TO ALL BIDDERS AND SUB-BIDDERS

This Addendum modifies, amends, and supplements designated parts of the Contract Documents for the New Bedford City Hall – Fire Alarm System, HVAC, and Fire Protection, New Bedford, Massachusetts set dated May 23, 2018, and is hereby made a part thereof by reference and shall be as binding as though inserted in its entirety in the locations designated hereunder. It shall be the responsibility of each General Bidder and all Filed Sub-Bidders to notify all subcontractors and suppliers he/she proposes to use for the various parts of the works, of any changes or modifications contained in this Addendum. No claims for additional compensation because of the lack of knowledge of the contents of this Addendum will be considered.

THE NUMBER OF THIS ADDENDUM MUST BE INSERTED IN PARAGRAPH B. OF THE “FORM FOR SUB-BID” AND IN PARAGRAPH B. OF THE “FORM FOR GENERAL BID”

THIS ADDENDUM CONSISTS OF PAGES NUMBERED: AD1-1 through AD1-3, inclusive

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

SPECIFICATION SECTIONS:

SKETCHES: SKE-01

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ITEM 001 INVITATION FOR BIDS, CONB Pages 2 and 3 of 110:

Sealed Bids for Filed Sub Trades: DELETE 12:00 PM on June 7, 2018 and REPLACE with new date and time of 12:00 PM on June 13, 2018

Sealed Bids for General Contract: DELETE 11:00 AM on June 14, 2018 and REPLACE with new date and time of 11:00 AM on June 20, 2018
GENERAL
ITEM 001  RFI Responses:

Question: Our bid shall be prepared in accordance with the Massachusetts Public Bidding Laws. We understand the Massachusetts Public Bidding Laws and applicable decisions from the Bid Protest Unit of the Attorney General’s Office require all the Electrical / Fire Alarm System work and materials included in the bid to be contained entirely, be described clearly, and within the written Fire Alarm System specifications. We understand that bidders also are responsible for the work and materials shown on the Fire Alarm System specifications.

Please confirm we are correct in our understanding that work and materials described in non-Fire Alarm System Specification or shown on non-Fire Alarm drawings, without also being described in the Fire Alarm System Specifications, is for Coordination purposes only ans shall not be part of the Electrical Contractors Bid for this Project.

Answer: Per original contract documents as well as this Addendum, electrical work shown on the Mechanical Dwgs are under the Scope of the Fire Alarm Sub. Refer to “Electrical Notes” shown on M01.02 as well as Note 8 on Fire Alarm Dwg FA0.01

Question: Please confirm we are correct in our understanding of an appropriate Addenda/Addendum Acknowledgment: All Addenda/Addendum issued to prior to the bid date of the bid or sub-bid shall be acknowledged on the appropriate bid forms. Failure to Do so will result in disqualification.

Answer: That is Correct.

Question: The riser diagram on drawing FA0.01 shows one remote power supply per floor, with a monitor module and control module, connected to 8 signal devices. Note #1 refers the bidder to the floor plans to the quantities required. According to multiple wireless fire alarm manufacturers, including the specified, only 6-8 signaling devices can be powered by one remote power supply. Since each floor includes far more than 8 signaling devices, multiple remote power supplies, monitor modules, and control modules will be required. Per the manufacturers, remote power supplies cannot be sync’d.

Answer: Refer to Fire Alarm Riser Note 2, drawing FA0.01, “2. PROVIDE REPEATERS, POWER SUPPLIES AND NAC’S AS REQUIRED.”
Refer to 28.31.002.08.Q.2.e. “Strobes shall be synchronized where required.”

Question: Section 283100, 2.08 requires an engineer signal study prior to submittals to develop a plan as to how many wireless repeaters will be need throughout the building and where each one shall be located. This section also requires the bidder is to provide the number of repeaters required to be included within the bid amount. Since the quantity of wireless repeaters will not be known until after the contract is awarded, it would be in the best interest of all parties to include the wireless repeaters as a unit price item as opposed to be included within the bid amount.

Answer: The Contractor shall bid the project as specified.

Question: Section 283100, 3.10 allows for no interior, finished, dry locations exposed conduit. Section 283100, 1.04 requires all cutting and patching required for the electrical work to be provided by the electrical contractor. Is it the intent to have the electrical contractor channel and patch all walls and ceilings throughout the building to install the conduit and wire required for the 120V power, signaling devices, and remote LED indicators?

Answer: GC to Own Cutting and patching. GC to coordinate work with File-Subs for cutting/patching where needed.

Question: Should we be carrying a permit cost since it is City work?

Answer: Yes, each discipline is responsible for obtaining permits.

Question: Is the wiring for the Inert clean agent fire suppression being done by the electrical contractor?

Answer: Yes, Work shall be carried by the Fire Alarm/Electrical File-Sub
**Question:** Section 2.09 B of the Fire Protection specification states a reserve agent supply shall be provided. The reserve quantity shall be as determined by the AHJ. How do we determine this cost?

**Answer:** Contractor shall provide a reserve of 50% of the total design capacity

**END OF ADDENDUM NO. 1**
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