

City of Gardiner
Notice of Request for Bids
Bid for Fabrication of GARDINER HERITAGE GRAPHIC PANELS
Park Signs

The City of Gardiner is seeking bids for sixteen (16) park signs demonstrating historic and natural resources, to be installed at the Waterfront Park and Marina. Images for the signs will be provided on request in digital format. Sign material must be suitable for exterior installation and meet the criteria specified in this request.

Completed Bids must be delivered by 10:00 AM on June 1, 2012 at Gardiner City Hall and addressed to:

Nate Rudy, Director of Economic & Community Development
City of Gardiner
6 Church St.
Gardiner, ME 04345

Please include **Bid Submission Cover Form** (Page 2) as the cover sheet for your bid packet.

Bids delivered after the deadline will not be considered.

The City of Gardiner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids; waive any defects, informalities and minor irregularities; to accept exceptions to these specifications; to negotiate any or all conditions and make such award or act otherwise as it alone may deem in its best interest.

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Delivery Date: June 1, 2012, 10 AM

By submitting a bid according to these specifications, and/or upon its invitation to bid, the bidder specifically agrees that the City of Gardiner shall have the right to accept or reject any bids for any reason whatsoever and to accept alternatives to the specifications whenever the Municipal Officers, in their sole and absolute discretion, deem it in the best interest of the City to do so.

Vendor Name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Signature: _____

DESCRIPTION: The work described in this specification shall consist of furnishing the materials, coordinating with the City of Gardiner (City) and their design consultant for all final graphic panel images and manufacturing of sixteen (16) graphic panels in the sizes and configurations described here-in. All finished panels shall be delivered to the City of Gardiner. Panel installation shall be by the City of Gardiner or their assigns.

PANELS

- Type IA Panels #GP1 - GP13
- Type IB Panel #GP 14
- Type II Panel #GP 15 & GP 16

MATERIALS AND FABRICATION:

A. Graphic Panels:

1. Panels shall be 3/4" thick high-pressure laminate boards, completely sealed to the weather. The face layer to be transparent with non-glare matte finish. All layers to be permanently bonded to the core and shall not delaminate when subjected to weather and vandalism.
2. Vandal resistance: Panel face shall not be defaced by spraying with aerosol paint or brushing and splashing paint, and shall be readily wiped clean with paint remover or solvent without affecting the appearance or legibility of the graphics.
3. Fiberglass: If utilized, any embedded fiberglass shall be manufactured of acrylic modified polyester resin reinforced with high solubility chopped strand fiberglass. Panels shall be non-static and capable of receiving silk-screen messages and images. Ultra-violet inhibitors shall be added to the resin during manufacturing.
4. Type IA panels shall be 32'x60" in size. Type IB shall be 24"x 24" in size. All Type I panels shall have threaded inserts on the back (blank) side sized to support the weight of the graphic panel. These panels will be mounted on a vertical surface.
5. Type II Panels shall be 16"x 72" in size. All panels shall have threaded inserts on the back to align and mount on existing steel mounting frames on the Gardiner Overlook Deck railing system.
6. Panel Graphics: The design of the panels is illustrated as part of this specification. The City of Gardiner and their consultant will supply final graphic files at full scale for each of the panels identified herein.
7. Graphic reproduction methods shall be high resolution digital printing or photographic silk screening for all copy and line work.
8. Sizes, types and layout of Graphic Panel appear on the last pages of this section.
9. All products shall be UV stable.
10. All hardware provided shall be tamperproof.

- B. The current graphic panels are available for review online at www.gardinermainstreet.org/heritage-tourism/historical-perspectives.

INSTALLATION:

- A. Installation will be by others.

DELIVERY, HANDLING, AND STORAGE:

- A. All items shall be delivered individually wrapped and boxed.
- B. Any items damaged or with marred finish prior to acceptance shall be rejected and replaced at no additional cost.

QUALITY CONTROL:

- A. Submit 12" x 12" full size portion of each sign for approval.
- B. Submit evidence in writing that Contractor/manufacturer have been in business for a continued period of at least five (5) years, together with a list of clients with contact names and telephone numbers for five similar installations, two (2) or more of which are in Maine, New Hampshire, or Vermont.
- C. All submittals for review and approval shall be delivered in triplicate to the City #1 City, #2 Signage Committee, #3 Design Consultant.
- D. The City reserves the right to make final color adjustments at no additional cost to the City.

GUARANTEE:

The Contractor shall provide a written guarantee that panel will not fade, chip, puncture, delaminate, or stain from irremovable graffiti for a period of ten years from installation. Guarantee to include that in the event of any of the above occurring within the ten-year period, such signs and/or panels will be replaced at no cost to the City.

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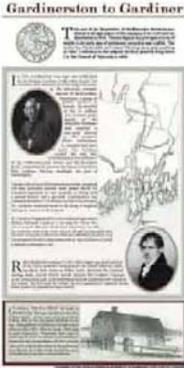
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Graphic panels to be located on Pump House



B SOUTH ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"

TYPE IA PANELS



GP-1



GP-2



GP-3

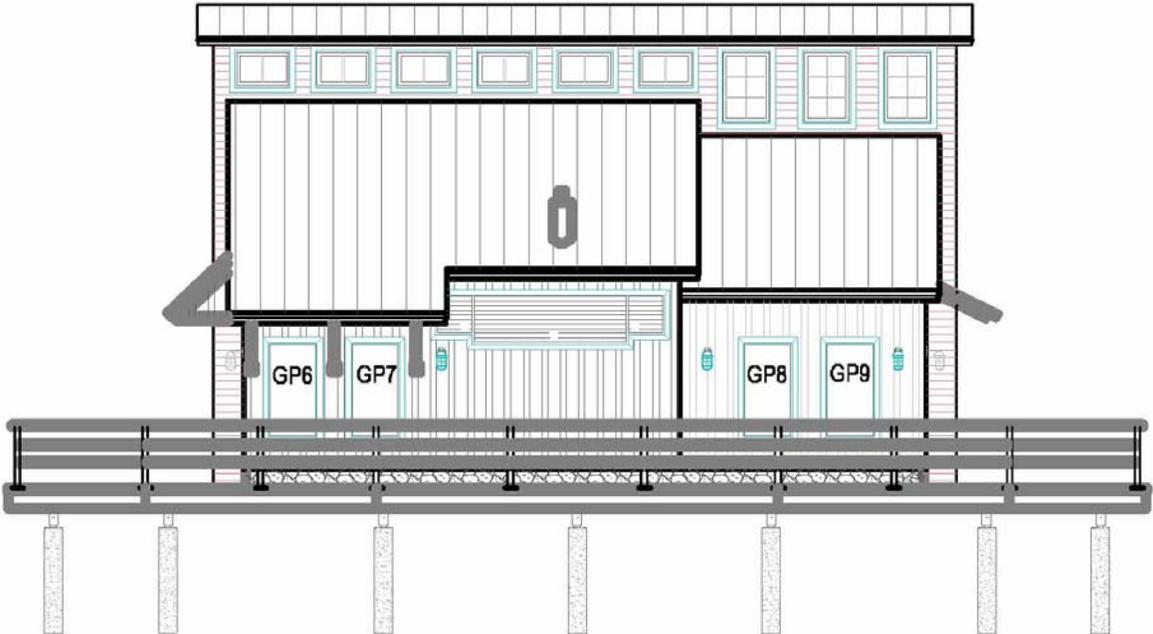


GP-4



GP-5

Graphic panels to be located on Pump House

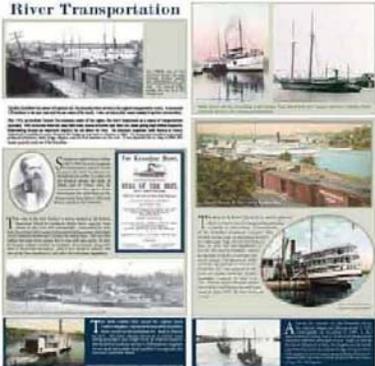


B EAST ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



GP-6

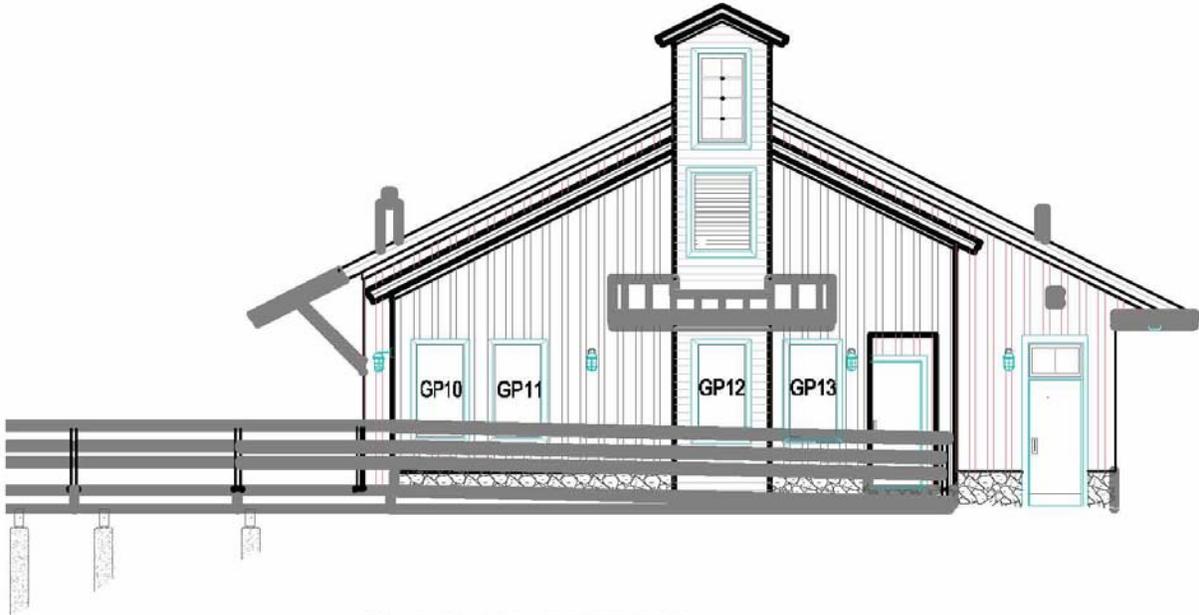
GP-7



GP-8

GP-9

Graphic panels to be located on Pump House



B NORTH ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"



GP-10 GP-11



GP-12



GP-13

Type IB Panel

GP 14 to be mounted onto Pump House.



B SOUTH ELEVATION
SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"

An advertisement for the Gardiner Heritage Outdoor Museum. At the top, the title "Gardiner Heritage Outdoor Museum" is written in a large, serif font. Below the title, there are two columns of text listing the organizing bodies: "State of Maine Historic Preservation Commission" and "City of Gardiner". Underneath these are the names of the "Gardiner Library" and "Gardiner Signage Committee". A central section lists the names of the museum's members in three columns. At the bottom, there is a photograph of a historic street scene in Gardiner, Maine, showing a building, a streetcar, and people. Below the photo are logos for "GLA" (Gardiner Leighton & Associates, Inc.), "Gardiner Public Library", and "The City of Gardiner".

Type II Panels

GP 15 & GP 16 to be mounted onto existing support structures (shown on right) located on Pump House visitor's deck.



Native Fish of the Kennebec River

The Kennebec River, beginning in west-central Maine at Mill Pond Lake and ending in the Atlantic Ocean, is approximately 130 miles long. The river's tidal influence is visible as far north as Augusta. Since the Oysteria Canal to Augusta was completed in 1999, Kennebec River life has been revitalized with the return of 13 species of sea-run fish.

The Kennebec River and its tributaries are home to a wide variety of fish. The Native Americans living in what was to become Gardiner settled here because of the plentiful fishery; indeed, the Cariboucoosme Stream, which enters the Kennebec just to the right, means "place of the sturgeon".

Sea-run fish (anadromous fish which hatch in fresh water and migrate to the ocean) include not only Sturgeon, but Salmon, Shad, Alewives, Striped Bass and Rainbow Trout. Resident fish, or fish that never leave the river and do not go out to sea, include White Perch, Yellow Perch, Pumpkinseed, Nine-spine Stickleback, Blacknose Dace, White Sucker, and the Humped Killifish. Catadromous fish hatch in salt water and migrate to fresh water where they spend the majority of their lives. The best known of these are American eels.

A number of non-native fish have been introduced to the river. These include Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, White Catfish, Brown Trout, European Carp and Northern Pike. Keen observers of nature will often spot fish jumping at the mouth of the river and may be lucky enough to see an Opegegona meal.

GP 15

Bird life of the Kennebec River

The Clean Water Act of 1972, which mandated river cleanup, resulted in the river-based bird and wildlife community rebounding. Once very rare, bald eagles and Ospreys have made a comeback, nesting on the banks and islands of the Kennebec and soaring over the towns along the river.

Common Mergansers and Herring and King-billed Gulls enjoy open water among the ice floes in winter. Common Loons follow the river to return to lakes and ponds in the spring. In the summer warblers and Baltimore Orioles look for nesting sites in tree tops or in dense brush along the river's edge. American Black Ducks and Common Goldeneyes use the river as a guide, traveling to the marshes of Merrymeeting Bay in the winter.

Birdwatchers standing on the edge of the Kennebec River can locate many species of birds in any season. The high grasses on the river's edge may hide a quick-moving Spotted Sandpiper or a Great Blue Heron slowly stalking small fish. Double-crested Cormorants sometimes perch on boats, buoys, and rocks. Tree Swallows skim the surface of the river, and Belted Kingfishers fish from overhanging limbs. Eastern Phoebe, American Robin, Chipping Sparrows, and Killdeer are visible in the low grassy areas. Tree toads may reveal Cedar Waxwings and perhaps the rare black, the Black-capped Chickadee.

GP 16