



Response to Contractor Questions 1

RFP Number: FH-2024-03-01

for

Ford Heights Water System Improvement Project Phase II

Date of Bid Advertisement: March 25, 2024

Bid Due Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Bid Due Time: 10:00am Central Time

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- 1. For the hydrant removal pay item, are the existing hydrant valves that are in front of the hydrant teed off the watermain?**

Yes. The scope of work for this pay item is turning off the hydrant valve, removing the hydrant and its valve box, backfill, and restoration.

- 2. What if the hydrant valves are not operational?**

If the hydrant valves are not operational, the watermain valves would need to be located a shutoff to isolate the hydrant. If this is the case, a Change Order may be warranted after review by the Engineer.

- 3. Does the fire hydrant replacement include replacement of both the hydrant and valve?**

Yes.

- 4. For the watermain leak repairs, the plans note that the sidewalk, pavement, curb and gutter, and grass area is to be replaced in-kind. Are all these items incidental to the watermain leak repair?**

It is unknown where the exact locations of the watermain leaks are and the extent of repair to the watermain that will be necessary once located. The crosshatch areas depicted on the plans represent the general locations of the watermain leaks based on historic leak detection surveys, not necessarily the full extent of the repair needed. The Contractor may submit an allowance for incidentals associated with watermain leak repair given the unknown nature of the precise locations of the leaks.

- 5. What is the reason for the storm structure cleaning pay item?**

The existing storm structures within the project area are in need of cleanout. Once paving, watermain repair, and hydrant replacement have been completed, storm structures down to the sump are to be cleaned or vacuumed so to be free of sediment and debris.

- 6. Is a bidders list available for this project?**

No.

- 7. When is the completion date for this project?**

This project is anticipated to be awarded in April or early May. The expectation is for this project to be completed by the end of August.