



Loudoun County, Virginia

Division of Procurement  
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March 17, 2020

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

### ADDENDUM NO. 2

RFQ 192782

The following changes and/or additions shall be made to the original Invitation for Bid No. RFQ 192782: Construction of the Potomac Green Neighborhood Park Improvements. Please acknowledge receipt of this addendum by signing and returning with your bid.

The purpose of this addendum is to modify the Contract documents and respond to questions received.

1. The Acceptance Date for this Bid is delayed from March 23, 2020 to **prior to 4:00 p.m. March 31, 2020 "Atomic" time**
2. The Deadline for Questions **has not** been extended and remains at March 6, 2020.
3. Bids must be submitted via one of the following options:
  - US Mail to PO Box 7000, Leesburg, Virginia 20177-7000; or
  - Hand delivered, private carrier, or overnighted to (UPS/FedEx) to 1 Harrison Street, S.E., 4th Floor, Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

Faxed and e-mailed bids will not be accepted.

(Please note: Bidders choosing to submit bids via US Mail should allow at least an additional twenty-four (24) hours in the delivery process for internal County mailroom distribution.)

4. Clarifications to IFB:

Reference Solicitation Section 19.29, Substitutions: The County will not consider substitutions for convenience during the bidding process. They will be considered after contract award. Refer to Article 4.15 – Equal Products in the General conditions of the Construction Contract for procedures. Substitution for Cause, once verified may be addressed during the bidding process at the discretion of the County.

**Any Reference in the specifications to substitution shall be deleted.  
Substitutions will be considered after contract award.**

5. Modifications to IFB:

- a. Specifications Section 015200.1.16.A. has been deleted in its entirety.
- b. Reference Detail H/L17 of 30. The off-leash dog area must be provided with an 8-inch layer of shredded hardwood mulch instead of the wood chip mulch shown on detail H on sheet L17. Mulch must be provided by the contractor, and is not to be provided by the Loudoun County Solid Waste Management Facility.

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Date: March 17, 2020

Acknowledged By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**BEGIN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Q1 What is total the number of sq. ft. for Engineered Wood Fiber areas?

A1 The plans provide sufficient information for the contractors to complete their own takeoff. Detail A. on drawing L15 has a call out for wood fiber surfacing at the Playground area and references sections on drawing L17. Similarly, Detail A. on drawing L18 has a call out for wood fiber surfacing at the Exercise area, referencing details on drawing L17.

Q2 Site Furnishing Substitution for the Potomac Green Neighborhood Park Improvements - Use of substitute items in the bidding process

A2 Reference Solicitation Section 19.29, Substitutions.

Q3 Let us know if ok to propose alternates on the bleachers and benches

A3 Reference Solicitation Section 19.29, Substitutions.

Q4 Please provide specs on the exercise equipment.

A4 Information is provided on sheet L18.

Q5 No timber guardrail spec. Can you provide?

A5 Timber Guardrail is detailed on sheet L22, Detail F.

Q6 No information to sign #14 in schedule on L10. Can you provide?

A6 Contractor shall disregard callout for sign #14. Not part of work scope.

Q7 Specs call for clear anodized flagpole, but drawings call for black anodized. Also, drawings call for flagpole size that is not standard. Please advise.

A7 Contractor shall price black anodized. Height shall be 35'.

Q8 Our firm provides construction materials testing & inspections and we are interested in doing work in Loudoun County. We are interested in the Potomac Green Neighborhood Park Improvements project, but also in general what are the steps we need to take to be able to do testing and inspections in Loudoun County? Is there a specific procedure we need to follow, or a list we need to be? Any help or info you can provide regarding this would be much appreciated

A8 The County will use existing contracts for all testing and inspections requirements. Visit [www.loudoun.gov/procurement](http://www.loudoun.gov/procurement) for information on how to do business with the County.

Q9 We noticed "new work" that is shown outside the limits of construction activity. For example, On C3 - the dumpster and new fencing. Please review all LOC areas and advise on how to proceed.

A9 Contractor shall provide all proposed work inside and outside of LOC.

Q10 C7 Drawing G13 – Please provide the overall width of the new surface course, including both sides of the tie-in.

A10 The width of the surface course shall be 2' beyond the width of the subbase layer on both sides of the tie-in, in accordance with Detail G-13.

Q11 Who is responsible for the meter and base?

A11 Contractor shall be responsible for meter box and water meter.

Q12 Outside of the new signage, please confirm that existing parking lot is to remain as is. Mill/overlay or re-striping is not required.

A12 No mill/ overlay or restriping of the existing parking lot is required as part of the proposed scope of work. New striping is proposed for crosswalks and no parking areas on existing parking lot.

Q13 L18 Gym Equipment. Please confirm that GC is to provide and install

A13 GC is to provide and install.

Q14 L10 Sign #14 – Sign type is not provided, please advise.

A14 See response to Q6.

Q15 L16 Playground Equipment –Is all equipment poured in place? Bolted down? Footers? We could not locate a detail, please provide install methods/details.

A15 Contractor shall contact specified playground equipment product rep for additional information.

Q16 L-13 – There are dimensions shown for the lines around home plate. Typically these are sprayed on or chalked before a game by ground crews. I want to confirm that a permanent marking type is not required. I did not see any specs, in case we are to include. Please clarify.

A16 Contractor is not responsible for any ballfield line markings.

Q17 Invitation To Bid 19.1 H: Please clarify if (1) USB Flash Drive really has to be turned in with the bid? Is it possible this can be turned in the next day?

A17 USB flash drive must be provided within 24 hours of bid opening.

Q18 What is the overall project warranty period?

A18 The Contract Documents provide information on project warranties.

Q19 Clarify exactly where we are required to provide temporary security fence for construction. Is it the whole perimeter of the site?

A19 A “chain-link” metal safety fence shall be installed along the entire length of Marblehead Drive with an entrance gate as shown on sheets C9, C10 and C12.

Q20 What is the anticipated start date for this project and how long does our quote need to be good for? Depending on the start date, it could put the plantings out of season with the 240 day schedule to substantial completion.

A20 It is the intent of the County to award this Contract as soon as possible after bid opening, but the County cannot provide specific dates.

Per 19.5 of the Invitation For Bid, “Bid price must be firm for County acceptance for a minimum of ninety (90) days from bid opening date.”

All work should be scheduled to be completed within the 240 calendar day Contract Time.

Q21 Are the (2) portable toilets in part 1 of 015200 strictly for the county’s use?

A21 Yes.

Q22 Spec 015200-5: Paragraph 1.16A refers to a project ID sign as indicated in the end of this section. No info is provided.

- A22 Project identification sign is not required. Section 015200.1.16.A has been deleted.
- Q23 Plan C2 of 12: What is the intent of the “Asphalt Pavement Widening” detail?
- A23 This detail is for the wedging of the pavement courses at the seam between the existing and proposed pavement.
- Q24 Clarify the intended base condition for the prefab BR/Concession building to set on. Is it to have a concrete foundation for the precast slab to sit on or does it sit on GAB & course sand? Provide the depth requirements.
- A24 Contractor shall verify this information with the restroom manufacturer.
- Q25 Detail H/L17 of 30: Where is the Loudoun County Solid Waste Facility located that we are to get the owner provided mulch from?
- A25 The off-leash dog area must be provided with an 8-inch layer of shredded hardwood mulch instead of the wood chip mulch shown on detail H on sheet L17. Mulch must be provided by the contractor, and is not to be provided by the Loudoun County Solid Waste Management Facility.
- Q26 There are numerous products in this project that have only one manufacturer listed and states “or approved equivalent”. The specs make it clear that we are responsible to prove it is an equivalent if we use a different product. If some of the manufactures decide not to participate in this bid or will not return calls, how is this to be handled? There are typically some differences in products and it may never be agreed that a product we do use at bid time may not be approved by the county or design team. Typically several products the design team would consider as equivalent are provided in the specs to choose from to account for this condition.
- A26 There are only a few instances where one product is specified. In some instances one product is specified to provide the design intent. Chain link fencing is a good example of this. The design team is open to equivalents if meeting the design aesthetic, quality of product.
- Q27 The flagpole specification calls for clear anodized finish, but detail A in the drawings on sheet L22 calls for black anodized finish, which is correct?
- A27 Refer to Q7 response.
- Q28 On sheet L2, the first-base-side dugout shows a gate on its home plate end, but the third-base-side dugout does not. The detail on sheet L24 does not show a gate here either as the adjacent space is an opening in the fence, please confirm the dugouts should not have gates.

- A28 Both dugouts show a gate on its home plate end (outside of dugout). Additionally a gate is shown on detail A, sheet L24 (just outside of dugout).
- Q29 On sheet L2, the third-base-side gate into the outfield is called out as a 6' tall gate, but is on a section of fence that is listed as 4' tall; please confirm this gate is to be 4' tall?
- A29 Double gate shall be 4' tall.
- Q30 On sheet C3, the east end of the new parking lot denotes 10 parking spaces, but 11 are shown. Which is correct? If 10 is correct, please provide updated spacing.
- A30 The correct number is 11. Spacing shall remain as shown.
- Q31 Please provide more information on the players' benches. The details on sheets L24 (D) and L20 (C) appear to be different for the soccer and baseball benches, but both reference the same specification, which list 8 as the quantity implying all are to be the same.
- A31 The same bench shall be used for soccer and baseball benches.
- Q32 "Concrete (Walkway)" is called out several times, but the table included with detail A on sheet L21 does not include Walkway in any row. Which dimensions should be used for walkway concrete?
- A32 Use 4inch/ 4 inch.
- Q33 The irrigation drawings (I1-I5) are shown "not to scale," please provide a scale so distances can be measured.
- A33 Drawings are provided for informational purposes only and do not represent an as-built condition. Drawings are intended to show the general location of previous installed work. Contractor shall be responsible for locating as necessary prior to construction of new work.
- Q34 The grinder pump detail on sheet C8 shows the top of the pump above grade with grade sloping down away from the pump, but the pump's location is under a concrete pad; please provide more information.
- A34 The grinder pump shall be installed in the green space just outside of the concrete pavement area.
- Q35 Sheet C3 calls for 6" pipe underneath the playground and exercise areas, specification 321816 - 2.3 - B calls for 4" pipe, and specification 321816 - 3.3 - D calls for 6" O.D. pipe, which is correct?
- A35 Pipe shall be 6".
- Q36 How is water collected to enter these pipe systems?

A36 Water drains through the wood fiber surfacing into 57 stone base.

Q37 According to Fibar, their System 300, as called out in specs, is used with no stone and/or pipe being installed. The alternative system is their System 100, which is more cost efficient and is used with stone and pipe being installed underneath. Details E and F on sheet L17 shows a System 100 being installed, as stone and pipe are shown underneath, however the specifications call out for a System 300 to be used. Please clarify which system should be used.

A37 The intent of the spec is to provide the type of wood fiber to be used. Contractor shall construct per details E, F on sheet L17. This means using stone, geotextile, and perf round pipe in lieu of flat panel pipes. However contractor may modify geotextile fabric type between wood fiber and stone base, based on manufacturer of wood fiber's recommendation. Fabric shall remain as specified between stone base and subgrade.

Q38 What is the budget for this project?

A38 This information is not available. The project is expected to be fully funded.

Q39 What is the anticipated start date for this project?

A39 See response to Q20.

## **END QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**