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ADDENDUM No. 2

TOWN OF SIMSBURY

Invitation to Bid

FOR

Firetown Road Sidewalk Improvements

The information provided in this Addendum is intended to supplement and clarify the existing information in the ITB and is not to replace any part of the specification unless clearly indicated as such.

We held a conference call for the Prebid meeting, and the following persons were in attendance:

Tom Roy	Simsbury DPW
Ray Harris	Simsbury DPW
Joe	Talcott View Development
Bill Wahlberg	Wahlberg Construction
William Layden	William Layden Construction
Dan Bear	Canton Village Construction
Rob Cormier	Cormier Contracting

The contractors were given an overview of the project, a 6,200 ft long section of bituminous concrete sidewalk that is to be replaced. The only major alterations expected, are that the sidewalk is not a consistent 5' and will need to be widened in places to meet that specification. We are having a bid opening on April 2nd, with bids being mailed to the town hall or put in the drop-box at the town hall. The bid opening will not be in person, given that the town hall will be closed. The prebid meeting included a Q&A session.

Below are responses to questions we received to date:

Question: What traffic control protocol should contractors employ?

Response: **Contractors are responsible for Maintenance and Protection of Traffic. Our belief is that work can be completed with single lane closures using certified flaggers. Police reserve the right to require officer on site if they feel conditions are unsafe using certified flaggers.**

Question: What testing will be required by the town?

Response: **The town will perform periodic concrete tests and reserves the right to do any other testing deemed necessary. All testing costs will be borne by the owner.**

Question: May recycled process aggregate be used under the bituminous sidewalk?

Response: **All base materials must meet the contract specifications that reference ConnDOT Form 817.**

Question: The town is planning to mill and pave Firetown Road, what if any changes or provisions should be included if the fresh asphalt is in place before work is completed on sidewalks?

Response: **The Town intends to delay paving Firetown Road to allow for this sidewalk project to be completed. Our expectation is that this project will be done by early June to prevent any conflict between projects. Contractors may be required to construct sidewalk ramps ahead of other work if the project is not completed in a timely manner.**

Question: How should the contractor deal with miscellaneous items in sidewalk or grass shelf?

Response: **A letter has been sent out to notify the home owners of work to be done and asking them to mark out sprinklers or other buried obstructions. All reasonable precautions should be taken by the contractor not to unnecessarily damage property. Contractor is expected to remove common miscellaneous items, including small stumps (up to 8" in diameter) or other obstructions and repair any damaged as miscellaneous work associated with other pay items. Any large stumps or other unexpected significant obstructions will be considered outside of the scope of the bid items. The town may manage the removal or provide a change order for the additional work.**

Question: Does the town expect the sidewalk to be placed by hand or with a machine?

Response: **Machine work is preferred whenever possible and it is understood that hand work is necessary for obstructions and other adjustments.**

Question: What color ADA tiles does the town use?

Response: **The town has used red tiles in the past. We are specifying replaceable style tiles be used.**

Question: Given the proposed milling and paving of Firetown Road this year, will there be any grade changes to the road?

Response: **No proposed grade changes of road are planned.**

Question: Can the contractor reuse topsoil and other materials?

Response: **Contractor can reuse good material on site when said material are approved by the town for reuse.**

Question: Can you please clarify what erosion control measures will be required?

Response: **Contractor is to provide silt fences and catch basin protection, as required to prevent and control erosion.**

Question: How many lift and of what type should driveway aprons be?

Response: **The specs call for two 1 ½" lifts, which is what we expect to be done. Two lifts of class 2 asphalt are to be used.**

Question: What is the maximum area of work that can be done at once?

Response: **The work should be done in segments broken up as the contractor sees fit. The town expects the contractor to open no more than 750 feet of the sidewalk at one time.**

Question: What laydown area will be provided by the town, can the contractor find alternate laydown areas?

Response: **The town owned open space at the corner of Owens Brook and Firetown Road (see map below) will be available to use as a laydown and staging area. If the contractor would like to arrange alternate staging areas they may do so if they are able to coordinate agreement on their own**

