

ADDENDUM No. 1

RFP No. 941

2015 GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES

Due: September 30, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.

The following changes, additions, and/or deletions shall be made to the Request for Proposal for 2015 Geotechnical Services RFP No. 941 on which proposals will be received on/or before September 30, 2015 by 10:00 A.M.

The information contained herein shall take precedence over the original documents and all previous addenda (if any), and is appended thereto. **This Addendum includes 3 pages.**

Offeror is to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum No. 1, including all attachments in its Proposal by so indicating in the proposal that the addendum has been received. Proposals submitted without acknowledgement of receipt of this addendum will be considered nonconforming.

I. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

The following Questions have been received by the City. Responses are being provided in accordance with the terms of the RFP. Respondents are directed to take note in its review of the documents of the following questions and City responses as they affect work or details in other areas not specifically referenced here.

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Question 1: What is the anticipated contract duration/term? The RFP states "2015" but the selection will not occur until October 2015.

Response 1: The duration of the contract will depend on how many firms are selected. We have a backlog of soil borings that will need to be started in October of 2015. We will probably establish a fixed dollar amount and the contract will be active until the dollar amount is expended.

Question 2: We are instructed that laboratory tests are to be included in the soil borings, but there is a unit price line item for "Lab Testing", please clarify.

Response 2: The lab testing item consists of all laboratory testing necessary to prepare the soil boring logs, including visual engineering classification (VEC) on all samples; and moisture content and strength testing (Qp) on all native cohesive samples. Charges shall be on a per sample basis.

Question 3: What is the cost for the City parking meter bags?

Response 3: The fees for a meter bag are waived for City projects.

- Question 4: What is a typical depth for the environmental borings and environmental Push Bore?
- Response 4: The typical depth for the environmental borings and push bore are 20 feet, but we may elect to increase the depth.
- Question 5: The development of the HASP and complexity is dependent on the known and/or anticipated contaminants. Should Level D be assumed? Is there a “typical” site that can be used as the baseline for cost?
- Response 5: The typical site of known or suspected contamination is a former gas station, where there may have been a leaking underground storage tank.
- Question 6: Please clarify if the cost for environmental sample analysis on soil and groundwater is to be included. If we are to include it, define “other analysis requested by the City” as stated in the proposal.
- Response 6: The cost for environmental sample analysis is not required to be included in the proposal. If environmental analysis is requested, the City will negotiate a price with the selected consultant.
- Question 7: Do you require resumes of the individual drillers, or just a company experience for any planned subcontract drillers?
- Response 7: A company resume or list of experience would be sufficient for drilling subcontractors.
- Question 8: Disposal costs for drill cuttings are based on the analytical test results. This cannot be quantified as stated in the proposal. Please clarify.
- Response 8: A price for proper disposal of contaminated drill cuttings will be negotiated, if the need arises.
- Question 9: Since there isn’t a defined scope of work yet, how will the fee proposal be evaluated?
- Response 9: Each proposal will be reviewed using a sample scope of work, which includes approximately 200 linear feet of drilling.
- Question 10: Given that a schedule of work has not been finalized yet, would it be possible to use a subcontractor not originally included as part of the proposal if their qualifications are submitted to and approved by the city prior to start of work?
- Response 10: It is possible to submit an alternative subconsultant, but only with prior approval by the City.
- Question 11: Is there a number of borings or a number of projects that should be assumed to be “bundled” for “EACH” Geotechnical Report in order to have an apples-to-apples comparison between proposers?
- Response 11: Each proposal will be reviewed using a sample scope of work, which includes approximately 200 linear feet of drilling.
- Question 12: Will any of the following items be included in the 10 sheet limit? Proposal cover page, cover letter, title sheet, table of contents, tab dividers/insert pages, or proposal attachments (required forms)?
- Response 12: No.

Question 13: Can we please confirm that the page limitation described on page 15 of the RFP means that we can print on both sides of 10 sheets so that our proposal should be no more than 20 sides of paper total?

Response 13: That is correct, if you print on both sides your proposal can be 20 pages.

Question 14: Do subconsultants also have to complete and sign any of the proposal forms?

Response 14: Proposed subconsultants do not need to sign any proposal forms as part of the proposal. The City does reserve the right to ask that subconsultants submit the Non-Discrimination Ordinance Declaration of Compliance Form, the Living Wage Declaration of Compliance Form and the Vendor Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form, if selected.

Respondents are responsible for any conclusions that they may draw from the information contained in the Addendum