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ADDENDUM #1

Date:

November 21, 2022

Project Title:

Ford Road Clearing and Grubbing - Precinct #4

Project No.:

23-03

Opening Date:

November 30, 2022

NOTE CHANGES: The change/clarification in this addendum is as per the attached herein:

- See attached Question and Answer document Exhibit A
- See attached TxDOT Specifications document Exhibit B

The opening date will remain November 30, 2022. Deadline to submit proposal(s) is 2:00 p.m.

This addendum forms a part of the Contract Documents and modifies the original specifications, issued for Montgomery County on **November 2, 2022** to the extent noted hereinafter. Careful note of this Addendum will be taken by all parties of interest so that proper allowance is made in all computations, estimates and Contracts and so that all trades affected are fully advised in the performance of work that will be required by them. This Addendum supersedes all previous Specifications and instructions pertaining to these items. It is imperative the bidder/proposer acknowledges receipt of this Addendum, by signing this document and returning it by fax within 24 hours after receipt or by including a signed copy with the bid/proposal packet.

Company Name

Signature

Date

Kelly Vidal, CPPO, CPPB, NIGP-CPP Assistant County Purchasing Agent Question 1: When you say 100 days to complete, is that a 5 day work week? Can we work on weekends? When will the clearing start?

Answer 1: Calendar Days. January 2023.

Question 2: When will road construction start?

Answer 2: Once utilities have been relocated.

Question 3: On line item 8- Are you requiring the clearing contractor to remove culverts, grass, and permanent trash cans?, if they did not move the old fences or gates are we responsible for putting new fences and gates up on the edge of the ROW line?

Answer 4: Yes, see Tx-Dot spec 100-Preparation of Right of Way.

Question 4: On line 8- when you say minimal level of quality fencing - please give me an example?

Answer 4: Similar to Existing or equal.

Question 5: On line item 12- What is a red-line recorded drawing?

<u>Answer 5:</u> The red lined drawings are where the contractor will detail any changes made from the submitted plans will show the final project as completed.

Question 6: On line item 13- are you requiring the contractor to mow the ROW & ditches? Answer 6: Yes, we need to see all utilities.

Question 7: On line item 15-1 and 2 -are you requiring silk fence installation for the clearing and hydro mulching?

Answer 7: Yes. Silt fence along the ROW and hydro mulch seeding in disturbed areas.

Question 8: Can we use a Hydro-ax and chipper to clear some areas and leave chips on ROW to decay and rot?

Answer 8: No. Everything must be cleared from ROW.

Question 9: On line item 3-, Utilities- are you asking us to excavate utilities on this clearing project?

Answer 9: No. Each utility company will relocate their own facility.

Question 10: Are you requiring the contractor to grubb and take tree roots out of the ground in tree / vegetation cleared areas? when you grub you will be tearing out of the ground buried utilities, I don't recommend doing so, I suggest just cutting at ground level and let road construction remove roots.

<u>Answer 10:</u> If utility is in the way, stump can remain for future contractor to remove once utilities have been relocated. Otherwise everything removed.

Question 11: Are there any permits required? Answer 11: No.

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<u>Question 12:</u> Can we get Monthly draws from our job? <u>Answer 12:</u> Yes.

Question 13: Can I get the Cad file plans for my survey company so I can get a quote? Answer 13: Cad file plans will be made available to the awarded vendor.

Item 100 Preparing Right of Way



1. DESCRIPTION

Prepare the right of way and designated easements for construction operations by removing and disposing of all obstructions when removal of such obstructions is not specifically shown on the plans to be paid by other ltems.

2. CONSTRUCTION

Protect designated features on the right of way and prune trees and shrubs as directed. Do not park equipment, service equipment, store materials, or disturb the root area under the branches of trees designated for preservation. Treat cuts on trees with an approved tree wound dressing within 20 min. of making a pruning cut or otherwise causing damage to the tree when shown on the plans. Follow all local and state regulations when burning. Pile and burn brush at approved locations as directed. Coordinate work with state and federal authorities when working in state or national forests or parks. Test, remove, and dispose of hazardous materials in accordance with Article 6.10., "Hazardous Materials."

Clear areas shown on the plans of all obstructions, except those landscape features that are to be preserved. Such obstructions include remains of houses and other structures, foundations, floor slabs, concrete, brick, lumber, plaster, septic tank drain fields, basements, abandoned utility pipes or conduits, equipment, fences, retaining walls, and other items as specified on the plans. Remove vegetation and other landscape features not designated for preservation, curb and gutter, driveways, paved parking areas, miscellaneous stone, sidewalks, drainage structures, manholes, inlets, abandoned railroad tracks, scrap iron, and debris, whether above or below ground. Removal of live utility facilities is not included in this Item. Remove culverts, storm sewers, manholes, and inlets in proper sequence to maintain traffic and drainage.

Notify the Engineer in writing when items not shown on the plans and not reasonably detectable (buried with no obvious indication of presence) are encountered and required to be removed. These items will be handled in accordance with Article 4.5., "Differing Site Conditions."

Remove obstructions not designated for preservation to 2 ft. below natural ground in areas receiving embankment. Remove obstructions to 2 ft. below the excavation level in areas to be excavated. Remove obstructions to 1 ft. below natural ground in all other areas. Cut trees and stumps off to ground level when allowed by the plans or directed. Plug the remaining ends of abandoned underground structures over 3 in. in diameter with concrete to form a tight closure. Backfill, compact, and restore areas where obstructions have been removed unless otherwise directed. Use approved material for backfilling. Dispose of wells in accordance with Item 103, "Disposal of Wells."

Accept ownership, unless otherwise directed, and dispose of removed materials and debris at locations off the right of way in accordance with local, state, and federal requirements.

3. MEASUREMENT

This Item will be measured by the acre; by the 100-ft. station, regardless of the width of the right of way; or by each tree removed.

4. PAYMENT

For "acre" and "station" measurement, the work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Preparing Right of Way." For "each"

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measurement, the work performed in accordance with this Item and measured as provided under "Measurement" will be paid for at the unit price bid for "Preparing Right of Way (Tree)" of the diameter specified. This price is full compensation for pruning of designated trees and shrubs; removal and disposal of structures and obstructions; backfilling of holes; furnishing and placing concrete for plugs; and equipment, labor, tools, and incidentals.

Total payment of this Item will not exceed 10% of the original contract amount until final acceptance. The remainder will be paid on the estimate after the final acceptance under Article 5.12., "Final Acceptance."