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ADDENDUM NUMBER 1
Bid 25DPW14
West Main Street over Nonacoicus Brook Bridge Replacement Project
Issued January 31, 2025

This addendum forms part of the original document marked “**BIDDING REQUIREMENTS, CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WEST MAIN STREET OVER NONACOICUS BROOK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT, MASSDOT BRIDGE NO. A-19-014, TOWN OF AYER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT BID 25DPW14**”.

Acknowledge this addendum within your proposal. Failure to do so may subject bidder to disqualification.

Pre-Bid Meeting:

- Pre-Bid Meeting Agenda / Meeting Notes (Attachment) and the information provided within are included in the Contract Documents by this Addendum No. 1.
- Pre-Bid Meeting attendees list is included with the Meeting Notes.

Bid Opening:

The Bid Opening date has changed to February 14, 2025 at 1:00pm. Location of bid opening and procedure for delivering and opening bids shall remain unchanged.

Additional Addenda:

Addendum #2 will be posted on or before 5:00pm on Monday, February 3, 2025. The information to be included in the forthcoming addenda is anticipated to include the following:

- Revised Contract Drawings (reflecting minor changes to select drawing sheets)
- Revised Bid Form (reflecting minor changes to select quantities)
- Revised Contract Document provisions (reflecting minor changes to select Specifications)

Subsequent addenda, as necessary, will be issued as required.

Revised Contract Documents & Specifications:

The following Contract Document revisions are incorporated via Addendum No. 1.

Revised sections of the Contract Documents will **not** be issued to reflect these changes.

Section 00020 – Advertisement to Bid

Revise the first sentence of the second paragraph on Page 00020-1 to read as follows:

Sealed Bids for the General Contract will be received from General Contractors for construction of the “**25DPW14 - West Main Street over Nonacoicus Brook Bridge**”

Replacement” project at the Ayer Department of Public Works Office, 25 Brook Street, Ayer, MA 01432 until 1:00 PM on February 14, 2025.

Section 00100 – Instructions to Bidders

Revise the first paragraph of Section 1.01 to read as follows:

Bids for "**25DPW14 - West Main Street over Nonacoicus Brook Bridge Replacement**" project will be received at the Office of the DPW Superintendent, 25 Brook Street, Ayer, MA 01432 until **1:00 PM on February 14, 2025**, at which time they will be opened and read aloud.

Section 00300 – Form for General Bid

Revise the third paragraph of Section G to read as follows:

The time period for holding bids, where Federal approval is not required is **60 days**, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of bids.

Section 00410 – Bid Bond

Revise the Bid Due Date to reflect the new bid opening date of February 14, 2025.

End of Addendum #1



Project Name: **West Main Street Bridge over Nonacoicus Brook**
Date/Time: January 15, 2025 at 10:00 AM
Location: Ayer, Massachusetts
Project No(s): 25DPW14



PREBID CONFERENCE MEETING NOTES

1. INTRODUCTIONS & SIGN-IN SHEET

- Dan Van Schalkwyk, Town of Ayer DPW Director
- Matt Herson, Town Engineer
- Kristopher Surette, Tighe & Bond, Inc.
- Aaron Lachance, Hoyle Tanner & Associates, Inc.
- [See the sign-in sheet for additional attendees](#)

2. SCOPE OF PROJECT

- Overview of Proposed Improvements
 - [Important to note the additional plans included in the appendix of Contact Book](#)
 - [American U-tel](#)
 - [Subsurface Utility Exploration \(SUE\)](#)
 - [National Grid](#)
- Regulatory Permits
 - [Located in the appendices of the Contract Book](#)
 - [Army Core permit approval pending – update will be sent out in about a month or two](#)
 - [Original project \(bid in 2020\) approved under previous General Permit](#)
- Staging Area
 - [Parcel north of the bridge that connects to DPW – cross culvert improvements required by contractor \(with permit through Ayer Conservation Commission\)](#)
 - [Small area behind West Main Street sidewalk that is suitable for staging](#)
 - [Potential to stage at the DPW Yard](#)
 - [Potential to stage near Railroad Bridge](#)
 - [National Grid currently staging here for different project](#)
 - [Limited otherwise as the road itself is narrow](#)

3. BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

- MassDOT Prequalification – Bridge Construction
 - [Bids from Contractors not listed on the Prequalification List will not be opened](#)
- Submittal of Bid
 - [Bid Form in its entirety, bid security, and experience statement](#)
 - [Instructions in Contract Book](#)
- Bids due to the Town of Ayer DPW, 25 Brook Street, Ayer, MA **by February 7, 2025, at 2:00 PM**
 - [Bid Opening will be recorded and sent to list of plan holders](#)

4. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS/CONDITIONS

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- Funding
 - Portion of project funded through the MassDOT Small Bridge Program
 - [Municipal project - utility relocations do not follow MassDOT process](#)
- Work Hours
 - 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM – Monday through Friday
 - Potential for some National Grid (Gas) work to be conducted overnight, or 5:00 PM to 12:00 AM – Monday through Friday
 - [Need prior approval from Town to make changes to work hours](#)
- Police detail
 - [Coordination of police details for utilities through Contractor](#)

5. TRAFFIC CONTROL

- Staged Construction
 - Maintain one lane of traffic at all times
- Traffic Control Plan included as part of Contract Documents
 - Deviations from Traffic Control Plan shall be submitted for review and approval
 - [Advanced signage and message boards will steer traffic away from area, but may take a few weeks for traffic to adjust](#)
 - [Not a detour, but an alternate traffic pattern](#)
- Communication with Police and Fire Departments

6. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

- Contractor shall be responsible for securing NPDES Stormwater Permit for construction activities and maintaining compliance with all requirements on behalf of Owner – Refer to permits.
- [Contractor shall be responsible for detailed water diversion, sedimentation barrier, silt fence, silt sack, and dewatering of the bridge](#)
 - [Brook operates under backwater flow, refer to H&H hydraulic report \(contract book attachment\)](#)
 - [Contractor to determine the stormwater tolerance of the water diversion](#)
- [Item for Wetland Scientist included as part of contract](#)
 - [Project scope includes wetland mitigation area in northeast quadrant](#)

7. UTILITY COORDINATION

- Utility Coordination Contacts Listed in Bid Book
 - National Grid (Electric) – Overhead Wire and Utility Poles, as needed
 - National Grid (Gas) – 12-inch diameter transmission main, 8-inch diameter distribution main
 - To replace existing 8-inch diameter transmission main and 4-inch diameter distribution main
 - Verizon (Communication) – 12 4-inch PVC telecommunication ducts
 - Town of Ayer (Sewer & Water) – 10-inch diameter sewer and 12-inch diameter water main
 - Within hydraulic opening of structure – Contract Items

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- Contractor shall be responsible for continuing to coordinate temporary and permanent utility relocations upon issuance of Notice to Proceed (NTP)
- Item 1000.1
 - Used to pay for the Contractor's efforts and coordination of work associated with the temporary and permanent relocation of data conduits.
- Item 1000.2
 - Used to pay for all work and coordination performed by the Contractor that is associated with construction of the proposed gas main relocation within the project limits.
 - The special provision for this item outlines the responsibilities of the Contractor and National Grid Gas.

8. CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

- Phase I Notice to Proceed (March 2025)
 - Shop Drawings / Contractor Submittals
 - Utility Coordination
- Phase II Notice to Proceed (April 2025)
 - Contractor allowed to take site
- Stage 1 Completion Requirements
 - North side of bridge open to one-way alternating traffic, permanent bridge rail (south side) shall be in place
 - 12 4-inch diameter communication conduits shall be in place, relocated water and sewer main shall be in place, bridge shall be paved (south side)
 - 12-inch diameter transmission main and 8-inch diameter distribution gas main shall be in place
- Stage 2 Completion Requirements
 - South side of bridge open to one-way alternating traffic, partial pavement of bridge (north side)
 - Remaining installation and connection of 12-inch diameter transmission main and 8-inch diameter distribution gas main
- Stage 3 Completion Requirements
 - Bridge open to two-way alternating traffic, permanent bridge rail (north side) shall be in place, bridge shall be fully paved
- No interim milestones between the stages of construction to allow for Contractor flexibility
- Substantial completion of over 3 full construction seasons
- NPDES permit can take up to 1-2 months after the submission of the dewatering/water diversion plan

9. ADDENDUM

- All questions must be submitted via email to Dan Van Schalkwyk – Town of Ayer DPW Director
 - dvanschalkwyk@ayer.ma.us
 - Requests must be received at least 10 calendar days prior to the date bids are due (1/24/2025)
- An addendum will be issued, addressing questions and inquiries submitted to the DPW
- Addendum will be issued via Town of Ayer webpage – must be acknowledged in bid package
 - Plan holders will be automatically notified of the addenda issued

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- Sign-in sheet to be distributed as part of an addendum

10. QUESTIONS / SITE VISIT (OPTIONAL)

- Are there any existing bridge plans?
 - No existing bridge plans, but geotechnical report is included as attachment to contract book
- Site Visit
 - Parking available along Union Street

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PREBID OPENING CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE LIST

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7.	Kristopher Suetke	Tighe + Bond			
8.	Aaron Cachance	Hoyle, Tanner			
9.	Ryan McMullen	Hoyle, Tanner			
10.	Audrey Wagner	Hoyle, Tanner			
11.	Dan Van Schalkwyk	Ayer DPW			
12.	Matt Hernon	Ayer DPW			
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