

Addendum No. 1 to IFB #26-46



**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
Department of Procurement and Contracting Services**

To: All Parties on Record with the City of Somerville as Holding IFB #26-46
Western Pearl Complete Streets

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Date: 2/26/2026

Re: Questions and Answers

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Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by signing below and including this form in your proposal package. Failure to do so may subject the proposer to disqualification.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA:

Addendum #1 _____ **#2** _____ **#3** _____ **#4** _____

Question and Answers

Please note: the Central Register advertises the estimate as \$5,524,148.50, while the bid document lists \$4,813,441. The scope of work was revised after the Central Register ad was submitted, please refer to the estimate of \$4,813,441 contained in the bid.

COMMENT 1

Item 745.2- Does the bus shelter to be removed and stacked have AC-Power?

Response: There is no AC Power connected to the existing bus shelter to be removed and stacked.

COMMENT 2

Note #1 on sheet #28 "MBTA Signs shall provide be the MBTA, contractor to be responsible for installing signs. How will this be compensated.

Response: Installing MBTA signs have been included under the item 734. Sign Removed and Reset.

COMMENT 3

How will the Neighborway Sharrows or Accessible Parking Sharrows be compensated?

Response: Neighborway Sharrows have been included under Item 867.07 Bike Sharrow (Preformed-Thermoplastic). Accessible Parking Sharrows have been included under Item 864.04 Pavement Arrows and Legends Reflectorized White (Thermoplastic).

COMMENT 4

Item 220.1- Manhole Adjusted specifications includes electric, cable, telephone, etc. Has the city gained approval from the respective owners of these utilities to allow a city contractor to perform this work?

Response: Contractor to coordinate directly with the respective utility owner for utility adjustment.

COMMENT 5

Item 358.2- Gate Box Adjusted in Sidewalk. Does this include water and gas services, has the city gained approval from the gas providers to allow a city contractor to perform this work?

Response: Item 358.2 Gate Box Adjusted in Sidewalk includes water and gas services. Contractor to coordinate directly with the respective utility owner for utility adjustment.

COMMENT 6

Will the project allow a one-directional overnight shutdowns of Pearl Street to allow the construction of raised crosswalks and speed tables. Will the project have restricted work hours as described?

Response: Contractor shall submit a Traffic Management and Control Plan for approval, as described in the Sequence of Work section of the specifications. One-directional detours and overnight work have been approved on previous projects in the City of Somerville.

COMMENT 7

Will an item be provided for overhead resetting traffic signs on light poles/ mast arms?

Response: No. No signs are proposed to be placed or reset onto overhead light poles or mast arms.

COMMENT 8

Hydrants removed and reset. No specifications provided, does it include ductile iron pipe and fittings, will the gate valve remain in place?

Response: Item 376.2 Hydrant - Removed and Reset shall follow MassDOT Standard Specifications.

COMMENT 9

Clarify how the removal of traffic loops will be compensated?

Response: Removal of existing loops shall be removed during pavement milling or pavement removal for the construction of raised intersections.

COMMENT 10

No item provided for masonry plugs.

Response: As identified in the MassDOT Standard Specifications, Masonry Plugs are incidental to Item 146. Drainage Structure Removed as it relates to the adjacent structure.

COMMENT 11

Was item 701.2 intended to be omitted? Will the cast-iron brick red painted panels be required?

Response: 701.2 Cement Concrete Pedestrian Curb Ramp was omitted as not Cement Concrete Pedestrian Curb Ramps are proposed throughout the project. 701.5 Detectable Warning Panels are proposed throughout the project.

COMMENT 12

No Item for removal and stacking of granite curb corners.

Response: Correct. Granite Curb Corners are proposed to be discarded.

COMMENT 13

Please clarify the surface treatment for tree pits; plans show different hatching/shading.

Response: Surface treatment for tree pits is proposed to be Item 751. Loam for Roadsides. Multiple hatching patterns are used to indicate proposed vs. existing tree pits.

COMMENT 14

Is the intention of item 860.04 to be used for temporary pavement markings (painted)?

Response: Item 860.04 is intended to be used for side street daylighting pavement markings. These markings are identified as 4" SWCHL (5' O.C. @ 45 degrees).

COMMENT 15

No item for Flexible Porous Pavement.

Response: Flexi-pave Porous Paving is listed as Item 999.1.

COMMENT 16

Is note #9 on sheet #4 accurate? Will these test pits be conducted by others prior to construction?

Response: This note is intended to indicate that test pits should be completed prior to work identified on the Construction and Utility Plans. Test pits are intended to inform work also identified on the Construction and Utility Plans.

COMMENT 17

Light poles to be relocated, will this work be performed before the start of construction? Is there any support to third parties required? Is there any additional utility work planned at these locations?

Response: Note 4 on Construction Plans and the last paragraph in the section titled Work Schedule in the specifications instructs the Contractor to coordinate with Crown Castle to determine light pole relocation status. Proposed sidewalk construction adjacent to Crown Castle light poles shall not commence until the light pole has been relocated.

COMMENT 18

Is flow fill required for conduit located within the full depth raised intersection of Walnut and Pearl?

Response: Flow fill is not required for conduit located within the full depth raised section of Walnut Street at Pearl Street.

COMMENT 19

Will CAD files be provided to the awarded contractor?

Response: CAD files will be provided to the awarded contractor.

COMMENT 20

Please provide measurement and payment information for each of the bid items. Some of the bid items do not explicitly identify how the contractor will be paid: for instance, Bid Item “415.1 PAVEMENT STANDARD MILLING” includes no basis of measurement or payment.

Response: Measurement and payment information for bid items shall follow MassDOT Standard Specifications if not listed in the Special Provisions.

COMMENT 21

Under section 3 of the of the scope of work, line c “3,330 LF of 5’ wide sidewalk reconstruction at locations to be determined by the City of Somerville.” Is the contractor going to be awarded the total 3,330 LF mentioned and if so will it be paid for under item 701 “CEMENT CONCRETE SIDEWALK / 701.1 CEMENT CONCRETE SIDEWALK AT DRIVEWAY or will the city issue a new item for this?

Response: The quantity of 3,330 LF of 5’ cement concrete sidewalk reconstruction has been included in the quantities for the bid items associated with that work, including but not limited to items 701. Cement Concrete Sidewalk and 701.1 Cement Concrete Sidewalk at Driveways.

COMMENT 22

The scope of work includes the following statement “Construction of HMA Speed Humps at locations to be determined by the engineer. The work includes excavation, gravel borrow, grading, minor drainage modifications, manhole adjustments, drainage inlet reconstruction, curb removal and resetting, curb extensions, median islands, installation of MAAB/ADA compliant curb cuts, crosswalk lines, stop lines, double yellow lines, white lines, colored lane markings and all other incidental work listed in the proposal. Layout and design plans will be provided following notice to proceed where substantive change to the existing street layout is proposed.” How will the contractor be compensated for additional costs should the engineer determine more speed humps are required than are specified in the contract plans?

Response: An additional twenty-five (25) speed humps (estimated at 12' deep x 24' wide) were included in the quantities. Contractor shall assume the construction of additional speed humps with those measurements in addition to the contract plans.

COMMENT 23

Who is responsible for attaining the Street Permit and what are the “peak work hour restrictions” that may affect the contractor? Who is responsible for the fees associated with the permit?

Response: Work hour restrictions are listed in the specifications. Work is mainly restricted to a ten-hour day, five-day week with the Prime Contractor and all subcontractors working on the same shift from 7am to 5pm. Contractor shall coordinate with the Project Team to determine what is needed to attain necessary Street Permits.

COMMENT 24

Should Crown Castle’s work be delayed and the contractor is unable to proceed due to Crown Castle delays outside the contractor’s control will the contract be extended? How will the contractor be compensated for lost production?

Response: The Project Team does not anticipate this work being delayed. If work is delayed by Crown Castle, further coordination will be required to determine an adjustment to construction schedule.

COMMENT 25

Do the as-builts need to be certified by a professional engineer?

Response: No.

COMMENT 26

What are the liquidated damages per day for the project?, Is there a way to quantify the liquidated damages per day?

Response: Refer to Liquidated Damage section of the specifications.