

**COBB COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ENGINEERING DIVISION**

**2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract
December 14, 2020**

ADDENDUM NO. 4

Proposals Received Until December 17, 2020 – 12:00 Noon Local Time

The following addendum hereby amends and/or modifies the Bid Documents and Contract Specifications as issued for this project. All bidders are subject to the provisions of this Addendum. **Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of this addendum.**

Electronic bids will be received via **Bid Express** at www.bidexpress.com on behalf of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners, **until 12:00 noon, December 17, 2020. NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE 12:00 NOON DEADLINE.** No submitted bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled bid opening for a period of ninety (90) days.

NOTE: Addenda and plan holder lists will be posted online at the following websites:

Cobb County Purchasing

<https://www.cobbcounty.org/purchasing>

Cobb County DOT

<https://www.cobbcounty.org/transportation/projects/bids-and-rfps>

Bid Express

www.bidexpress.com

Receipt of addenda must be acknowledged online at www.bidexpress.com. It is the bidder's ultimate responsibility to ensure that they have all applicable addenda prior to bid submittal and to utilize the latest bid schedule.

In an effort to meet Title VI requirements, contractors are encouraged to fill out the form in the bid package. This is strictly voluntary. Please place form in a separate envelope and deliver to Cobb County Purchasing Department.

ALL NEW PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO PRE-REGISTER WITH COBB COUNTY FINANCE PRIOR TO BID CLOSING. The New Vendor Registration Form can be located at <https://www.cobbpurchasing.org/webapp/VSSPROD/Advantage>.

Bidders may bid on any or all groups. However, if a bid is offered on any item within a group, a bid must be offered for all items within the group, or the bid for that group will be disallowed. All bids shall be submitted through BidExpress and shall contain prices in figures for the work bid only. Any revisions made on the outside of the envelope will not be accepted.

I. QUESTIONS/ANSWERS

FEMA Public Assistance Program

In reviewing the Countywide Unit Price Contract for Cobb County DOT, which includes various services that include FEMA Storm Debris Removal, I would like to refer to ***FEMA Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide Version 4, Effective June 1, 2020, as a reference.*** “FEMA provides PA funding for contract costs based on the terms of the contract if the Applicant meets Federal procurement and contracting requirements. FEMA PA staff coordinate with FEMA’s Office of Chief Counsel when evaluating whether the Applicant complied with Federal procurement requirements. In the case of **noncompliance**, FEMA applies an appropriate remedy in accordance with its authorities.¹⁴⁷ FEMA has determined an appropriate remedy under these circumstances is to either deny all costs associated with the contract or, if sufficient information is provided to substantiate a reasonable amount for the eligible work completed, FEMA may reimburse the portion of the costs it determines are reasonable and allowable based on all available information and documentation provided.”

Pre-positioned stand-alone contracts for Disaster Debris Removal is the standard industry practice as these contracts are exclusive and contain contract language and provisions detailed in 2 C.F.R. § 200.326 and ***FEMA Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide*** in all contracts awarded. Contracts containing a variety of services are less simplistic. They may be interpreted differently due to the type of scope of services offered, thereby potentially disallowing all or partial public assistance eligibility. ***Based on the information provided, would the County consider issuing a separate solicitation for FEMA Storm Debris removal?***

A. No.

Q. Please confirm if a pricing sheet for FEMA Storm Debris Removal sheet will be issued. Are disposal fees a pass-through charge to the County?

A. **A pricing sheet will not be issued. Disposal fees will be reimbursed, if applicable.**

Q. Please confirm if stumps to be removed under this contract are only those stumps that do not have the trunk attached.

A. **Scope of work for specific project(s) will identify stumps to be removed. Will follow FEMA Program and Policy Guide.**

Q. Please confirm if stumps to be removed under this contract include stumps require excavation, or stumps that do not require excavation, or both.

A. **Scope of work for specific project(s) will identify stumps to be removed. Will follow FEMA Program and Policy Guide.**

I. QUESTIONS/ANSWERS (continued)

- Q. Please confirm that white goods pick up and haul from public property does not include those white goods with putrescent debris inside.
- A. **Scope of work for specific project(s) will identify stump removal requirements. Will follow FEMA Program and Policy Guide.**
- Q. Please clarify the full scope of the roll of container – 30CY. It is not clear if the rate requires simply to drop off the container and then pick it up, or if the roll off truck and operator need to stand by while container is being used, etc..
- A. **For bidding purposes, assume drop off and pick up.**
- Q. 1955-2025 - What do they mean with "Wet Reflect Pre"
** I know what the regular preform and the contrasting preform is.
- A. **Please disregard this pay item.**
- Q. For item code 890-3005 DEBRIS PICKED UP & HAULED TO TDSRS, please confirm this if for vegetation debris.
- A. **Yes, vegetation debris.**
- Q. For item codes 890-3010 PROCESSING DEBRIS DEPOSITED AT TDSRS BY CONTRACTOR and 890-3015 PROCESSING DEBRIS DEPOSITED AT TDSRS BY OTHERS, does the scope of work for this item also include the development, operation, management, and closure of the TDSRS?
- A. **No, scope does not include the development, operation, management, and closure of the TDSRS.**
- Q. For item codes 890-3020 DEBRIS DISPOSAL WITHIN COUNTY (EXCL TIP FEES), 890-3025 DEBRIS DISPOSAL OUTSIDE COUNTY (EXCL TIP FEES), BLDG DEBRIS DISPOSAL IN COUNTY (EXCL TIP FEES), and BUILDING DEBRIS DISPOSAL IN COUNTY (INCL TIP FEES), please confirm that this is for the removal of processed debris from the TDSRS and transportation to the final disposal site.
- A. **Yes, this is for the removal of processed debris from the TDSRS and transportation to the final disposal site.**
- Q. The appendix covers HP pipe (polypropylene as opposed to polyethylene), and gives EXTENSIVE testing requirements. We are not quoting any HP pipe as this is not in the bid tab, and assuming these testing requirements are specific to HP pipe. Please confirm.
- A. **You are correct. Disregard testing requirements.**

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- Q. Section 550.3.06 says sometimes video inspections will be required. I do not see a line item. How will this be paid for?
- A. **Disregard for this bid. Scope of work for specific project(s) will identify video inspection requirements and method of payment.**
- Q. I do not see where demo and haul off of pipe and structures is to be included. There are some demo items in the bid tab (like driveway, curb and gutter, safety end sections), but no storm pipe and structures. Where does this go?
- A. **You are correct, there is no unit price pay item for demo and haul off of pipe and structures. If a specific project requires the demo and haul off of pipe and structures, it will be addressed at that time.**



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