

THE CITY OF WALTHAM
MASSACHUSETTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

**MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION,
TRANSPORTATION, YARD WASTE AND RECYCLING,
2016**

ADDENDUM NO. 2

August 25, 2016

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. 2)

ITEM 1: ANSWERS TO POSED QUESTIONS

Q1. How long is the current Solid Waste Disposal Contract and what is the end date?

A1. The current contract ends 12/31/16

Q2. How many trucks does the current contractor deploy for: Solid Waste, Recycling and Yard Waste?

A2. Information is not available. The number of trucks used by the vendor are a matter pertaining to them and not the City.

Q3. How many Toters for Solid Waste and Recycling are needed for the City buildings, schools, apartments and playgrounds?

A3. This information is to be obtained once a final determination is made by the City as to whether the solid waste pickup is going to be automated. At present, there are approximately 32,000 families in the City.

Q4. Are the Housing containers being replaced or does the agency own them?

A4. If the question refers to how many containers the Waltham Housing Department replaces, the answer is not available within the City. On the other hand, if the question pertains to how many containers are replaced per each house, we anticipate the replacement factor is not any higher than 10%. The City of Waltham does not buy or provide the Waltham Housing Authority with containers.

Q5. Under City Buildings, is the Parks-Recycle Pick Up a listing of Toters?

A5. Yes, please see attachment 1, reference 11.C.

Q6. The specs are not clear as far as leaf vacuuming, what is the contractor's responsibility? Must he supply equipment?

A6. No leaf vacuuming is required by the contractor.

Q7. Please breakdown the tonnage for Solid Waste, Recycling & Yard Waste by month for calendar year 2015.

A7. There is no monthly data available. For the breakdown by year, please see Article 1, page 6.

Q8. Are any small trucks needed for difficult narrow streets where traditional sized equipment cannot fit?

A8. It is the responsibility of the contractor to determine the size of the vehicles needed.

Q9. Who owns the apartment containers and how many 8 & 4 yarders are located at Glen Meadow (6)? How many 10 & 8 yarders are located at Charlesbank (19)? How many 10 & 6 yarders are located at Garden Grove (5)? What is the exact equipment located at Plympton School?

A9. Please see Attachment 1 & 2.

Q10. How accurate is the container listing? There is a 35 YD self-contained compactor at the High School that is not listed. Is this part of the contract? Are there other compactors or roll offs throughout the City that are part of the contract? What are the frequencies?

A10. As far as we know, the data is correct. Please see Attachment 1 & 2.

Q11. When will the final decision be made? A lot of equipment needs to be ordered and there seems to be a few discrepancies between the equipment listing and what's in the field.

A11. Contractors will be contacted once the bid is awarded.

Q12. With the postponement of the pre-bid meeting, will the bid due date also change?

A12. No.

Q13. On the requested option to provide composting of the City collected leaves, what are the City's expectations of services to be provided?

A13. Please see Page 5, Article 1, paragraph 3.

Q14. Do the residents pay a fee for CRT collection?

A14. No.

Q15. The bid states that the vendor must be prepared to transport the solid waste up to 50 miles? Will the vendor be compensated for additional travel distance exceeding the current travel distance to Wheelabrator-North Andover?

A15. No.

Q16. Is the current vendor compensated for waiting times at Wheelabrator-North Andover?

A16. No.

Q17. On the recycling processing and the desire to develop a revenue sharing program, will the City accept a processing formula, which at times may require the City to pay a processing fee?

A17. No.

Q18. Is there a per barrel limit per curbside residence?

A18. No.

Q19. There is a 75 gallon weight limit per curbside barrel. Is there also a barrel size limit?

A19. There is a 50 pound weight limit.

Q20. New condos/apartment complexes; if a new complex is built, or if a current complex

desires to join the City's program, will the vendor be compensated for the additional service required?

A20. No, typically new condominiums and complexes involve private pickup. If the conditions change, parties can negotiate pricing based on the residence.

Q21. Dumpster collection pricing: Is each dumpster included in the curbside program to be billed on a per pickup basis?

A21. No, the cost is to be built into the base pricing by the vendor.

Q22. Public area trash containers: How many are currently placed throughout the City?

A22. Please see Attachment 1.

Q23. Optional Carts: Is the price to be submitted for a purchase price per cart? If so, how many carts are anticipated?

A23. Please see Page 8.

Q24. Are residents currently allowed to use carts larger than 40 gallons for the collection of single stream recycling?

A24. Yes.

Q25. How many recycling carts are currently in place at all municipal buildings, schools, parks, and multi-family complexes/buildings?

A25. Information not available.

Q26. Who owns these carts?

A26. The City owns the recycling carts.

Q27. When does the contract with Wheelabrator-North Andover expire?

A27. The contract expires on December 31st, 2019.

Q28. What is the current recycling processing facility used for the single stream processing?

A28. The contractor determines the recycling processing facility.

Q29. Is there a user fee for residents to participate in the City's collection program?

A29. No.

Q30. On Page 14, it indicates that the vendor is to bill for each dumpster emptied. It then goes on to say that Facilities Buildings, Schools, and Parks are provided at no cost. Please explain the format for vendors to bill for container services.

A30. Dumpster pickup is included in the base bid. Please see attachment 1 and 2.

Q31. Should the price submitted also include curbside single stream recycling, yard waste collection, etc.?

Q31. Yes.

Q32. Has the City experienced high contamination rates on public recycling baskets?

A32. Not that we are aware of.

Q33. Should the vendor experience contamination in the public recycling baskets, what are the City's expectations for handling contaminated recycling baskets?

A33. It is the responsibility of the residents.

Q34. Are all residents required to have items for collection curbside by 7:00AM?

A34. Yes.

Q35. If trucks are purchased new from the onset of the contract, is the City requiring the vendor to replace the entire fleet at the end of year 6, should a 10 year contract be selected?

A35. No.

Q36. MRF within the City limits. Will the City pay any additional processing fees associated with the vendor being required to transport the recyclables to a facility constructed within the City?

A36. No.

Q37. Will the vendor be allowed to dump any trash rolloffs at the Wheelabrator facility under the City's contract, with the City playing the disposal costs? (special events, construction dumpsters, etc.)

A37. Yes.

Q38. What was the total revenue charged to the vendor in FY for liquidated damages?

A38. \$0

Q39. How many times per year is the tire rolloff emptied?

A39. 3 times per year.

Q40. Does the City pay the processing fees for tire recycling?

A40. There is no processing fee.

Q41. How are the leaves currently processed?

A41. Once collected, the contractor determines the processing of the leaves.

Q42. Where is the location of the public trash receptacles?

A42. Please see attached.

ITEM 2: DELETE, ADD AND/OR REPLACE

1. Please DELETE the following language: *“The solid waste collection cost for facilities with dumpsters should be on a per pickup basis and identified by address/location when invoiced”* (Page 11, Section 3C, fourth paragraph)

2. Please DELETE Article 10B-Performance Bond, Page 24, “50%” and REPLACE it with “100% Performance Bond”

3. Please DELETE “or its residents” on Page 12, Paragraph 3J.

4. Please DELETE “and with the option of leaf management from the City’s leaf vacuuming program” on Page 12, Paragraph 3G.

5. Please ADD at the end of the sentence, Bullet #2 on Page 10, Paragraph 3A: “pickup seasonally”.

6. Please DELETE “75lbs” on Page 20, Paragraph 5F and REPLACE with “50lbs”

7. Please DELETE Page 8 and REPLACE with the attached.

End of Addendum 2

NOTE: The city reserves the option to designate a substitute delivery site for Recycling should a Recycling Transfer Station or a Recycling Materials Processing facility open within the city. Preference may be given to Contractors proposing to perform all services (solid waste, recyclables, and yard waste). However the city reserves the right to award separate contracts for each service if it is found to be clearly in their best interest to do so. The City reserves the right to award all collection and transport service to a single Contractor, or to award separate contracts for each component.

The bid response is based on an average of number of trash barrels or its equivalent, per household, i.e., and (32 gallon) trash cans or its equivalent in bags.

1 Pricing Format

SOLID WASTE PROPOSALS. The City may opt in the future to adopt an automated solid waste collection method.

- Residential Solid Waste Curbside Collection & Transportation
- Lump Sum Fixed Per Year for the 5 Year period \$ _____
- Lump Sum Fixed Per Year for the 10 Year period \$ _____
- ADDITIONAL Dumpster Collection and Transportation (per haul) 30 yds: _____ 15 yds.
\$ _____ 10 yds. \$ _____ 8 yds. \$ _____ Other Size \$ _____ Other Size _____
- White Goods Collection/Transportation (via separate vehicle).
a. Cost per Item per contract year: \$ _____
- Public Area Trash Containers (attachments 1, 2 and 6) throughout the City three times per week).
a. Cost per Location: \$ _____ b. Alternative Pricing _____

RECYCLING PROPOSALS

Single Stream – Modified \$ _____

(This would be automated & utilize 64 gal trash containers or 96 gallon recycling bin.

OPTIONAL TO THE CITY (ADD ALTERNATE)

1. Provide single unit price for a **64 Gal.** recycling bin with casters \$ _____, each
2. Provide single unit price for a **96 Gal.** recycling bin with casters \$ _____, each

1-F Pre-Proposal Meeting

A pre-proposal informational meeting will be held **10.00 AM Thursday August 18, 2016** in the **Consolidated Public Works Department** located at **163 Lexington Street, Waltham**
Questions and comments of the bid are welcome and prospective contractors should hold all questions and comments for the pre-bid meeting. It is preferable to have the questions in writing at the meeting.

1G BID& Contract Implementation Schedule

The following are the projected milestone dates:

- Input gathering from City and various municipal contracts.

Public Trash Receptacles

Moody Street-(16 Receptacles one at each address)

811	Moody Spa
745	Dance Center of Waltham
713	Waltham Market
597	Gordon's Liquors
510	South Middle
484	Habanero's Mexican Kitchen
483	Boost Mobile
432	Boston Bay Travel
389	United Convenience
371	Lizzy's Ice Cream
320	Shrift Shop
290	Welch Optical
267	Lifestyles
237	Cronin's Landing
226	Embassy Park
139	River Walk

Around the Common.

6 ea.	Carter Street	(4 bus stop)
2 ea.	Elm Street	
3 ea.	Main Street	
4 ea.	Moody Street	

Other Main Street Locations

10

Total Barrels 41