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ADDENDUM 1

To: All Interested Bidders
From: Oscar Avila, Procurement Data Analyst
Date: May 08, 2018
Subject: Bid #18-028 Removal of Old Irrigation Pumps and Installation of New Irrigation Pump System for Ascarate Golf Course

This addendum has been issued to notify vendors of the following:

❖ **The Opening Date has been extended to Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.**

❖ **Deadline to questions has not been extended.**

The following is a recap of the pre-bid conference held on Tuesday, May 01, 2018:

1. Will awarded bidder be connecting to the existing Z pipe inside the pump house?

RESPONSE: Yes.

2. Will disposal of the existing pump station be the responsibility of the awarded contractor?

RESPONSE: Disposal of the existing pump station will be handled by the County.

3. What is the capacity of the pump station?

RESPONSE: Capacity that the County wants to work at is 4,000 gpm, but it can go up to 5,000 gpm.

4. Regarding the time frame of project completion; work preparation is a lengthy process and completing the project within 60 days is rather short, would the County be willing to extend the project time from 60 days to between 90 and 120 days?

RESPONSE: Yes.

5. Once a contract is issued, when does the notice to proceed come into effect?

RESPONSE: After the bid has been awarded, the awarded vendor shall commence work within 30 days upon execution of the contract.

6. What is the projected start date for the project?

RESPONSE: There is no projected start date. Project will commence after bid has been awarded.

7. Is the County a member of the BuyBoard Purchasing Cooperative?

RESPONSE: Yes the County is a member of the BuyBoard Cooperative.

8. In the specifications, Item G (a) of the 'Removal and Installation of Entire Pump' section, "The contractor will be responsible for labeling the Pump Station for the usage of reclaimed water", how does the County want the Pump Station to be labeled?

RESPONSE: Purple Coating to signify the usage of reclaimed water.

9. Will the County be responsible for the removal of the roof?

RESPONSE: Yes, the County will handle removal of the roof.

10. Will the Contractor be responsible for the disconnection/reconnection of the electrical components?

RESPONSE: Yes the contractor will be responsible.

11. Will the Contractor be responsible for the installation of the fertigation system?

RESPONSE: Yes the contractor will be responsible.

12. Is the main disconnect for the pump house building located in the adjacent building?

RESPONSE: Yes, the main disconnect is in the building adjacent to the pump house.

13. Will vendors be able to come again for another site visit?

RESPONSE: No, the only site visit to be held was done so on Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

14. Has there been any problems with the piping on the skid, were there repairs done in the past?

RESPONSE: Yes there have been previous repairs.

15. Does the County expect the in-take/out-take to line up with the new pump station?

RESPONSE: Yes.

16. Will the awarded contractor connect to the new fertilizer injector or will it be the old one?

RESPONSE: Contractor will be connecting to the new one.

17. Concerning Additive Alternates, will any be included?

RESPONSE: There will be no additive alternates included.

18. Does the County want the bids mailed in?

RESPONSE: Yes, all bids must be sealed and submitted to the Purchasing Department located at 800 East Overland, Rm 300 El Paso, Texas 79901 before 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 10, 2018. They may be delivered by mail of choice or dropped off in person. Bids will not be accepted after due date and time.

The Purchasing Department has received the following questions:

1. Is there a cost estimate or budget for the project?

RESPONSE: Cost estimate or budget will not be disclosed.

2. Will the County please clarify, under Qualifications Section D, if an experienced irrigation superintendent is required? This is a mechanical and electrical project and should not require an experienced irrigation superintendent but an experienced pump system technician.

RESPONSE: An experienced pump system technician is required.

3. Will the County please clarify, under Qualifications Section E, if the installation shall be performed by a State Certified Licensed Irrigation? This project does not fall under any TECQ guidelines. Section D of the Qualifications should be the important factor.

RESPONSE: Installation shall be performed by an experienced pump system technician.

4. Under section "Specifications of controls and equipment (or equivalent)", Patented Electronic Butterfly Valve (EBV). This is a single manufacturer Patented item. What are the acceptable Equivalent(s)?

RESPONSE: Anything compatible to the existing butterfly valve.

5. Under section "Specifications of controls and equipment", Salinity monitor. With the proposed pump station monitoring salinity coupled with past pipe repairs that have been made to the existing pump station, corrosion appears to be an issue. Question; Would NSF61 fusion bonded epoxy powder coating of all piping 2" and above internal and externally, and piping 2" and below to be 304SS be acceptable?

RESPONSE: Yes, as long as it is resistant to re-claimed water.