

**CITY OF FERNDALE
CHURCH ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

City Project No. ST2007-01
Federal Aid No. STPUS-8033(001)
TIB No. 3-W-985 (002)-1
Bid Opening Date: 3/26/14 at 4:00 PM

INFORMATION FOR BIDDERS*

Addendum 1 was issued Friday, March 21, 2014

1. **Question:** Bid Item #31 Permanent Erosion Control Blanket –Will the City require a WSDOT “Permanent Erosion Control Blanket” or a more typical WSDOT “Temporary Erosion Blanket”?

Submitted: 3/18/14 at 9:00AM

Answer: This will be clarified as part of the addendum. The material shall comply with specifications for Temporary Erosion Control Blanket, as outlined within Section 9-14.5(2).

Provided: 3/21/14 at 9:30AM by the City of Ferndale

2. **Question:** What style of bands shall be used for the live taps for the water services?

Submitted: 3/21/14 at 9:30AM

Answer: The “Water Service Connection Detail” shown on page 62 of the plans call for Romac type 101S or 202S or equal tapping clamp with saddle. The clamps/bands shall be stainless.

Provided: 3/21/14 at 9:30AM by the City of Ferndale.

3. **Question:** Please clarify the desired typical cross section for the main line road. Drawing sheet 63 has ‘side street typical sections’ ranging from 13” to 17” in total depth. Cross sections shown on pages 47 – 58 reflect a 20” depth. Need to know thickness for each material (base, CSTC, HMA lifts).

Submitted: 3/21/14 at 10:42AM

Answer: This item will be addressed as part of Addendum 1. The Church Road typical cross section will be revised.

Provided: 3/21/14 at 11:00AM by the City of Ferndale.

4. **Question:** Is item #22 and #23 on the Addendum #1 Bid Proposal form zero?

Submitted: 3/24/14 at 8:40AM

Answer: These items are calculated as needed based on project performance, i.e., how well the gradation and compaction meet specs, and are zero or left blank.

Provided: 3/24/14 at 11:50AM by the City of Ferndale.

5. **Question:** Bid item 40 states 6” concrete driveway, specials and details show 8”. Which is correct?
Submitted: 3/24/14 at 10:30AM

Answer: The bid item is correct. All concrete driveways should be 6” and will be paid for as 6”.
Provided: 3/24/14 at 10:30AM by the City of Ferndale

6. **Question:** Bid schedule D, item 114, has added one (1) tapping sleeve that shows a blow-off attached (sheet 27). On the plans there are now seven each (7 ea.) blow-off assemblies, bid item 111 shows only six each (6 ea.). Please clarify amounts.
Submitted: 3/24/14 at 2:00pm

Answer: Seven blow off assemblies are to be installed, as called out on the plans.
Provided: 3/24/14 at 2:18PM by the City of Ferndale

7. **Question:** In regard to water: Testing which is lump sum is vague as to what is required to be tested. Does the contractor test and disinfect each of the short additions to the existing mainlines before actually connecting? (Approx. 11 Ea. ranging from 16 to 110 LF))

Testing of Side services indicates that testing will be done along with other mainline testing. This would indicate that the contractor is testing the existing AC line along with all of the connections and services at the same time?
Submitted: 3/24/14 at 2:29pm

Answer: In regard to your question about testing short runs of water mains: The City, as part of past practice, has permitted swabbing of short main line extensions (generally less than 40’) and visual inspection in lieu of the formal bacteriological and pressurized testing procedure due to the difficulties associated with testing short runs of pipe in this manner. Longer runs of pipe will be tested utilizing the standard procedure.

New water services added to existing mainline pipes are visually inspected to ensure the service lines are kept free of dirt and debris, as well as for leaks prior to backfilling. Services are being disconnected from an existing AC pipe system (portions of which will be abandoned) to the City’s existing ductile iron line.
Provided: 3/24/14 at 2:18PM by the City of Ferndale

8. **Question:** Can the monolithic retaining wall and sidewalk be poured in two separate concrete pours?

Submitted: 3/25/14 at 11:23 AM

Answer: Yes the monolithic retaining wall and sidewalk can be poured in two separate concrete pours as long as the connection is clean at the joint.

Provided: 3/25/14 at 11:56 AM by the City of Ferndale.

9. **Question:** The plans show less gravity block wall and more reinforced block wall than the Proposal form showed.

Submitted: 3/25/14 at 2:06 PM

Answer: Sheet 39 of the plan-set is mislabeled, under the Reinforced Block Wall it should only state Sta. 15+70.31 to 16+16.06 (RT) and 22+05 to 23+25 should be deleted.

Provided: 3/25/14 at 4:08 PM by the City of Ferndale.

10. **Question:** Is there any back of sidewalk drain behind monolithic retaining wall?

Submitted: 3/25/14 at 5:06 PM

Answer: Drains for the monolithic wall and block walls are as called out within the details provided on pages 59, 60 and 63 of the plan sheets.

Provided: 3/25/14 at 5:55 PM by the City of Ferndale.

11. **Question:** Is there a 'Buy America' clause for steel on this project?

Submitted: 3/25/14 at 5:06 PM

Answer: Federal funds are being utilized to finance this project. Therefore, there is a 'Buy America' clause for steel and iron products permanently incorporated into the project. Please see page 166 of the Special Provisions for additional information.

Provided: 3/25/14 at 5:55 PM by the City of Ferndale.