Questions and Answers for RFP 2017-02 – Post Hurricane Disaster Debris and Hazardous Material Debris Removal

Q1 Can the City identify how you intend to evaluate the different pricing schedules? Although Part A and the Alternative Pricing Form have a total combined price, how much weight will each different pricing form hold?

For example, will all totals for the following pricing items be considered equal and added together?

Part A Pricing Form Alternative (Combined Pricing Form) Hourly Pricing TDSRS Set Up and Closure

A1 The City will evaluate the total cost based upon the planning numbers provided on pages 83-90 of the RFP. The City would prefer to have one proposal for both services (Debris Removal and Hazardous Debris Removal). The use of the term Alternate was a carryover from a previous contract (Cameron County) and was not the best choice of terms.

The basis for price evaluation is the lowest bid will receive full credit for the points allowed. A proposal that is twice as expensive will receive half of the points allowed. To the best of its ability, based upon the proposals submitted, the City will look at the total package to determine the best value and reward points accordingly.

- Q2 Could the City explain how a proposer would receive a 4 rating on the pricing schedule? Will the lowest price for all pricing schedules combined receive a 4? If that is the case, will schedules that do not have quantities assigned be added together to the total?
- A2 As stated in A1, the basis for price evaluation is the lowest bid will receive full credit for the points allowed. A proposal that is twice as expensive will receive half of the points allowed.
- Q3 Page 3 of the RFP states, "Sealed submissions will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. CST on July 31, 2017." However, page 31 of the RFP says that proposals must be received "No later than 11:00 AM (CDT), July 31, 2017." Please confirm the due date and time for RFP Number 2017-02.
- A3 Due to the conflict in times stated in the RFP, the City will accept the later submission time 4:00 p.m. CST on July 31, 2017.
- Q4 Is there an existing contract similar to this in place or previously in place? Are the bid tabulations available?

- A4 South Padre Island was previously included within Cameron County's pre-position contracts. We do not have possession of those contracts and therefor do not any pricing information.
- Q5 Please explain specifically how the pricing of one proposal will be evaluated against the pricing from another proposal, including the answer to these questions:
 - a. Will all pricing line items be evaluated equally or will some line items receive more importance in the evaluation? If some line items will be evaluated as more important, what is the formula that will be used to weight the importance of each line item?
 - b. Will grand totals be used to compare bidders' price proposals?
- A5 There is no formula to evaluating pricing except that the City will determine the best value and reward that value with full credit for price value. Each proposal evaluated as more expensive will receive less value as stated in A1 and A2 above.
- Q5 Is the City planning on releasing any Q&A or addendum for the RFP?
- A5 The City will post the questions and answers for all questions submitted until the 14th of July, after which no additional questions will receive a response.