

# CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

## PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

[purchasing@newtonma.gov](mailto:purchasing@newtonma.gov)

Fax (617) 796-1227

July 25, 2016

## ADDENDUM #1

### INVITATION FOR BID #17-02

## SERVICING, REPAIRING, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT

THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: **Answer the following Questions:**

Q1. Is there a mandatory site visit to attend in order to bid on this contract?

**A1. No**

Q2. What are the significant differences bidders should reference in regards to the changes in the specification from 16-106 (June 2016) and 17-02 (this specification)

**A2. There are no material differences, just a change in date of bid, although the terms of the current bid and the not the older one will apply.**

Q3. In regards to the previous specification for 16-106 in June of this year, a question was asked and answered with addenda # (Will this contract include testing per National Fire Protection Association 72 fire alarm of all the buildings? **A1. Yes but only as directed by the City of Newton Public Buildings Department.**) In regards to that, I am assuming testing also applies to this contract. The rate for testing would differ from the rate for the installation/maintenance/programming and service of a device and/or panel, therefore it may be beneficial to City of Newton to do this as a separate fixed price line item for City of Newton for testing for each building.

**A3. Contractor compensation will be based on time and materials or the City will request a formal quote at the time the work is requested.**

Q4. What is the make and model of each fire alarm system at each building? Bidders would need the most recent fire alarm test reports and/or device counts for each building in order to price the testing of the buildings at a fixed price?

**A4. For the most part all systems are Honeywell Notifier.**

Q5. Who currently holds the contract?

**A5. First time this has been bid. In-house personnel up to this point.**

Q6. What was the last winning bidders' contract amount?

**A6. N/A**

Q7. What were the last winning bidders' labor rates?

**A7. N/A**

Q8. Clarification: Prevailing Wage Rates; Prevailing wage as outlined on page 38 indicate Prevailing wage to be paid to both "maintenance" and "Installation/Repairs" as outlined in the P/W sheets at 75.56 and 62.18, respectively? Please clarify.

**A8. This contract is subject to the state Prevailing Wage Law, M.G.L. c. 149, §§26-27.**

Q9. How long does the current vendor take to do the annual testing of all the buildings?

**A9. N/A**

Q10. Clarification on Scope: As outlined under the “Scope of Work”, it appears the bidder is also responsible for parts replacement, wiring issues and any repairs? Please clarify?

**A10. All repairs are to be on a T & M basis unless a quote is requested.**

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicholas Read". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Nicholas Read

*Chief Procurement Officer*