

Addendum #2 Pre-Bid Meeting Minutes/ Q's & A's

The Pre-Bid Meeting for the above-named solicitation was held on August 8, 2023, at 9:00 am in the City of Sebring Council Chambers. Below are the meeting minutes and Q's & A's.

Minutes

- 9:00 am Meeting began. Introduction of City staff and attendees.
- All attendees have signed in on the provided meeting sign-in sheet.
- Drew Jones with Polston Engineering explained the plans in detail and described location of the WWTP along with the location of the perc pond:
 - This project is expected to consist of over 100K cubic yards of excavating and Earth work.
 - City will determine the location of the stockpile locations for the excess soil. (see Q's & A's below)
 - There are currently gopher tortoises existing on site that the city is working to have relocated. The project start time will need to commence after the relocation of the tortoises.
 - Erosion prevention Driveway/Temporary Drive Installation can be either shell, crushed concrete, or millings. It is up to the contractor. The driveway must be gravel or crushed concrete, to follow erosion control measures. Alternate plan may be submitted to the City for review/approval.
 - Referring to the scope of work for plumbing:
 - The existing splitter box will be modified for this project. The plans are to remove the existing slide valve hardware and remove the existing hatch from the type 'E' inlet. This inlet will then be sealed at the top with a new concrete lid.
 - The existing plumbing to the ponds will then be modified to direct the flows to the new ponds. The existing two pipes will be used for sending the flows to the older set of ponds and the other for the new set of ponds. Two new 'E' inlets will be used as new splitter boxes to route the water as needed to the new and old ponds.
 - The existing pipe that the contractor will be working with should already be existing dual wall HDPE. They are allowed to use alternate pipe if it is new and is equivalent size and is rated for the proposed use.
 - Clean up is contractor's responsibility.
 - There is fencing work in the scope and this project will require the removal/disposal of the old fence and addition of a new fence around the new pond area. (More details about the fence installation in the Q's & A's below.)
 - Addressed the hydro seed question that was answered in addendum #1. DOT blend is sufficient.
 - The city is expecting to have DEP permits in-hand within the next 2-3 months.

- This project is expected to be completed within 6 months of the start of work.
- At the request of contractors, the allowable working hours in the bid document will be changed from 8:00am to 7:00am.
- There is no estimated budget for the project.
- Bid will be awarded by lump sum price.
- CAD files will be made available upon request for survey reasons.

Questions & Answers

Q: What is the priority of the stockpile locations, if any?

A: The priority will be the off-site location first, then the on-site location (which will be the area of the new perc pond). Address of off-site location is the WWTP, 4200 Cemetery Rd, Sebring, FL 33870. The first point of delivery on the North side marked #1, then site #2, then #3. See attached diagram.

Q: What is the maximum height for the stockpiles?

A: The estimated design heights for the stockpiles were 20-25 feet. The stockpile needs to be accessible for the contractor, so height may be limited by accessibility. No height limits have been set. The stockpile on site, needs to maintain a 20' perimeter for operator access for mowing and maintenance of the site.

- Q: Does the fence need to be buried at its base?
 - A: No. the fence will need to be installed at ground level.
- Q: What are the working hours for the project?A: The RFQ states 8 AM to 5 PM. This has been changed to 7 AM to 5 PM.
- Q: Are the CAD files available for this project?A: The CAD files will be available via email upon request.
- Q: Are there any historical utilities or other buried objects that will need to be moved or removed?
 A: The City and Engineer of record are not aware of any existing utilities or objects in the work area.
 Locates will need to be called to address any utilities. They are only expected along the perimeter of the work area.
- Q: Where is the location for the proposed haul road?

A: The haul road is to be located at the northwest corner of the project area. A sketch has been attached to this response.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

It is the vendor's responsibility to ensure their receipt of all addenda, and to clearly acknowledge all addenda within their initial bid or proposal response in the space provided on the Submittal Checklist included in the original solicitation document. Failure to do so may subject the bidder to disqualification.



