

**Addendum No. 1 to RFQ 20-01**



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To: All Parties on Record with the City of Somerville as Holding **RFQ 20-01 Poplar Street Pump Station Design Services**

From: Michael Richards, Assistant Purchasing Director

Date: July 25, 2019

Re: Answer Questions; Append List of Plan Holders

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**Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by signing below and including this form in your proposal package. Failure to do so may subject the proposer to disqualification.**

This addendum serves to answers questions received prior to the Q/A deadline and to append a list of plan holders update as of July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

The date and time of the bid opening remains unchanged, and will be held **Wednesday August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 2:00pm.**

**NAME OF COMPANY / INDIVIDUAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY/STATE/ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE/FAX/EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA:**

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- Q. Representative projects requires that we list 5 in past 10 years in Massachusetts. This may be too limiting for many firms. Would the City of Somerville accept projects completed in other States?
- A. The City will accept up to two representative projects from other states if the area in which the project is completed is a dense, urban area with similar characteristics to Somerville.
- Q. The Memorandum Proposed Connection to GLX Drain – Has this been approved by the MBTA? The recommendations in the memo are based on old report and does not include GLX latest design.
- A: The agreement with the MBTA is binding even though the design criteria has changed.
- Q. Does Somerville anticipate full streetscaping of Fitchburg and Linwood street or just FM construction and deal with surface improvements at a later date?
- A. We do plan to do full streetscapes of Fitchburg and Linwood Streets.
- Q. Can you clarify what is meant by “Communications” in Section 2.3.1
- A. This refers to design of communications/IT for the potential office building.
- Q. In section 2.2.7 the RFP says that if the 90% design cost estimate exceeds the preliminary design approved cost estimate, the Firm shall value engineer and make the necessary modifications to the design until such time as the cost estimate for the 90% design phase is equal or less than the preliminary design phase cost estimate at no cost to the City. Would the City of Somerville enforce this in cases where new information becomes available or is discovered after the preliminary design phase or due to changes in the market that may occur between the preliminary design phase and the 90% design phase?
- A. If the City changes the scope, we will evaluate if a change in the budget is necessary. If changes are encountered such as a change in market conditions, we expect the design firm to manage that process.
- Q. Should the City select the “Building Option”, is it the City’s intent that the office building architecture match that of the ArtFarm buildings?
- A. The architecture does not have to match the ArtFarm building, but must be consistent with the neighborhood plan and the vision of the Planning & Zoning Department.
- Q. Is it the City’s intent that the proposed Project Team include an architect for final design of the office building or will the architect be determined upon the City’s selection of the Building Option?
- A. The Project Team should include all professional services, including architecture, for the Building Option. The scope for the building will be determined following the preliminary design phase.

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Q. Will the ArtFarm project team have input regarding landscape design of the PPS site?

A. Yes.

Q. Under the requirements for the Cover Letter it states to add a copy of the MCPPO certification. Is this a required certification for a team member for the proposal?

A. Yes.