

March 2, 2012

All Interested Bidders:

SUBJECT: Invitation for Bid IFB #12-0019DC.OV

Bayshore Gardens Waterline Improvements / Project No. 6074771 6.2

ADDENDUM #1

Bidders are hereby notified that this Addendum shall be acknowledged on page $\underline{00300-1}$ of the Bid Form and made a part of the above named bidding and contract documents. Bids submitted without acknowledgement of the Addendum will be considered incomplete.

The following items are issued to add to, modify, and clarify the bid and contract documents. These items shall have the same force and effect as the original bidding and contract documents, and cost involved shall be included in the bid prices. Bids to be submitted on the specified bid date, shall conform to the additions and revisions listed herein.

<u>Bidders Note:</u> Additional questions shall not be accepted at this time as the stated deadline of <u>February 29, 2012 has lapsed.</u> This deadline has been established to maintain fair treatment of all potential bidders, while maintaining the expedited nature of the Economic Stimulus that the contracting of this work may achieve. Questions received after this date and time shall not be considered.

- 1. Attached memorandum dated March 2, 2012 from Jim Stockwell, PE, Senior Project Engineer, Public Works Department in response to Bidders questions received through February 29, 2012, 5:00 PM. (3 Total Pages)
- 2. Engineer's Estimate dated February 23, 2012. (1 Total Page)

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It is important to note that Manatee County is currently receiving competitive bids which are up to 50% lower than the Engineer's Estimate.

If you have submitted a bid prior to receiving this addendum, you may request in writing that your original, sealed bid be returned to your firm. All sealed bids received will be opened on the date stated.

END OF ADDENDUM #1

Bids will be received at the Manatee County Purchasing Division, 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 803, Bradenton, FL 34205 until 2:00 P.M. on March 13, 2012.

Sincerely,

Melissa M. Wendel, CPPO, Purchasing Official

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Manatee County Purchasing Division

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MEMORANDUM

PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

Engineering Division 1022 26th Avenue East Bradenton FL 34208.



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To:

Walter Sowa, Project Manager

From:

Jim Stockwell, PE, Senior Project Engineer

Date:

March 2, 2012

Subject:

Bayshore Gardens Waterline Improvements, Project# 404 6074771, IFB#12-0019 DC

Response to Bidders Questions and Revisions for Addendum #1

Walter:

The following text answers questions received regarding this project and provides clarifications and revisions to this contract as follows:

Question from Rick Isom of Superior Asphalt Company Feb. 16/12

1. Question: Would it be acceptable to use the optional base group as outlined in the FDOT spec book for the work on 14th St. W. at 68th Ave. W.?

Answer: It may be acceptable, however all work on FDOT right-of-way is subject to the approval of FDOT staff. The Contractor would need to seek approval from FDOT and the County project manager for any changes prior to road repairs.

Questions from Orain Albritton and/or Bobbie Schwob of Cross Environmental Services Inc. Feb. 16/12

2. Question: (a) On 60th Avenue proposed services are shown being connected to an existing 6" water main. Could you verify what type of pipe the main is? (b) Will the County coordinate shutting down existing valves to isolate areas for the Contractor to connect to existing mains? (c) Will the Contractor be allowed to use existing corp stops to connect new services? (d) If the property owner has a backflow preventer located in an area not shown on the plans will the Contractor be required to have it tested.

Answer: (a) The County has not verified what type of water main pipe is on 60th Avenue W. Bidders shall base their bids on the assumption this pipe is cast iron. (b) The Contractor shall coordinate his work with County staff to shut down water mains. Only County staff are authorized to operate existing waterline valves. (c) No, the Contractor shall install new corp stops for all proposed services. (d) Yes. The Contractor shall replace and test all backflow preventers as required to meet current codes.

3. Question: Will proposed waterlines be connected to any existing Asbestos Cement pipe on this project?

Answer: As built records do not indicate any AC pipe at connections to existing waterlines, however if any connections must be made to existing AC pipe, Hymax couplings shall be required.

Questions from J. Matz of HD Supply Feb. 22/12

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4. Question: Is this a Buy America Project?

Answer: No.

5. Question: Will the County pay for stored materials?

Answer: Yes, but only in accordance with section C05 of the Invitation for Bid. .

Question from Dave Hunniford of Underground Solutions Feb. 16/12

6. Question: Given the long term compatibility advantage of PVC over HDPE in potable water service, can Fusible PVC be used for this project?

Answer: There are some sharp bends on this project and since the pipe diameters are small such that a diameter reduction savings is not likely, Fusible PVC will not be considered for this project.

Question from David Ray of Harris McBurney Feb. 16/12

7. Question: The existing 4" waterline to be grouted on sheet 8 of 27 goes where it turns to the south. What is the intent relating to where it will be capped off and what will be required at that location? We are trying to establish the linear footage involved even though the unit of measure is cubic feet. Please advise.

Answer: The 4" waterline at this location appears to go approximately 370 feet to the south and should be capped near the edge of pavement or behind the curb.

Question from Lori Kozlowski of ProRehab Contracting Inc Feb. 23/12

8. Question: Will there be any cementitious or epoxy coating required on any manholes and/or wet wells on this project?

Answer: No.

Question from Jack Morsink of Westra Construction Inc Feb. 29/12

9. Question: What is to be included in pay item #27 "Joint Restraints"? Most of the pipe is HDPE and will be fused.

Answer: In this project all fittings are DI in accordance with the bid form. Utility Standards section 3.03 G requires all DI fittings and bends to be restrained with MJ restraints of the appropriate diameter such as Stargrip 3000 or equivalent, except where noted otherwise on the plans. Pay item #27 includes all materials, equipment, and labor to install such restraints, as indicated in the pay item description.

Question from Justin Scott of Hayes Pipe Supply Inc Feb. 29/12

10. Question: Will Manatee County allow stainless steel stiffeners in lieu of the MJ adapters for this project?

Answer: No.

REVISIONS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS:

None.

REVISIONS TO THE BID FORM:

None.

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Sincerely,

James Stockwell, PE Senior Project Engineer

Cc:

Olga Valcich, Construction Buyer

Deborah Carey-Reed, Contracts Negotiator

Attachments: None

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Date: February 23, 2012

To: All Bidders

Subject: Bayshore Gardens Waterline Improvements - Project # 404-6074771

The "construction cost estimate" for the Bayshore Gardens Waterline Improvements is \$888,423.00, eight hundred eighty eight thousand four hundred twenty three dollars.

This construction cost estimate was determined on February 23, 2012. The construction cost estimate is based on the original specifications and drawings issued. Changes to the specifications subsequent to the original documents by addenda to this bid may not be accounted for in this construction cost estimate.

Sincerely,

James D. Stockwell, PE, Sr. Project Engineer

Engineer of Record

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