

## Macon-Bibb County Government

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## ADDENDUM #3

## To: ALL PROSPECTIVE FIRMS

Re: INVITATION FOR BIDS: 23-010-NT EMA Debris Removal Services

## The Invitation for Bids, referenced above, is modified as follows:

- Please explain specifically how the pricing of one proposal will be evaluated against the pricing from another proposal? Answer: Use the pricing form in the invitation for bids.
- 2. Are there any pre-identified DMS locations? If so, can you please provide the locations? Answer: No.
- 3. Are the 2 1-year extensions exercised mutually between both parties? Answer: To be determined upon award.
- Does the contractor need to carry builder's risk insurance? Answer: Please refer to the RFP for the type of insurances required.
- 5. Please confirm that we are required to submit the pricing form only since this is Phase 2, and the experience/qualifications documents were submitted earlier this year.

Answer: Yes, all documents for Attachment A must be completed on all bids even if there is another phase.

 Please confirm if pricing sheet will be amended to include the removal of putrescent waste from White Goods or if the decontamination cost should be included in the "White Good debris (each)" pricing line item.

Answer: Cost should be included.

7. Regarding any line items containing tipping fees on the Fee Proposal, please take into consideration that the contractor cannot control the landfill rates nor guarantee them for the term of the proposed contract. Typically, it is after activation when tipping fees are negotiated often at a much better rate than the standard daily gate rate (depending on the quantity of debris). Can the County confirm that Tipping Fees/Disposal fees are not to be included in the line-item pricing and that those fees will be considered a pass-through expense whereby the contractor pays the Tipping Fees and invoices the County at direct cost with no markup? If not and the County is requiring tipping fees be included in the line-item pricing, how will bids be evaluated "apples to apples" if respondents can submit any price for a tipping fee, which may or may not be the actual fee at the time of activation?

Answer: Tipping fees will be reimbursed dollar for dollar or waived by the County.

 Page 4 of the Solicitation indicates that Contract Award will be based on Total Bid Price. However, each section of the pricing document is asking for the average of the line items. Please confirm if the award will be based on total bid price or the total of the average of the three sections.

Answer: Line items will be averaged together for a total bid price.

9. Will the County be adding any quantities to the line items?

Answer: If any changes are required, it will be posted on an addendum.

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Answer: Lowest bidder, technically acceptable will be primary. After that the next highest score bidder and so forth. For activation the primary vendor will be contacted firs. If they cannot respond to the activation the next vendor will be contacted and so on until a vendor accepts the activation.

11. Is the Vendor Application to be submitted as a "New Application" or "Revised Application" since we included this form in response to the RFQ 22-043-NT? Is it required if none of the information previously submitted has changed?

Answer: If none of the information has changed you can submit the previous application packet.

12. For each average unit price rate, are we taking the average for all the line items in each of those sections?

Answer: Yes.

13. Please confirm if we should submit 1 original and no copies of our proposal?

Answer: Yes. 1 copy of the bid solicitation.

14. What is the anticipated contract term?

Answer: to be determined upon award.

- 15. The Scope of Services, 1. Emergency Road Clearance states that "Services performed under this contract element will be compensated using Schedule 2-Hourly Labor and Equipment Price Schedule." There was not a Schedule 2 within the IFB. Was this language included in error, or will the price schedule be provided?
- 16. Addendum 1 says there will be a price sheet with new line item, although there is no updated pricing sheet attached. Is the contractor to add in the listed line items themselves?

Answer: Refer to question #9 on Revised Addendum 1.

17. Addendum 2 say the bid opening has changed to the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Can you confirm that this also changes the due date to the 22<sup>nd</sup>?

Answer: Addendum 2 as it states, the bid opening date has changed from 9/15/2022 Noon to 9/22/2022 Noon.

18. Can the County confirm that disposal fees will be treated as a pass through expense where contractor pays the fee and bill the county at direct cost with no mark up?

Answer: Yes.

19. What is the length of this contract?

Answer: To be determined upon award.

20. Can the County confirm there are no bonds for this project?

Answer: No bond is required.

21. Can the County confirm that line item 1 is intended to haul vegetative debris from the ROW to the temporary debris reduction site?

Answer: Yes.

22. Can the County confirm that line item 2 is for hauling construction and demolition debris from the ROW to the final disposal fee?

Answer: Yes.

23. There is currently no line item for management or reduction of debris. Will the County consider adding line items for this? If no, what line items should this cost be included in?

Answer: Refer to Question #9 on Revised Addendum 1.

24. There is currently no line item for hauling out reduced debris from the reduction site to the final disposal site. Will the County consider adding a line item for this bid? If the answer is no, under which line item should the cost of this be included?

Answer: There should be an additional line items for each reduction method.

25. There is conflicting language in the RFP about reduction methods, which method of reduction does the County prefer?

Answer: Grinding.

26. There is a significant cost difference between reduction methods. If they are all to be priced together then the Contractor would have to give the highest cost of reduction to cover all methods. Will the County consider adding and breaking up these line items into separate line items?

Answer: Refer to question #24 on this addendum.

27. In the previous Q&A, the County indicated that there will be several vendors chosen for this RFQ once it goes to the next Procurement process, but yet (as indicated above), the bid indicates that the contract award will be based on Total Bid Price. Can the County confirm if award will be given (I) to the lowest bidder (ii) to a Primary, Secondary, etc, (iii) to several contractors make it a qualified contractor list? If it will be a qualified contractor list, how will the order of contractor activation occur?

Answer: Lowest bidder, technically acceptable will be primary. After that, the next lowest bidder is contacted and so forth. For activation the primary vendor will be contacted first. If they cannot respond to the activation the next vendor will be contacted and so on until a vendor accepts that activation.

Please incorporate this change into the Invitation for Bid and acknowledge receipt of this addendum on your bid form.

Sincerely, *Nan Tharpe* Procurement Officer II