



## **ADDENDUM NO. 1**

August 19, 2022

### **CITYWIDE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE**

#### **Response to Questions**

1. **Question:** Does the City have a budget or Engineer's Estimate for this project?

**Response:** No.

2. **Question:** Page 3 calls for 5 hard copies of the proposal, and page 9 calls for 4 bound copies of the proposal. Which is correct?

**Response:** Page 3 is correct. Please provide 5 hard copies of the proposal with submission.

3. **Question:** On page 5, there is a discrepancy between the verbiage and the numeral describing the term of the contract. The verbiage reads "three and the numeral in parenthesis is 5. Please clarify.

**Response:** The correct contract term length is five (5) years. The term of the contract can be found on page 5 (Section 2. Work Scope Summary) and 6 (Term of Agreement).

4. **Question:** On page 5, the CPI increased are specified. When are those adjustments available, after each year, or after the initial contract period is expired?

**Response:** CPI increase is available annually after completion of the first year of contract.

5. **Question:** What is the current annual contract value the City pays for maintenance services?

**Response:** \$532,585.92 annually.

6. **Question:** How many times has payment been withheld per Appendix E?

**Response:** Appendix E and payment withholding is new with this RFP.

7. **Question:** What is the expectation of the applications of prevailing wages regarding irrigation repairs?

**Response:** Contractor is to follow the prevailing wage requirement to the locality in which the Work is to be performed for each craft, classification or type of worker needed to perform the Work, including employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, apprenticeship and similar purposes. For irrigation repair, the contractor shall review the Landscape Maintenance Laborer general prevailing wage determination within the area of applicability under the DIR.

8. **Question:** On page 19, under the Irrigation specification it state: "The Contractor shall complete irrigation preventative maintenance system checks weekly; all zones will be checked for operation, and repairs made immediately." Does the City expect the Contract to submit a weekly report of these preventative maintenance checks to verify the work is being completed?

**Response:** The contractor shall conduct the inspection and complete the report weekly. Weekly Reports shall then be compiled and submitted to City staff on a monthly basis.

9. **Question:** On page 17, under the Mowing specification it states: "Grass clippings shall be removed off-site after each mowing." Please clarify if the City will allow mulching mowers to be used or is this specification calling for collection type mowers?

**Response:** The City will allow mulching mowers; however, excessive grass clumping, as determined by City staff, must be removed from the site.

10. **Question:** On page 24, the specifications call for turf areas to be pest free. Please clarify what is meant by the term "pest-free." Does this mean fungal, insect and weed pests?

**Response:** Turf areas are to be weed-free. The contractor does not need to include costs for items such as merit or gopher bait unless otherwise requested by the City under extra-work.

11. **Question:** On page 24, the specifications call out a 2" mowing height. Is this what the City wants throughout its parks?

**Response:** Please refer to mowing heights on page 24, Section 2.2.1.

12. **Question:** Is the re-seeding or sod replacement to be completed on a time and material basis?

**Response:** During the initial 6-month period, the contractor is to identify and prepare a cost proposal for re-seeding or sod replacement which it inherited. Following the initial 6 month period, turf improvements are the responsibility of the contractor. The Contractor is expected to re-seed or re-sod bare spots and dead areas. The City will consider water restrictions when requesting areas be replaced. Water restrictions presently apply to only non-functional turf. Non-functional turf is a ground cover surface of mowed grass that is ornamental and not otherwise used for human recreation purposes. Non-functional turf does not include school fields, sports fields, and areas regularly used for

civic or community events. Other landscape areas are expected to be maintained in good health.

13. **Question:** Will the replacement of tree stakes be done on a time and material basis?

**Response:** Contractor will only be responsible for replacing tree stakes on trees which are planted by the contractor. Other replacement will be done on a time and material basis.

14. **Question:** Please clarify the size of what is considered a “young tree”

**Response:** “Young trees” are of 15-gallon size up to 3 years after planting.

15. **Question:** What expectations does the City have for weed control in regard to tree care?

**Response:** The City expects the tree’s health to be prioritized. Damaged trees as a result of the contractor activities such as edging or weed eating shall be replaced or nursed back to health as directed by a certified arborist at the expense of the contractor.

16. **Question:** What is considered a “competition sport field?”

**Response:** Oliveira Park, 7<sup>th</sup> St. Ballpark, Colorado Ballpark and AG Sports Complex.

17. **Question:** Describe the “Unlisted – Downtown Tree Wells” location in more detail.

**Response:** Downtown tree wells are concrete tree wells in the downtown area along 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> St. Downtown tree wells locations can be identified in the Tree Plotter inventory.

18. **Question:** The electronic maps include a property labeled, “PK45 – Community Center” that is not listed on the bid items.

**Response:** Location “PK45 – Community Center” has been added to the location list on the bid form (see attached).

19. **Question:** Does the contractor need prior approval for any repair under \$100.00?

**Response:** No. Please refer to page 19.

20. **Question:** How many valves and controllers does the City have?

**Response:** The City does not have an inventory of valves and controllers. The City does not have a centralized irrigation control system. In Irrigation section 3.1.6, on page 25, there is an incorrect reference to a central irrigation system.

21. **Question:** What type of irrigation controllers does the City have?

**Response:** The City has varied irrigation controller types and brands at each park. The contractor is to inventory these controllers as part of the scope of this RFP.

22. **Question:** At what point is the contractor responsible for the irrigation system?

**Response:** From the point of the backflow forward.

23. **Question:** How much advanced notice will the City give for upcoming events, including sports events?

**Response:** At least two weeks (14 Calendar Days).

24. **Question:** Please expand on items #4 and #9 under the irrigation section on page 19.

**Response:** Item #4 refers to the Contractor's responsibility to ensure irrigation timers are properly set and that the proper moisture content is achieved for the various plant types. Item #9 refers to irrigation repairs.

25. **Question:** If awarded the contract, could the contractor complete an initial walk through with the City and inventory dead or missing plants?

**Response:** Yes. A proposal for replacement can be included following the walk-through. The contractor will be given 6 months to improve the landscape's health before accepting its condition as is.

26. **Question:** What is the location of the annual color throughout the City, frequency of change and what is the flat size and quantity?

**Response:** Replacement plants and trees should match existing color patterns as directed by City staff.

27. **Question:** Is the contract expected to pick up dog feces from the dog park?

**Response:** Yes. Disposal of dog feces can be placed in City trash cans on-site.

28. **Question:** Is the contractor allowed to rope off and irrigate areas of the Dog Park to allow seed to germinate?

**Response:** Yes, with approval of City staff and proper on-site public notification.

29. **Question:** During the fall season, should fallen leaves be collected or blown to the street for collection by the City sweeper?

**Response:** Leaves shall be picked up and disposed of by the Contractor.

30. Contractor shall use the attached revised Non-District Landscape Parks and Planter Bid form

This Addendum forms a part of the Proposal Documents and will be incorporated into the Contract Documents, as applicable. All other conditions of the Contract Documents remain unchanged. The following changes, additions, or deletions as set forth herein shall apply to the Contract Documents and shall be made a part thereof and shall be subject to all the requirements thereof as through originally shown and/or specified.

Proposals shall be submitted in accordance with this Addendum. All consultants **MUST** acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by signing and returning this Addendum with your Proposal.

City of Los Banos

Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Public Works Director

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| Non-District Landscape Parks and Planters |                                    |                    |                            |                       |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Location ID:                              | Location Description:              | Estimated Acreage: | Unit Price (\$/Month/Acre) | Extension: (\$/Month) |
| PK1:                                      | AG Sports Complex                  | 8.58               |                            |                       |
| PK2:                                      | Skylark Park                       | 1.27               |                            |                       |
| PK28:                                     | Catholic Park                      | 0.26               |                            |                       |
| PK29:                                     | Big Page Park                      | 1.24               |                            |                       |
| PK30:                                     | Colorado Ballpark                  | 9.33               |                            |                       |
| PK31:                                     | Airport Park                       | 0.33               |                            |                       |
| PK32:                                     | Wolfsen Green Space                | 2.46               |                            |                       |
| PK33:                                     | Flagpole Park                      | 0.61               |                            |                       |
| PK34:                                     | Pacheco Park                       | 6.02               |                            |                       |
| PK35:                                     | Little Page Park                   | 0.18               |                            |                       |
| PK35:                                     | Presidential Park                  | 0.43               |                            |                       |
| PK24:                                     | 7th St. Ballfields                 | 5.92               |                            |                       |
| PK25:                                     | Davis Park                         | 0.70               |                            |                       |
| PK26:                                     | City Park                          | 1.03               |                            |                       |
| PK27:                                     | Henry Miller Plaza                 | 2.63               |                            |                       |
| TR1:                                      | Rail Trail Extensions              | 6.59               |                            |                       |
| TR2:                                      | Lindemann Trail                    | 6.11               |                            |                       |
| TR3:                                      | 11 and Page Extensions Trail       | 0.84               |                            |                       |
| TR5:                                      | HG Fawcett Canal Trail             | 15.68              |                            |                       |
| PL1:                                      | Del Rio Dr. Wall Planter           | 1.10               |                            |                       |
| PL3:                                      | Mercey Springs Alley               | 0.32               |                            |                       |
| PL4:                                      | Mercey Springs Rd. Oleanders       | 0.29               |                            |                       |
| PL37:                                     | Highway 152 Right of Way           | 0.86               |                            |                       |
| PL38:                                     | Miller Lane Tree Wells             | 0.24               |                            |                       |
| PL65:                                     | Willmott Trees South Right of Way  | 0.26               |                            |                       |
| PL66:                                     | Frank St. Right of Way             | 0.17               |                            |                       |
| PL67:                                     | San Juan Corp Yard                 | 0.37               |                            |                       |
| PL69:                                     | Downtown Bench Area                | 0.07               |                            |                       |
| PL70:                                     | 7th St. Basketball Court Landscape | 0.02               |                            |                       |
| PL75:                                     | Madison Corp Yard                  | 2.78               |                            |                       |
| PL78:                                     | Cemetary Oleanders                 | 0.17               |                            |                       |
| PL139:                                    | I St. Median                       | 0.04               |                            |                       |
| PL140:                                    | Downtown Entry Signs               | 0.00               |                            |                       |
| PL141:                                    | Fire Station No. 1                 | 1.68               |                            |                       |
| PL142:                                    | City Hall Landscape                | 0.43               |                            |                       |
| PL143:                                    | Police Station                     | 0.30               |                            |                       |
| PL144:                                    | Miller and Lux I St. Parking Lot   | 0.29               |                            |                       |
| PL145:                                    | Fire Station No. 2                 | 4.31               |                            |                       |
| PL146:                                    | J St. Parking Lot                  | 0.33               |                            |                       |
| PL147:                                    | J St. and 7th St. Parking ot       | 0.40               |                            |                       |
| PL148:                                    | Pacheco Hwy Median                 | 0.04               |                            |                       |
| Unlisted:                                 | Downtown Tree Wells                | 0.10               |                            |                       |
| PK45:                                     | Community Center                   | 4.31               |                            |                       |

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| Total Park Acreage:    | 105.64 |
| Total Planter Acreage: | 14.56  |
| Total Acreage:         | 120.20 |

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| Total Cost (non-district) | \$ | per month |
| Total Cost (non-district) | \$ | per year  |