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ADDENDUM #1

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #15-75

NEWTON HISTORY MUSEUM AT JACKSON HOMESTEAD ACCESSIBILITY & FIRE PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS

THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: SET FORTH PROCEDURES FOR VISITS TO THE WORK SITE AND CHANGE THE FILED SUB-BID OPENING DATE AND THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR OPENING DATE:

WORK SITE VISITS: Interested sub-contractors and contractors may visit the Jackson Homestead by scheduling an appointment with the Project Manager, Rafik Ayoub (617.796.1621). All questions should be submitted in writing to purchasing@newtonma.gov. Sub-contractors and contractors cannot rely on any information from the City except that which was provided in the bid package and pursuant to questions submitted in the foregoing manner.

NEW FILED SUB-BID OPENING DATE: March 26, 2015 at 12:00 P.M.

NEW GENERAL CONTRACTORS OPENING DATE: April 9, 2015 at 12:00 P.M.

All other terms and conditions of this bid remain unchanged.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU ACKNOWLEDGE ALL ADDENDA ON YOUR BID FORM. FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL ADDENDA COULD RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID AS NONRESPONSIVE.

Thank you.

Nicholas Read
Chief Procurement Officer
ADDENDUM #2

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #15-75

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THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM THE PRE-BID MEETING ALONG WITH OTHER ITEMS AND TO CHANGE THE TITLE OF DRAWING FP000*:

Q1. Specification called for the electrical contractor to carry the utility company back charge.

1.5 UTILITY COMPANY BACK-CHARGES
   A. Carry in the bid price all Utility Company and Municipal back-charges for all materials furnished and all work performed by them in conjunction with this Contract and pay same to the respective agency upon demand.

   Question: Would you please provide the contact name, phone number of the utility company that the electrical engineer had contacted together with the work order number so that we can contact the utility company for the utility company back charge.

   A1. Revise Section 1.5.A at p. 4 of Part 260510 (“Electrical Special Conditions” to read in its entirety as follows:

       A. The City of Newton will be responsible for utility company back charges costs.

Q2. On drawing E300 Electrical Riser Diagram, it called for alternate E1 for new service conductors and conduit from existing utility riser pole to the new electric meter.

   Question: Where is the location of the existing utility pole? How far is that from the meter? There is only one alternate in section 012300; which is brick walkway. Is alternate E1 part of this project?

   A2. Refer to EXISTING CONDITIONS PLAN Sheet 1 of 1 by Merrill Associates, Inc. for utility pole location with utilities connecting from the northwest corner of the building.

   Delete references to Alternate E1 since all work associated with the electric service/meter relocation is part of base bid scope.

Q3. Specification call for electrical sub contractor to perform all cutting and patching.

   E. Cutting, Patching and Conduit Sleeves
   2. All cutting, rough patching and finish patching required for electrical work shall be provided by the Electrical Subcontractor.
Question: Is electrical sub do own the patching in this job? Am I correct, during the pre bid conference, the GC will do the patching since this is a historic building. We just perform the cutting and coring.

A3. All cutting and patching shall be done by the General Contractor (GC) due to the historic nature of the project.

Q4. Who is to install 6" underground supply?

A4. The GC is responsible for installing the 6" underground supply, as well as for the new fire protection service from the street, including all excavation, backfill, cutting and patching of roadway, curbing, sidewalk, driveway and lawn as shown on Drawing FP000 (New Drawing #C-1), up to the point of FP Filed Sub-Bid responsibility as shown on Drawing FP-100 "Fire Protection Basement Floor Plan."

Q5. Who shall be responsible for excavation and backfill?

A5. Refer to Q4 above.

Q6. On Drawing FP000, it reads “See Note #3” – please explain note.

A6. GC must coordinate all Work.

Q7. In reference to section 283110 part 1.2 C who is the Building Fire Alarm Maintenance Contractor?

A7. The Wiring Division of the Newton Fire Department.

Revise section 283110 part 1.2 C to read as follows: "C. Include all costs to modify and maintain existing fire alarm system until the new fire alarm system is fully operational before demolition of the existing fire alarm system can occur. Retain the Owner’s Building Fire Alarm UL Testing and Maintenance Company as required to modify and maintain the existing fire alarm system until demolition phase can be phased in."

Q8. Can you please tell me the exact wording required for the Bid Bond holder. IE: City of Newton (or) the Museum itself.

A8. The Bid Bond secures the bidders’ bids to the time of award and the named obligee and may be in the form of form of cash, certified check, treasurer's or cashier's check. Any check should be made payable to the “City of Newton” and reference IFB 15-75.

Q9. Who is responsible for the patching & painting of any cutting or channeling in existing plastering to conceal new wiring in the existing front house?

A9. All cutting and patching shall be done by the GC due to the historic nature of the project.

* CHANGE TITLE OF “DRAWING FP000” AS PREPARED BY HORSLEY WITTEN GROUP TO “DRAWING C-1”.

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ADDENDUM #3

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS #15-75

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Q1. Sheet A200, Plan note 4.01 identifies Misc. Metal and Masonry File Subs. Please verify that this does not apply to this project.
   
   A1. Misc. Metal and Masonry File Subs does not apply to this project; the only filed sub-bids are Mechanical, Electrical, Fire Protection and Plumbing.

Q2. Please provide a specification for new unit masonry.

   A2. Refer to Section 040120 "Maintenance of Unit Masonry" Paragraph 2.1.A.

Q3. Specification 064000.2.3.B.1 identifies Mahogany for all exterior Wood Decking, Trim and Woodwork. Details on sheet A401 do not identify a lumber species. Please verify exterior trim and decking is intended to be Mahogany.

   A3. Yes; this is correct. Provide "Genuine Mahogany" as per the specifications.

Q4. Sheet A800 – Ceiling Type GWB-4 shows a section lining that typically identifies fiberglass batts. Please identify if the intention is to have insulation in this cavity and if so, what type and thickness.

   A4. GWB-4 is a 2 hour fire rated shaft wall ceiling. Provide +/- 2 1/2" thick mineral wool batt insulation in the stud cavity.

Q5. Sheet A401, detail 13, 14 - Please specify beam seat shown.

   A5. Provide "CC Series" galvanized column cap by Simpson Strong Tie. Include through bolts and plate washers.
Q6. Detail 18/A401 identifies a CMU infill, is this detail typical at all framing infill between post and beam framing? Or just occurring at the section shown?

A6. This section occurs at the existing openings; between existing posts.

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