

City of Gonzales

ADDENDUM NO. 1 Industrial Sewer Collection System Project 07-16-2024

The following changes additions and clarifications are hereby made part of the contract documents for the above referenced project and shall be taken into account in the preparation of all proposals and the execution of all work. This Addendum shall be signed by the Bidder, be attached to submitted bid and acknowledged on the bid forms. All changes, omissions, additions and alterations in, on and to the Contract Documents and Specification will apply to proposals made for the execution of the various parts of the work affected thereby. In cases of conflict between the Plans, Specifications and this Addendum, this Addendum shall govern.

Changes to Bid Documents:

1. The Specifications for the Industrial Sewer Collection System Project have been modified. The links below access the modified sections. All bidders shall replace the original sections with these modified sections in preparing bids:
 - a. **CHANGE: Section 00200, ARTICLE 10 – BID FORM, 10.01**, (Remove Item 3 Site Visit Declaration (Section 00420) from list of Bid Forms)
 - b. **CHANGE: Section 00200, ARTICLE 10 – BID FORM, 10.01**, (Remove Item 13 Certification of Compliance with WIFIA Loan Program Requirements (Section 00485) from list of Bid Forms)
 - c. **REMOVE: Section 00420 SITE VISIT DECLARATION** from the Bid Documents.
 - d. **REPLACE: Section 01505 MOBILIZATION, PART I, 1.01.A Item 8** (Replace the sentence in the parenthesis to **City will make a portion of the property at 500 Short Road available to the Contractor as a laydown area. Exhibit of the Laydown Area can be accessed via this link** <https://mnsengineers.box.com/s/hhmjmcboyagppw2hgccs29272rygj1og>. **Contractor shall be responsible for the site access, maintenance, security, and site restoration upon completion of the Project.**)
 - e. **REPLACE: Section 02510 ASPHALT PAVING**, (<https://mnsengineers.box.com/s/4yq130fjd59fvqnn4587f31ky6689dja>)
2. Sign in sheet from the Pre-Bid Meeting held on July 10, 2024, can be accessed here: <https://mnsengineers.box.com/s/tkparlg14ww42vzp34y9loh8ep4r8q6>
3. Answers to Contractor Questions. The following shall be considered as supplemental requirements in preparing bids:
 - a. *Question:* Please clarify what the City is asking for in regards to the document titled "Certificates of Insurance" of the Bid Form (pg. 00400-14). Are Bidders supplying a Certificate of Insurance showing evidence of coverage and naming the City as additionally insured? Or are bidders only filling out the form, inserting the information specific to this project for items 2 and 3 (as filled in below), and filling the out the balance of the form showing Bidder can meet the limits required by the City
Answer: Bidders should submit the original Certificate of Insurance. The Form included in the Bid Document is to be submitted to the City for informational purposes only.
 - b. *Question:* Would the City be willing to change the minimum experience requirement for bidders? As it stands, the criteria shown may limit bid competitiveness and potentially cost the City more unnecessarily. Experienced companies with less construction volume would be capable of performing this project competently, therefore should be able to bid responsibly.

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Part A. Specific criteria at issue:

'performed at least \$20 Million in construction volume on no more than six (6) projects completed since January 1, 2016'

'one of the six projects must have a construction value of at least \$5 Million'

Suggested change: 1. Reduce \$20 Million in construction volume, to \$10 Million.

2. Reduce \$5 Million of construction project value, to \$3 Million.

Part B. Specific criteria at issue:

'Any projects listed below which are not as defined above will not be considered by the City in meeting this pre-requisite experience requirement.'

In reference to:

1. Deep Sewer or water pipelines where a significant portion included installing large diameter pipe (i.e. 24-inch, 27-inch, 30-inch). The work also must have included manholes or utility vaults, shoring, dewatering, property owner coordination and SRF financing.

Large diameter, deep sewer/water projects are infrequent, therefore any construction company would have difficulties to accumulate six (6) in the past 8 years, especially in recent years due to financial and other constraints put in place because of the Covid pandemic. I suggest modifying the number of projects to two (2) or deleting the sentence.

Answer: No changes to requirements.

- c. *Question:* Please confirm that the statement provided under Article 10.03.C. that "all signatures shall be notarized with a notary jurat" specifically applies to Section 00400 and not ALL other forms listed under Article 10.01 of the Instructions to Bidders (with the exception of the Bidder's Bond, and the Non-Collusion Affidavit, both of which provide notarial verbiage on the forms).

Answer: Correct, a notary jurat to be submitted with Section 00400.

- d. *Question:* Article 10.01.13 of the Instructions to Bidders as well as Section VIII of the Bid Form reference Certification of Compliance with WIFIA Loan Program Requirements (Section 00485) as a required attachment to the Bid, we are unable to locate this form, please provide or advise if not applicable.

Answer: The project is not part of WIFIA Loan Program. Section 00200, Article 10, 10.01, Item 13 is removed. See 1.a above.

- e. *Question:* The verbiage regarding the Pre-bid Meeting is unclear/conflicting as to whether or not attendance is mandatory. In submitting the Bid Form, bidder is representing that "Bidder **has** Attended the entire Non-mandatory Pre-bid Project Meeting..." but it also says that attendance is non-mandatory, please clarify.

Answer: The Pre-bid Meeting is non-mandatory. Section 00420 and Section 00200, ARTICLE 10 – BID FORM, 10.01, Item 3 are deleted.

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4. Bid opening date remains the same: **August 6, 2024, at 2:00 pm** local time.

This Addendum has been sent to all "bidders of record". If there are questions regarding this addendum or bid, contact Megan Panofsky of MNS Engineers, Inc. via email at mpanofsky@mnsengineers.com.

Megan Panofsky

Megan Panofsky, Program/Construction Manager

Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of the Addendum by signing and dating below and returning the Addendum with your sealed bid

Bidder's Authorized Representative

Date

End of Addendum 1