



**ADDENDUM #1**  
**REQUEST FOR BIDS**  
**No. 2018-006**

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**Effective:** September 22, 2017

**Project:** Construction of Kentlands Mansion Side Garden

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This Addendum is incorporated into and made part of the Request for Bids described above, dated September 1, 2017 (“Solicitation”).

The purpose of this Addendum is to publish the questions submitted by Bidders in response to the Solicitation and the City’s answers thereto. The City is not responsible for the content of the questions and has provided the most comprehensive answers based on the interpretation of the questions.

**Q1:** Can a more approximate location be given as to where the relocated trees may be placed? We need to know so we can make sure that the equipment needed to move the trees will have the necessary access.

**A: 1.** The Grape Myrtle slated to be transplanted is to be removed and grubbed as necessary. The memorial Black Gum tree is to be transplanted to a site within 300 yards with full accessibility. The existing plaque is to be located with the tree.

**Q2:** Please verify that all flagstone is to be minimum 1.5” thickness. Some notes reference 1.5” and others say minimum 1” thickness. Please confirm if all flagstone is to be “Select Blue” or full range. Detail 2 on sheet C7 calls for “Select Blue” flagstone, while specifications call for a full color range. Please confirm if all flagstone is to have thermal finish or if it is just the wall caps.

**A:** The flagstone specification is modified to the following:

- a. All flagstone paving on concrete slab is to be 1” min. thickness blue select.

b. All flagstone coping on the walls is to be 2" min. thickness full color range.

c. None of the flagstone needs to be thermal finish.

**Q3:** Please provide a color, manufacturer and specification for the brick pavers for the new portion of sidewalk. Plans and specs say to just match existing brick pavers; existing pavers have been in place for some time and it may not be possible to get an exact match without production information.

**A:** The brick paving looks similar to Belden Pawnee or Watsonstown Garden Blend or equivalent. Bidders should match the existing pavers as closely as possible. We understand it may not be possible to get an exact match. The final selection shall be approved by the City.

**Q4:** Please clarify Liquidated Damages will not be enforced if project is completed after completion date in contract due to winter weather delays, as long as the project is completed in a timely manner.

**A:** The Contractor will not be held responsible for delays resulting in winter weather.

**Q5:** Please provide an item in the schedule of prices for mobilization. There are numerous incidentals (i.e. construction fencing, portable toilet) that are needed for construction, but cannot be covered on the bid form as it is presently set-up.

**A:** We will be issuing Amendment #1, which amends the Bid Proposal Price Sheet to allow for Mobilization.

**Q6:** Please add bid item for Annuals to bid sheet and specify a size to be provided.

**A:** We will be issuing Amendment #1, which amends the Bid Proposal Price Sheet to allow for Annuals (6" pots 12" o.c. spacing).

**Q7:** Please provide a dimension plan for paving pattern at LOD #2. This is necessary to ensure that pattern is installed as desired and correctly.

**A:** Use the half circle detail 2/C-7 for dimension of the circle in LOD#2.

**Q8:** Please provide a detail for the Trench Drain (TD 1) shown on sheet C3/C9. Please provide a color for the steel edging to be used with this drain.

**A:** Trench drain specification is the NDS catch basin #1882 with #1811 grate as shown on sheet C6.

**Q9:** Please provide specification for "Dark Gray River Stone, 5-8" at "Water Level Line" as shown in Detail 1 on sheet C7.

**A:** Dark gray river stone shall be "Unpolished Mexican Beach Pebbles", widely available.

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