

**ADDENDUM NO. 2
TO THE
SOUTHEASTERN OAKLAND COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY
WATER SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

ISSUED: April 30, 2020

HRC Job No. 20191046

This Addendum is issued prior to receipt of proposals to provide for certain changes and clarifications to the Specifications and/or the Drawings, as herein specified, and is hereby made a part of the Contract Documents and shall be taken into consideration in preparing the Proposal. All other conditions remain the same. **The Proposer shall acknowledge the receipt of this Addendum by signing below, including this addendum with their proposals, and completing the Addenda section on Page 2 of the Proposal Form (Section 00300).** Failure to sign the Addenda Section of the Proposal Form in the submission of the proposal may be justification for the proposal being rejected as non-responsive.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION UPDATES

The deadline for the submission of the proposals remains as stated in the Procurement Documents. A physical proposal drop off area (Drop Box) will located at the front entrance to the SOCWA offices at the following address:

3910 W. Webster Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Please ring the buzzer to acknowledge your presence and that a proposal is being dropped off. **You will not be allowed inside the facility.** If you wish to have a confirmation of receipt please leave your contact number on the exterior of the envelope and we will call you upon collection of your proposal. Should the weather be inclement on the day of the submission deadline, SOCWA will have staff posted at the entrance to accept the hand delivery of your proposal.

SOCWA offices are accepting daily mail and deliveries, however, these services have been inconsistent lately due to the ongoing pandemic. SOCWA will not accept proposals that miss the deadline and will not make exceptions for late submissions caused by delivery service delays.

The following lists the extent of this Addendum:

Proposer Questions

Q: When the water main is in the road as compared to when the water main is not in the road how does the excavation in the road and sand backfill get handled?

A: There are pay items for "Pavt, Rem, Concrete Roadway, Special", "HMA Surface, Rem, Special" and "Driveway and Sidewalk, Rem" that will separately compensate for removal of roadways, curb and gutter and/or driveway./sidewalk in order to perform the Work. Refer to Section 01220 for further description of what is included with these pay items. In accordance with the Special Provision for Water Service Line Replacement, "Areas within the Owner's right-of-way are to be backfilled and compacted with Class II sand", Page 6 of 9.

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313-965-3330

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Howell, MI 48843
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401 S. Mechanic St.
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Jackson, MI 49201
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Suite 107
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Lansing
215 S. Washington SQ
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Q: Can you clarify backfilling requirements? The compaction methods of... “No heavy equipment or vibratory compaction methods allowed until 48” cover”; how do you compact in lifts of 6” or 12” if you can’t use the standard compaction mean? Does the compaction/density testing have to be nuclear and/or certified by an approved testing facility?

A: Compaction to 95% of maximum unit weight of the backfill material is required over the pipelines and services installed or exposed. The intent of the Article that mentions “No heavy equipment or vibratory compaction methods allowed until 48” of cover is provided” is referring to heavy road building equipment and vibratory rollers not a plate compactor or hoepack. Compaction testing is at the discretion of and will be paid for by the Owner. Contractor is responsible for coordinating testing efforts.

Q: The RFP mentions “unauthorized excavations”. Do we know what will be considered “unauthorized”...? The excavation will have to be made to the size needed for proper safety measures. A size limit would help.

A: Anything beyond what is needed to safely complete the work would be considered unauthorized. The Owner cannot suggest size limitations as they are not responsible for site safety.

Q: •Permits and requirements, it seems that most will be covered and allowance for them. However, most of these communities require Restoration Bonds/Deposits. Will a restoration bond/deposit be required? Based on work in these areas in the past there were required bonds/deposits of between \$500.00 - \$10,000.00 per site

A: Restoration bonds/deposits will be required on a per member community basis. Costs to obtain the bond or provide the deposit would be eligible to be reimbursed under the “Permit Allowance” pay item with the proper documentation.

Q: Do the member communities have any verifications completed at this time so replacements can begin immediately or does the verification piece of the RFP need to be started first in order to collect a list of needed service line replacements? Are there any SLRs ready to be replaced Day 1?

A: Yes, member communities have informational verifications completed, however, not many have access agreements already in hand. While the verification piece does not need to be started in order to collect a list of needed service line replacements, it may be instituted first because of the non-intrusive nature of some of the Work. I don’t believe there are any SLRs that will be ready to be replaced Day 1 and that has to do with a combination of the access agreement collection as previously noted and the potential apprehensiveness of tenants/property owners letting contractors into their homes.

Q: In the pre bid conference meeting you referred to 400-600 addresses to be done:

- Is this estimate for all member communities together or for EACH member community?
- Are the 400-600 SLR’s only or both SLR’s and SLV’s?
- Is it the intent of the member community to perform verifications at ALL homes in the community?

A: The estimate of 400-600 is a yearly estimate for all the member communities together and is just SLRs, it does not include service line material verifications. The number of verifications that will be scheduled will be dependent on the guidance the communities receive from EGLE on what constitutes a “verified” service line to fulfill their requirements of the Final Distribution System Materials Inventory that is due by January 1, 2025.

Q: Would the member communities provide water for hydrovac equipment as well as for the 6 weeks of watering for restorations (using a hydrant to fill these trucks is typically how we obtain water? Will there be a cost to obtain water from the member community?

A: Each member community may be different but I believe all have hydrant permitting in place for the use of hydrants with proper backflow prevention. Billing the contractor for water will be at the Owner's discretion, however, contractors will be able to utilize SOCWA owned hydrant connections at the Webster Pumping Station for filling trucks used for this project.

Q: Will the member community provide a lay down area to store material and equipment?

A: Member communities will work with the contractors to locate a lay down area to store material and equipment but the member communities are in no way obligated to provide a lay down area. The contractor will be required to maintain any laydown area during the length of the Contract and restore any lay down area to existing conditions when the contractor is finished at no additional cost to the Contract.

Q: Will the member community provide an area to dump slurry from the hydrovac excavations?

A: Member communities will work with the contractors to locate an area to dump slurry but the member community is in no way obligated to provide a location to dump slurry. The contractor will be required to maintain and contain any area in which slurry is stored during the length of the Contract, remove all collected slurry and materials from site and restore the area to existing conditions when the contractor is finished at no additional cost to the Contract.

Q: On the line item page that refers to concrete & asphalt, they show HMA minimum of 25 Ton and Concrete minimum at 10 CY. How will these units' restoration units be billed? Typically we measure a square footage and bill to that specific address where Asphalt, Concrete and Sod/Soil/hydroseed are placed.

A: The intent of the pavement restoration and turf restoration was to group them as best as possible. The RFP specifies that restoration must be completed within 14 days of disruption. The intent was that every two weeks the pavement restoration contractor would come through and pour any concrete roadway patches, driveways and sidewalks all at once. Same would go for the turf restoration, every two weeks the site restoration contractor would mobilize to the job and do all their work at once.

Q: How soon after the SLR/V work are restorations for that addresses required to be completed?

A: As stated above, within 14 days

Q: Is this all residential or are commercial/businesses included in this program

A: This program is not limited to residential properties.

Q: In our experience we have found using the methods to replace a service line, it is not only less disruption to the home, but also more efficient to core thru the foundation wall, in lieu of the floor, then using water stop foam insulation in the foundation then seal with the required cement to bring in a new service line. Is it acceptable to core thru the foundation wall to bring in a new service line?

A: In our experience, coring through a foundation wall increases the potential for leakage. In addition, according to local interpretations of the plumbing code, new penetrations through foundation walls should be waterproofed on the exterior. However, the ultimate decision is to be made by the member community as to what they will allow or not allow. There is no guarantee that any member community will allow anything other than what is specified at the end of the Special Provision for Water Service Line Replacement as an "Approved Service Line Installation Method"

Received and Acknowledged By:

Company: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____