THE CITY OF WALTHAM MASSACHUSETTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

DESIGN SERVICES – 380 LEXINGTON STREET. INTERSECTION OF LEXINGTON STREET, BACON STREET AND TOTTEN POND ROAD (Piety Corner)

ADDENDUM NO.1

Sept 13, 2017

CHANGES, CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

The attention of bidders submitting proposals for the above subject project is called to the following addendum to the specifications. The items set forth herein, whether of omission, addition, substitution or clarification are all to be included in and form a part of the proposal submitted.

THE NUMBER OF THIS ADDENDUM (NO. 1) MUST BE ACKNOWLEDGED IN THE COVER LETTER

ITEM 1: ANSWERS TO POSED QUESTIONS

1. Question: Please clarify the anticipated project funding.

Answer: The funding has not been determined as the city does not have the complete

scope of the construction cost. Please assume this project may have to

comply with MASS DOT standards.

2. Question: How many design submissions does the City want to review during

the design process (assuming it is not MassDOT funded)?

Answer: Five each at 25%, 75% & 100%

3. Question: The plan does not define sidewalks being reconstructed. Please

specify the limit of new sidewalks on Lexington and Bacon to be

reconstructed as part of this project.

Answer: All sidewalks within the project scope/area are to be reconstructed.

4. Question: The plan does not define if a pavement mill and overlay will be

Required on Lexington Street and Bacon Street. Please specify the limit of mill and overlay on Lexington and Bacon to be performed as part of this

project.

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Answer: All roadwork within the project scope area that is not being reconstructed is

to be milled and overlaid.

5. Question: Please identify the bicycle accommodations that are to be included

with the intersection and improvements. The plan does not show

any.

Answer: See the Master Traffic Plan on the City website for details and

accommodations.

6. Question: Will the AutoCAD version of the survey included in the RFP be

made available to the Consultant to reduce the amount of area to be surveyed

by the Consultant?

Answer: The AutoCAD of the existing conditions plan in the RFP is not

available.

7. Question: Is a traffic study or technical memo required as part of the design

scope? (other than obtaining counts and performing an analysis to develop

signal timing)

Answer: A project justification technical memorandum is required at 25%. This

memorandum will involve updated traffic counts.

8. Question: Scope item 17 says to provide scenarios for the removal or

relocation of the existing house. Can you please elaborate on the required deliverables for this item? Also, if the City determines that the house being relocated is the preferred alternative, will the consultant also be required to design the relocation and home improvements necessary for the relocation? Designing the house relocation will require a different amount of effort than

demolishing the house.

Answer: All that is required for this RFP is a feasibility analysis and

technical memorandum for relocating the existing house/structure on the lot at 380 Lexington Street that shall be submitted at 25%. This report will be limited to a determination of whether there is sufficient land area to relocate the existing structure/house on the property at 380 Lexington Street, respective of zoning, wetlands,

city utility easements, flood plan protection, etc.

9. Question: Will any sort of Functional Design Report (FDR)/Project

Justification Report/Traffic analysis need to be prepared to justify the

proposed design?

Answer: A project justification technical memorandum is required at 25%. This

memorandum will involve updated traffic counts.

10. Question: Clarify how many design submissions will be required and the

expected level of completeness of each design submission (for example:

preliminary plans = 30% Design, final plans = 100% Design)

Answer: See question number 2 above

11. Question: Clarify the bid phase and construction phase services to be

provided by the selected Consultant.

Answer: This RFP is inclusive of bid phase services. No construction

phase services are requested at this time.

12. Question: Will the City be solely responsible for preparing assembling and

advertising the bid documents with only plans, special provisions, quantity estimate provided by the selected Consultant, or will the Consultant prepare

the bid package?

Answer: The consultant is to be responsible for providing stamped (RPE)

plan, specifications and a probable construction cost estimates, answering technical questions during the bid phase and compiling bid results, with a recommendation of a contractor for the City's Chief

Procurement Officer to award the project.

13. Question: When evaluating the feasibility for relocating the house structure at

380 Lexington Street, clarify what type of studies need to be completed to determine the feasibility of relocation? Is the evaluation merely whether there is enough space to relocate the house structure within the property given all the other constraints (easements, wetlands, roadways, zoning setbacks, etc.) or will a structural evaluation of the house or other detailed evaluation need

to be completed?

Answer: No structural evaluation is required just feasibility of relocation

memo at 25%.

14. Question: If the house structure can be relocated, will the design of the

relocation be the responsibility of the selected Consultant or will the relocation be a separate contract and not part of the intersection

improvements design work?

Answer: The designer will be required to determine if it is feasible to

relocate the existing building footprint on the lot after the realignment of

Totten Pond Road right of way through the lot.

15. Question: If the house structure cannot be relocated, will the demolition

design be the responsibility of the selected Consultant or will the demolition be a separate contract and not part of the intersection improvements design

work?

Answer: If the feasibility relocation memo, after acceptance by the City,

indicates relocation of the building is not feasible, the designer will be responsible for including plans and specifications to demolish the

building.

16. Question: Has the City consulted with the Waltham Historic Commission and

Massachusetts Historical Commission regarding potentially relocating the

house structure at 380 Lexington Street?

Answer: The City has informed the Waltham Historic Commission relative

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to this project. The City has not notified the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

17. Question: Will the building relocation evaluation only include the

380 Lexington site – or are other off-site locations being considered?

Answer: The designer is responsible to prepare a feasibility relocation

report for the lot at 380 Lexington, only.

18. Question: Is there a potential for the project to receive any state or federal

funding?

Answer: To be determined

19. Question: How will the City evaluate the price proposals if one firm believes

they can relocate the house at 380 Lexington and includes engineering costs for such, while another does not include these costs because it believes

relocating the house is not feasible?

Answer: All perspective designers are asked to include in their proposal the

feasibility relocation memo due at 25% submission. Should the

memo, after acceptance by the City, determine relocation of the building on the lot is feasible, relocation plans and specifications would be requested

separately from the Intersection Improvement Project.

20. Question: Will utility coordination be part of the consultant's responsibility

or will that be handled by the City?

Answer: Utility relocations within the project scope/area/limits will be the

responsibility of the design engineer.

21. Question: Will reviewing shop drawings be part of the base price?

Answer: The review of submittals/shop drawings are not required.

22. Question: Does the City have preference for signal installation for instance

decorative mast arms?

Answer: The design of the mast arms will comply with all local, state, and

federal standards.

23. Question: Currently there are "sharrows" along Lexington Street; the

proposed concept does not indicate any bike markings on the roadway. Will

Lexington Street still be used by bicyclists?

Answer: Yes, bicyclists will be permitted to travel on the completed

Intersection Improvement Project.

24. Question: Based on the wording in the scope, can you please clarify if an

ANRAD being requested?

Answer: The selected designer will be responsible for the Intersection

Improvement Project to comply with the Wetland Protection, Chapter 131,

Section 40.

25. Question; Has there been any correspondence or finding of no adverse effect

regarding demolition or movement of the house at 380 Lexington?

Answer: There are no findings regarding adverse effect of demolition or movement of

the building at 380 Lexington Street.

26. Question: From which location on Totten Pond Road should the proposed re-

alignment commence?

Answer: The designer will determine in the project justification report the

recommended alignment of Totten Pond Road

End of Addendum 1