

**GREATER HARTFORD TRANSIT DISTRICT
GHTD IFB #07-017
BROWNSTONE MASONRY REPAIRS TO UNION STATION**

ADDENDUM #1

Issued August 18, 2017

A Pre-Bid Walk Through was held at GHTD' Conference Room on August 15, 2017 for the purpose of clarifying the requirements outlined in GHTD IFB #07-17.

The following individuals were in attendance: Michael Young (Gesco Inc.), Karl Suchoki (Antoni and Sons), Michael Gnazzo (Cenaxo LLC), Michael O'Niell (Frank Capasso & Sons, Inc.), David Novack (Armani Resoration, Inc.) and Mark Aldieri (Kronenberger & Sons Restoration, Inc.) Mary Deppe, DJ Gonzalez and LaShaunda Drake (GHTD).

Information about specifications and clarifications were provided as well as general project information.

The following requests for clarification were submitted prior to the pre-bid walk-through on 8/15/17:

1. INQUIRY: On page 13 of the project manual/specifications it says that a 10% bid bond is required. On page 21 under "Bid Bond Requirements" it says that a 5% bid bond is required. Please clarify what percentage bond is required.

RESPONSE: All three of the following bonds are required for this project:

- 5% Bid Bond
 - 100% Performance Bond
 - Payment bond equal to:
 - 50% for contracts < \$1 M
 - 40% for contracts > \$1 M, but < \$5 M
 - \$2.5 M for contracts > \$5 M
2. INQUIRY: On page 41 of the project manual/specifications it says that all contract certification forms (i.e. State of CT Ethics and Gift Affidavit Forms, etc.) must be submitted with your proposal. However, all of these forms are updated each year and posted on our CT BizNet account. Do we need to still include these forms with our proposal, or is having current forms on the CT BizNet account acceptable? Please advise.

RESPONSE: Copies of the requested documents must be submitted with your company's proposal.

3. INQUIRY: Can you tell me what the estimated budget for this project is?

RESPONSE: GHTD will not disclose the budget for this project. However, funds have been obligated for this project.

The following requests for clarification were discussed during the meeting:

1. INQUIRY: When must all questions be received?

RESPONSE: All questions and requests for clarification regarding this IFB or this process must be submitted in writing to Mary Deppe at mdeppe@ghtd.org and must be received seven (7) calendar days in advance of the response submittal deadline. Responses shall be in writing and posted in the form of an addendum and will be distributed to all known recipients of the IFB document. Bids must be submitted to the District on or before Wednesday September 6th, 2017 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

2. INQUIRY: Are specific qualifications required to bid the project? How will these be considered?

RESPONSE: Yes, qualifications are required to bid the project, as defined in paragraph 12(f) of Section I – General Information for Bidders. As long as the bidder meets the qualifications outlined, no further qualifications will be required, and the low bidder will be selected.

3. INQUIRY: Is the pre-bid conference mandatory?

RESPONSE: No.

4. INQUIRY: Has any hazardous materials testing been done?

RESPONSE: To the best of our knowledge there are no hazardous materials. In the other repairs that have been done to areas similar to this at Union Station, no hazardous materials have been found.

5. INQUIRY: Will the contractor have access to utilities, such as power and water?

RESPONSE: There are outlets on each side of the building, however they are 110 V. Generators will be needed if 220V is required. There is access to water on the North and South side of the building.

6. INQUIRY: Is funding in place for the project? How is the project being funded?

RESPONSE: Funds have been obligated for this project. 80% FTA 20% State of CT.

7. INQUIRY: When is work expected to start?

RESPONSE: Bids are due on 6 September 2017, and GHTD anticipates awarding the contract shortly thereafter. The work is expected to start upon awarding the contract.

8. INQUIRY: Will work be done during the winter?

RESPONSE: It is the contractor's option, if the work is not complete by when temperatures begin to drop below the minimum allowed day and overnight temperatures (in our experience typically around Thanksgiving), then the contractor may either work through the winter and provide required cold-weather protection, or temporarily stop the work and pick it up again in the Spring when temperatures are favorable. The contractor should submit a schedule and review with GHTD upon being awarded the contract.

9. INQUIRY: Will GHTD provide parking for the contractor?

RESPONSE: Per note 8 on sheet EN-0.1, assume that no contractor parking will be provided by GHTD.

10. INQUIRY: What is the criteria for determining how deep the repointing needs to be?

RESPONSE: The primary factor for determining the depth of repointing is the depth at which sound mortar is reached. All mortar joints must be repointed to a minimum depth of 2-1/2 times the width of the joint, or until sound mortar is reached, whichever is greater. Based on our observations of the condition of the mortar, our best estimate, which should be used for pricing as described in the documents, is that 80% of the mortar joints will be repointed to a depth of 3 in., and 20% of the mortar joints will be repointed to a depth of 6 in.

11. INQUIRY: Do we need to cut, finish, or otherwise prepare the back of the turret stones to be reset, as shown in detail 2/EN-2.2?

RESPONSE: Assume the back of the turret roof stones will have to be cut to accommodate the new cementitious parge coating and the new waterproofing.

12. INQUIRY: Is the waterproofing at the turret to be a sheet-applied membrane?

RESPONSE: Yes, the waterproofing at the turret will be a sheet-applied product.

13. INQUIRY: Will the roof over the restaurant be suitable for supporting scaffolding to access the South Gable (South Wing)?

RESPONSE: For bidding, assume that the flat-seam copper roof over the restaurant at the South Gable (South Wing) is not suitable for supporting scaffolding.

14. INQUIRY: Will the membrane roof at the North Wing be suitable for supporting scaffolding to access the North Façade (East Side) of the Center Wing?

RESPONSE: For bidding, assume that the membrane roof at the North Wing will be suitable to support scaffolding to access the North Façade (East Side) of the Center Wing.

15. INQUIRY: Where will we be replacing bird netting?

RESPONSE: Remove and replace bird netting at the four canopy supports at the East Façade (Center Wing), refer to detail XX/EN-XX.

16. INQUIRY: In detail 3/EN-2.2, what is new or existing? Should we install blocking or shims under the flashing?

RESPONSE: All metal flashing shown in the detail is to be new. Provide shims below the metal flashing around the metal brackets to support the metal flashing above the fastener heads. See attached revised sheet EN-2.2.

17. INQUIRY: What is the extent of the area of work at the turrets?

RESPONSE: At each gable end (north and south), the entire turret (everything not in plane with the wall) is within the area (limit) of work, as indicated on sheets EN-1.2 and EN-1.3.

This includes the entire turret roof, and all rising walls on the turret, including above the roof level.

18. CLARIFICATION: Remove existing brackets (ten total) at East Façade (Center Wing), and fill holes where fasteners are removed with repair mortar. See attached revised sheet EN-1.1.

END OF ADDENDUM #1