



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
PURCHASING & RISK MANAGEMENT

Questions and Answers
FY 19 Waterline Improvements

Bids Remain Due – Thursday, September 27, 2018, at 2:00 p.m.

1. Question: Will a City police officer be required and/or provided by the City for the connection at Greenville Avenue?

Answer: No, police officers are not required. The contractor is responsible for all traffic control. Please see Bid and Contract Documents Section 102, Traffic Control.

2. Question: Does the Contractor provide the tapping sleeves and valves and will the City make the actual tap?

Answer: Please see Bid and Contract Documents Section 109, Water Distribution System and Overall Plan Sheet 3 of 14, General Note #24. Per Section 109.3.19 “Tapping Sleeve and Valve – Shall be Mueller H-615 tapping sleeve and duck tipped end gasket and H667 tapping valve open left, or approved equal. The contractor shall provide all material and labor with the exception that the City will use its tapping machine to make the tap. The contractor needs to schedule this service with the City's Utilities Superintendent. An alternate tapping sleeve can be all stainless steel (188 type 304) Style FAST as manufactured by Ford Meter Company, or approved equal.” Per Section 109.4.10 B “The contractor shall provide and install the tapping sleeve and valve. Unless otherwise noted the City will make the tap for main lines (no service taps will be made by the City). This service must be scheduled with the Department 48 hours in advance of the tap.”

3. Question: Can Public Works test the valves on C Street to confirm they work?

Answer: Contractor is responsible for coordinating with Public Works Department regarding shutting off waterlines and ensuring valves are properly working. See Bid and Contract Documents Section 109, Water Distribution System Sections 109.2 A and 109.4.10 B. Best available information indicates that the valves are operational.

4. Question: Will the City provide the materials for the meter replacements (meter, yoke, etc.)?

Answer: Yes, the City will provide the yoke assembly, meter and meter box if required. See Bid and Contract Documents Section 109, Water Distribution System Section 109.3.25 and Standard Drawing W-7.

5. Question: Can the Greenville Avenue tie-in be done at night?

Answer: Night work will only be allowed with prior written approval of City Engineer. Significant cost savings over Base Bid would likely be required for this to be considered. Bidders are advised to submit Alternate Bid Deduct item if so desired. Contractor shall submit a detailed work schedule and include proposed traffic control plans prior to initiation of construction to the City. See Bid and Contract Documents General Conditions, Article 5, Schedule. The proposed schedule and plan will be reviewed and evaluated based on time frames and all pertinent information.

6. Question: Will the City pay for stored materials?

Answer: Yes, invoices are required to be submitted to the city. See Bid and Contract Documents, General Conditions, Article 15.2.

7. Question: Will the City provide a storage yard for pipe?

Answer: No, the contractor is responsible for storage of all materials. See Bid and Contract Documents, General Conditions, Article 7.4.