

CHATHAM COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO BID 14-0017-7

FOR: Annual Contract for Roadside Vegetation Mgt. Svcs.

PLEASE SEE THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS, CLARIFICATIONS AND/OR CHANGES:

1. **QUESTION:** What was the contract value for this project last year?

RESPONSE: The scope of this project was performed in-house by Public Works Road Maintenance Section. These services have not been contracted in the last five (5) years.

2. **QUESTION:** Does the roadside need to be sprayed with herbicides that are tanked mixed or electronically injected?

RESPONSE: The County does not have a preference, as long as the process produces the desired outcome.

3. **QUESTION:** Does the County approve of the Contractor using other pieces of equipment like four wheelers or tractors to get the center of medians that cannot be reached from the road?

ANSWER: The requirements regarding equipment is that it be operated safely, does not pose a danger to the traveling public and does not damage the right-of-way. Tractors and small equipment in the right-of-way will require signage per MUTCD to notify motorists.

4. **QUESTION:** Can you please clarify what you mean by bid schedule?

ANSWER: Bid schedule is the bid sheet, which can be found immediately after the specifications.

5. **QUESTION:** How many years experience spraying roadside does the Contractor need to bid on this project?

ANSWER: Experience in roadside spraying is not an issue as long as the process is performed safely (per the specifications) and the desired results are met.

6. **QUESTION:** Jimmy Deloach Parkway has specifications of a spray width of 15-20 feet, however, the median is 60 feet across. Is the Contractor to stay with the specified width or are you wanting the entire median.

ANSWER: As stated in the bid specifications, it is the Contractor's

responsibility for verifying actual coverage areas. The coverage matrix of 15 – 20 feet is an approximate estimate. If the median is 60 feet, the entire median will need to be sprayed.

7. **QUESTION:** Please explain Local/Contractor Preference with regards to this contract?

ANSWER: The Board of Commissioners adopted a Local Vendor Preference Ordinance which, when a firm from outside Chatham County submits the “lowest bid” the policy allows the lowest local vendor to match the “lowest” bid. If the local firm does match the “lowest” bid, the local firm is awarded the purchase.

8. **QUESTION:** What is the mowing/bush hogging time frame in relation to the chemical schedule? Will all roads receive maintenance before the 1st week of April, 1st week of July, etc?

ANSWER: The mowing time frame will vary. If considerations need to be made in relation to time sprayed vs. time mowed we need to be made aware.

9. **QUESTION:** When equivalents are being offered in place of specified chemicals listed in your requirements should the Contractor list them with the bid or submit prior to bidding?

ANSWER: A list of chemicals to be utilized shall be submitted with the bid.

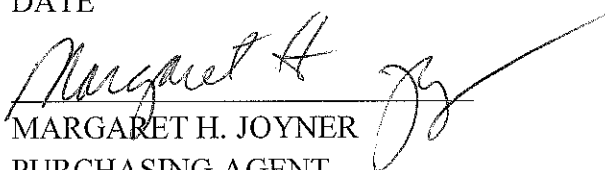
10. **CLARIFICATION:** As stated in section 4.4.2, Contractor must provide copies of licenses for all employees who will work under the terms of this contract with bid proposal.

BID DUE DATE REMAINS 2:00PM MARCH 18, 2014.

*******THE BIDDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THE NECESSARY CHANGES AND MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM.*******

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DATE


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