

CHATHAM COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO BID # 16-0074-7

FOR: Annual Contract for Curbside Yard Waste Processing and Disposal

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

1. **Question:** The County estimates 10k-15k tons of yard waste per year. Will the County accept a bid for a portion of the total volume of this material with a ramp up to full volume over the course of 3-6 months?

Response: CORRECTION to the General Information - The County anticipates an estimated 250,000 – 500,000 tons per year. No, the County will not accept a bid for a portion of the total volume.

2. **Question:** Please confirm all delivered material will be picked up curbside and delivered directly to the contractor's site and will not have been previously processed thru a grinder or been previously delivered to a County site and left there for a long period of time.

Response: As stated in in Section 4.2.1 "Chatham County will collect the yard waste from the curbside of the residents and bring to the selected contractor's site for processing." All yard-waste that is delivered will come from residential curbside pick-up.

3. **Question:** Would the County prefer to work off of a 90-day trial period to ensure that this will work for all involved, prior to entering into an agreement?

Response: No, at this time the County has to minimize the amount of yard debris that we have stockpiled a 90 trial is not in the best of interest of the County.

4. **Question:** Is the County able to accept a bid with a startup date of December/January 1?

Response: No

5. **Question:** Please confirm that the County is not delivering the actual reusable containers mentioned in Section 4.2.2. Further, this section states no debris is wider than 4", correct? Will there be any tree-like debris thicker than 4" delivered?

Response: The County does not retain the reusable containers. Debris is emptied from the containers at curbside. The rules state that all cut tree trunks, limbs, and branches are to be cut into 4FT sections or less. While the County provides instructions, and makes every effort to ensure citizen compliance, the fact is that perfect uniformity and precision from a vast citizenry is impossible. In the case where, County crews or our tree contractor are responsible for a down or downing of a tree, removal or trimming of

limbs, the accountability for standardization of the size of debris is more likely.

6. **Question:** Ref. Section 4.2.4 - During times of heavy storm events in our area, can the contractor set a daily volume limitation?
Response: Daily volume limitations are not conducive to the County's needs (and taxpayer's) particularly during heavy storm events. Each responding vendor must be able to handle a wide variation in volumes regardless of the climatic situation.
7. **Question:** Ref. Section 4.2.6: If a contractor has a backlog of material to run thru can inbound volumes be restricted for 3-6 months?
Response: The County requires a vendor with no limitations on the volume.
8. **Question:** Ref. Section 4.2.8 – Will the County consider 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. as hours of operations for the site?
Response: Yes, the County will accept 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. hours of operation. However, extended hours of operation represent a significant additional flexibility to the County. The 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. hours of operation are THE MINIMALLY ACCEPTABLE hours. After storm events, it is quite common for crews to work 10-12 hours for extended periods of time. The implications of starting a new route day, waiting at a disposal facility creates an impact of increased off-route times particularly during the hot summer months. The effects of actual later start route times, has a significant negative impact on the productivity of crews attempting to be fully responsive.
9. **Question:** Is the County planning to assess the true cost associated with a bid?
Response: The bid specifications and addendum 1 stand as written.
10. **Question:** Is landfilling an option for this bid?
Response: Yes
11. **Question:** Can the County give flexibility on the hours?
Response: See response to Question 8.
12. **Question:** Can the County allow per ton pricing instead of per truckload pricing?
Response: No, the County will not consider per ton instead of price per load.
13. **Question:** Can you give me the specifications for the materials, for instance, are homeowners allowed only to place yard waste in paper bags and not plastic bags?
Response: We only collect loose and material in Kraft paper bags.
14. **Question:** What are the size of the trucks that will be used so that we can calculate a per truck load price based on the truck Size that will be used?

Response: Typically it will be the County's trash compactors that will deliver the yard waste. The County's fleet of compactors consist of (10) 25 cubic yard compactors and (1) 32 yard compactor.

In addition it may become necessary from time to time to utilize tandem axle dump truck that hold 15-18 cubic yards of debris. Bid award will be based on trash compactor per truck load bid.

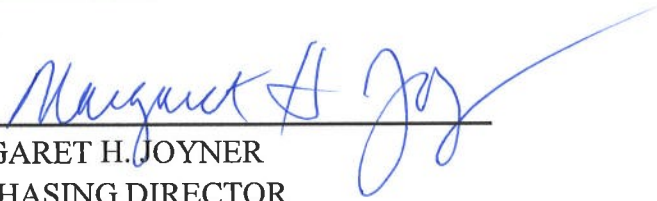
15. **CHANGE:** **BID SHEET – REPLACE AND USE ATTACHED REVISED BID SHEET WHEN SUBMITTING BID.**

**THE BID OPENING HAS BEEN EXTENDED
TO 2:00PM, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016.**

PROPOSER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAKING THE NECESSARY CHANGES.

September 9, 2016

DATE



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CHATHAM COUNTY

REVISED BID SHEET

CHATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

BID

BID NO. 16-0074-7

**ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR CURBSIDE YARD WASTE PROCESSING AND
DISPOSAL**

ALL WORK SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BIDDING AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING PRICE:

PER TRUCK LOAD (TRASH COMPACTOR TRUCKS) \$ _____

Additional Pricing

Per truckload (tandem axel dump trucks) \$ _____

(Price charged for this service (accept, process, dispose) will be all-inclusive and will be priced "per truck load". There will be no additional charges such as fuel charges etc).

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