

**TO:** Prospective Bidders

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**SUBJECT:** Contractor Additional Questions and Answers

**DATE:** June 25, 2018 (*revised June 29, 2018*)

**PROJECT:** N. Burseson Street Improvements

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The following are answers to questions received from contractors regarding the N. Burseson Street Improvements. **Note that these questions and answers are in addition to the questions and answers posted on June 15, 2018.**

**Q:** Where is landscape irrigation to be placed?

**A:** Landscape irrigation is to be in accordance with Sheet 262 of the plans. Irrigation is necessary only for the areas of landscaping shown on Sheet 262. As stated, the Contractor is to “provide a complete landscape irrigation system in accordance with the requirements of Section 32 84 23 = Landscape Irrigation.”

**Q:** Can we get a copy of the Geotechnical Report for this project?

**A:** Yes, a copy of the report is available for download at the City’s website:

<https://www.cityofkyle.com/rfps>

**Q:** Can you provide sections and details for the cast in place retaining wall?

**A:** As part of Addendum No. 2, top of wall elevations have been added for the cast in place retaining walls.

**Q:** Please provide an updated list of questions and answers for the project.

**A:** This questions and answers document contains all answers to contractor questions received since the previous questions and answers document issued on June 15, 2018. The two documents combine to address all questions received.

**Q:** Can you define what or where the REIN CONC SLAB on Sheet 161 is located and a detail for it?

**A:** The reinforced concrete slab on Sheet 161 is shown with a concrete pattern and is under the elevated sidewalk. This slab is between the sawtooth curb and the earthen drainage channel. The detail for this slab is located on Sheet 125.

**Q:** Client Item 34 is for Structural Excavation, What items are included for this quantity of excavation. It is not shown on the Summaries. Please Advise.

**A:** Structural Excavation bid item is for excavation associated with the box culverts at the intersection of N. Burluson Street and Saint Anthony's Drive. The quantity for this bid item has been revised on the Bid Form as part of Addendum No. 2.

**Q:** There are numerous call outs for poles to be supported. Who is responsible for this cost?

**A:** Approximately 18 poles will need to be supported. Contractor is required to coordinate with PEC regarding support of poles during construction. No direct payment will be made for this work.

**Q:** How will the requirements for AC pipe noted in the water plans be paid for?

**A:** This will be subsidiary to pipe installation.

**Q:** In order to construct the roadway per the phasing, temporary tie-ins for the proposed water will be required. Is this cost subsidiary to the pipe?

**A:** As part of Addendum No. 2, a bid item for temporary tie-ins has been added to the Bid Form.

**Q:** There are various call outs on the wastewater plans Sheets 241 – 243 that pertain to the water system. Is this work covered in the various water bid items?

**A:** Abandonment of existing 8" waterline and new connections shown on Sheets 240, 241, 242, and 243 are to be performed by the Contractor as part of this project. As part of Addendum No. 2, these bid items have been added to the Bid Form.

**Q:** There are locations in the mill and overlay section that will require wastewater trench repair. If detail on Sheet 246 is to be used, please provide a sectional thickness.

**A:** As part of Addendum No. 2, additional detail has been added to the trench detail on Sheet 246. This shows an average 2" of asphalt. Contractor is to match existing.

**Q:** Can a pay item be added for water tie-ins, fittings, wastewater bypass and video of storm sewer?

**A:** Fittings are subsidiary to the pipe bid item. As part of Addendum No. 2, bid items have been added to the Bid Form for water tie-ins, bypass pumping, and video of sewer pipe.

**Q:** Section 01 31 00, paragraph 1.11 pertains to protection of existing utilities and structures. It indicates the contractor is responsible for cost of relocating structures and utilities. This directive is not practical since the contractor cannot perform an exhaustive study to determine this cost. Please review.

**A:** This is a standard contract term. The Contractor should notify the Owner in the event that there are unknown field conditions. ***Additional clarification: If the Contractor encounters a conflict with an active City of Kyle water or wastewater line, the City will work with the Contractor, including execution of a Field Order or Change Order, to adjust the proposed utility improvements to avoid the conflict, or if such an adjustment is not feasible, to relocate the existing line(s). If the existing water or wastewater line is abandoned, it can be removed to avoid the conflict. If the Contractor encounters a conflict with a franchise utility, the Contractor shall coordinate directly with the franchise utility to have the utility relocated. The City will not pay for the relocation of any franchise utilities. Further clarification: The Contractor will not pay for the permanent relocation of any franchise utilities. This is not a joint utility contract, meaning any permanent franchise utility relocations are the responsibility of the franchise utility owner under separate contract. If a non-energized franchise utility***

***line has play in it and can be temporarily pushed out of the way to avoid the conflict and then released to return back to its original position, the Contractor shall perform this work. No separate payment will be made by the City for temporarily pushing franchise utility lines to avoid conflicts and releasing the utility lines to return back to their original positions.***

**Q:** Sheet 236 and 237 in wastewater plans indicates contractor to support/protect existing structure during construction. Contractor can protect by use the of temporary fencing around the building, but structural protection should be engineered and incorporated into the design. Please review.

**A:** It will be the Contractor's responsibility to determine foundation location and prevent damage to structure during construction.

**Q:** The typical bore pit is 11 ft wide. The assignment on sheets 236 and 237 is 5.8 ft from the easement. Can a temporary construction easement be provided from 14+56 – 19+00?

**A:** If the bore pit is 11' wide and we are over 5.5' from the edge of easement then there should be sufficient room, since we are 5.8' from edge of easement. A temporary easement may be acquired during construction, but this is not guaranteed at this time.

**Q:** Please provide a profile for all of the water bores particularly the railroad bore.

**A:** There are two bored crossings (UPRR and Center Street). As part of Addendum No. 2, approximate top of casing elevations have been provided at each end of the bores. UPRR permit detail has also been added.

**Q:** Typically the wastewater lines are videoed but the spec and plans do not indicate this is the case. Please review.

**A:** As part of Addendum No. 2, this requirement to video the wastewater lines has been added, along with a corresponding bid item on the Bid Form.

**Q:** What is the date for relocation of Center Point Gas?

**A:** The City's understanding is that Centerpoint should complete their relocations by the end of July at the latest.

***Additional Information:*** Water and Wastewater utility pothole information has been uploaded to the City's website (<https://www.cityofkyle.com/rfps>). This information is not a part of the Contract Documents. The accuracy of the locates is not guaranteed and is provided for Bidders' information only.