

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM

THE CITY OF READING

ADDENDUM NO. 1

RFP: Penn Street Courtyard Project

DUE DATE: October 27, 2021
3:00 P.M. Prevailing Time

This addendum must be signed, attached to, and returned with your proposal to the City of Reading by the time and date indicated ABOVE.

Q1. May we know the estimated budget?

A1. An estimated cost will not be provided.

Q2. When is the Notice to Process expected to be issued?

A2. The City can be flexible with the issuance of a Notice to Proceed however, a Notice to Proceed will be issued no later than March 1, 2022.

Q3. In our experience, the decorative nature of the proposed concrete work does not lend itself to winter weather and associated winter curing processes. Is it possible that the stamped concrete work can be completed in the spring of 2022?

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Q4. Can the question deadline be extended? It is currently 16 days prior to the bid which is very far in advance.

A4. No.

Q5. The contract says liquidated damages will be assess if contractor doesn't start within 10 days of NTP. When is the anticipated NTP? Is there an intended completion date?

A5. The City can be flexible with the issuance of a Notice to Proceed however, a Notice to Proceed will be issued no later than March 1, 2022.

Q6. Specs do not mention any testing of concrete is required. Can you please confirm?

A6. An Allowance for Material Testing has been added to the Bid Form.

Q7. The Proposal form does not have a space to include the cost of the alternate items.

A7. All pricing is to be submitted in PennBid. As the Additional Work Items are not being used to determine the Award of the bid, the pricing for these items is independent of the Base Bid and pricing will only be shown under the Bid Price column for each additional work item.

Q8. Is demo of existing bollards and lights to be in base bid or alternate as it appears they are in the step areas?

A8. Removal of the existing bollard lighting and patching of the stairs shall be included in Item #2 Select Demolition.

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Q10. Drawings show 144' of 24" HDPE as alternate but bid form on Pennbid only says 86'. Please clarify.

A10. This has been revised through Addendum #1.

Q11. Is testing of storm sewer trench backfill required?

A11. An Allowance for Material Testing has been added to the Bid Form

Q12. Is handrail detailed on sheet C-5 for ADA ramps incidental to the ADA ramps item?

A12. Yes.

Q13. What is thickness of concrete on ADA ramps?

A13. The ADA ramps shall be 4 inches thick.

Q14. Should we assume that either item 15 or 16 in alternate would be completed, not both?

A14. The City will only award either item 15 or 16, not both, however depending on the pricing received, the City reserves the right to reject both items as they are both classified as Additional Work Items.

Q15. Is the same spec/material to be used for the concrete stair alternate item as for the planter bed walls?

A15. Specification Section 099600 – High Performance Coatings for Waterproofing Concrete Floors and Walls has been added to the documents for the coating of the stairs.

Q16. There are conflicting notes on the depth of topsoil required in the plantings beds (both 6" and 12" are shown). Please confirm depth of topsoil in planting beds and that the entire footprint of all planting beds are to receive topsoil.

A16. The Contractor shall remove and replace 12 inches of topsoil within the planter beds in order to remove all ivy from the beds.

Q17. Please confirm that no new lighting is proposed as part of this project?

A17. No site lighting is proposed as part of this project.

I, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE CHANGES COVERED BY THIS ADDENDUM HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

Firm Name (Type or Print)_____

Authorized Signature _____

Title_____

Name (Type or Print) _____

Date _____