



**ADDENDUM
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS**

Solicitation: IFB CDL2003REBID2

Addendum No: 3

Date of Addendum: 8/24/18

This addendum is to incorporate the following changes to the above referenced solicitation:

I. Changes:

I.1 Section 0500, Scope of Work item 1 is hereby revised to read as follows:

The City of Austin (City) seeks to establish a Contract for the composting of biosolids at the Austin Water (AW) Hornsby Bend Biosolids Management Plant (Hornsby), hereafter referred to as "Hornsby" or "site" or "onsite". Hornsby is located at 2210 South FM 973, Austin, Texas 78725. The biosolids are in drying basins and in the belt press area at the site. The Hornsby site is composed of approximately 1200 acres, 540 of which are under Contract for the growing, cutting and baling of hay and the harvest of pecans.

Hornsby is expected to receive approximately 110,000 wet tons of biosolids over the next year. The Class B production in wet tons for the last three years is listed in the "Belt Press Production". See attachment. The City will provide the Contractor green waste (brush, yard and tree trimmings) brought to the site by other City departments and Contractors. Austin Resource Recovery (ARR) utilizes one of the basins for grinding the green waste.

For informational purposes only: 35,800 tons of green waste was brought to Hornsby by ARR from July 2016 – June 2017, and 28,300 tons brought to Hornsby from July 2017 – June 2018.

At this time there is approximately 7,000 cubic yards of screened Dillig Dirt stored onsite. There are currently three batches of Dillig Dirt in process. After screening, an additional 7,500 cubic yards of Dillig Dirt will be produced from these three batches, which is what the City will be selling between now and when the Contactor takes over Dillig Dirt sales.

The City of Austin issued a Request for Information (RFI) CDL6000 to obtain comments on the Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids Scope of Work on July 18, 2018-August 8, 2018. A summary of the RFI comments that were submitted and reviewed by the City are available in Section 15 "RFI Comments" of this Scope of Work.

I.2 Section 0500, Scope of Work item 7.6 is hereby revised to read as follows:

7.6. Once PFRP is complete and Class A pathogen reduction and fecal coliform requirements are met the Contractor may perform work and activities at an offsite biosolids composting facility that is approved by the City and if necessary, TCEQ. The site may be used for activities such as grinding of green waste prior to mixing with biosolids, curing, screening, STA sample collection for products other than Dillo Dirt, and blending, bagging and loading of the final product. The Contractor is required to disclose to the City the location of any and all offsite work locations used to provide services under this Contract throughout the term of the Contract. Offsite locations shall be located within 100 miles of Hornsby, unless approved by the City, and be accessible to the City's representative during normal business hours.

I.3 Section 0500, Scope of Work item 8.4 is hereby revised to read as follows:

8.4. The City estimates that there will be approximately three months of biosolids and/or premix onsite at the time of Contract execution. The City's premix is a 2 to 1 ratio of yard waste to biosolids. It is the Contractor's responsibility to incorporate the premix into the composting operations; the City will not pay the Contractor for the premix. The City will pay the Contractor for any biosolids that are in the storage basins when the Contract begins. This amount is estimated at 35,000 wet tons. The biosolids will be paid at the amount per wet ton the Contractor lists for biosolids in the "Price Sheet". The Contractor will work with the AW Site Contact to determine if any special tracking/invoicing is needed for this material.

II. Questions:

Q1: Invitation for Bid (IFB) CDL2003REBID2 represents the City's third attempt to solicit a contract for Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids. The City issued the two previous solicitations (Request for Proposal CDL2003 and Request for Proposal CDL2003REBID) using the Request for Proposal (RFP) solicitation format. Please explain why the City chose to issue IFB CDL2003REBID2 using the IFB format as opposed to the previous RFP format.

A1: **In IFB CDL2003REBID2, the City detailed the requirements necessary for a Contractor to beneficially reuse and compost biosolids; therefore, other evaluation criteria were no longer necessary to consider.**

Q2: For the following periods, please provide the total volume (in tons) of the City's biosolids that were composted into Dillo Dirt; composted into Agricultural Compost or another type of compost; land applied onsite; and land applied offsite.

	Wet Tons				
	Dillo Dirt	Agricultural Compost	Other Compost	Class B spread onsite	Class B spread offsite
January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008					
January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009					
January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010					
January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011					
January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012					
January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013					
January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014					
January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015					
January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016					
January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017					
January 1, 2018 – August 1, 2018					

A2: **This is not applicable to this solicitation.**

Q3: Section 1 of the Scope of Work states that 35,800 tons of green waste was brought to Hornsby Bend from July 2016 – June 2017, and 28,300 tons was brought to Hornsby Bend from July 2017 – June 2018. For the following periods, please provide the total volume (in tons) of green waste brought to Hornsby Bend, and the corresponding total annual cost to the City for receiving and processing the green waste brought to Hornsby Bend by City departments and contractors.

July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016 Tons _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017 Tons 35,800 _____	City's Annual Cost _____
July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018 Tons 28,300 _____	City's Annual Cost _____

A3: Past volumes of green waste brought to Hornsby Bend are not applicable to this solicitation, and future volumes of green waste that will brought to Hornsby Bend are indeterminate.

Q4: TLM suggests revising Section 4.4 of the Scope of Work as follows:

4.4 Produce a compost that meets or exceeds the United States Compost Council Seal of Testing Assurance Standards (STA). All compost must meet United States Compost Council STA criteria before leaving the Hornsby Bend site. Only compost that is stable and mature shall be marketed and distributed.

A4: The space onsite at Hornsby is limited; therefore, the City is not revising this portion of the Scope of Work.

Q5: Will the City post the full set of negotiated contract documents as agenda back up material when seeking recommendations from Boards and Commissions and approval from City Council?

A5: When conducting competitive sealed bidding, all bid contents and prices become publically available at the time the bids are opened. In accordance with Section 0200V2 - Solicitation Instructions, 7(K) *Proprietary Information*, only the bid documents that are labeled as "proprietary" will be kept confidential following the bid opening.

Q6: Please explain why this solicitation excludes grinding and processing of all green waste delivered to Hornsby Bend by Austin Resource Recovery and other City departments.

A6: Grinding and processing of green waste is a policy decision for Austin Resource Recovery; therefore, these services were not included in this solicitation.

Q7a: City staff informed attendees at the 8/15/18 Pre-Bid Conference that Local Business Presence will not be considered as an evaluation factor of offers received by the City. Is this accurate? If accurate, why are Offerors required to submit a completed Local Business Presence form with their offer?

Q7b: Whether or not Local Business Presence is considered an evaluation factor by City staff, does staff intend to validate the Local Business Presence status of Offerors who respond to this solicitation and provide this information to the City Council and Boards and Commissions when seeking recommendation and / or approval?

A7a: The Local Business Presence of an Offeror will not be an evaluation factor (or criteria) because evaluation factors (or criteria) are not used when conducting a competitive sealed bidding process. Local Business Presence will be applied in accordance with Section 0200V2 – Solicitation Instructions, 12(C)(1).

A7b: The City will validate the Local Business Presence status of Offerors who respond to this solicitation. This information will be provided to the City Council and Boards and Commissions when seeking recommendation and/or approval if preference is given.

Q8: In July 2017, the City Council Waste Management Policy Working Group issued a recommendation for City staff to revise the definition of Local Business Presence. Please describe what steps, if any have been taken by City staff since July 2017 to revise the definition of Local Business Presence in accordance with the recommendation of the City Council Waste Management Policy Working Group.

A8: Solicitation Q&A addendums are utilized to address questions regarding this solicitation.

Q9: What was the original start and finish date for the current vendor's contract? What is the current vendor's contract finish date (i.e. for what time period has the original contract finish date been extended administratively)? What if any other specific contractual amendments were included when the current vendor's contract was extended administratively?

A9: Solicitation Q&A addendums are utilized to address questions regarding this solicitation.

III. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

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ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Name Authorized Signature Date

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