

THE CITY OF WALTHAM
MASSACHUSETTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

**WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS DESIGN,
BEAR HILL ROAD & SECOND AVENUE**

ADDENDUM NO. 3

Oct. 19, 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. 1) MUST BE RECOGNIZED AS RECEIVED BY YOUR COMPANY IN YOUR COVER LETTER

ITEM 1: ANSWERS TO POSED QUESTIONS

Question 1 Does GIS indicate:

Water/fire services, size and material?

Answer to Q1: Waltham GIS does not indicate water/fire services.

Existing water material?

Answer to Q1: Waltham GIS does not indicate water material

Gas main and services and material?

Answer to Q1: Waltham GIS does not indicate Gas main and services and material. Plans may be available from National Grid. They are the gas provider in the City.

Utility poles?

Answer to Q1: Waltham GIS does have utility poles, however the information is not updated.

Underground Electric and telephone?

Answer to Q1: Waltham GIS does not have underground electric and telephone

Elevation contours?

Answer to Q1: Waltham GIS does have elevation contours

Question 2 Does the City want to install water main in same trench as existing water main?

Answer to Q2: Yes, the City would like the water main in the same trench.

Question 3 Why is existing water main being replaced?

Answer to Q3: Two reasons, first the water main material is a problem, especially on Bear Hill Road, and secondly the City is planning on resurfacing these two streets.

Question 4: Why does the price sheet include construction administration? The scope of services section of the RFP indicates that construction administration will be separately bid at a later date.

Answer Q4: Construction administration cost shall be included by the responding company in the line provided of the Price sheet

Question 5 Are there any City of Cambridge Watershed Management Association permit / approvals required?

Answer to Q5: Yes the City will require notification and an agreeable response from Cambridge watershed for the project to be bid.

Question 6: Errors and Omissions required \$2 million per claim. Would the City consider reduction of this amount to \$1 million per claim?

Answer to Q5: No

Question 7 The Scope of services includes the development of “plan and profile” design plans. Are profiles of the proposed water main required?

Answer Q7: Profiles of the water main design are not required. As stated at the pre-proposal meeting the City is aware of multiple underground utilities on these streets and expects the contract plans to prepare contractors to deal with them as part of the bid.

Question 8. Clarify payment increments. (See Page 19). Since there is no construction phase, we have to assume that the final 50% payment will be paid once plans are approved.

Answer to Q8: see question 4 and Addendum 2

Question 9. Section VII. paragraphs 1) and 7) on pages 9 and 10 are more applicable to building projects rather than water main improvements. Are these criteria applicable to this RFQ?

Answer to Q9. Please ignore this section

Question 10. Are the original and three(3) copies or the original and six(6) copies of the proposal required?

Answer to Q10. One original Price Sheet sealed envelope and six(6) copies of the technical proposal are required?

11. Is 50% or 90% preliminary design to be submitted within 40 days of the Notice to Proceed?

Answer to Q11. See addendum 2 issued earlier

End of Addendum 3