



ADDENDUM NO. I

SUBJECT: Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals – Sealing Drainage Phase 4

RFCSP: 2025-026 | WBS: 23-03944

FROM: Jonathan Miranda, Procurement Administrator

DATE: May 21, 2025

THIS NOTICE SHALL SERVE AS ADDENDUM NO. I – TO THE ABOVE REFERENCED REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSALS

This addendum is separated into sections for convenience; however, all Respondents, and other parties shall be responsible for reading the entire addendum. The failure to list an item or items in all affected sections of this addendum does not relieve any party affected from performing as per instructions, providing that the information is set forth one-time any place in this addendum. These documents shall be attached to and become part of the Contract Documents for this project. The Respondent shall be required to acknowledge the receipt of this addendum.

1. The following changes and/or additions to the Contract Documents, via this addendum, shall apply to submittals made for and to the execution of the various parts of the work affected thereby.
2. Careful note of the addendum shall be taken by all interested parties and all trades affected shall be fully advised in their performance of the work involved.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Bid opening date is hereby extended to **Friday, June 6, 2025**, at 2:00 pm Central Standard time.
2. Pre-Submittal Conference Presentation is attached.
3. Pre-Submittal Conference Sign-In Sheet is attached.

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED ON CIVCAST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION VIII, RESTRICTION OF COMMUNICATIONS:

Question 1: Please confirm Umbrella Liability limit?

Response: Umbrella limit is \$25M

Question 2: What is the estimated cost range?

Response: Refer to response for Question #22

Question 3: Would you please post the pre-bid meeting attendees list?

Response: Pre-Bid Sign-In sheet attached on Civcast and on this addendum.

Question 4: Who is responsible/paying for testing?

Response: Refer to Article I.1.34 and Article XIV.6 in "Exhibit A General Conditions". COSA is responsible for Quality Assurance and Contractor is responsible for Quality Control. Contractor will be required to submit a Quality Control Program to monitor the quality of construction for City approval.

Question 5: Regarding the 14% MWBE and 1% AABE goal for this project; there are multiple groups/subtotals in this bid. What is the percentage based on?

1. COSA Base Bid Items Only
 2. COSA Base Bid Items, COSA Special Spec Base Bid Items, and TxDOT Base Bid Items only?
 3. COSA Base Bid Items, COSA Special Spec Base Bid Items, TxDOT Base Bid Items, SAWS Water Base Bid Items, SAWS Sewer Base Bid Items and CPS Gas Base Bid Items only?
- Please clarify.

Response: The required subcontracting goals are based on the availability of registered SBEDA eligible firms against the total number of registered firms to the applied NIGP codes for this project. EDD then evaluates responsiveness towards the required subcontracting goals based on the utilization of SBEDA eligible M/WBEs and AABEs on the proposed base bid price.

Question 6: Regarding the Subcontracting Goals (14% & 1%); please confirm that the percentages submitted will not include any alternates in the calculations.

Response: EDD evaluates responsiveness towards the required subcontracting goals based on the utilization of SBEDA eligible M/WBEs and AABEs on the proposed base bid price.

Question 7: In regard to the Power Point Presentation provided, SBEDA TOOLS PDF 14 second bullet point reads "Not meeting the subcontracting goals at the time bids are due will deem a bid non-responsive". Does this mean even with a waiver submitted at bid time, a contractor MUST meet the goals to be responsive? Please clarify.

Response: A full or partial waiver for the 14% M/WBE and 1% AABE Subcontracting Program goal may be requested by submitting the Subcontracting Goal Waiver Request form with a firm's response to this solicitation. The waiver request form and a guide on how to fill the form is available at: <http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx>. Please note that submitting a waiver request does NOT guarantee responsiveness as it is subject to approval by the Economic Development Department. This waiver request must fully document subcontractor unavailability despite good faith efforts to comply with the goal. Please refer to the SBEDA Subcontracting Goal Waiver Request guide for additional information on how to complete the waiver request form. Please contact the Economic Development Department at (210) 207-3922 for a review of the form and for any questions or clarifications.

Question 8: Sheet 129, Note 1 reads flow equalizers are to be subsidiary to payment of 10x9 Box Culverts. There is no pay item for this. Please clarify how the 3x3 RCB Flow Spreaders are paid.

Response: Flow equalizers are subsidiary to the payment of the larger box culverts. Note will be revised to reference correct pay item.

Question 9: Can CAD Files be provided?

Response: CAD files will be provided to the Awarded Contractor

Question 10: Where are the details for 505.1 - CONCRETE RIPRAP (6" THICK) and 505.1 - CONCRETE RIPRAP (9" THICK) located in the plans?

Response: Refer to Sheet 128 for flume and 505.1 - CONCRETE RIPRAP (6" THICK) detail. Refer to Sheet 121 for details on 505.1 - CONCRETE RIPRAP (9" THICK).

Question 11: Could you please clarify "REMOVE CONC CHANNELL WALL EST" on Sheets 50 and 53? Sheet 50 shows "exist channel wall to remain" and Sheet 53 shows to remove 157 LF (same wall at the Matchline10+50. Which one is it? And how will the removal be paid for?

Response: The 157 LF of wall will remain and the fence should be what is called out on sheet 53. Call out will be updated.

Question 12: Sheet 140, Box Culvert Detail, what is the height/dimension of the Clean Gravel backfill needed for the proposed Box Culverts? Detail provides a width of 2ft but not a height? Please advise.

Response: Clean gravel backfill for CIP box culverts will match those of the precast box culverts (4"). Refer to Sheet 140.

Question 13: What are the backfill requirements for pay item 307-X Concrete Structure (Special Junction Box)?

Response: Backfill requirements for 307-X to be consistent with spec item 306 STRUCTURAL EXCAVATION.

Question 14: Where is the detail for pay item 403.3 Junction Box 12'x12'?

Response: 12'x12' junction box detail shown on Sheet 127.

Question 15: How are the Proposed Equalizers 3X3 RBC shown on Sheets 84, 85 and 129 paid for?

Response: Refer to comment response #9.

Question 16: What is Pay Item 306.1 - STRUCTURAL EXCAVATION (> 2000 CY) - 2,839 CY paying for? What are the limits/parameters?

Response: This pay item is for special structures paid with pay item 307. These items include transition structures, utility conflict box and special junction boxes. Reference special excavation detail on Sheet 140.

Question 17: At the outfall of the proposed barrels (STA 10+06.13) sheet 83 shows the Prop Wingwall PW-1 (HW17FT). However, on sheets 109 and 110 it calls out Retaining Wall (CAST-IN-PLACE) to be constructed in the same area at the proposed barrels/outfall. Please clarify/review the limits/quantities of both pay items, Retaining Wall and 17ft Wingwall.

Response: Proposed wingwall call out and pay item will be removed, covered by retaining wall design and detail(s).

Question 18: What is the expected job start date for the project?

Response: Construction start is expected 30-45 calendar days after award at City Council.

Question 19: When is the project expected to be awarded?

Response: Project is estimated to be awarded by September 2025 at the time of City Council approval (subject to change).

Question 20: Is this a federally funded project?

Response: This project is not federally funded.

Question 21: Does the solicited Engineer's Estimate include SAWS Water, SAWS Sewer, CPS Gas, etc?

Response: **No. A revised construction estimate will be provided in future Addendum with a breakdown for COSA, SAWS Water, SAWS Sewer and CPS Gas estimated costs.**

Question 22: Can you break out the engineer's estimates for SAWS Water, SAWS Sewer, CPS Gas, Etc?

Response: Refer to response for Question #22.

Question 23: Are there any contaminated soils or liquids?

Response: No soils requiring special worker safety measures were identified.

Question 24: Can a project schedule be provided?

Response: The project schedule will not be provided.

Question 25: Can a geotechnical report be provided?

Response: Yes, geotechnical report will be provided as part of Addendum for Contractor's Information Only. Refer to Article I.1.13 in "Exhibit A General Conditions".

Question 27: In reference to SBEDA, does the specified goal apply only to the base bid? Or does it apply to the base & all the alternates? In other words, do we need to calculate our SBEDA percentages to submit on our utilization sheet based on the base only, or base + alt?

Response: EDD evaluates responsiveness towards the required subcontracting goals based on the utilization of SBEDA eligible M/WBEs and AABEs on the proposed base bid price.

Question 28: Are there any archaeological sensitive areas to be aware of?

Response: There are no archaeological sensitive areas to be aware of

Question 29: Viewing the proposed typical section, distance between the two new 10 x 10 boxes is to be filled with flowable fill. The distance between the proposed & existing boxes (2' min + 4' max) does not show type of backfill material.

1. Should flowable fill be used in this area?
2. If flowable fill is used, can this item be quantified?
3. Can this item be a pay item?

Response: Flowable fill is not anticipated to be used for this section. Follow excavation and backfill specifications as shown on "Pipe Bedding & Miscellaneous Drainage Details MOD" on sheet 140. Flowable fill will be used in between the 4 - 11 x 9 box culverts. Flowable fill not anticipated between the proposed 2 - 10 x 10 and existing 2 - 11 x 9 box culverts.

Question 30: The 10 x 10 boxes call for Pre-cast. Can the boxes be cast-in-place?

Response: 10x10 boxes should be pre-cast. 11x9 will be both pre-cast and cast-in-place, particularly near the large radial bends near the outfall (CIP). If Contractor wants to proceed with CIP, they will need to provide an RFI for approval at no additional cost to the City.

Question 31: On Spec Item 110 (Environmental & Safety Concerns), paragraph 1 indicates "area of concern, station numbers, and cross section". In reviewing the plans, these areas were not identified.

1. Can these areas of concern be provided?
2. Can a quantity be identified? The pay item is listed as a Lump Sum.
3. Concerning this item specifically, we feel there may be follow up questions which may be needed. Will the city answer any follow up questions after the initial questions are answered?
4. Paragraph 2 indicates monitoring "areas of concern", please identify area of concern both by station to station & elevation limits.
5. Paragraph 5 mentions contaminated ground water. Can a pay item be added for handling of contaminated/storage/disposal of the water? Is any testing of the ground water required? Who would be responsible for that testing?

Response: 1. The area of concern is indicated in the notes on Sheet 163, Special Excavation Layout and Sheet 164, EPIC, required action under Section VI., Hazardous Materials or Contamination Issues.

2. Please refer to the last paragraph of Special Specification 110, Environmental and Safety Concerns, Special Excavation for information on compensation for soil excavation and relocation. The excavation in the area of concern is included in the quantities listed for Bid Items

105, Channel Excavation and 106, Box Culvert Excavation and Backfill. Bid Item SS110 covers sorting and disposal/recycling of intermixed construction and demolition debris.

3. No follow-up questions will be permitted prior to bid opening.

4. These stations numbers are specified in the notes on Sheet 163, Special Excavation Layout, and Sheet 164, EPIC, required action under Section VI., Hazardous Materials or Contamination Issues.

5. No confirmed or suspected contaminated groundwater exists within the project limits. In the unlikely event that previously unidentified/unknown suspect contaminated groundwater is identified during construction, please notify the CoSA Inspector immediately. Testing, storage, and disposal of contaminated groundwater would be completed by others (CoSA on-call environmental consultant and/or environmental specialty contractor), if unanticipatedly encountered.

Question 32: Will the city pay for all 48,000 SF of the special shoring, in addition to the 100% of special spec pay item 551, diversion & care of water?

Response: Diversion and care will be paid in full as lump sum payment. Temporary shoring will be paid for per unit of measurement utilized.

Question 33: The Geotech Report is not in Section 7 of Specifications. Please provide.

Response: Refer to response for Question #26.

Question 34: Areas of Concern related to Special Spec Item 110 Environmental and Safety Concerns Special Excavation are not shown in the plans. There is wording in the Spec that requires all soil from site to remain on city property, compacted and re-vegetated. Is this intended to say demolition debris to remain on city property? What is the qty? Spec also mentions contaminated soil and/or groundwater. Please provide levels and type of contaminants. There are other notes that contradict other specs and pay items. Please review this spec and provide clarifications as to qty, levels, type, spoil site, payment, location etc.

Response: The area of concern is indicated in the notes on Sheet 163, Special Excavation Layout and Sheet 164, EPIC, required action under Section VI., Hazardous Materials or Contamination Issues. Construction and demolition debris is to be sorted from soil and disposed/recycled as specified in Paragraph 4 of Special Specification 110 and as compensated for under Bid Item SS110. Quantity of debris is unknown but is anticipated to be less 5% of total volume excavated within the area of concern. No soils requiring special worker safety measures were identified. All soil testing results were below Texas Risk Reduction Standard (TRRP) Tier I Residential levels, which are protective of worker safety. No confirmed or suspected contaminated groundwater exists within the project limits. Relocation areas for soils excavated from within the area of concern are delineated on Sheet 163, Special Excavation Layout.

Question 35: Are there any restrictions on work hours?

Response: Refer to Article III.4.3.d and Article VIII.1.4 in "Exhibit A General Conditions".

Question 36: Is there a typical section for the pedestrian detour?

Response: Typical section for pedestrian detour not provided.

Question 37: The SAWS sheets indicate NSPI for rem/rep fences and walls. Are these items covered in the COSA items?

Response: No. COSA will ONLY cover the removal and replacement of fences as shown in plan sheets titled "Miscellaneous Details Layout".

Question 38: Please provide additional details for ww through the box culvert on sheet 12.

Response: See sheets 118 and 119 for additional information on the box culvert.

Question 39: Will payment under Temp Special Shoring be made regardless of the method as long as all applicable OSHA standards are met? Will COSA reject any design that complies with OSHA standards?

Response: Temporary special shoring must follow methods as outlined in COSA Spec 551. If contractor would like to deviate from the method outlined by specification an RFI will need to be submit for review and approval at no additional cost to the City.

Question 40: Gas lines are on Placid but do not appear to be on Seeling. Is that correct?

Response: That is correct.

Question 41: Please provide a time determination schedule.

Response: At this time a time determination schedule will not be provided.

Question 42: Is 1% of AABE account for 14% MWBE, making it 14% required total or making it 15% total goal?

Response: The required 1% AABE Subcontracting Program goal is segmented into the required 14% M/WBE Subcontracting Program goal; 1% AABE participation is 1% M/WBE participation, as AABE vendors fall into the MBE certification category as well.

Question 43: Does the General Contractor for this project need any type of credentials to qualify to be awarded this project? Also, which trades would need to pull permits and who would be required to pull the main permit.

Response: Refer to SAWS Waterworks and Sanitary Sewer Construction Special Conditions (095). Contractor should have experience with similar work (CoSA and SAWS utilities).

Question 44: After installing manhole, standard, doghouse or any other type of structure, the manhole/structure is substantially installed excluding testing, encasement, & ring and cover. Can the contractor be paid at least 90% of the manhole installed with the remaining 10% when the testing is completed?

Response: Installation of manholes will be paid once manholes have been installed, tested, and approved. Payment is not released until items are approved. The contractor should refer to SAWS Spec 852.

Question 45: SAWS pay item for pole bracing has an allowance. Can an amount be provided? Civcast amount is "zero" at this time.

Response: This bid item will be changed to a hard bid amount in a future Addendum.

Question 46: How will the multiple wet connect be paid to accommodate the phasing?

Response: Any temporary wet connections/temporary water lines required for construction are subsidiary to the water line installation and are not a separate pay item. Only water tie-ins identified on the project quantities will be paid as per the pay item. Current design already accounts for phasing of SAWS Water. This is detailed within the TCP/SOW.

Question 47: Please provide additional phasing info for Line A sheet 6 bypass as it relates to remove and install box culverts. Appears Bypass will remain for the duration of box and Line A install. This is PH 1 and PH 2 Stage 3

Response: Phasing for Line A installation and sewer bypass is part of the Contractors' means and methods. Contractor to propose a phasing plan for the Line A sewer line installation.

Question 48: Please provide GPM for all bypass set ups.

Response: Sanitary sewer plans Sheet 5, Note 7 instructs the Contractor to assume that all existing sewer lines are flowing full for bypass calculations.

Question 49: How is pole bracing unit of measure 1 AWL (Allowance) to be bid? Will COSA provide the dollar amount?

Response: Refer to response in Question #33

END OF ADDENDUM No. 1

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