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Questions and Answers

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ELECTRIC SECURITY FENCE SYSTEM AND SERVICE RFB Specification No. **ES25-0276N**

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Stan Rowden, Senior Buyer by January 2, 2026. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City's website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org. Navigate to [Current Contracting Opportunities / Services Solicitations](#), and then click *Questions and Answers* for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

1. Question:

When attaching the electric fence posts to your fence with screws each post we attach will be left with small screw holes in your existing fence. Is there an expectation to replace these posts, or do anything about these mounting holes from tek screws when the fence is removed?

Answer:

No. There is no requirement for the awarded vendor to replace existing fence posts or to repair minor mounting holes resulting from the installation and removal of the electric fence system. The contractor shall remove all installed components associated with the electric fence system at the end of the contract term, leaving the existing fence in generally the same condition, reasonable wear and minor penetrations excepted.

2. Question:

At the site walk we spoke about the removal of vegetation that will interfere with the fence, we all had thought that it was the contractor's responsibility. In the bid package it says that the City will remove all vegetation. Is this accurate or is it a mistake in the bid package?

Answer:

The bid documents are accurate as written. The City will be responsible for providing site access and removing vegetation as necessary prior to installation of the fence.

Once the fence system has been installed and accepted, the awarded vendor will be responsible, as part of the service, for ongoing vegetation control and maintenance as required to support proper operation and performance of the fence system, in accordance with the bid specifications.



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3. Question:

The bid package specifies all wire be high-tensile steel wire. We feel that there are some areas in the front where the steel security panel fence is that would benefit from being installed with aluminum wire due to the structure of the existing fence. Is it acceptable to quote certain parts of this project with aluminum wire?

Answer:

Yes. See addendum_01

4. Question:

The system will have multiple solar-powered control stations, and each one will have an emergency shutoff installed on it. The bid package says we shall install an emergency shutoff at a location the City chooses. Since this can significantly add to the workload, depending on where the City may want them, is this an acceptable location for the emergency shutoffs?

Answer:

The bid documents are accurate as written. Emergency shutoff locations will be designated by the City. The intent is for emergency shutoffs to be installed at or in close proximity to each solar-powered control station, unless otherwise directed by the City. Bidders should base their pricing on this assumption.

5. Question:

The work is supposed to be completed 30 days from execution of the contract. We do not know how long the City will take to approve the permits for the fence. Can this be changed to "from the permits being issued"?

Answer:

Yes. See Amendment_01

6. Question:

We feel this project needs more than 30 days to complete partly because of its size and also logistics of the equipment. We would ask that the allotted time to complete be extended to a maximum of 60 days.



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Answer:

Yes. See Amendment_01

7. Question:

Would the City be interested in a guaranteed contract price of five (5) years instead of three (3)?

Answer:

No. The City is soliciting bids based on the contract term and pricing structure as outlined in the bid documents. Proposals offering alternate contract terms or pricing durations will not be considered.