



#1 City for Families
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Re: Renaux Manor Project – Request for Information #1

Dear Bidder:

See list of RFIs and responses below. No written acknowledgement needed at time of bid opening.

Questions:

1. Re: PREQUALIFICATION (page 2) states “Only contractors prequalified with the Illinois Department of Transportation for storm sewer installation shall be allowed to submit bids.”

CLARIFICATION: The City of St. Charles reserves the right to qualify contractors who provide satisfactory references for work of a *similar size and scope* completed within the past 3 years. A brief description of the work should be provided for each reference. (Only work of a similar size and scope will be considered.)

2. Is prevailing wage required under this contract?
 - a. Prevailing wage is required under this contract, as specified in the Special Provisions on Page SC-2.
3. Are there any union requirements?

Answer: Please reference page SC-2: Supplemental General Conditions.

4. Will boots be required for manhole connections?

Answer: No, brick and mortar will be sufficient.

5. Will the timeline present problems for sodding for restoration?

Answer: No, as the project will utilize seed and blanket restoration.

6. Are the sidewalk restoration limits realistic with the equipment required to complete the work?

Answer: A field determination will be made if additional sidewalk needs to be replaced due to Contractor activity. Responsibility for replacement will be determined based on if the Contractor has made every reasonable effort to protect sidewalk that is to remain in place.

RAYMOND P. ROGINA *Mayor*

MARK KOENEN, P.E. *City Administrator*

7. How is the project to be accessed?

Answer: Primarily through side-yard easements.

8. Will trench backfill be required?

Answer: Yes, under and adjacent to pavement, following IDOT Standard Specifications for when required.

9. Who owns the swing sets and sheds in the rear yards?

Answer: They are privately owned, located within public easements.

10. Should silt fence be used between the trench and the houses?

Answer: Silt fence may be used at the Contractor's discretion.

11. Are City Electric and Telephone lines in the trench and how is the Contractor to work around them?

Answer: There are potential lines within the trench. The contract contains provisions for Transformer Relocation, which will be coordinated with the City's electric division.

12. Are there any sprinkler systems that will be impacted by the project and if so, can dealing with them be a pay item?

Answer: There may be sprinkler systems and potentially invisible dog fences within project limits. These items are not listed as incidental to the contract.

13. Are the water services above or below the new line and is it okay to cut and splice them or must connections be done at the b-box?

Answer: Water services are expected to be both above and below the storm sewer. Cutting and splicing will be allowed, but is not preferred.

14. Will any pressure testing or video be required?

Answer: No contract requirements for video or pressure testing. The City will be independently videotaping the sewer. Any deficiencies will be required to be fixed by the Contractor.

15. Is there any information available regarding existing sewer flow rates?

Answer: Existing flow rates are not known. Contractors shall utilize size and slope of pipe to determine bypass pumping requirements.

16. How is traffic control paid for?

Answer: Traffic control is listed as incidental to the contract.

17. Why is type 1 pipe specified in the pay item list? Type 1 is rigid pipe only.

Answer: Type 1 refers to the depth of bury of the pipe. Pipe class is material. Type 1 pipe is a 0-3' depth of bury, Type 2 is 3'-10'. Refer to profile sheets for further information.

18. What type of trench backfill will be required?

Answer: CA-7 will be required under all pavement sections and within 2' of pavement sections. Excavated spoil may be re-used for backfill in grass areas after initial bedding/backfill requirements are met.