

THE CITY OF WALTHAM
MASSACHUSETTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Landfill Assessment , Woerd Ave.

ADDENDUM NO. 2

March 9, 2015

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 BID PRICE SHEET

ITEM 1: ANSWERS TO POSED QUESTIONS:

Q1. The new RFB references Figure 1 but no Figure 1 was included with the new RFB. Is the Figure 1 that was included with the first Woerd Ave. Landfill Assessment RFB the same as the Figure 1 referenced in this RFP?

A1. They are the same figures, yes.

Q2 – The Corrective Action Alternatives Analysis (CAAA) requires a site plan that depicts both property boundaries and topography. None of the previously prepared reports for the landfill appear to contain a site plan of the entire landfill and potentially impacted adjacent property that contains the required information. Therefore should bidders include a property and topographic survey of the landfill as part of the “survey of the landfill and the adjacent municipally owned Koutoujian Playground” (Task 2)?

A2. Yes

Q3 - The duration of the project has remained at 120 days even though the scope of work has expanded to include landfill capping construction oversight. The 120-day duration is appropriate for Tasks 1 through 5, assuming no additional testing is required by MassDEP, but would not be

able to accommodate the completion of the Construction Oversight (Task 6), let alone the Design task that must be completed prior to Task 6 but is not included in the Scope of Work.

A3. The duration of the Project has changed to 365 days

Q4 – The RFB “Qualifications and base of Technical selection (70 points)” Item #3 references “5 or more References” whereas the “Compliance Documents” Reference Form asks the Bidder to provide “Three (3) Service Appropriate References”. The “Instruction for Bidders” Item 2 states that “Attachments submitted in addition to the Waltham Purchasing Department produced forms may not be considered”. Should bidders submit the additional references, if available, on an extended Reference Form or as a separate document?

A4. Bidders may submit additional information on attached sheets.

Q5 – How will the City evaluate the “Bid Price”? Will the contract be awarded to the lowest qualified “Total, Base Price” , which is assumed to be for Tasks 1, 2, 3 and 5, or the sum of “Total, Base Price” and “Construction Oversight of Landfill Lining and Final Capping” (Task 6)?

A5. The Overall price for all tasks will determine the value

Q6. “General Conditions” Item 8 states “The City Purchasing Agent may require the Contractor to submit a weekly performance record of the areas and of the work performed.” Will “weekly performance records” be required under this contract and if so, what is the format of a “weekly performance record”?

A6. The format of the report will be determined once the final selection is made

Q7. The “Bid Price Form”, Item “b.” is for an “Hourly Rate for Possible Additional DEP Required Work”. In reality, if additional assessment work is required by DEP, the work will be performed by a multi-staff team with different hourly rates. Does the City want the bid to include a Rate Table for staff typically involved with assessment activities or should we include a single “estimated blended” hourly rate based on an assumption of additional assessment scope of work? If a Rate Table is required, how will the City include the Rate Table hourly rates in the bid price evaluation and contract award process?

A7. The city is expected to receive a single FIXED Blended hourly rate

Q8. “Bid Price Form” Item “c.” requires an “all inclusive” not-to-exceed price for the construction oversight of a landfill capping project that has not been designed. The design will apparently be completed either under a separate contract or as a subsequent (post-CAAA) amendment to this contract. Does the City want each bidder to estimate a duration of a “typical” landfill final capping project and include the assumed project duration as part of their bid for Item “c.”? Without a landfill cap design, the duration, and therefore a bid price, for “Construction Oversight” can only be a guess and subject to any and all assumptions the bidders feel are necessary to qualify their bid. Without the ability to “qualify” their bids for this item, no bidder will be able to submit a competitive bid price.

A8. This should be addressed with the release of the addendum regarding design.

Q9. Who is completing the Corrective Action Design (CAD) and Design Report, developing Technical Specifications, and developing Bid Documents for construction phase of the project?

A9. The selected consultant is expected to complete Corrective Action Design (CAD) and Design Report, developing Technical Specifications, and developing Bid Documents for construction phase

Q10. Will the CAD be the subject of a future RFP by the City?

A10. Yes

Q11. The RFP indicates at least one site visit per week, what is the assumed duration of the construction contract?

A11. We rely on the selected consultant to determine the duration of the construction phase

End of Addendum 2