

# CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE ADDENDUM #1

# RFP KENT HEIGHTS RECREATIONAL FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT EP22/23-34

### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

The following are a series of clarifications and responses to requests for information made by prospective bidders at the October 30, 2023 on-site pre-bid meeting and prior to the specified question deadline of 12:00pm on Friday, November 3, 2023:

#### **Clarifications:**

- 1. Clarification 1: As required by the project RI Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (RIPDES) General Permit for Storm Water Discharge Associated with Construction Activity (CGP)(Permit appended to section 01060 of the Project Manual), a copy of said permit, the approved Permitting Plan Set, dated with Revisions through 9/20/23, Project Soil Erosion and Sediment Control Plan, and Approved Operation and Maintenance Plan shall be kept on site at all times during construction. Digital PDF copies of these documents have been posted on the City's Website and are attached herewith be reference.
- 2. Clarification 2: No Supplemental futsal striping will be required on renovated basketball courts (detail 3, sheet 5 of the Construction Drawings Plan Set). As such, this shall be removed from the bid.
- 3. *Clarification 3:* The City has treated the Knotweed at the southeast corner of the project site. As such, this element of the Site Preparation Work shall be removed from the bid.
- 4. Clarification 4: Following removal of existing pavement, the prospective contractor will be responsible for neat stockpiling of removed pavement and the City will remove and dispose of removed pavement off-site. All other soils, etc., including any capping materials encountered during excavation, shall remain on-site and be redistributed as needed and can be utilized as fill, where required. If solid waste materials are found during construction, the City will provide a dumpster for depositing said material, and will haul and dispose of waste off-site in a legal manner.
- 5. *Clarification 5:* The park will be closed during construction operations.

### **Questions and Request for Information:**

1. Question 1: How is the Project Funded?

The project is funded through a RIDEM grant and capital funds.

2. Question 2: Is the existing Irrigation System Active?

The existing irrigation system is abandoned

3. Question 3: Is there on-site water access?

There is not on-site water access. Contractor will be responsible for on-site water, when required, through water tank, or similar and will need to coordinate with City Water Department for water access from off-site to fill said water storage tank, or similar.

4. Question 4: Is there a Set Date for Substantial Completion?

There is not a set date for Substantial Completion, however, the City is expecting construction to be completed in Summer of 2024. If necessary final seeding may be completed in Late Summer or Fall of 2024, as dictated by appropriate seeding temperatures and weather conditions.

5. Question 5: The plaza area Base bid indicates the finished surface as concrete, and the alternate finished surface is pervious pavers. The plans do not indicate if concrete pads need to be F&I as part of the alternate related to the owner supplied and installed benches and chess set.

As part of Alternate 1 (changing concrete pedestrian surfacing to pervious pavers), Concrete Pads will be required at each bench and chess table location. Each pad at bench locations shall be 6' x 2'-6" x 4" (see detail 1, sheet 9 of the Contract Documents Construction Plan Set). Each pad at Chess Tables shall be 6'-6" x 2' x 4" (see detail 1, sheet 9 of the Contract Documents Construction Plan Set).

6. Question 6: At the courts: Owner supplied benches are shown in the courts. Will there need to be concrete pads under those benches or is the intent later for the owner to surface mount the benches to the bituminous concrete?

Owner supplied benches within the proposed pickleball courts will require contractor furnished and installed contractor concrete pads for surface mounting of owner supplied benches. Size of pads to be 6' x 2'-6" x 4" each (see note, detail 2, sheet 4 and detail 1, sheet 9 of the Contract Documents Construction Plan Set).

7. Question 7: Fitness trail sign/kiosk and PR signs are shown on both sides of the plaza. Will any concrete pads or flush mount footings be needed for those items?

Any pads or footings for these signs will be by owner.

8. Question 8: Plan 2 top right of plan has notes but is written on top of some of the limit of work area. There is clearing required to a new proposed tree line limit, but the invasive plant

management notes cover anything that may be noted there. Are we to assume that this bid is to include clearing to the new tree line or will be completed by the owner?

This bid shall include clearing of brush and trees to the new proposed treeline by contractor. Limits of clearing can be more clearly seen on sheet 3 of the Contract Documents Construction Plan Set.

9. Question 9: For Alternate 2, what detail should be used for the edges of the bioretention and landscaped areas surrounded by the plaza sidewalks?

Edges will be just limit of bituminous concrete pavement (see detail 2, sheet 9 of the Contract Documents Construction Plan Set). Contractor can utilize temporary wood forms to create clean edges of bituminous concrete surfacing, if desired. If Alternate 2 is enacted, then the notes on Bioretention Area-C3 profile (sheet 8 of the Contract Documents Construction Plan Set) referring to concrete slab shall be revised to replace the words "Concrete Slab" with Bituminous Concrete Pedestrian Surface.

10. Question 10: For Alternate 3, the 37,200 square feet of area included in the description reflects the area of all bituminous sidewalks PLUS the area of the concrete plaza sidewalks. However, the description does not mention deletion of the concrete plaza sidewalks. Please clarify if the intent is to substitute stonedust sidewalks in lieu of all concrete and bituminous sidewalks.

The intent of Alternate 3 is to substitute stonedust sidewalks (fitness trail surface, see detail 8, sheet 9 of the Contract Documents Construction Plan Set) in lieu of bituminous concrete sidewalks only. The approximately 6,400 SF of Concrete Plaza Surface at the central plaza area between the proposed courts will remain Concrete as part of this alternate. As such, the quantity noted in Alternate 3 (37,200 SF) shall be revised to note 30,800 SF of Bituminous Concrete Pedestrian Surface Walkways to be substituted with Stonedust fitness trail surface as part of this alternate.

11. Question 11: For Alternate 3, if the intent is to F&I stonedust sidewalks in the plaza area, what detail should be used for the edges of the bioretention and landscaped areas surrounded by the plaza sidewalks?

The concrete plaza area will not be substituted with stonedust surfacing. See response to question 10 above.