchasing site for seven (7) business days.***

Exemption Explanation (?) *

Competitive pricing has been obtained through Osceola County Contract RFQ-24-14158-MB, for the "Repair Services for John Deere Original Equipment. Fleet Management recommends Everglades Equipment Group because their maintenance and quality of work is proven with the City of North Port.

Steps taken to verify these goods and/or services are not available elsewhere (?) *

The City of North Port has several pieces of John Deere brand mowing equipment used in the maintenance of the City's infrastructure. By not utilizing the authorized John Deere equipment dealer the service level of various City departments and divisions would be hampered.

Other vendors that were contacted (?) *

None

Grant? * Yes No**Technology Related? (?) *** Yes Renewal No**Exemption****Reason ***

Attach documentation from the manufacturer certifying the vendor selected is the only distributor/dealer/contractor for the products or services in question and/or holds the production, unique capability, copyrights, trademark, and/or patent to the item, and check the following applicable statement(s):

 Patent, copyright or unique design restrictions. (Sole Source) Proprietary rights in technical data and/or product formulations (e.g. cleaning compounds, lubricating oils, paint, etc.), which can only be determined through extensive laboratory analysis and examination. (Sole Source)

Only producer, such as utility supplier or construction material supplier, that will meet the specialized needs of the department or perform the intended function. (Sole Source)

Direct replacement parts, equipment or supplies that must be compatible with original equipment already installed but available only from the original equipment manufacturer. Most manufacturers have more than one dealer or distributor for their products. When this is the case, competition between dealers and/or distributors may be possible, eliminating the "sole or single source" restriction. (Single Source)

When tests and/or demonstrations of equipment, supplies, part, etc. under actual operating conditions reveal superior quality, performance, design or other characteristics in a brand product(s), which is available from only one source. Testing must be performed as often as practical. (Single Source)

Purchases for a brand product are to be made from one selected supplier, even though there are other suppliers that provide similar products. Options, such as pricing, availability, servicing, have been vetted and a supplier has been chosen that best meets the City's needs. (Single Source)

Maintenance, repair services or warranty which require specialized test equipment, procedures, and technical expertise available only from the original equipment manufacturer or authorized/licensed dealer/field service representative. (Single Source)

The part(s)/equipment are required to permit standardization and operating efficiencies within the organization and the parts and equipment are only available through a sole or single source. If competition is available, the parts and equipment must be competed. For brand-specific items, quotes should still be obtained. (Standardization)

Other: None or some of the above apply. Provide detailed justification below.

Explanation *

Supporting backup *

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Sarasota County Sole Source.pdf

723.62KB

DemandStar

For Purchasing Division

Date Posted

Sole/Single Source Number

Effective Date

Expiration Date

Purchase Details

Line Items

Item #	Description *	Unit of Measure	Quantity *	Unit Price *	Subtotal
1	Blanket for the repair of John Deere mowers.	\$\$	15,000.00	\$1.00	\$15,000.00

Shipping (?) * **Total Charges**
\$0.00 \$15,000.00

Accounts (?)

	Dept *	Account # (?) *	Project #	Amount *
1		520-3035-519.46-70		\$15,000.00

Total Payments
\$15,000.00

Comments to Budget (?)

Please see the attached Financial Impact sheet.

Backup Attachments

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Additional Backup

Related NavLine Req, price sheet, quote, drawings, specifications, risk waiver, etc.

Financial Impact - Everglades.pdf

80.59KB

Everglades labor rate.pdf

956.64KB

Vendor Details

Vendor Information (?)



Except for Emergency purchases, vendor MUST already be setup as a vendor in NavilLine.

Vendor Name *

EVERGLADES FARM EQUIPMENT INC

Vendor Number *

4622

Vendor Name CST

Contact

Clint Vaughn

Vendor Email

cvaughn@efe1963.com

Remittance Address

EFE INC, PO BOX 1160, LOXAHATCHEE, FL 33470

Phone

561-897-0693

Vendor Documentation Current (?) *

Yes No

Risk Documentation Current (?) *

Yes No Waiver Attached

YTD Expenses (?)

Department Inclusive (?) *

\$15,000.00

City Inclusive (?) *

Highest Approver (?) *

FD and CM will be skipped on the back end, as needed.



JOHN DEERE

Agriculture & Turf Division
2000 John Deere Run
Cary, North Carolina 27513

August 29, 2025

Barb Wolf
Business Services Coordinator
Public Works
North Port, FL

Dear Ms. Wolf,

Everglades Equipment Group is an authorized John Deere Dealer and sole source provider of agricultural and turf parts, sales and service for the majority of Central and South Florida including Sarasota County.

As an authorized independent dealer for John Deere Company Ag and Turf products, Everglades Equipment Group maintains an inventory of equipment as well as genuine John Deere parts and a staff of factory trained technicians responsible for providing parts and service for the users of John Deere equipment.

Other parts suppliers will sometimes represent themselves as having available "will fit" parts that will work on or fit John Deere products. Genuine John Deere parts are sold exclusively through authorized John Deere Dealers.

If you have additional questions, please feel free to contract me directly by email at Robbinsnormanp@johndeere.com or by telephone at 850-261-7356

Respectfully,

N. P. Robbins
Territory Manager, John Deere Company
850-261-7356

From: [Clint Vaughn](#)
To: [Barbara Wolf](#)
Cc: [Crystal Osborne](#)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: City of North Port vendor updates
Date: Friday, August 29, 2025 8:53:24 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)
[image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)
[Sarasota County Sole Source.pdf](#)



Hi Barbara,

Please see attached.

Shop Rate is \$114.00

Field Rate is \$150.00

We can provide a 6% parts discount.

Respectfully,



Clint Vaughn
Governmental Division Manager

Mobile: 561 897 0693
Web www.EFE1963.com Email
cvaughn@efe1963.com
12049 S Orange Blossom Trail
Orlando, FL 32837



From: Barbara Wolf <bwolf@northportfl.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2025 2:00 PM
To: Clint Vaughn <cvaughn@evergladesfarmequipment.com>
Cc: Crystal Osborne <cosborne@northportfl.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: City of North Port vendor updates

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Thanks Clint,

It looks like the Sole Source would be our best option and yes it should reference Sarasota County. That said I will also need your labor rate for shop and field, travel rates and any parts discount.

Thanks!



Barb Wolf
Business Services Coordinator
Public Works

1100 N. Chamberlain Blvd., North Port, FL 34286
Office: 941-240-8532 Cell: 941-374-9944



From: Clint Vaughn <cvaughn@evergladesfarmequipment.com>
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2025 1:29 PM
To: Barbara Wolf <bwolf@northportfl.gov>
Cc: Crystal Osborne <cosborne@northportfl.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: City of North Port vendor updates

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We can do either.

This is our most popular piggy back contract Brevard County B-5-24-18 (attached).

I have also attached a sole source (central & south fl) if you need a city or Sarasota County specific I will need to request.

Respectfully,



Clint Vaughn
Governmental Division Manager

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From: Barbara Wolf <bwolf@northportfl.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 25, 2025 12:54 PM
To: Clint Vaughn <cvaughn@evergladesfarmequipment.com>
Cc: Crystal Osborne <cosborne@northportfl.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: City of North Port vendor updates

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Thanks Clint! Do you have either a sole source letter for John Deer or a Piggy Back we can utilize?

Thanks!



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From: Clint Vaughn <cvaughn@evergladesfarmequipment.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 12, 2025 4:52 PM

To: Barbara Wolf <bwolf@northportfl.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: City of North Port vendor updates

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Hi Barbara,

Please see attached.

COI & WC requested and I will forward once available.

Respectfully,



Clint Vaughn
Governmental Division Manager

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From: Barbara Wolf <bwolf@northportfl.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, August 6, 2025 2:16 PM

To: Clint Vaughn <cvaughn@evergladesfarmequipment.com>

Cc: Crystal Osborne <cosborne@northportfl.gov>; Steven Cassell <scassell@northportfl.gov>

Subject: City of North Port vendor updates

[EXTERNAL EMAIL] This Message did not come from inside EEG.

Good afternoon Clint,

It is the time of year when we need to update all vendor documents, insurances and a new sole source letter or a contract that we could Piggyback. Please complete the attached and return to me with copies of your current insurances.

Respectfully,



Barb Wolf
Business Services Coordinator
Public Works

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Vendor	Account#	Budget	Amount encubured
	520-3035-519.46-70	\$ 628,490.00	Outsource
Prompt Towing			\$ 35,000.00
Boulevard Tire			\$ 50,000.00
Ten-8 Fire			\$ 35,000.00
Charlotte County Ford			\$ 35,000.00
On Scene Repairs			\$ 40,000.00
Anthony's Touch of Class			\$ 10,000.00
Jackie's Auto Body			\$ 35,000.00
Dobbs Equipment			\$ 15,000.00
Mike's Autoglass			\$ 20,000.00
Tampa Spring			\$ 7,500.00
Rush Truck			\$ 15,000.00
Cummins Inc			\$ 15,000.00
Matheny Fire			\$ 10,000.00
Menzi			\$ 20,000.00
Everglades			\$ 15,000.00
Total			\$ 357,500.00
Account Balance			\$ 270,990.00
	520-3035-519.4603	\$ 2,402,820.00	R&R Vehicles
Fast Equipment			\$ 7,500.00
JF Petroleum			\$ 15,000.00
ARI Phoenix			\$ 10,000.00
Total			\$ 32,500.00
Account Balance			\$ 2,370,320.00
	520-3035-519.54-00	\$ 54,020.00	Subscriptions
Cummins Insite			\$ 3,400.00
Total			\$ 3,400.00
Account Balance			\$ 50,620.00