City of Portsmouth Portsmouth, New Hampshire Department of Public Works

INVITATION TO BID

<u>Sealed</u> bid proposals, <u>plainly marked</u>, (Maple Haven Park Site Work Bid Proposal # **37-06**) <u>on the outside of the mailing envelope as well as the sealed bid envelope</u>, addressed to the Finance/Purchasing Department, City Hall, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, 03801, will be accepted until March 8, 2006, 2:00pm at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work shall consist of general site work to prepare for playground equipment installation (by others) including excavation, placing gravel fill, construction of pathways and playpods, and other miscellaneous work.

Site work will take place in the Spring of 2006 (weather dependent). Winning bidder shall cooperate with City and playground equipment installer (to be determined) so that the site is acceptable to the playground installer and the delivery and installation of the equipment will proceed smoothly.

Specifications and bid proposal forms may be obtained from the Finance/Purchasing Department on the third floor at the above address unless otherwise specified, or by visiting the City's website at www.cityofportsmouth.com.

Completion date will be 60 calendar days from the date of the Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages shall be assessed at \$50.00 per day.

Bidders are advised to visit the site, means of approach and egress so as to inform themselves thoroughly as to all difficulties involved in completion of the work. Failure to do so will not relieve the bidder of any obligations the bidder assumes by acceptance of the work. Contractor is responsible for verifying all dimensions on the plans and for computing quantities. Bidders must determine the quantities of work required and the conditions under which the work will be performed.

The City of Portsmouth reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive technical or legal deficiencies, and to accept any bid that it may deem to be in the best interest of the City.

Each Bidder shall furnish a bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid. The Bid Security may be in the form of a certified check drawn upon a bank within the State of New Hampshire or a bid bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire, made payable to the City of Portsmouth, N.H.

Winning bidder shall cooperate with City and playground equipment installer (to be determined) so that the site preparations for the playground equipment pods are acceptable to the playground installer and the delivery and installation of the equipment will proceed effectively and efficiently.