

AMENDMENT NO. 1

TO: ALL VENDORS

FROM: Lana Widener

SUBJECT: USC-IFB-2231-LW

Booker T. Washington Exterior Building Restoration

DATE: May 25, 2012

This Amendment No. 1 modifies the Invitation for Bid only in the manner and to the extent as stated herein.

ITEM ONE: BIDS DUE DEADLINE CHANGED

Quotes due date has been changed to 11:00 am, Thursday, May 31, 2012.

ITEM TWO: WORK IS TO BE COMPLETED 100 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER.

ITEM THREE: EXTERIOR TESTING AT BOOKER T. WASHINGTON, NO LEAD PAINT WAS DETECTED

ITEM FOUR: CORRECTION TO SECTION I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

Delete in its entirety: It is the intent of the University of South Carolina to solicit bids to furnish all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to paint the interior of South Quad dormitory in accordance with all the requirements stated herein.

Replace with the following: It is the intent of the University of South Carolina to solicit bids to furnish all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to Restore the Exterior of Booker T. Washington includes the removal of the existing paint from the existing brick veneer for the full area of the full exterior perimeter of the building in accordance with all the requirements stated herein.

ITEM FIVE: VENDOR QUESTIONS

Question #1: Will any type of abrasive cleaning be allowed or considered for use on this

project?

Answer #1: No.

Question #2: Is a bid bond required to be submitted along with the proposal?

Answer #2 Yes.

Question #3: Is a Performance Bond and Labor & Material Bond to be required from the successful contractor?

Answer #3: Yes.

Question #4: Is the building on the Historical Registry?

Answer #4: No.

Question #5: Will a bid bond be needed for this project?

Answer #5: See Question #2 above.

Question #6: If so what is the budget number to request the bond for?

Answer #6: A budget has not been provided.

Question #7: Are there any liquidated damages for this project?

Answer #7: No.

Question #8: What is the duration and completion date?

Answer #8: See Item #2 above.

Question #9: Does the existing paint on the building contain lead?

Answer #9: See #3 above.

Question #10: Are any permits needed for this project?

Answer #10: No. Also, please refer to Section VII. Terms and Conditions - B.

Special, LICENSES AND PERMITS (JAN 2006) for information.

Question #11: Will there be any masonry repair (brick replacement, tuckpointing, or

patching) involved with this scope of work?

Answer #11: No.

Question #12: The current brick on the building is known as a wirecut face. This type of texture on a brick is squarely grooved vertical marks across the entire face of the brick. The current painted surface has been applied such as to fill in these grooves thus filling the entire recessed area. The spec sheets only details the accepted finish of the cleaning process as "removal of all the paint".

Question: Please define in specific terms and described condition of the finish look that takes in account the type of material that is being used as to the acceptable condition that will be accepted by the University for a finish and completed condition of the brick face surface.

Question: Will all the paint material need to be removed from the face of the brick, face of the mortar joints and removed from every vertical grooved in the face of the brick?

Question: Will the finish condition of the cleaning scope be the absolute removal of all paint material from the brick as the only accepted finish condition required by the contract and the expectations of the University.

Answer: #12 We anticipate that there may be some very minor residual paint remaining in the vertical grooves that may give the building a slight color washing with the current paint color(s) to the over red brick appearance that will result from the paint removal. A mock up will be required to establish what will be acceptable. Paint will be required to be removed from the mortar joints.

Question #13 The current paint looks to contain two different color painted surface on the building.

Question: Can the University define the current layers of the paint that has been applied to the brick surface.

Question: Can the University define the type of paint applied as to latex, oil base, lead base etc. for each of the layers.

Question: What is the age of the current pain that is applied to the building?

Answer #13 USC does not have specifics on the type of paint that has been applied to the building. USC understands that there are at least two colors of paint that have been applied to the building. A green color paint and the beige paint that you see today. USC understands that the beige paint was applied about 12 to 15 years ago and the green paint had been applied at least 15 years prior to that but potentially significantly longer.

Question #14 The current specs do not specify any required abatement of the current painted surface.

Question: Has any lead base material test been performed on each layer of paint that has been applied to the surface brick.

Question: Does the current paint layers contain lead?

Question: Will it be the responsibility of the University to do the testing of the current painted layers?

Question: Will it be the responsibility of the Contractor to supply all necessary abatement and testing for the project?

Answer #14: Yes.

No.

Yes.

No.

Question #15 The specs only detail the removal from the exterior of the building

Question: Will the area on the south end, where the new construction out build is presently under away, inside paint wall be required to be removed as part of the project?

Question: Are the retaining walls included in the areas required for paint removal?

Question: Are the ramp retaining walls required for paint removal?

Answer #15 The existing paint is to be removed from the entire perimeter of the

existing/original building. Paint removal will not be required from the addition on the south end that is being constructed.

Paint removal is not required from the retaining walls that are not a part of the building.

Paint removal is not required for the ramp retaining walls that are not a part of the building.

Question #16 Are there any sealant removal and installation required on the building as part of the scope of work?

Answer #16 Replacement of Sealant is NOT a part of the scope of work.

Question #17 Is the building on a federal, state, or city historical register?

Answer #17 The building is along the edge of the City of Columbia's urban design area that is reviewed by the City of Columbia's DDRC. DDRC has review and approved the removal of the paint from this building.

Question #18 Whom is responsible for the removal and pruning back of the current foliage around the building?

Answer #18 The contractor is to perform pruning of vegetation except where USC choose to perform this work themselves. USC will prune any and all trees against the building as will be required to provide adequate access to the exterior of the building.

Question #19 Is the landscaping of the current foliage and reseeding of grass the responsibility of the contractor?

Answer #19 Yes.

Question #20 Specs call for the protection and non paint removal of the window sills.
Currently the sills are showing cracks, missing material and flaking paint.
Question: How do we detail the current conditions of the areas that are not part of the scope of work but are clearly in need of repair and restoration?
Question: Will these areas of distress be a change order for repair or left int their current condition?

Answer #20 The scope of work does not include removing or replacing the paint on the window sills. Note that the scope does NOT include repainting the existing steel windows also which is needed. The contractor should photograph any areas before they start work where they have a concern about whether there will be any question about the original conditions of the surfaces that are not included in the scope of work.

Question #21 Is a bond required?
Answer #21 See Question #2 above.

Question #22 Is a P&P bond required? **Answer #22 See Question #3 above.**

	What lay down area will be given to the contractor for equipment and materials and where will that area be located on site? The Lay down areas will be limited to the contractor's immediate work area.
	What is expected start date? USC will hold a pre-performance conference within five (5) days after Final Award as specified in VII. Terms and Conditions - B. Special.
_	What is the required complete date? See Item #2 above.
Question #27 Answer #27	Are there any liquidated damages and what amount? No.
Question #28 Answer #28	As noted in the spec sheets the paint removal will coincide with the current construction that is presently going on with the building? Question: If the schedule of cleaning interrupted because of the current construction will the University pay additional surcharges for required overtime, additional mobilization cost or any other charge that will relate to the cause of the cleaning project being held from the defined schedule? See "NOTE: in Section III. Scope of Work / Specifications The contractor's cost should reflect this coordination and assume that work will progress continuously in the manner described.
BIDDER SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF AMENDMENT NO. 1 IN THE SPACE PROVIDED BELOW AND RETURN IT WITH THEIR BID RESPONSE . FAILURE TO DO SO MAY SUBJECT BID TO REJECTION.	
Authorized Signature	Firm
Date	

Question #23 Is a building permit required?
Answer #23 See Question #10 above.