

ENGINEER'S ADDENDUM

PROJECT NO. IFB 20-32 SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION BUILDING PARKING GARAGE SREUCTURAL REPAIRS <u>QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS No. 001</u>

Date: June 12, 2020

To: Prospective Bidders

From: Procurement Operations Department, Houston Community College

Subject: Questions and Answers Responses

Q1. 3.3.12 Separate Contracts. Additional Contractor responsibilities when the Owner awards separate Contracts: What is Owner's plan, if any, for other contractors on site during this project?

Response: Per Houston Community College System (HCCS), only one contractor will do this work

Q2. 3.3.12.1 The Owner reserves the right to award other contracts in connection with other `portions of the Project under these or similar contract conditions. What is the Owner's plan, if any, to divide portions of this work with other contractors on site during project?

Response: Per HCCS, only One contractor will do this work

Q3. 3.3.12.4 The Contractor shall cooperate with other Owner's separate Contractors employed on the Project, including providing access to Site and Project information as requested.
What is the Owner's plan, if any, to employ separate contractors on site during project?

Response: Per HCCS, only one contractor will do this work

Q4. 8.2.1 Contractor Testing. The Contractor is responsible for coordinating and paying for all routine and special tests required to confirm compliance with quality and performance requirements of the Contract Documents. **What is the extent of testing, if any, to be paid for by Contractor?**

Response: Per HCCS, Contractor shall refer to contract bid documents for requirements.

Q5. 8.4.1 Mockups shall be constructed prior to commencement of a specified scope of work to confirm acceptable workmanship. **What work items, if any, will require mockups?**

Response: Mockups will be required for Item 2.1.21 Traffic Coating (New) and Item 2.1.22 Traffic Coating Replacement.

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- Q6. Item 2.1.22 Traffic Coating Replacement:
 - a. Are the deck repairs, joint sealant and crack repairs in the Item 2.1.22's description subsidiary to the item, or will they be paid under Item 2.1.1 Concrete Repair, Item 2.1.14 Crack Repair or Item 2.1.15 Joint Sealant Installation?
 - b. In Item 2.1.22 confirm we are to remove the entire existing coating prior to the new system's installation, or existing coating that is well adhered can be left in place and top-coated over?

Response:

a. Cost of incidental work such as removal of existing coating, crack repairs, installation of joint sealants and concrete repairs (2.1.1 Concrete Repair/Concrete Topping Repair and 2.1.2 Concrete Edge Topping Repair) shall be included in Item 2.1.22 cost.

Similarly, Item 2.1.21 Traffic Coating (New) cost shall include cost for incidental work.

b. Entire existing traffic coating shall be removed prior to installation of the new traffic coating system.

Q7. Will you require a Shoring/Lifting Plan Sealed by a Structural Engineer licensed in Texas, or will you be allowing the contractor to work without a Sealed Plan?

If no Sealed Plan is required, who is responsible for damage that could occur to the structural elements of the garage during the bearing pad replacements?

Response: Contractor shall provide shoring submittal meeting the requirement of the construction documents. This submittal does not require to be signed and sealed by professional engineer in State of Texas. Walter P Moore will review contractor's submittal to determine adequacy of the proposed shoring system during construction administration.

Contractor is responsible for repairing damage that occurs to the structural and non-structural elements of the garage during bearing pad replacement at no additional cost to the Owner. Presence or absence of signed and sealed shoring documents does not preclude Contractor from their responsibility.

Q8. Will a schedule need to be submitted with the bid?

Response: Per HCCS, Schedules will be required before and during construction but not at the time of bid.

Q9. Could you tell us how many floors we will be able to work on at one time, we understand that we will only be able to work on a portion of each floor at one time to allow access to the other floors.

Response: Per HCCS, one floor at a time.

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Q10. The plans are not to scale and have no dimensions on them so our bid will include only the quantities listed on the provided pricing spreadsheet, as we cannot determine actual quantities. This would negate item number 5 on page number 11 on the Invitation to Bid.

Response:

The repair quantities specified in Exhibit No. 1 are approximate and that actual quantities in the field may increase or decrease from the quantities estimated. Contractor shall perform all quantities of Work as either increased or decreased, as required by the Engineer in accordance with the provisions of the Construction Documents. Contractor shall NOT perform repairs in addition to the repair quantities specified in the Exhibit No. 1 without formal approval through Change Order process. The final payment to the Contractor shall be based on the unit price and the actual quantities completed.

When issued, "Questions & Answers" shall automatically become a part of the solicitation documents and shall supersede any previous specification(s) and/or provision(s) in conflict with the Questions & Answers. All revisions, responses, and answers incorporated into the Questions & Answers are collaboratively from both the Procurement Operations and the applicable HCC Department(s). It is the responsibility of the bidder/respondent to ensure that it has obtained all such letter(s). By submitting a bid on this project, bidders/respondents shall be deemed to have received all Questions & Answers and to have incorporated them into this solicitation and resulting proposal response. Furthermore, it is the responsibility of each Contractor to obtain any previous Questions & Answers associated with this solicitation

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