

THE CITY OF WALTHAM
MASSACHUSETTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

**SIDEWALKS and LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS,
MAIN STREET and MOODY STREET**

ADDENDUM NO.2

March 28, 2014

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) MUST BE ENTERED IN THE APPROPRIATE SPACE PROVIDED IN THE PRICE SHEET FORM.

ITEM NO.: 1 **ELECTRICAL WORK, DAY TIME**

Please note that all electrical work that does not interfere with the daily operation of the businesses on Moody and Main Street can be performed during normal day hours

ITEM NO.:2 **ANSWERS TO POSED QUESTIONS**

Q. Are new foundations required for the lighting, or are existing foundations to be re-used.

A. All new pole require new foundations

Q. If new foundations are to be installed, does that mean new conduit & electrical services too?

A. Conduits, wire and handholes are to be installed

Q. Are hand holes to be installed at each foundation, if so what kind & size?

A. No, However hand holes are to be installed at no more than 150 ft. apart

Q. The poles that are to be removed and modified by the City, where are the arms/fixtures to be stored while this work is being done? Is the contractor responsible or will the City provide a storage area?

A. City will provide a storage area.

Q. Can unit prices be added to the bid for the civil work? Sidewalks? Wheelchair ramps, etc?

A. The civil work consists of the sidewalks, ramps and installation of poles and benches No unit pricing is accepted by the City! The City is looking for a single price for the base work and one additional price for the Add Alternate

Q. Can you please provide a spec on the Tree Pits that are to be installed?

A. See attached specs

Q. Will permit fees be waived?

A. The permit fee will be waived. However the contractor is required to pull all necessary permits

Q. Where new lighting is being installed, how will it be powered?

A. Use existing utilities. Where no utilities hook ups are available the city will install. the feed (power supply)

Q. What cable/conduit size is to be installed? Bid form – item #1 calls for pricing for the installation of light poles/fixtures, but then item #2 calls for installation of electrical equipment. What is the difference between these two items?

A. The contractor is required to install all City-provided light poles and fixtures. The successful contractor will supply all materials required to install the poles and fixture this may be wiring, 1 inch PVC SHE 80 conduits, hardware, etc.

Q. Bid item #2 – states city provides equipment, but then also states city will not provide supplies. This is the responsibility of the contractor. Which is correct?

A. see answer above

Q. All locations where double light fixture poles are to be cut down, sanded and painted. Will all this work be performed by the city?

A. all cut down poles will be sanded and painted by the city and provided to the contractor for installation. Contractor is responsible for removal and installation of poles

Q. If the poles/fixtures are to be removed and prepped by the city, how many are going to be made available at one time for installation?

A. This will be worked out in the field. The City will be ready to provide to the contract as many modified pole as it is capable of installing. Contractor will receive no less than 10 at a time

Q. If the poles/fixtures are to be removed and prepped by the city, please provide the phasing of how many and where the City's work will progress.

A. Will be worked out in the filed

Q. Please provide the Waltham Wire department specifications

A. See specifications in bid

Q. The spec for conduit says 1", but references 3". Which is correct?

A. 1 Inch is correct!

Q. The spec for conduit references both a wood plank and buried electrical warning tape. Are both required?

A. tape Only is required

Q. The spec for conduit references schedule 8, and then schedule 80. Please confirm which is correct?

A. Schedule 80

Q. What permits are required for this project and what are the costs of the permits? If there are permit costs, will they be waived by the City?

A. Fees are waved, Permits are required

Q. How are these poles to be wired? Fused?

A. The wiring is direct connect

Q. The Main Street plans reference the yellow dot icon as "existing pole/new location". What does this mean? That there is a pole there but it will be removed and relocated? Will a new foundation/conduit/underground wiring be required?

A. The yellow dot indicates "remaining in place" at the major intersection. A new foundation/conduit/underground wiring will be required for all new and relocated poles?

Q. The Moody Street plans 1of 2 reference the red dot icon as "light pole". Is there no work required on this plan?

A. Remove and re-install existing poles with the light fixtures

Q. which double light fixture poles are to be cut down and to where are they to be located? The quantities listed at the end of each spec section do not match the plans

A. The city will make all of the modifications to the poles. The quantities are correct in both print and specs

Q. Are the refurbished poles to be installed on existing foundations and connected to existing underground wiring?

A. Yes for Main St. The contractor will install 14 poles in new location and 17 in existing locations poles. 53 poles will be installed on Main St

Q. who is furnishing the banner arms, flag pole brackets, and outlets?

A. The City

Q. from where/how are the poles to be powered?

A. see above

Q. Where is the conduit to be installed?

A. see specs

Q. Are there pull boxes/hand holes required?

A. see specs

Q. Spec references loops. Where are there loops required on this project?

A. Not applicable

Q. There are two specs/drawings provided for foundations. Which are correct?

A. One is for the 17 ft pole foundation and the other is for the 12 ft foundation

Q. What is the required completion date of this project?

A. TBD

Q. Page 32 states: the City will provide light poles and light fixtures. Contractor will provide materials and installation of poles and light fixture. What materials are required to be provided by the contract?

A. The contractor will determine the materials needed to install the poles and fixtures

End of Addendum 2