# SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM WATER SYSTEM CONSTRUCTION

Addendum No. 2

To Plans and Specifications For

2013 Water and Sewer Construction Package IV SAWS Job No. 13-5037 & 13-5537

#### To Bidder of Record:

This addendum, applicable to the work designed above, is an amendment to the bidding documents and as such shall be a part of and included in the Contract. The original contract documents and any prior addenda remain in full force except as modified by the following which shall take precedence over any contrary provisions in prior documents.

## PRE-BID MEETING QUESTIONS:

1. Can you provide any more detailed information about CoSA Right of Way Permits and Fee's? Are the costs per location and duration of project? What is the Permit Cost per location if there is one and what is the Permit or ROW Fee if there is one?

**Response:** Below is summary of the requirements for the CoSA ROW Permit and Fees.

## Registration Requirements for Companies:

The CoSA ROW initial registration fee is \$45.00 for ROW users prior to requesting permits. The registration form must be completed and the company added on the permit site. Include a general description of Services to be provided. Provide the identity and legal status of ROW User and names of all operators of any Facilities on the Right of Way. Submit the name, address, phone number, fax number and email address of the employee or representative that is responsible for the accuracy of the registration information and will be available to act in the event of an emergency. ROW users must report any changes in its registration information within thirty days of the change. No ROW User can utilize the Right of Way in any capacity or manner without registering and obtaining the necessary Right of Way permit from the City. Insurance must include five million or more coverage for general liability and umbrella aggregate combined, one million for auto liability and one million in workers compensation. Must have \$100,000.00 Performance original bond for unlimited permits for the year or \$10,000.00 Performance original bond per permit (\$100,000.00 bond can be submitted at the time of registration). If applicable, submit the certification number issued by Public Utilities Commission. The applicant must provide the Employee Safety Certification Information.

#### Permit Requirements:

Apply for the permit on the website: <a href="http://rowpermits.sanantonio.gov">http://rowpermits.sanantonio.gov</a>. The fee for each "point repair work" permit is \$170.00 (\$50.00 permit fee plus \$120.00 CoSA ROW inspection fee) by check or cash. For project work that is over fifty feet, it is considered a capital project and the permit fee is \$50.00 and a daily fee of \$60.00 until the job is

complete. Submit \$10,000.00 original bond with permit (already included with the registration) if not submitting a \$100,000.00 original bond. Email 100% design plan pdf's of the proposed work and reference the permit number. Provide general contracting permit (GCP) from SAWS for various tie-in's (water, sewer, fire hydrant, etc.) on point repair projects. (Performance/Assurance Bond) ROW User must provide a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$10,000.00 to be approved by the Risk Manager to cover legitimate claims in damages resulting from the construction work, which is required per permit. (Continuing Bond/Deposit) ROW User in lieu of a bond of performance required for each permit may maintain a one-time bond of performance or assurance with the Director in the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of covering legitimate claims in damages resulting from the construction work. All Right of Way permits must be paid at the Development Services One Stop Facility located at 1901 S. Alamo St. in the Land Development area of the building.

## Apply For New Permit:

Once the ROW User permit account has been established, permits can be applied for in the same manner as SAWS staff. It will be the ROW User's responsibility to track start dates and completion dates for the active permit. Point repair work permits do have an end date, which requires monitoring of the project work to determine if a permit extension is necessary. Capital Improvement Projects have a start date and CoSA ROW inspector will need to be notified when the project is complete (No permit extensions required). The permit application can now be tracked while it is going through the approval process by entering the tracking number on the permit user site. The tracking process allows you to see who is reviewing the application and what may be pending. CoSA ROW will send an email to the ROW User if anything revisions need to be made to the permit application. When the permit is approved or denied you will receive an email notification from CoSA ROW.

# Submittals Prior to Permit Approval:

Traffic control plan must be submitted and include any required detours. Plans sheets showing pit locations and/or service reconnect excavations for Pipe Bursting and CIPP project work. Provide an agreement letter from property owner for staging area. A copy of the Project Advisory Notification used to notify local businesses and residences. Submit a project site video. Submit a bypass plan. (If required)

### CoSA ROW Letter of Provisions:

The ROW Utility Coordinator will prepare a Letter of Provisions within 48 hours after the coordination meeting. The letter will detail the number of permits required, approval or denial of traffic control plan, trench and pavement restoration required, working hours and other instruction(s) deemed necessary. The letter will be signed by the Permit Holder/Requestor and returned to the Utility Coordinator. Permits can be requested upon receipt of signed letter.

#### Fees:

Registration Fee - \$45.00 (Processing fee)
Permit Application Fee - \$50.00 (Permit shall be issued or denied within 10 days)
Expedited Permit Fee - \$250.00 (Permit shall be issued or denied within 2 days)
Non-Compliance Penalty Fee (ROW) - \$600.00 (Assessment for ROW violations)
Overtime Fee - \$50.00 (Regular Overtime) & \$85.00 (Sunday & Holidays)

2. In this proposed work, will the sewer work be a minimum of manhole to manhole distance and the proposed water basically a minimum of 400 LF or one block? I am trying to establish if this proposed contract applies to point repairs or a water offset only on a work order.

**Response:** Work orders may be for water, sewer, or recycle work, but may also be adjustments (valves, manholes, etc.) or investigative work (pre-televise, exploratory work, etc.). There will be some projects that are one block or more in length and other projects that will solely be adjustments.

3. If a work order is given and it is for Alley work only with one Street crossing included in the work order, will all pay items for this work be paid using the bid items for Alley work only?

**Response:** All related work within an alley will be paid through the alley projects bid items. However, when a section of the project extends into the street, then the general bid items will govern.

4. The liquidated damage set out in this contract of \$1,300.00 per day is far more excessive than in previous similar bids. I believe if you look at previous work orders issued by SAWS on previous similar jobs, it would average in the \$200,000-300,000.00 per work order range. The \$1300.00 liquidated damages is very high for this range of work and the contractor has no control over the numbers of days SAWS allots for each work order and no way to adjust his bid to allow for liquidated damages if he does not agree with the time allotment SAWS issues him. Will SAWS use the lower liquidated damages used previously on this type of contract?

Response: With the revision and adoption of the SAWS General Conditions, dated November 15, 2012, SAWS will no longer provide a schedule of applicable liquidated damages based on the original contract sum. This schedule was not applicable in every situation and did not capture the true costs associated with the project. SAWS allows the contractor to provide a construction schedule that will meet the anticipated work. Both the contractor and SAWS determine the final days allotted per work order. The liquidated damages as stated in this contract will not be revised.

5. Is SAWS anticipating awarding and starting construction on these contracts in 2013?

**Response:** SAWS anticipates that the contact will be awarded in December 2013 and possible construction by the Spring of 2014.

6. Is it SAWS intention that a work order may be issued for a manhole adjustment or a valve adjustment with no other work included?

**Response:** Review the response for Question 2.

7. It was my understanding from the mandatory pre-bid meeting that the contractor will obtain their own street cut permit and pay an initial charge of \$50.00 and an additional fee of \$60.00 per day for the duration of the contract. Is this accurate? Since there is no way for the contractor to

know if the work order issued will involve 5 days of work or 100 days of work there is no way to cover this cost. Will SAWS consider continue paying this or reimbursing contractor?

**Response:** Review the response for Question 1. SAWS will not reimburse for this indirect cost. Include this cost in the bid items of the contract.

8. I have a question on the 2013 Water & Sewer Construction Package IV & V Project. Both bids seem to have the same quantities, why is it that the engineer's estimate on each bid is different?

**Response:** Both contracts are for an engineer's estimate of \$1,178,246.01. A correction was noted on the solicitation website.

Each bidder is requested to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum No. 2 by his/her signature affixed hereto and to file same with and attached to his/her bid.

M. Antonio Leyva, R.E. Manager Governmental Engineering

Date Signature of Bidder

END OF ADDENDUM