



**Addendum # 1 – IFB # 07272022MT - Lawn Care Services- 3rd Party
07/19/2022**

Questions and answers

1. On page 2, 6.0 MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRIZES UTILIZATION, it is state that there is a goal of “0.00%” participation. On the following page, it states that “All relative forms in Appendix I must be completed and submitted with the bid. If the relative forms are not completed and submitted with the bid, the bid will be an invalid bid.”. Since the goal is at 0.00%, do these forms need to be completed and submitted? Should bidders simply write “N/A” or something similar if we do not plan to use MWBE participation?

This IFB does not have any goals. N/A can be written on these pages.

2. On page 4, 2.0 TERM OF AGREEMENT, it stated that “contract shall be (1) year(s) with option to renew for two (2) one-year terms.”. It later states that “The term of renewal shall not exceed an additional three (3) year periods.”. It further states on page 8, 22.0 OPTION TO RENEW CONTRACT PERIOD, that “The term of renewal shall not exceed an additional two (2) one (1) year periods.”. Please clarify the total length of the contract including all renewals.

The contract is for 1 (one) year and 2 (two) option years. The contract shall not exceed 3 (three) years total.

3. On page 6, 16.0 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES, it is stated that there will be a “\$1,00.00/per day” damage fee assessed for missing “substantial completion deadline” and “\$1,00.00/per day” damage fee assessed for missing “completion deadline”. Further in the specifications, there are tentative dates for services to be provided but no completion timeline. Please clarify if these liquidated charges are applicable to this bid and if the fees are meant to read “\$100.00/per day”. **This should read \$ 100.00/ per day.**
4. If total contract value does not exceed \$100K, will a Bid Bond still be required? **YES**
 - a. The same question applies to Performance and Labor Bond, will they be required if total contract value does not exceed \$100k. **YES**
5. Is the intent to award all schools in all regions to one contractor? **MSCS Discretion**
Can schools within a specific region be awarded to multiple contractors? **MSCS Discretion**
6. Page 16 begins the list of school regions and locations as well as approximate acreage and dates to be cut. Some of the dates listed are prior to the due date of this bid. Can updated dates be provided for when these cuts will need to be scheduled? **Updated schedule will be given to awardee**
7. Also, are the acreages provided on pages 16-19 inclusive of total property acres or are these acres strictly maintainable acres? **Total acreage that can be cut.**



8. Lastly, the blanks on pages 16-19 are labeled "Bids/Per Cut". Should this be interpreted for bidders to place their per cut price in these blanks or do we need to include our price to provide 5 cuts based on the dates provided?

Bid should be provided "per cut". Then there is a total for all cuts.

9. On APPENDIX J – BID PROPOSAL FORM, the second page lists blanks for bidders to include pricing on. The categories for pricing listed are as follows:
- a. Base Bid Scope of work, Total (Figures)
 - b. Base Bid 10% Board's Contingency Amount (Figures)
 - c. Base Bid Allowances, Total (Figures)
 - d. Base Bid Performance and Payment Bond Cost (Figures)
 - e. Total Combined Base Bid (Figures)
 - f. Base Bid Add Alternate, Total (Figures)

Please clarify if bidders are to include any additional values for the pricing categories that are highlighted above and, if so, what those values are to be or how they are to be calculated.

This is the bidder's discretion.

10. There are 4 pages regarding Asbestos and Request for Approval to Disturb Asbestos in the provided specifications. Do these forms need to be completed and submitted with this bid? All work under the contract is for lawn care and should not have any involvement with asbestos. **Correct**

The Asbestos clause only related to construction project(s). This does not apply to lawn care services.

11. if there is a specific reason this bid has been altered to lawn care services 3rd party.

No there is not, the stakeholder decided to use a 3rd party to provide both laborers and equipment for this project.

12. What is the difference in the particulars of this bid of the just recent Grass cutting bid?

This bid is for a 3rd party vendor to cut grass with your own equipment

13. Why is it that there is no longer a mswb requirement?

Cost Estimate