

September 2, 2021

**** ADDENDUM NO. 1 to REQUEST FOR BIDS ****

**SIDEWALK, ROAD, AND DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION
BID NO. 2021-0012**

CITY OF CENTRAL FALLS



NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

ADDENDUM NO. 1: Prospective bidders and all concerned are hereby notified of the following clarifications and changes for this contract. These clarifications and changes shall be incorporated in the Contract Book and shall become an integral part of the Contract Documents.

A. Clarification/Notification

1. A Bid Bond is not required for this bid. A Performance Bond and Payment Bond will be required for the selected bidder(s), as stated in the Contract Book.
2. In response to requests for more specific information about the work to be completed under this bid, and recognizing that it is difficult for bidders to submit prices for some items without knowing the quantities that will be needed, the City offers the following clarification:
 - a. Volume of work: at present the City has approximately \$450,000 available for sidewalk, road, and drainage improvements on specific streets. The City anticipates that additional funds for infrastructure improvements will become available within the 2021-2023 time period for this bid.
 - b. Bid Prices: unit prices submitted for each item will be the maximum price allowed for that item. The City will use the submitted bids as the basis for selecting one or more bidders to include on a list of pre-approved contractors. Once quantities are specified for a particular job the selected bidder(s) will have an opportunity to adjust their prices downward and submit a project-

specific proposal. This process will enable the City to have a pre-approved list of contractors so that work can be done in an expedited manner as additional funds become available.

- c. Streets included in this bid: the streets being considered for improvements with the funds that are presently available include Rand (Lonsdale to Pine, Pine to Dexter), Watson (Lonsdale to Pine, and Knight, Central, and Cross between Dexter and Pine. Additional streets will be considered as funds become available.
- d. Plans: plans are not available at this time. A scope of work and all specifications and details needed to prepare an estimate for and complete the work will be provided. Once one or more contractors have been selected, the City will walk the referenced streets with the contractor(s) and specify the work to be completed.

3. Gas Infrastructure

- a. National Grid's written gas policies, "Guidelines for Working Around Gas Utilities", related to this project are attached to this addendum for review and inclusion in the Contract Documents.
- b. As stated in National Grid's policies, the depth of gas mains vary. National Grid requires the contractor to perform hand excavation to locate all gas facilities and whenever digging within 24" of gas facilities.
- c. National Grid will leak survey the roadway before the start of the project and repair any leaks discovered. National Grid will leak survey again after milling operation but before paving. The contractor shall coordinate with National Grid to schedule the second survey.

4. Flagpersons

- a. Prices for Item 66, 914.5010, Flagpersons and Item 67, 914.5020, Flagpersons – Overtime, shall be submitted as a minimum price at the prevailing wage as of the time the bid is submitted.

B. Contract Book - Change

1. Table of Contents

- a. Delete the TABLE OF CONTENTS page and replace with the TABLE OF CONTENTS page labeled as ADDENDUM NO.1 in the lower right corner and R-1 in the upper right corner of the page. The amended page is attached to this Addendum No. 1.

The titles of Appendix C and Appendix D have been corrected to "Proposal" and "General Wage Rate Decision Davis Bacon", respectively. The line that reads "Appendix H Details" has been deleted.



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Guidelines for Working Around Gas Utilities

Notification of Construction

National Grid requests at least six week advanced notification prior to the start of construction to perform scheduled work in the proposed project area. Be aware that some gas work cannot be performed during the normal heating season.

Support and Protect

Contractor must call Dig Safe to have the gas mains and services marked out before construction. Care must be exercised when saw cutting over any gas infrastructure, especially services, which are more shallow than the main. Depth of gas mains vary. Contractor shall dig test pits in order to ascertain exact locations, cover and invert elevations, clearances, alignment and operating status of existing gas facilities. Contractor shall exercise extreme caution when excavating in the vicinity of any gas facility. Hand excavation shall be performed to locate all gas facilities and whenever digging within 24" of gas facilities. If cover over gas piping is removed the required cover must be replaced, or if not feasible, National Grid must be notified for review of the issue. Undermined gas pipe must be adequately supported and protected from damage. Contact National Grid engineer for guidelines regarding proper pipe support. Significant vibration from pile driving and such may negatively impact gas facilities, particularly cast iron mains and regulator station vaults. Contact National Grid engineer prior to performing such activities as well as operations which may undermine gas facilities such as micro-tunneling, jacking, directional drilling, etc.

Gas Leaks

For any gas leak please call the appropriate number immediately.

Greater Boston - 800-233-5325

Other Massachusetts – 800-548-8000

Rhode Island – 800-640-1595

Types of Gas Facilities

Gas mains and services are made of several different materials and contain a wide range of pressures. Typical materials used for buried gas pipe includes bare steel, coated steel, plastic, cast iron, wrought iron, ductile iron, and copper. Never assume that a pipe is not gas. At times gas lines are inserted into older lines to save excavation cost.

Exposure of Gas Facilities

If any gas mains or services become exposed, National Grid must be notified to inspect the line before backfilling. Also any damage that may have been made to the pipe or pipe coating will need to be repaired by National Grid before backfilling. Contact our Dispatch office at (877) 304-1203 for inspection. It is important that even minor damage or scrapes be reported to National Grid. Backfill shall be 6" of sand around the gas line and clean compacted fill above.



Regulator Stations

Gas regulator stations are particularly critical facilities and National Grid must be notified whenever work is to take place within 200 feet of a station. Regulator stations are typically in buried vaults accessed through either manhole covers or aluminum doors. **ONLY AUTHORIZED NATIONAL GRID EMPLOYEES SHALL OPEN A REGULATOR STATION VAULT.** Be aware that a complex nest of piping and valves often exists in the vicinity outside the vaults.

Blasting

National Grid must be notified of any blasting that will take place within 200 feet of a gas utility. National Grid must be supplied with a detailed blast plan for blasting in the vicinity of gas facilities. The evaluation of the blast plan by a National Grid engineer may take some time, therefore, blast plan data should be submitted at least two weeks prior to the planned blasting. As a general rule blasting will not be permitted within 10 feet of a gas line and PPV at the nearest gas pipe shall not exceed 5 in/sec. PPV at the nearest gas main shall be monitored.

Valves

Access to gas valves must be maintained throughout construction and left at grade at the end of construction. Should valve boxes be damaged and need to be replaced National Grid will supply replacements upon request. **NEVER OPERATE A GAS VALVE. ONLY NATIONAL GRID SHALL OPERATE GAS VALVES.**

Clearance

Adequate clearance must be provided when installing other utilities, foundations, structures, etc. Contact National Grid engineer for guidance.

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