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CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

Mary E. Stitt
Procurement Commissioner

January 26, 2015

BID NUMBER: S5Z60470
TITLE: Landscape Maintenance Services for Various Philadelphia Parks and Recreation Locations
DEPARTMENT: Various
DATE TO OPEN: January 28, 2015 at 10:30 AM

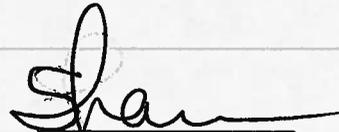
ADDENDUM # 1

TO ALL BIDDERS:

You are hereby notified of the following changes to the above mentioned bid:

The bid opening date for Bid #S5Z60470 has been postponed until Wednesday February 25, 2015 at 10:30 AM

Please sign, date and return this addendum with your bid to the Procurement Department, 1401 J.F.K Boulevard, Bid Room 170A, Philadelphia, PA 19102-1685 as it now becomes a part of the proposal.



S. Brown, Buyer

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ADDENDUM # 2

TO ALL BIDDERS:

You are hereby notified of the following changes, questions and answers for the above mentioned bid:

1. Please see the questions and answers below resulting from the Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting that was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 at 1:00 P.M

Questions and Answers:

Questions #1: Did the previous contracts for these parks have any prevailing wage requirements? If so, will the awarded contractor be required to send in certified payrolls?

Answer #1: The previous contract for these parks did not have prevailing wage requirements. However, Bid #S5Z60470 has prevailing wage requirements and the awarded contractor(s) are required to send in certified payrolls.

Question #2: Is weed control required on all hard surfaces within the boundaries of all site maps given for each landscaped area to be maintained?

Answer #2: Yes. Weed control is all inclusive, including all hard surfaces such as cracks in sidewalks.

Question#3: On bid sheets with weed control items with 2 units of measure, does this mean you will get paid twice over the course of the growing season for weed control?

Answer #3: Yes. Weed control is billed twice yearly, June 30th & October 30th.

Question #4: Did the City increase its maintenance boundaries for Ben Franklin Parkway portion of this contract? The maps have outlined areas such as Park Town Place lawn area, Large grass areas surrounding Eakins Oval, Von Collin Baseball fields and other miscellaneous areas. If so, are these areas to receive the full maintenance schedule listed for Ben Franklin Parkway?

Answer #4: Yes. Contractor shall refer to the boundaries indicated on Benjamin Franklin Parkway 1, Benjamin Franklin Parkway 2, Benjamin Franklin Parkway 3, Kopernick & Levi for all tasks outlined for the Benjamin Franklin Parkway. However, the contractor shall be compensated for Tree Ring Establishment 5.2.1.12 for trees within the boundaries that currently lack tree rings according to specifications. Pricing for Tree Ring Establishment 5.2.1.12 should be for one (1) Tree each.

Question #5: For Tree Ring establishment on page 190, Item 5.2.1.12 is this for one tree? This same situation occurs throughout the bid schedule.

Answer #5: All Tree Ring Establishment 5.2.1.12 should be for one (1) each.

Question #6: Page 190, Item 5.2.14 Special Event grounds repairs does not specify under description as to how LO (unit) is to be priced out. Is this to be priced per Acre OR per 10,000 S.F. price as stated on page 159 Item 2.10.28.1?

Answer #6: Special Event Ground Repairs 5.2.1.4 should state per one ten thousand square feet (10,000 sq ft) each.

Question #7: For Topdress application Items 5.1.2.5, 5.1.5.3 and 5.3.4.4 it does not specify in the description the quantity for topdressing.

Answer #7: Water Works Top Dress Application 5.1.2.5 should state per one (1) acre each. Lloyd Hall 5.1.5.3 Top Dress Application should be one (1) acre each. Cianfrani Park 5.3.4.4 can remain one (1) LO for the entire park.

Question #8: For turf hydro-seeding operations, Item 5.2.1.3 description does not specify quantity to be priced.

Answer #8: Turf Hydro-seeding Operations 5.2.1.3 should state one (1) acre each.

Question #9: Riverbank Clearing Item 5.4.2.1 description does not state quantity of clearing to bid, such as a price per acre.

Answer #9: River Bank Clearing 5.4.2.1 should state per one (1) acre each.

Question #10: Turf hydro-seeding operations Item 5.4.2.2 description does not state quantity to be bid.

Answer #10: Turf Hydro-seeding Operations 5.4.2.2 should state per one (1) acre each.

Question #11: Why are the MBE/WBE ranges wrong? In the 2011 bid for this same work, the ranges were equal, despite the fact that the MBE program was originally designed to begin to attempt to "Level the Playing Field" as Mayor Goode also proclaimed in order to correct the unequal treatment of Blacks, in particular and Minorities here in Philadelphia. Having the MBE/WBE ranges equal as in the 2011 bid, let alone higher for WBE's as in this current bid, does not fit with Mayor Goode's intentions of the City Procurement system creating an institution that provides for a "Level Playing Field". Please, please, re-arrange the MBE/WBE ranges to fit the "Level Playing Field" as Mayor Goode originally meant for the MBE/WBE program to work and as Mayor Nutter envisioned his "Inclusion" efforts to succeed. ICCG recommends a MBE range of 25% - 40% and a WBE range of 10% - 15%.

Answer #11: The participation ranges are accurate based on information given in the OEO registry. The ranges are an aggregate of 25% to 35%. Under the services; Landscaping Services, and 60300 PUBLIC WORKS LANDSCAPING, there are 8 MBEs, 11 WBEs and 6 MWBEs.

Question #12:- On page 167 at 4.1.5., Material Testing: Is the contractor responsible for the testing cost if the City decides to go to their Materials testing laboratory or send the samples out for testing?

Answer #12: The contractor is not responsible for any costs associated with with paragraph 4.1.5.

Question #13: On page 168 at 4.2.8, Assessed Penalties, were there any penalties assessed and if so, what percentage and what were the fee amounts for the six (6) areas In the previous bid?

Answer #13: The City of Philadelphia reserves the right to assess monetary penalties as described in paragraph 4.2.8. Philadelphia Parks & Recreation has assessed monetary penalties in the past. However, if the work is performed according to contract specifications, the contractor does not need to be concerned with any penalties associated with paragraph 4.2.8.

Question #14: The ranges for ME participation are very low. Please raise the level of MBE participation to a minimum of 25% or lower the WBE goal minimum.

Answer #14: See answer #11 above.

Question #15: Currently, there is a bid advantage for a Local Business Enterprise. Can this bid have a MBE advantage if bidding as a prime firm? If not on this bid, when can such a program be formalized? Our firm is willing to assist in that endeavor.

Answer #15: See answer #11 above.

Question #16: Can the Ranges for MBE/WBE inclusion have a separate percent level for suppliers and one for MBE/WBE firms performing work (landscaping) as a sub, especially since some non-MBE firms receiving LBE status use suppliers and no actual MBE landscaping firms as subs?

Answer #16: See answer #11 above.

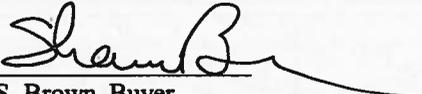
Question #17: There is a bid item that uses the term “**Dredging**” of ponds. Is this term used as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers defines the same word?

Question #18: The pond dredging task is small scale and is in no way associated with the army core of engineers.

The City of Philadelphia reserves the right at this time not to accept any additional questions for Invitation and Bid #S5Z60470.

2. The sign-in sheet resulting from the Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting is attached below.

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Wednesday, January 14, 2015 AT 1:00 PM
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Landscape Maintenance Services for Various Philadelphia Parks and Recreation Locations

	NAME	COMPANY NAME OR DEPARTMENT/Unit	Phone/Email
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2.	<u>Marc Bauman</u>	<u>Townscapes, Inc</u>	<u>MARC@TOWNSCAPES.COM</u>
3.	<u>Joe Milles</u>	<u>Centrally Landscaping</u>	<u>(215) 784-7090</u>
4.	<u>Lia Mastropolo</u>	<u>AKRF, Inc.</u>	<u>lmastropolo@akrf.com</u>
5.	<u>Bob Sweet</u>	<u>Green Scope</u>	<u>William Swannedge & Associates, Inc.</u> <u>swannedge.com</u>
6.	<u>Harold Jones</u>	<u>Industrial Commercial cleaning group</u>	<u>H Jones Industrial Commercial cleaning group.com</u>
7.	<u>Anthony Ocasio</u>	<u>Independence Contractor</u>	<u>215-520-8211 - Ocasio Anthony Dickel</u>
8.	<u>Don [unclear]</u>	<u>Phila</u>	<u>685-0190</u>
9.	<u>Bill Bunlar</u>	<u>Parks & Rec</u>	<u>685-0191</u>
10.	<u>James Mako</u>	<u>PARKS & REC</u>	<u>685-0192</u>

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2.	<u>Sanchez Justice</u>	<u>Procurement</u>	<u>215 686-4775</u>
3.	<u>Julie Gimmors</u>	<u>PREO</u>	<u>215-683-2083</u>
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