CITY OF JOPLIN
ADDENDUM NUMBER 4

Issued to all Bid Document Holders of Record.

Date: September 30, 2020

Project Name: RFP – Residential Curbside Solid Waste & recycling Collection System

This addendum forms a part of the contract described above. The original Contract Documents and any prior addenda remain in full force and effect as modified by the following that shall take precedence over any contrary provisions in the prior documents.

1) Clarification of Addendum 3

1. In "Bid Option 2" it shows that each of the 17,500 homes will use a cart for trash but it also states that the hauler "could deliver up to 17,500 recycle carts". It was our understanding from Addendum 2 that there would be a sign-up period prior to the April 1st start date. Our interpretation is that the City will invite residents to participate in recycling, and based on their response, provide the hauler a list of participants who have chosen to receive a cart. Is this true or are we required to deliver a cart to every home then adjust the number downward as residents express their choice to "Opt Out"? Bidders should anticipate delivering 17,500 recycle carts and trash carts to all residents, even though the City will try to determine a more precise number there is no guarantee that will occur.
2. For residents who "Opt Out", would they then move forward with only 1 trash cart and pay a fee for all additional carts if needed? In other words, "Item Two" would only cover 1 cart and "Item Three" would cover each additional cart? No, for those residents that opt out, they would still be able to get two free trash carts and pay for any additional carts after the first two.
3. It appears that the only difference between "Bid Option One" and "Bid Option Two" is that "Bid Option One" has up to 2 carts for trash and Bid Option 2 has only 1 cart for trash and one cart for recycling. Both options would give residents the choice to participate or not participate in recycling. Is this correct? No. Bid Option 2 still includes two free trash carts.
4. There is a significant difference in the number of carts and trucks needed to service the 1,650 recycle participants currently receiving service, and the 14,500 that the City is projecting will want to pay extra for the service. It could amount to over $1,000,000 in additional capital costs. This is an unusual and risky requirement for the bidders with no guarantee that all 14,500 will participate. To reduce the financial risk of the City's numbers being wrong, and to minimize the cost to the residents, would the City consider eliminating any requirement to deliver recycle carts to homes that have not confirmed their choice to participate? Otherwise, we would need a guaranteed number of participants (amount of revenue) to insure that we are receiving an acceptable return on our capital investment. Or, would the City consider purchasing the recycle carts? No, the RFP is requesting a price for the trash company to deliver both carts to all

residents and then remove them for those residents that opt out. Please bid accordingly as stated in the RFP.

5. Currently carts being used for the Joplin contract do not contain phone numbers. The bid specs include outdated language that requires haulers to attach phone numbers to their carts. With modern advancements in technology, companies are easy to find. Can this requirement be eliminated? Answered in Addendum #2.
6. Could contractor provide one electronic copy of their financial statement in their package rather than 6 printed copies with several hundred pages? Answered in Addendum #2.
7. Because of the questions arising from the interpreted changes in the bid specs, and the fact that the actual bid options/intent has changed, would the City postpone the due date for two weeks? Bid due date is not changing.

David K. Hertzberg, PE
Director of Public Works

Date 9/30/2020

Each bidder shall acknowledge receipt of this addendum by affixing his signature below by noting this addendum on his bid form, and by attaching this addendum to his bid.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of this addendum and the Bid submitted in accordance with information, instructions and stipulations set forth herein.

Bidder: _____

Signed By: _____

Date: _____