

July 11, 2016  
2016 Median Maintenance Project  
City of Asheville  
Addendum #1

**Please remember to include the entire bid package with your bid, and include your bid bond in a separate envelope, with both the bid package and bid bond sealed in a larger envelope.**

As indicated in the Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 pre-bid conference, potential bidders were able to submit questions until 5 PM on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Here is a summary of the information distributed and questions received via email. Potential bidders' questions are in plain text, and the City of Asheville's response is in italics:

**Prebid summary, sent via email July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016:**

- Bonds: there are bid, performance, and payment bonds required as part of this project.
- Stamped Concrete: Stamped concrete is to 8" thick over a 4" deep gravel base. The pattern is to match the existing stamped concrete (page 9 of the project site plans).
- The question of maintenance on the project was raised. Maintenance of plants, seeded areas, and sodded areas are covered on pages 52 through 53 of the contract. The contractor will not be responsible for regular maintenance as far as trash, etc., but is responsible for the maintenance described on pages 52 through 53. We've reached out to the designer to get their recommendations on weeding intervals, and expect that interval to be 1 to 3 times a year. There will not be an additional contract or addendum issued for maintenance – please see the section on continuing maintenance requirements on page 62 of the project contract, which defines maintenance requirements for the project.
- Herbicide application was discussed this morning as well. Herbicide application is described within the contract in numerous places, among them pages 44, 47, 48, 72, 76, 85, 94.
- Excavation of Planting Beds: The question of the depth of excavation was raised. Excavation of planting beds is described on pages 48 and 87 of the project contract. A description of depth and area of excavation of tree and shrub planting is included on page 88.
- Removal of existing subgrade for planting beds is described as 12" on page 48.
- We'll take questions on the project until July 11<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM. Email is preferred, and all bidders will be sent questions and answers that anyone submits.

Dates were described incorrectly within this morning's agenda. Please see below.

- Bid opening is July 13<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM in the second floor conference room in Public Works. **Bidders are not required to be present but are invited to the opening.**
- The contract is expected to be available on August 12<sup>th</sup>. This is an approximate date; the project will be available once a notice to proceed is issued to the contractor and all bonds are accepted.

**Question from potential bidder, answer sent via email July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016:**

Regarding Area 1: ID 771, 772, 773

There are 5 service berry trees in these areas that are not indicated on the maps as needing to remain in the landscape. Am I correct in figuring the cost of removing these 5 trees & only leaving the one poplar in 771? Thank you for the clarification.

*Correct. We are not calling for the serviceberries to remain only the large trees.*

**Question from potential bidder, answer sent via email July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016:**

ID #954: the tree removal is no issue, but root/stump is grown into the concrete/asphalt adjacent to the area. Will we need to provide a quote (or include) the cost to repair the brick, concrete, rock, & asphalt around that area? May be quite difficult to get it suitable for replanting a dogwood...can be done, but time consuming, for sure.

*Good question...sounds like something that can be handled with a supplemental agreement. For now, I would say that material can be dealt with using "Unsuitable Soils Replace and Repair" under the miscellaneous line items. Once we get to that area and the contractor and the City agree that extra materials/labor is needed, we can take care of any additional costs vis a supplemental.*

**Questions from potential bidder, answer sent via email July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016:**

The drawing for Area 4 654 (B) calls for a tree to be removed and replaced with a Dogwood. The bid sheet page 137 does not have a dogwood on it...please advise.

*I'm assuming the question refers to Area 4, 954 (B), since there is no Area (4), 654 (B). The bid sheet on page 138, area 4, (A) 952 and (B) 953, has a line item for an 1.5" caliper 8' tall Cornus florida 'App. Spring' (Flowering Dogwood). I'm assuming here that contractors will be using the same price for the same plants, but if that's not the case, all bidders are advised that we will use the 1.5" caliper 8' tall Cornus florida price entered on bid page 138 for the Area 4, 954 (B) price.*

It is assumed that there would be a difference between the total of the Unit pricing provided on the Bid Form by Area, and the Lump sum number provided on the Bid Proposal Form, is this correct? There are overall project costs such as bond cost, etc. that cannot be broken down by area/unit or deducted so would not be included in the Unit pricing provided.

*No, there will not be a difference. The sum of all the unit pricing by area and miscellaneous item entries will be the number entered on the bid proposal. Overall project costs such as bond costs, etc. need to be figured into your bid prices just as gas prices, salaries, etc., are also figured into your bid prices. An example using fictitious items and quantities is shown below:*

Area 1:

Item No.	Desc.	Qty	Units	Unit Cost	Total
1	Bed Prep	1	LS	\$5.00	\$ 5.00
2	1 gal. Little Bunny	6	EA	\$2.00	\$12.00
<b>TOTAL BID PRICE</b>					<b>\$17.00</b>

Area 2:

<i>Item No.</i>	<i>Desc.</i>	<i>Qty</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>Unit Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
1	Bed Prep	1	LS	\$5.00	\$ 5.00
2	1 gal. Wiltoni	55	EA	\$1.00	\$55.00
<i>TOTAL BID PRICE</i>					<i>\$60.00</i>

Miscellaneous:

<i>Item No.</i>	<i>Desc.</i>	<i>Qty</i>	<i>Units</i>	<i>Unit Cost</i>	<i>Total</i>
1	Asphalt Repair	5	SY	\$16.00	\$80.00
2	Graffiti Removal	1	LS	\$17.00	\$17.00
<i>TOTAL BID PRICE</i>					<i>\$97.00</i>

Your total bid price would be  $\$17.00 + \$60.00 + \$97.00 = \$174.00$