



Addendum No. 3

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Construction, Thonotosassa Fire Station No. 21 Replacement

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NOTICE: This Addendum is an integral part of the Invitation to Bid under consideration by you as a Bidder in connection with the subject matter identified below. Hillsborough County (HC) deems all Bids to have been proffered in recognition and consideration of the entire Invitation to Bid - including all issued Addenda.

If the Bid has already been submitted within the Bonfire Bid System for Hillsborough County Procurement Services, Bidder shall resubmit bid and acknowledge addendum electronically.

THE INFORMATION INCLUDED HEREIN IS HEREBY INCORPORATED INTO THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS OF THIS PRESENT BID MATTER AND SUPERSEDES ANY CONFLICTING CONTRACT DOCUMENTS OR PORTION THEREOF PREVIOUSLY ISSUED:

REASON FOR ISSUANCE OF THIS ADDENDUM:

A. REVISION TO CONTRACT TERMS DOCUMENT

1. Revised Cone of Silence language on page 4 of Contract Terms document to read:

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2. Revised Paragraph 4.19.2 Cone of Silence language to read:

Cone of Silence: Pursuant to Hillsborough County Code of Ordinances and Laws, Part A, Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 3, there shall be a Cone of Silence for all procurement solicitations (except sole source procurement) issued by the County that are at or over the County's formal bid limit in order to safeguard the integrity of the County's procurement and protest process. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Cone of Silence shall go into effect on the date a procurement solicitation is issued by the County and shall end the earlier of five (5) Business Days after the County posts its Notice of Intent to Recommend Award the contract(s) associated with this solicitation or on the date the procurement solicitation is canceled by the County. However, if a protest is timely filed, then the Cone of Silence shall remain in effect for the duration of the protest process including the exhaustion of any related appeals related to the protest. Unless otherwise provided for in Hillsborough County Code of Ordinances and Laws, Part A, Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 3, during the time period the Cone of Silence is in effect, no Offeror, interested party and/or their principals, officers, employees, attorneys or agents shall communicate with County employees, the Hearing Master assigned to hear the applicable protest appeal and/or members of the Board of County Commissioners, including their aides and employees regarding a procurement solicitation and/or its related protest. The Cone of Silence does not prohibit an Offeror from communicating with the Director of the County's Procurement Services Department, County Procurement staff, or the attorney in the County Attorney's office that is directly responsible for the applicable procurement solicitation (this information can be obtained by contacting the County Procurement staff person listed as the contact in the applicable procurement solicitation). **It is the responsibility of any Offeror/interested party to ensure that the Cone of Silence is no longer in effect prior to**

communicating with any person under the Cone of Silence (including determining whether protests have been filed for the subject solicitation and the status of such protests – which extends the Cone of Silence time period as stated above). A violation of the Cone of Silence will result in the disqualification of the Offeror from consideration in the award of the procurement solicitation unless it is determined that the violation is unintentional and/or not material.

3. Revised Section 2.13 Construction Apprenticeship Program to read:

2.13.1 General Information

2.13.1.1 There is a shortage of skilled labor for construction projects. This shortage of labor results in delays, expenses, and other challenges to the County's construction projects. Apprenticeships create opportunities for training and experience that will assist in ensuring that a trained workforce will be available for future County construction projects. By incentivizing the use of Apprentices for County Construction Contracts as provided for in Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 4, Sections 2-577 through 2-580, it is the intent of the Board of County Commissioners to increase the number of Apprentices used by Contractors, thereby creating opportunities that will result in an increase in the number of skilled workers available for future County construction projects. The County Administrator shall have the authority to develop policies and procedures applicable to the administration of the Apprenticeship Program as necessary.

2.13.1.2 This program will apply when:

2.13.1.2.1 The construction project funded by the County in an amount equal to or greater than \$5,000,000.00 that involves the process of building, altering, repairing, improving, maintaining, or demolishing one or more public facilities or buildings, or other public improvements of any kind to any real property or public facility owned or under the control of the County.

2.13.1.2.2 Construction Apprenticeship Program Incentive: "Incentive" for purposes of the County's Construction Apprenticeship Program shall mean a monetary payment or credit of thirty percent (30%) of the amount expended by a Contractor or its Subcontractor(s) on Apprentice Costs on a Construction Contract up to a maximum amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for a Construction Contract of less than twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000.00) or up to a maximum amount of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00) for a Construction Contract equal to or exceeding twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000.00).

2.13.2 Participation Incentive Guidelines

2.13.2.1 Subject to limitations and exceptions provided for in Chapter 2, Article VI, Division 4, Sections 2-577 through 2-580 of the Hillsborough County Code of Ordinances, and compliance by the Contractor with the requirements of this section and the Construction Contract, the County shall provide an Incentive on Construction Contracts when Apprentices are used on the Construction Contract.

2.13.2.2 The County shall provide the Incentive, when applicable, upon final completion of the project as part of the final payment due under the associated Construction Contract.

2.13.2.3 In order to qualify for the Incentive, the required documentation provided for in this division must be received, in a single package, by the County Administrator no later than thirty (30) calendar days from the final completion as defined in the associated Construction Contract.

2.13.2.4 Upon review and acceptance of the required documentation by the County, the Contractor shall include the Incentive amount as part of its final payment application under the Construction Contract. If applicable, the County shall provide the Incentive to the Contractor as part of the final payment within the timeframe provide under Section 218.735, Florida Statutes.

2.13.2.5 If the documentation required pursuant to this division is not received by the County Administrator within the time frame specified in this division, the Contractor shall not receive an Incentive.

2.13.3 Participation Incentive Exceptions

2.13.3.1 This division will not apply if:

2.13.3.1.1 It is prohibited by or in conflict with federal or state laws or the terms of a federal or state grant applicable to the construction project; or

2.13.3.1.2 The Board of County Commissioners determines that applying the division to the construction project is not in the best interest of the County.

2.13.4 Required Documentation

2.13.4.1 In order to receive an Incentive, no later than thirty (30) calendar days from the final completion as defined in the associated Construction Contract, the Contractor shall:

2.13.4.1.1 Certify to the County Administrator that during the Construction Contract, the Contractor or its Subcontractor(s) used an Apprentice(s) on the Construction Contract; and

2.13.4.1.2 Provide the County Administrator with the following documentation, in a single package, that demonstrates the use of an Apprentice(s) on the Construction Contract and provides the Apprentice Cost.

2.13.4.1.2.1 Documentation must include the Contractor or its Subcontractor(s) contact information; Apprentice name(s); Registered Apprenticeship Partners Information Data Systems (RAPIDS) registration number or Florida Department of Transportation's On-the-Job Training identification data; certification from the Apprentice program that the Apprentice was in good standing during the Contract term; registered trade(s); and certified payroll reports for the Apprentice hours worked on the Contract showing the amount expended by the Contractor or its Subcontractors paying for work performed.

4. Revised Section 4.10 Compliance with Construction Apprenticeship Program to read:

Contractor's seeking to secure the incentive available under the Construction Apprenticeship Program must comply with the guidelines and exceptions provided for in Hillsborough County Ordinance No. 23-14 as set forth in this Contract.

5. Paragraph 5.29.3 is removed entirely.

6. CAP Certification Form is removed and no longer required.

***NOTE: The RFI/Clarifications period has ended for this solicitation and no additional RFI's will be accepted.**

B. RFI QUESTIONS/ANSWERS/CLARIFICATIONS:

1. Provide a specification including approved manufacturer(s), thickness, texture/finish, fire rating (if required), accessories, adhesive, fasteners, etc. for the FRP "Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic" wall covering for the Decon Room #115 as shown in the Finish Schedule on Sheet A7.1.

Response: Provide Marlite Standard FRP (or equal). 0.090" thick 4' x 9' panels. Install with manufacturer's recommended accessories and installation instructions.

2. Provide design details and specification including approved manufacturer(s), model, gauge of galvanized steel, hardware (hinges, locking mechanism, etc.) for the 4' w X 4' h frame and access panel at the mechanical chase above the louver as shown in Detail A1/A4.2.

Response: Provide as Basis of Design Cendrex HHD-110-SL (or equal) Heavy Duty Access Door with exposed flange. 16ga cold rolled steel with continuous piano hinge and screwdriver operated cylinder cam latch. Paint to match HM door frames.

3. Provide design details and elevation(s) for the vestibule shelving in Room #101 per Note #42 on Sheet A1.3.

Response: Vestibule shelving to be addressed as additional work during construction.

4. Provide design details and elevation(s) for the cabinet and countertop in Room #109 as implied on Sheet A1.3 and A1.7.

Response: See D12 / A6.1 Conference Casework

5. Provide design details and specification including approved manufacturer(s), model, finish, fasteners, flashing, options/accessories, etc. for the 48" round exterior louvers above the overhead garage doors shown in elevations on Sheets A2.1 and A2.2, since these louvers are not shown in the schedule C6/A7.1. Are these louvers functional or only decorative? Should they be impact rated?

Response: 48" exterior round louvers are decorative pre-fab as per note 19 on A2.1. Basis of Design to be Fypon Decorative Louver Round – Brickmould Style RLV48 (or equal).

6. Confirm that the above ground fire water tank is exposed metal as provided by the manufacturer and does not require field painting. If field painting is required, provide a specification for coating application.

Response: Field painting is not required for the specified galvanized coated steel tank.

7. Provide clarification as to the warranty for the fiber cement siding since Section 07 46 46 Paragraph 1.8 specifies 30 years whereas Paragraph 2.1(A)7 shows 50 years.

Response: 30 years

8. Provide a cross section detail through the CMU and CIP concrete showing dimensions, installation of furring, dampproofing, fasteners, etc. for the fiber cement siding and trim board.

Response: For specific details see F13/A4.1 and A12/A4.3. Installation must be per Manufacturer's Florida Product Approvals.

9. Confirm the floor finish in Electrical Room #140 and Mechanical Room #141 is to be polished concrete as shown in the Finish Schedule on Sheet A7.1, since there is a lot of equipment and slab penetrations that will affect a smooth uniform finish. Should the concrete floors be sealed only?

Response: Provide Sealed Concrete in both rooms.

10. Provide design details along with material specification for the frames at Windows W03, W04, W05 and W07 with particular attention to fire rated windows W04 and W07.

Response: For windows W03 and W05 see details J7 & J9 on sheet A5.1. For windows W04 & W07 see details A10, D10 & G10 on sheet A5.1.

11. Provide locations for the installation related to “STR FRNT INT” jamb, sill and head per Details D4, D7 and G4 on Sheet A5.2. What openings are associated with these details?

Response: Those standard details do not apply to this project.

12. Provide locations for the installation related to the wide specially fabricated hollow metal door frames per Details G1, G4, J1 and J4 on Sheet A5.1. What openings are associated with these details?

Response: Details G1 & J1 on sheet A5.1 do not apply to this project.
Details G4 & J4 on sheet A5.1 to be used on all high traffic HM frames with GWB on one side (use on doors: 115.2, 121.2, 133, 134.1, 134.2, 135, 136.1, 136.2, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141).

13. Provide clarification for the following Ceramic Tile details.

- a. Should all bathroom floors be thick/mud set as implied by the section detail through the shower drain per A1/A5.2 or are the showers thick/mud set only?

Response: Only showers – recess all shower floors to accommodate the mud set section detail shown.

- b. Should the backsplash at Kitchen #104 be 4 ½” x 4 ½” per the specification or 6” x 6” as implied per D1 and H1 on Sheet A6.2?

Response: 6” x 6”

- c. Should the wall tile at the Janitor’s sink in Room #112 be 4 ½” x 4 ½” per the specification or a larger tile as implied per A1 and D1 on Sheet A6.3? If a larger tile is required, should it be cut from a 12” x 12” tile?

Response: 6” x 6” tile and 6” x 6” bullnose tile on all exposed borders.

- d. Should the restroom wall tiles in the showers be 6” x 6” per the specification or a larger size as implied per the detail on Sheet A6.4 and A1/A5.2?

Response: Size to be 12" x 12".

- e. Should the floor tile in the restroom showers be 8" x 8" per the specification or 2" x 2" per A1/A5.2?

Response: 2" x 2" shower floor tile.

- f. Should the windowsills be ½" thick per the specification or ¾" thick as shown per A7 and A10 on Sheet A5.1?

Response: ¾" thick sill.

- 14. Is there an alternative self-adhering sheet underlayment for the metal roof that would allow a longer exposure, since Section 07 41 10 Paragraph 3.2 specifies "cover underlayment within 14 days"? If not, provide a specification for an acceptable temporary dry in material to protect the roof sheathing and allow for continued construction.

Response: Contractor would need to provide substitution submittal for review after contract award.

- 15. Please identify the specific trees that should be pruned since Section 02 90 00 Paragraph 3.2 requires "all existing trees within the limits of work shall be pruned" and Sheet C-3.1 shows a lot of trees to remain within the property lines. Should all trees within the property line be pruned? Should pruning of the exiting trees be limited to only those within the new fence line or only those near the new building and pavement? Again, a plan showing the trees to be pruned would greatly reduce guess work and the associated cost contingency for pruning.

Response: Refer to C3.1. Contractor shall prune all existing trees to remain within construction limits.

- 16. We are the FL distributor for a tank, which is very similar to the tank specified. However, the spec was written by the tank manufacturer and states that the tank has to be manufactured by Contain Water Systems. We meet, or actually exceed that manufacturer in nearly every way. But before I give a bid to the contractors who have requested bids, I want to confirm that an alternate manufacturer could be used. If you would like more information before answering, I would be happy to supply you with additional documentation.

Response: Alternate manufacturers can be submitted for review as Substitution requests. The Contained Water Systems model is the Basis of Design with equivalent products allowed based upon the controlling specification sections for substitution requests. The Division 1 specifications address post-bid substitutions.

17. I was looking to bid the wells and water treatment plant. There is no mention of how the 134 gpm required tank fill will be achieved. The only data I could find at all was a 3 hp irrigation pump on the landscape plan. That certainly will not supply enough water to fill the fire tank and supply irrigation. I could find no data for the potable water well except that it says that the peak flow will be less than 2 gpm, which is grossly undersized. There is no data for treatment processes, etc. In my opinion the irrigation well should provide the irrigation and fire tank fill. The potable well should provide potable only. But it all needs engineering specs. Those are relatively big ticket items given the volume required for the fire tank, and the amount of treatment necessary for potable in that area. You will have stinky sulfur water without treatment, and I know you don't want that in a new station.

Response: There are three wells in the Contract documents. Bidding Contractors shall provide complete verification, designs, permitting, components, installation, and submittals for each well meeting the demand requirements of the Irrigation system, potable water system, and fire protection system, from a licensed well contractor.

- The Irrigation well and tank are detailed in the documents.
- The Potable well shall have the required pump(s), pressure tank, contact tank, treatment, and accessories to meet the building's domestic water demand is 183 WSFU (water supply fixture units), or 88 GPM, per FPC Table E103.3(3).
- The Fire Protection well shall have the required pump(s), pressure tank, contact tank, treatment, and accessories to meet the 134 gpm requirement.