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**Trash Capture Device Cleaning** iRFB #24/25-20085

**TO: PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS**  
**RE: TRASH CAPTURE DEVICE CLEANING**

**ADDENDUM NO. 1**

This is **Addendum No. 1** to the City of Santee Informal Request for Bids (iRFB) for *Trash Capture Device Cleaning*, dated March 24, 2025. This Addendum forms an essential part of the Contract Documents by revising the specifications with the following additional information (questions and answers), changes, additions and/or deletions that occurred via questions through March 17, 2025.

- Receipt of this Addendum must be acknowledged on Page 10 of the Bid Forms

CHANGES / ADDITIONS / DELETIONS

**QUESTIONS:**

1. **Question:** What type of contractor's license is required for this work? Cities usually require a Class A contractor's license with HAZ certification due to the potential of storm drain waste to contain hazardous pollutants.  
**Answer:** Class 'A' General Engineering Contractor with HAZ Certification or list a subcontractor with HAZ certification for General Engineering Contractors that do not have a HAZ certification.
2. **Question:** Bid Schedule—What is the difference between the two bid line items 1) Trash Capture Device Cleaning and Inspection; and 2) As Needed, As Directed by City Trash Capture Device Cleaning?
  - a. Please describe what scenarios would fall under item 2.
  - b. Would item 2 be for trouble drains where the Contractor may be asked to clean only (1) catch basin/device?**Answer:** Every drain listed must be inspected, if there is debris then, it will need to be cleaned.
  - A. Item 2 is only for inlets who after initial cleaning require additional cleaning as identified from the submitted inspections report based on volume of debris removed.
  - B. Storm drain inlets which require additional cleaning only.
3. **Question:** Bid Schedule—What would be the frequency of cleaning for *each* bid line item?  
**Answer:** Once per year, unless it is identified as needing more, then as needed
4. **Question:** What is the City's budget or estimated spend for this contract? Is there a City/Engineer's estimate cost for this bid?  
**Answer:** NTE \$24,000 for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025
5. **Question:** Will the contractor be compensated for any additional inlets inspected/maintained if the total number of inlets exceeds the number indicated in the RFP?

**Answer:** Refer to section EXHIBIT 'B' Section 2.1 Changes in Work, only if an amendment was processed reflecting the agreed upon changes, prior to work being performed.

**6. Question:** Can the city confirm if a bid bond is required for this RFP?

**Answer:** Bid Bond is not required. Performance and Payment Bond required if/when contract exceeds \$25,000 annually.

**7. Question:** Please confirm the contract term. The sample agreement (page 19, section 3.1.2) indicates that the term would be “\_\_\_ 2025 to June 30, 2029” which is (4) years. Contrarily page 20, section 3.1.3.c indicates that the term is for (5) years.

**Answer:** Terms are based on Fiscal Years, ending June 30, 2025 annually. Year 1 is contract execution date through June 30, 2025, Year 2: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026, Year 3: July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027, Year 4: July 1, 2027 – June 30, 2028, Year 5: July 1, 2028 – June 30, 2029.

**8. Question:** For what term (month and year) must the pricing provided by the Bidder remain fixed?

**Answer:** Through June 30, 2029.

**9. Question:** Are there any optional renewal years, and if so please describe the guidelines for price increases that the Contractor may request? The information provided in the sample agreement (page 20, section 3.1.3.c) should be confirmed since there is conflicting information regarding the base contract term per question 5 above.

**Answer:** There are three (3) optional additional 12-month renewal terms. Section 3.1.3.c details the allowable price increases per renewal.

**10. Question:** Will the City be providing a temporary bin staging area for the Contractor's use during the cleaning process?

**Answer:** Contractor will be responsible for furnishing and maintaining any temporary storage bin used for the cleaning process. The Contractor may store a temporary bin at the City's Operations Center located at 9534 Via Zapador with coverings and proper BMP's in place, with all water, dirt, debris and material removed and legally disposed of by the Contractor.

**11. Question:** Will the city provide a laydown yard for the awarded contractor to store one or more Transportable Treatment Units (TTU – “disposal/dewatering bins”) throughout the project timeframe at no additional cost to the contractor?

**Answer:** A laydown yard may be provided at the City's Operations Center, however the Contractor will be responsible for any disposal and discharge permits required to dispose of any detained water on site.

**12. Question:** Will the city provide a sewer manhole, wash rack, or other permitted location to dispose of liquids that have been filtered through the TTU bins at no additional cost to the contractor?

**Answer:** The City is not a water and sewer agency. Any discharge or disposal to the sanitary sewer system shall be approved by the Padre Dam Municipal Water District with all fees paid for by the Contractor.

**13. Question:** Exhibit A, first page states “The City is expected to install 95 additional trash capture devices this fiscal year (ending June 30, 2025), and anticipates to have a total of 340 trash capture devices by FY 2029-2030, which is subject to change.” Given this statement as well as the current bid quantities (of 135 and 48), is this to say that the City will be increasing the quantity of catch basins to be cleaned per this contract as additional trash capture devices are installed?

**Answer:** Correct.

**14. Question:** How many storm drain catch basins total does the City of Santee have?

**Answer:** The City currently has 135 trash capture devices that will be cleaned as part of the first term of this contract. The City anticipates having a total of 340 trash capture devices by FY 2029-2030, which is subject to change. The City will know more precisely the total number of trash capture devices the City will need to maintain next fiscal year after our trash capture device implementation plan update is complete.

**15. Question:** Shall the Bidder assume non-hazardous waste determinations for cost estimating purposes?

**Answer:** Non-hazardous waste is assumed for all removals in the contract as City storm drains are typically free of hazardous pollutants. Should the contractor identify any hazardous waste in an inlet or should foreseeably assume the presence of hazardous substances based on odor or visual identification, shall notify the City of Santee's Public Services Division for inspection and removal to prevent any potential for cross contamination of hazardous waste with non-hazardous waste.

**16. Question:** Landfills consider storm drain waste as "special waste" since it has the potential of containing hazardous pollutants, and therefore require laboratory analysis for waste profiling in order to accept the waste. This is not something that can be determined with the naked eye nor by smell, so one can't merely skip that drain. All of the waste will be comingled during the cleaning process. How will the Contractor be additionally compensated should a composite sampling of the waste be identified as non-RCRA hazardous waste or RCRA hazardous waste? Will this trigger a change order?

**Answer:** The Contractor is responsible for all costs associated with the removal and disposal of material removed from the storm drain inlets including any required testing and fees.

**17. Question:** Exhibit B, section 1.1, last paragraph states "...the Contractor shall provide the City with the names(s) and phone number(s) of the person(s) representing the Contractor for 24-hour emergency response seven (7) days per week." Unless I missed it I don't see any description in the bid specifications that discusses emergency response services:

- a. What types of emergency response scenarios might the Contractor may be asked to respond to?
- b. What is the required response time for emergency response services?
- c. How would the Contractor be compensated for emergency response services?

Please add a line item to the Bid Schedule for this service.

**Answer:** Emergency response for storm drain inlets will be provided by the City and is not a required service for this contract.

**18. Question:** Is there only (1) FTC device installed within each catch basin location to be maintained?

**Answer:** Most storm drain catch basins will only have one (1) FTC device installed, however, there are cases where more than one (1) FTC device is installed in a single catch basin location. Of the 135 trash capture device locations to be cleaned this first term, only two (2) locations have more than one (1) FTC devices installed. Please refer to the revised FTC device Inventory for maintenance spreadsheet.

**19. Question:** Is the contractor responsible for "No-Parking" locations prior to maintenance/installation, where applicable?

**Answer:** Yes

**20. Question:** Will the city provide metered water for cleaning the catch basins at no additional cost to the contractor?

**Answer:** No

**21. Question:** Does the city have shape files that can be shared with the contractor after the award of the contract?

**Answer:** Yes. The City's GIS department will furnish shape files to the awarded contractor for use during the work.

**22. Question:** Can the contractor receive approval from the city to perform work outside of the workdays and times noted in the RFP if it is deemed safer to do so?

**Answer:** No. The contractor shall work within the work hours specified in the contract to comply with City noise ordinance requirements and traffic control requirements.

**23. Question:** Will the inspections and maintenance of the inlets be performed at the same time, or separately?

**Answer:** This is at the determination of the Contractor as long as the required item of work stated in the contract documents are completed. The City assumes that inspection and maintenance would be completed at the same time.

**24. Question:** Can the contractor provide their own maintenance records/forms if all the information requested by the city is included?

**Answer:** Yes

**25. Question:** When was the last time the subject storm drain system was cleaned?

**Answer:** July 2024

**26. Question:** What was the total amount of waste removed (tons)?

**Answer:** Information is not available

**27. Question:** Do any of the inlets have full trash capture devices that require replacement of hydrocarbon booms or other specific media?

**Answer:** No

**28. Question:** If the contractor is required to replace filtration media, can the city please provide the number of inlets that require media, what brand/type of media, and how many times per year the city requires the media to be replaced?

**Answer:** N/A

Please provide cleaning reports from the last time the subject storm drain system was cleaned. Information is not available.

FTC Device Inventory for Maintenance Spreadsheet—Please revise this spreadsheet to indicate the type of device(s) installed at each location. This information is needed for cost estimating purposes since each type of device would take a different amount of time to clean.

### **ATTACHMENT: Updated Storm Drain Trash Capture Inventory**

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