



Macon-Bibb County Government

Procurement Department

Government Center

700 Poplar Street, Suite 308

Macon, Georgia 31201

(478) 803-0550

Fax (478) 751-7252

Laura Hardwick
Director of Procurement

June 09, 2023

ADDENDUM # 3

To: ALL PROSPECTIVE FIRMS

Re: INVITATION FOR BIDS: 23-043-LH, Courthouse Renovation for Macon-Bibb County

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

1. RFI # 2 Will contractor need to provide state of GA seal and signage behind judge's bench? If so what manufacture and materials should be used ?

Answer: Owner Furnished

2. Will badges be required? If so, is there a fee for courthouse security to make them? How will workers and materials access the building from the exterior?

Answer: Yes, a minimal limited number of badges will be required and provided, free of charge

3. Will the floor-covering changes in the Judge's office have to be performed after hours?

Answer: Yes, all work will have to be coordinated and planned around the judge's and the all court's schedules

4. Will State Courtroom B be shut down during renovations in the courtroom?

Answer: The courtroom will not be shut down and all work will have to be coordinated with the Sheriff's Department, as they are aware of the courtroom schedule

5. What are the acceptable limits on the background check?

Answer: Any legal issues pertaining to violence (domestic or otherwise), or drug convictions will automatically disqualify a worker. All decisions pertaining to whether someone is allowed access is solely the decision of the Sheriff's Department

6. If work is stopped due to court proceedings, can that time be logged, and an extension granted based on that time and associated cost?

Answer: While we are aware that work stoppages surrounding the court business are problematic, it is expected that the contractor will make the necessary adjustments to ensure that the schedule is followed as closely as possible. Macon-Bibb will work with the contractor on a case by case basis. However, work stoppages will NOT cause any increases in the costs of the project.

7. Will tools and materials entering the courthouse be inspected as it enters the courthouse?

Answer: ALL tools, toolboxes and materials are subject to search by the Sheriff's department. It is the responsibility of the General Contractor to enforce all the rules set by the Sheriff's Department and guarantee compliance of all personnel to these rules.

8. Where will the temporary toilet facilities need to be located?

Answer: Temporary toilets are not necessary and access to the public facilities in the courthouse will be permitted. However, it is important to note that these are public facilities and if it is determined that these facilities are being trashed or abused by the workers, then arrangements will need to be made for temporary toilets

9. Will the contractor be reimbursed by change order for parking expense? If no, we need to know available parking location and cost to include in estimate.

Answer: There will be no reimbursement of parking expenses. On street parking is not for the contractors except provisions will be made for the off-loading of materials. Parking on the street is "At your own risk". Parking will be available in the lot at the corner of Walnut Street and Second Street, across from the former BB&T building.

10. We will assume normal work hours of 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM with no interruptions, correct? If not, we need to know court schedule and allowable work hours.

Answer: A court schedule will be provided by the Sheriff's Department, but this is always subject to change. Noise travels easily in the building so it is possible that you will be asked to stop a particular task for a period of time. The Sheriff's Department will let the project superintendent of any particular days that tasks may need to be modified to fit with activities in the building. The building is open 8:00 until 5:00, unless other arrangements are made with the Sheriff's Department.

11. Can deliveries be made during normal work hours? If not, provide delivery schedule.

Answer: Yes. All materials will be delivered to the Mulberry Street side and use that elevator. Deliveries can be scheduled at the contractor's discretion as long as they have someone to receive, unload, and secure the delivery. Macon Bibb nor BSO will be responsible for any delivery in any way. And again, noise should be considered during court hours.

12. Will elevator be designated for our use:

Answer: The Mulberry Street elevator will be available for material and workers but not for their exclusive use. It will be used by employees in the courthouse. The selected contractor will be responsible for keeping the elevator reasonably clean of material debris throughout the day

13. What is the procedure to schedule a site visit to confirm existing conditions and materials?

Answer: If an additional site visit is needed, you must check in with the Sheriff's Department on the 2nd Floor of the courthouse and they will provide an escort.

14. Do you have a plan holders list for the project referenced in the title?

Answer: There is no plan holder's list available.

15. We're wondering if we can place sub bids along to the General Contractors who plan to bid on this project.

Answer: You will need to reach out to the General Contractors submitting the bid.

16. FRP panels are listed in the specifications, but it is not listed on the finish schedule or plans.

Answer: Sht. A1.2 Finish Schedule: Restrooms 506 and 507, furnish and install RFP wainscot 4-ft. ht. (all walls), with gypsum board (painted) above.

17. Would it be possible to receive a cut section of the low rail wall?

Answer: See details 4/A7.1 and 5/A7.1

18. I could not locate any substitution procedures in the invitation package, we are wanting to know if a Firestone product would be an acceptable substitute and if there is anything further we would need to do to request.

Answer: This question is for the DOT/GBI building and does not apply to the courthouse job

19. Would like to see if plans or specs are available electronically for the 23-047-LH Macon-Bibb DOT roof replacement project

Answer: This question is for the DOT/GBI building and does not apply to the courthouse job

20. Is reaching out asking if furniture be part of the renovation for Bid#23-043-LH Courthouse Renovation for Macon-Bibb County.

Answer: No

21. How will workers and materials access the building from the exterior?

Answer: Workers and materials that will fit will access the building from the Mulberry St. entrance and use the annex elevator

22. What finish should the hardware be? 605, 626?

Answer: Match existing hardware

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

Sincerely,

Laura Hardwick

Procurement Director