

I-195 Redevelopment District

ADDENDUM NO. 001 Questions & Answers

Request for Proposals for Snow Removal Services

November 3, 2021

The I-195 Redevelopment District (District) is requesting proposals from firms qualified to support the District's requirement for snow removal services on and adjacent to property it owns within the City of Providence.

The following questions were conveyed at the Site Visit on October 29, 2021, at 2:00 PM.

Question #1: How is pricing structured?

Answer #1: The pricing structure should be proposed by the respondents. Additionally, please see the Note on page one of the RFP.

Question #2: How much of the snow on the pathways needs to be cleared?

Answer #2: Sidewalks should be cleared of snow as described in the City's ordinance. See Attachment C of the RFP. The District reserves the right to negotiate additional services with the selected vendor for areas in the Park, such as the plaza or other pathways.

Question #3: Does the sidewalk need to be treated?

Answer #3: The sidewalks should be treated as required by the City's ordinance in Attachment C of the RFP.

Question #4: Is the contract open to multiple vendors?

Answer #4: The District prefers to enter into a contract with only one vendor, however, reserves the right to enter into a contract with multiple vendors.

Question #5: Will snow need to be removed within the fences in the Providence Innovation District Park?

Answer #5: The fences should be removed within the next 30 days. Snow removal will be necessary in that area upon removal of the fences.

Question #6: Is the Michael S. Van Leesten Memorial Bridge (Bridge) quote separate?

Answer #6: Please see the RFP regarding a quote for the Bridge.

Question #7: Are the steps to the Memorial Bridge included in the proposal?

Answer #7: The steps should be included in the price for the Bridge. The ADA accessible pathway on the east side should also be included.

Question #8: Are the sidewalks along Parcel 1a included in the RFP?

Answer #8: Yes.

Question #9: Is snow removal required during the storm?

Answer #9: Sidewalks snow removal must adhere to the Providence City Ordinance (Attachment C of the RFP).

Question #10: What material should be used on walkways?

Answer #10: At minimum, sand should be used to treat walkways. However, the District will work with the selected firm to determine if other materials are more suitable.

Question #11: Should the pathways be pretreated?

Answer #11: The District relies on the expertise of the selected to firm to make that determination.

Question #12: Is there a notification from the District required before performing the service?

Answer #12: The District relies on the judgement of the firm to determine when to begin snow removal. Snow removal will be expected upon more than one inch of snow.

The following questions were sent in writing and not discussed at the site visit.

Question #13: What is the process for a notification to perform snow removal services? Per section 23-13(a) it looks like the contractor has an 8-hour window to satisfy the snow/ice removal. Is this correct?

Answer #13: Please see Answers #9 and #12.

Question #14: Who determines the need? Will the contractor make the determination that the services required for each event, or will the contractor be notified to perform in writing? Put another way, will the performance be at the discretion of the contractor?

Answer #14: Please see Answers #9 and #12.

Question #15: How do you define an "EVENT"? By #inches? Storm? # Hours?

Answer #15: Snow removal is required for any snow event where there is more than one inch of accumulation.

Question #16: Can prices be submitted for EVENTS based on different snow increments i.e., per inch and/or length of storm?

Answer #16: Please see Answer #1.

Question #17: Please confirm each property in Attachment B is to be quoted for each individual property.

Answer #17: Please see Answer #1.

Question #18: Is Sand/salt to be quoted separately from snow removal for each property?

Answer #18: Deicing such as sand/salt application should be a separate price from snow removal.

Question #19: For any sidewalks with Bus Stops – Please confirm that services to be provided near any bus stops are to be only the sidewalk and that there is no responsibility for the Bus Stop itself.

Answer #19: Services include the sidewalk only in front of bus stops.

Question #20: Section 23-13 states paths need to be not less than 3 feet in width – do any properties under this proposal require a pathway more than 3 feet and if so, which ones?

Answer #20: Clearance of three feet is sufficient for all pathways in the contract, however the District reserves the right to negotiate additional services with the selected vendor for areas in the Park, such as the plaza or other pathways. Efforts should be made to prioritize access to trash bins in the Park within the three feet clearance in the Park.

Question #21: The RFP mentions SAND – can a sand/salt mix be used on the sidewalks? Or any other product other than sand?

Answer #21: See Answer #10.

Question #22: Can the walkways be Pretreated with a product prior to a storm?

Answer #22: Yes.

Question #23: Can you confirm there will be no product applications for the Michael S. Van Leesten Memorial Pedestrian Bridge?

Answer #23: Confirmed.

Question #24: Is it OK to use a power broom on the Michael S. Van Leesten Bridge?

Answer #24: A power sweeper can be used to remove the snow, but care must be taken to navigate around the permanent bridge amenities.

Question #25: ·What are the payment terms?

Answer #25: Payment terms will be finalized during contract negotiations.

Question #26 What are the invoicing requirements?

Answer #26: Please see Answer #25.

***End of Addendum ***