City of Tacoma

Questions and Answers

Madison District Green Infrastructure Project
RFB Specification No. ES21-0004F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Dawn DeJarlais, Senior Buyer. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City’s website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org: Navigate to Current Contracting Opportunities / Public Works and Improvements Solicitations, and then click Questions and Answers for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

Question 1: Bid item R42 has a different unit measurement in the proposal versus the specifications, how is this bid item to be paid?

Answer 1: Bid item R42 has been corrected in the revised proposal labeled “Addendum 4.”

Question 2: Bid item W56 is labeled as per each, should this be linear feet?

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Question 3: Bid item R34 Street Cleaning is not changed in the Special Provisions. Will it be performed under standard WSDOT Specifications?

Answer 3: Street Cleaning shall be performed per WSDOT Standard Specifications unless otherwise stated in the Special Provisions.

Question 4: Is there a DBE Trucking form or DBE Material Supply form that should be used?

Answer 4: No additional DBE forms are required in the Bid Submittal Package.

Question 5: Addendum 3 changed many if the WW Sewer Improvement Pipe items increasing most of them but the bid items WW1, WW2, WW4, and WW16 remain unchanged. Is the city going to update these quantities to reflect the increase in pipe to be installed?

Answer 5: Quantities were verified by the design engineer and discrepancies were noted in the previously changed bid items, these were corrected and the proposal quantities are now accurate.

Question 6: The geotextile fabric, section 2-12, in the specials has been modified in 2-12.3(2) Separation to state geomembrane liner shall be jointed / seamed as per the manufacturer’s recommendations. The product is a geotextile fabric not a geomembrane liner. Is the intent to have the geotextile fabric “sewn”?

Answer 6: Geomembrane liner is not currently identified for installation on this project. Geotextile fabric shall be installed per WSDOT 2-12.3(1).
Question 7: Per sheet 8, details 5 and 7 what aggregate product is going under the curb and behind it as backfill?

Answer 7: Detail 5 and Detail 7 shall both be Crushed Surfacing Top Course below and behind the curb as backfill.

Question 8: Special Reminders to All Bidders section 14 states, to be submitted with bid package, an acknowledgement must be signed and notarized. There is not a form included in the bid package in Addenda #4. What are we supposed to sign & notarize

Answer 8: This section has been removed in the revised Special Reminder to All Bidders labeled “Addendum 5.”

Question 9: Are the DBE subcontractor forms required to be submitted with the bid package or are these supplemental and can be submitted by apparent low bidders?

Answer 9: As per the Special Reminder to All Bidders, “The contractor shall submit DBE Subcontractor Utilization Form (EPA Form 6100-4) and all completed DBE Subcontractor Performance Form(s) (EPA Form 6100-3) as part of the bid, or within one hour after the published bid submittal time (consistent with RCW 39.30.060).”

Question 10: The Subcontractors Bidder List included in bid package – states to be submitted with the bid package by ALL subcontractors who submit a bid regardless if chosen for bid. Our concern is that subcontractor quotes come in right up to the last minutes before bid and this will be hard to include all quotes received and get the bid submitted on time, will this form be allowed to submit after bid so all information is accurate?

Answer 10: This form is supplemental criteria and may be submitted up to an hour after the published bid submittal time.