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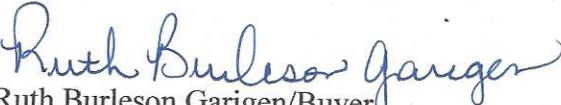
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ADDENDUM 001
Engineering Design Services
June 23, 2020

The following questions have been submitted and answered for the above project:

1. On page 3, first paragraph of the RFQ it states "as shown in Appendix A" Can you provide Appendix A, it was not attached to the RFQ document?
A. Appendix A is attached
2. Can you please clarify how many copies are to be submitted?
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Thank you for your interest in this project


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Carrie Mae Johnson Neighborhood



The Carrie Mae Johnson neighborhood was known as Tin Top Alley because the houses had tin roofs at one time. Much like the Harlem neighborhood freedmen migrated to the Myrtle Beach area and worked for Burroughs and Collins (later Myrtle Beach Farms). Most lived in Myrtle Beach Farms' housing rent free until they eventually purchased lots and moved to Tin Top Alley.

As times changed, so did the occupations of the residents. Men and women became chefs, maids, yardmen, waitresses, cooks, bellmen, clerks, school teachers, lumber checkers, laborers with the Town of Myrtle Beach, carpenters, deliverymen, dishwashers, caddy masters, ironers, washmen, janitors, plasterers, porters, gas station attendants, railroad station hands and military/civilian employees of the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base.

As the community continued to grow, so did the businesses owned by black men and women. They included two laundromats, Henry Evans' After Hours Restaurant, the Jet Age Cafe, Frances Bowen's grocery store and the old packing house/butcher pen (slaughter/butcher shop). Residents recall buying their honey buns, hoop cheese and sodas from the stores. The packing house sold many different things. Don Easton ran the packing house and would allow families to buy things on credit and pay him every Friday.

Life was simple in Tin Top Alley. Children played marbles or baseball. When they played "mom and dad," they took soda bottles and used twine to make the doll baby's hair. Family gardens were common throughout the neighborhood. Many gave food to people who did not have any. Most of the families worshipped at Sandy Grove and Mt. Olive churches.

The residential community has continued to grow. Residents recall the names of families that have lived in the neighborhood through the years, such as Alston, Baldwin, Beck, Bellamy, Blye, Bowens, Brown, Canteen, Davis, Dewey, Dickerson, Dingle, Eaddy, Ellis, Evans, Fairwell, Feaster, Ford, Gaine, Gardner, Gibbs, Gibson, Gore, Graham, Grasty, Green, Haines, Hannah, Holloman, Johnson, Jones, Jordan, Kennedy, Knox, Lacey, Lewis, McCord, McCray, McDaniel, McKnight, McQueen, Miller, Mitchell, Myers, Nesbitt, Parker, Pennington, Perry, Pickett, Powell, Raitford, Ray, Ridges, Robinson, Rutledge, Scott, Simmons, Stackhouse, Stanley, Steel, Tomer, Varn, Vaught, Vereen, White, Wilde, Williams, Wilson and Wise.

Over the years many families have come and gone, but the memories of growing up in the neighborhood live on. Marbles and baseballs have been replaced with computers and cell phones, but the pride in the community still exists. This pride is evident in the smiling faces that offer a friendly hello when you visit this neighborhood.

In 2012, neighborhood residents changed the area's name to honor lifelong resident of the community Carrie Mae Johnson (1929-2009). Mrs. Johnson, shown here, was known for her beautiful hats and big smile that she wore everyday.



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