



ADDENDUM #1

**REQUEST FOR BID (RFB)
NO. 2026-021**

Effective: February 24, 2026

Solicitation Title: Main Street Sidewalk Replacement

Issued By: City of Gaithersburg
Procurement Division
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Gaithersburg, Maryland 20877

The purpose of this Addendum is to publish the questions received regarding this solicitation and the associated responses. This Addendum is incorporated into and made part of the above-named Request for Bids. Except as amended herein, the terms and conditions shall remain in full force and effect. 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.

The solicitation is amended as follows:

1. **Exhibit B, Project Site Map**, is replaced in its entirety with new **Exhibit B** attached to the end of this addendum.

Below are the questions received and the City's response:

- Q.1.** Section 2.5 Permits and Licenses – what permits will the Contractor be responsible for?
- A. All work is taking place within City right of way. There are no anticipated permits that will need to be obtained.**
- Q.2.** Are there labor rates or prevailing wages for this Contract?
- A. No labor rates or prevailing wages are required for this contract. All funds are City sourced.**
- Q.3.** Is the Contractor required to perform any inspection or material testing?
- A. There are no requirements for the Contractor to perform any inspections or material testing.**

- Q.4.** With a 120-calendar day duration for completion, when do you anticipate issuing the Notice to Proceed?
- A. We are anticipating on issuing the notice to proceed by the end of April 2026.**
- Q.5.** Is there a limit to the amount of parking spaces that can be blocked for construction at any given time? In order to pour 3 loads of concrete curb, you would need to block parking for 600'.
- A. No restriction will be provided on how many parking spaces can be blocked.**
- Q.6.** Is the intent to remove and replace all of the concrete sidewalk from the back of curb to the building face? If so, how can you provide access at all times when the concrete directly in front of the door will need to be removed and replaced? If the intent isn't to remove and replace all of the concrete, can you provide a plan showing the limits?
- A. The intent of this project is to remove and replace all sidewalk from the back of curb to the building face. Pedestrians must be able to navigate along the sidewalk while under construction in order to gain access to the buildings. This will require that only a segment of the sidewalk be removed at a time and not the entire width of the sidewalk being removed and replaced all at once. Bridging or ramps will have to be installed from the doorways to the open section of sidewalk in order to maintain access to the buildings at all times.**
- Q.7.** Is night work an option to limit the exposure and minimize the disturbance to businesses?
- A. No option for night work due to residential area. All work must take place between 8 am and 5 pm Monday through Friday.**
- Q.8.** Item 1002 – Temporary Orange Construction Fence – will this be used to fence off areas where the work is being performed and to direct pedestrian traffic?
- A. Item 1002 is for temporary orange construction fencing to be placed at the direction of the project engineer for items that are unrelated to controlling pedestrian traffic. All means and materials for controlling pedestrian traffic shall be incurred under the cost for Item 1001 Maintenance of Traffic including the use of temporary orange construction fencing for controlling or protecting the work site from pedestrians.**
- Q.9.** Item 2005 – Removal of Existing Paving – when / where will this be used?
- A. Item 2005 will be used as needed for possible removal of stamped concrete crosswalks throughout the project site.**
- Q.10.** Items 3001, 8001, 8002, and 8007 are for surface adjustments to “meet the new elevation as directed by Project Engineer”. Item 6001 (R/R Curb) and Item 6003 (R/R Sidewalk) state “construction ... to match the existing line, grade, and configuration”. If the intent is

to remove and replace matching existing grades, why do all of the inlets, valves, manholes, etc. require adjustment?

- A. Sidewalk segments with the project area has settled and or lifted over the years. The installation of Items 6001 and 6003 may require surface adjustments in order to meet ADA compliance. Items 3001, 8001, 8002 and 8007 incur the costs for inlet tops and utility lids to be adjusted to the new grade for the curb and or sidewalk in need of adjustment.**

Q.11. Item 5001 – Graded Aggregate Base Course – where will this be used?

- A. Item 5001 will be used as needed for backfill under segments of sidewalk and curb that are removed, replaced or furnished within the project site.**

Q.12. Item 5003 – 1.5” Surface Pavement using 9.5 mm – where will this be used where removal hasn’t been performed? This is roughly 9000 square feet of paving, and includes temporary striping, etc.

- A. Item 5003 will be used to fill any void in the roadway as result of removing, replacing, or furnishing concrete curb or in conjunction with item 2005.**

Q.13. Item 5005 – Milling Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement – where will this be used?

- A. Item 5005 will be implemented as needed as a result of lowering ADA ramps or curblines that requires asphalt milling in order to achieve a smooth transition.**

Q.14. Item 6007 – Remove and Reinstall Brick Paver Sidewalk – will the existing subbase material be reused? Are there any grade changes, and if so, will you need to remove the subbase and install a stone base?

- A. Item 6007 will reuse the existing subbase. Grade changes will not require addition of stone material.**

Q.15. For the downspout boots and trench drain, can you please specify the address where each is planned?

- A. The following addresses will have downspouts boots and trench drains installed:**
 - 1. 200 Main Street**
 - 2. 333 Main Street (2 downspouts at this location)**
 - 3. 341 Main Street**
 - 4. 353 Main Street**
 - 5. 357 Main Street**
 - 6. 361 Main Street**
 - 7. 367 Main Street**
 - 8. 371 Main Street**

Q.16. Item 8007 – Remove and Replace Street Light Foundation to Grade – there is a quantity of 2, but the locations aren't shown. Can you please specify what two (2) poles require foundation replacements, and can you please provide a detail for the planned foundation. Who will be responsible for the electrical work? Who do the poles belong to?

A. Pole 21 on Main Street at Market Street West is in need of adjustment. Second pole is for an as needed basis. Anticipated foundation minimum is 12 inch diameter by 36 inch depth. Contractor will be responsible for all electrical work. Pole is owned and maintained by the City.

Q.17. The Exhibit B Project Site Map Key doesn't seem to match the scope of the work. The area highlighted in yellow notes Curb, Gutter, and Sidewalk replacement – but it appears the curb has already been completed. The purple area notes Sidewalk Replacement Only, but there are areas of failing curb. Please clarify the scope and limits for the planned work.

A. Colors on the key are switched. See revised Exhibit B Site Map.

Q.18. If the intent is to replace the concrete sidewalk up to the building face, how do you intend on handling the areas where the exterior trim and door surrounds overhang the existing concrete? Also, who will be responsible for replacing the colored caulk between the concrete and the building? Several of the metal thresholds are also damaged / uneven / not secure – how will these be handled? There are many areas where the face of the existing buildings are cracked / damaged / separating – what will the contractor be required to do regarding documenting existing conditions so as to not be responsible for the repair?

A. Measures will need to be taken by the Contractor to protect exterior trim and door surrounds during removal and pour new sidewalk around and underneath these features. If any existing caulk is removed in during construction the Contractor will be responsible for replacing it with a paintable compatible caulk. The property owner will be responsible for color matching. The property owner is responsible for any issues related to the metal threshold in the doorway. Existing conditions should be recorded prior to work beginning.

Q.19. Along the townhouses (south side of Main) – are you intending on removing and replacing the walkway to the front doors? There are ornamental edging / landscaping that will get damaged during the removal.

A. No plans to remove or replace any walkways to front doors. All work will be within City right of way. Steps will need to be taken by the Contractor to protect any landscape or ornamental edging during construction.

Q.20. If available, could we please see the geotechnical report for the area of work?

A. No geotechnical report available.

Q.21. Are there any minority goals affiliated with this contract?

A. There are no MBE/DBE goals for this project. All bids are welcomed.

Q.22. Who will be responsible for road repairs due to pre-existing conditions-for example, if the roadway is susceptible to potholes due to thin asphalt or unsuitable material, will the contractor be compensated for repairs not due to construction?

A. Each situation will be assessed individually and if determined compensation will be provided at the contract price for the item that will cover the necessary repairs.

Q.23. Please verify the locations of the new curb and gutter. When looking on google, it seems as if where the proposed curb and gutter is meant to go, there is already new curb and gutter.

A. See revised Exhibit B Site Map.

Q.24. Additionally, where there is proposed sidewalk and no proposed curb and gutter, on google it shows that the current curb and gutter is old. Please verify the locations of the proposed curb and gutter are accurate, thank you.

A. See revised Exhibit B Site Map.

~END OF ADDENDUM~



Key

Sidewalk Replacement Only



Curb, Gutter, and Sidewalk Replacement

