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Bid 17-32 2017 Water Distribution System Improvements - Various Locations

Addendum #2 Contractor Question Responses

1. **Q: There are as-built drawings in the contract specifications, however no borings are shown. Are there any borings available from previous utility work for reference as to what underground conditions may be encountered.**

A: The Town does not have any additional boring data available from previous utility work. The record profiles on the sewer and drain plans included in the contract specifications portray the extent of information, if any, that is available in regards to subsurface conditions.

2. **Q: The contract documents indicate that the completion date is November 15, 2017. With consideration of the time needed to award the contract, execute the contract, obtain approved submittals, procure materials, etc., it does not appear there will be sufficient time in the contract to complete the work by November 15th. Would the Town be receptive to the Contractor returning in the Spring of 2018 to complete the work, if necessary.**

A: Contractors shall assume that the work must be completed by November 15th. However, the Town will consider a written request from the Contractor to extend the period of the contract should the Contractor be able to show that the restrictions are too burdensome for the purposes of completing the contract work. The Town does not guarantee that any such request will be granted.

Should the request be granted, neither bypass piping nor steel plates will be allowed to remain in place during the winter months. All trenches must also be backfilled and provided with temporary paving for the winter period. The Town will only pay for bypass piping in a project location one time. The Contractor will be responsible for any and all costs associated with a second installation of bypass piping in the same project area resulting from a delay to the Spring season.

3. **Q: The base bid shows locations where 2-inch, 4-inch, and 6-inch water services (domestic and fire) are present. Will the Town allow smaller diameter bypass services to serve buildings with these larger diameter services during construction?**

A: The Contractor is responsible for submitting a bypass plan that is stamped by a professional engineer to the Town for approval prior to the start of construction activities. If the stamped plan indicates that the use of temporary services with reduced diameters will provide adequate domestic and fire flow to the impacted buildings while the bypass system is operational, the Town will consider allowing such a request. The Town does not guarantee that such request will be granted.