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To: All Bidders
From: City of Cambridge
Date: March 23, 2016
Re: File No. 7175- Janitorial Services for various City buildings- Addendum No. 2

Please see the attached sign sheets from the mandatory pre-bid meeting and mandatory building tours on Monday, March 21 and Tuesday, March 22.

1. **The following questions were submitted and answered:**

Question

A 3 year firm price is request for this RFP and CBA agreement which the prevailing wage is based upon expires Sept. 30, 2016. My question is do you want us to do our best estimate for the 2nd and 3 years and add to the first year for the total of three year and show you what rates we used so if when the dust settles and the rates are higher or lower the pricing can be adjusted accordingly? Or do you just want a 3 year price with our best guess estimates and the contractor if awarded?

Answer

As the bid document indicates, this contract will be awarded to the responsive and responsible bidder offering the lowest total price for all 3 years. The price bid by a bidder for each year can differ but the prices bid must remain firm. There will be no opportunity to adjust the prices bid. At all times during the contract the successful bidder must remain in compliance with all federal state and local laws, rules, ordinances and regulations, including the wage rates, benefits and other provisions required for this contract that may change during the course of the 3 years.

Question

Do you have the number of rest rooms and fixtures for the main library?

Answer

12 bathrooms with 24 WCs and 4 urinals

Question

Do you have the square footage for the Community Learning Center and Multi Service Center?

Answer

23,729 Square feet

Question

What is the current monthly contract amount?

Answer

See Addendum No. 1 for the annual dollar amount for each location. Monthly contract amounts are not available.

Question

Is it true that all bidders have to bid at least \$23.85 per hour?

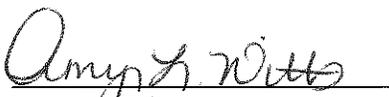
Answer

The City is permitted to award a contract to a bidder if the price bid when broken down averages out to a lower hourly rate than the wage rates required for this contract.

Having said, that the successful bidder must remain in compliance with all federal state and local laws, rules, ordinances and regulations, including the wage rates, benefits and other provisions referenced in the Invitation for Bid that may change during the course of the 3 years for the price that is contracted for. The City will be diligent in its enforcement of the wage rate provisions for this contract.

Therefore, what rate should be bid by each bidder is a business decision on which the City cannot provide input or guidance.

All other particulars remain the same. All questions and answers are closed.


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Addendum No. 2



