

October 22, 2021

TO: All Bidders under Invitation to Bid No. 21-101332

FROM: Department of Purchasing and Contracting, DeKalb County, Georgia

ADDENDUM NO. 1

Invitation to Bid (ITB) 21-101331 Scott Boulevard Phase II Watermain Replacement is hereby amended as follows:

- A. It is **MANDATORY** that the bidder acknowledges Addendum No. 1.
- B. We have received additional questions pertaining to this Invitation. The questions and their resulting answers appear below:
 - 1. <u>Question</u>: What are the work hours allowed for the project?

<u>Answer</u>: Allowable work hours will be 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Any deviations outside of this may be approved by DWM based on traffic conditions and local events such as school and business activities.

2. <u>Question</u>: Will blasting be allowed if rock is encountered due to the proximity of dual 24" gas mains?

<u>Answer</u>: No, blasting will not be allowed for the portions of this project that are in the vicinity of the gas mains.

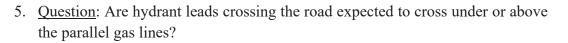
3. <u>Question</u>: Will the work area and traffic closure be allowed to remain in place 24/7?

<u>Answer</u>: No. Contractor shall remove traffic closures and open roadway to traffic during times when construction is not taking place. Traffic control items may be moved to the shoulder in accordance with MUTCD and GDOT standards but shall not limit or disrupt traffic or pedestrian flow where stored.

4. <u>Question</u>: Can work be performed at night?

<u>Answer</u>: Please refer to Question and Answer No. 1. This could be considered in nonresidential areas or crossing of major intersections but not as normal practice and only at the approval of DWM.

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Answer: Hydrant leads are expected to cross above gas lines where possible.

6. <u>Question</u>: Is the existing 30" steel water line welded or slip joint?

<u>Answer</u>: Existing 30" main joint type is unknown. Some sections of the main that have been uncovered in the past have been welded steel joints, however that can not be confirmed for the full extent of the line and is not guaranteed.

7. <u>Question</u>: GS Construction is an approved utility contractor with Dekalb County and we have been doing water line installation for over 20 years with Dekalb County with an unblemished track record. The experience qualifications set forth in the specifications require the contractor to have 2 project within the past 5 years with at least 15000 linear feet of pipe installation and of that 5000 linear feet of pipe installation above 24" pipe. I don't know of any local projects in the metro Atlanta area within the past few years that meet these requirements. This requirement will eliminate most qualified local contractors that have the experience to do the project and only allow much larger out of state national contractors to bid.

Would the county consider qualifying GS Construction or other local small businesses that attended the mandatory pre bid based off bond capability and past project performance with Dekalb County?

<u>Answer</u>: No. The requirements are to remain the same as listed in the solicitation documents.

- C. It is the responsibility of each bidder to ensure that he is aware of all addenda issued under this ITB. It is **MANDATORY** that this addendum be signed and returned. You may call Willie Moon, Senior Procurement Agent, at (404) 371-7021 or send an email to <u>wmoon@dekalbcountyga.gov</u> before the bids are due to confirm the number of addenda issued.
- D. All other conditions remain in full force and effect.

Willie Moon Date: 2021.10.21 12:30:30 -04'00' Willie Moon Procurement Agent, Senior Department of Purchasing and Contracting



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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Date:

The above Addendum No. 1 is hereby acknowledged:

(NAME OF BIDDER)

(Signature)

(Title)