

**PORT OF BEAUMONT
BEAUMONT, TEXAS**

**ADDENDUM NO. 2
FOR
CARROLL STREET BRIDGE PROJECT**

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ADDENDUM NO. 2

Bids scheduled to be opened at 2:00 p.m. (CST) on Thursday, January 16, 2020.

This Addendum is hereby made a part of the project documents to the same extent as though it were originally included therein. Receipt of this Addendum must be acknowledged in the space provided below and in the space provided on the Bid Form.

CLARIFICATIONS TO GENERAL QUESTIONS

This section of Addendum No. 2 is to provide clarifications and to respond to questions raised by contractors and vendors regarding the Bid Documents and scope of work.

Question #1: The Contract Documents were silent on dispute resolution. Does the Port of Beaumont have a dispute resolution process for the Carroll Street Bridge Project?

Answer: The Port will not agree to Arbitration. Please see Exhibit "E" Payment Bond regarding disputes.

Question #2: As it reads in Exhibit G number 9, Subcontractor Information is required (pg.7-9, one set for each subcontractor). Information must also be provided to demonstrate the past experience and capability of any subcontractor that will perform more than 20% of the total contract price. Pg. 7-9 are detailed on what previous project has the subcontractor has worked. What other information does the subcontractor need to submit if they are performing more than 20% of the contract price? Or will the forms be sufficient?

Answer: Answering the questions on the provided forms will be sufficient. No other subcontractor information needs to be submitted.

Question #3: In the project drawings, on the drill shaft details there's a note that reads "permanent casing will be subsidiary to the drill shaft item". We would like to ask if the casing is required or can it be waived?

Answer: The use of casings is not a requirement of the contract. Drilled Shaft construction "means and methods" is to be left to the Contractor's, or Subcontractor's, professional judgment and discretion. Contractor to base this installation method on the site walk, provided geotechnical borings, and past experience. In summary, whatever is required for proper drilled shaft installation shall be included in the bid and subsidiary to the Drilled Shaft line item on the Bid Form.

Question #4: Can you clarify how time will be charged on this project? Part V. Special Conditions, Section 4. Construction Schedule states that it is the intention of the OWNER to complete all bid work on the project within 578 calendar days. Per TXDOT Standard Specifications, Item 8.3.1.5 Calendar Day-Working days will be charged Sunday through Saturday, including all holidays, regardless of weather conditions, material availability, or other conditions not under the control of the contractor. Part V. Special Conditions, Section 8. Liquidated Damages, second paragraph, states rain days will be allowed. The contractor shall submit request for rain days each month with the monthly invoices for approval.

Answer: The Port contract document sections supersede TXDOT in this instance. Therefore, the Contractor will have 578 calendar days to complete the project and rain delays will be allowed in accordance with Part V "Special Conditions", Item #8.

Question #5: Can you provide the Time Determination Schedule?

Answer: A Time Determination Schedule is not available, but one was developed in order to derive the 578 calendar day construction duration.

Question #6: Is the DS Backfill included in the quantity for Item 132 6027 Embank (Final)(DC)(TY C) CSBE or is it subsidiary to the Retaining Wall?

Answer: The DS backfill is subsidiary to the Retaining Wall Item 423 6001.

Question #7: Is Concertina Wire required at top and bottom of the temporary fence?

Answer: No.

Question #8: Can you provide further explanation / clarification concerning the "permanent casing" requirements noted in the drill shaft details on the referenced project. The notes state if water is encountered "permanent casing should extend 1'-0" above ground water level." The ground water level observations information shown in the geotechnical report under section 5.5 shows water levels encountered in various borings at 18' & 20' below grade. Are the expectations that the top of the permanent casing pipes need to be placed 17' & 19' below grade? AND...how far beneath the water levels do the pipes need to extend or is that up to the contractor to determine?

Answer: The note on the design drawings should have stated the following,"if water is encountered permanent casing should extend 1'-0" above grade." The use

of casings is not a requirement of the contract. Drilled Shaft construction “means and methods” is to be left to the Contractor’s, or Subcontractor’s, professional judgment and discretion. This includes the use of casings, length of casings, or use of drilling fluid. Contractor to base this installation method on the site walk, provided geotechnical borings, and past experience. In summary, whatever is required for proper drilled shaft installation shall be included in the bid and subsidiary to the Drilled Shaft line item on the Bid Form.

Question #9: Addendum 1 states that only Wall RETW01-01 requires rapid draw down analysis. Shouldn’t walls RETW01-02 & 03 also require draw down analysis since they are all connected?

Answer: Correct. Please provide a rapid draw down for those wall sections also.

Question #10: Details require top of permanent casings to be at least one foot above water or unstable soil. We plan to cut off the top of permanent casings at top of concrete elevation. We are not understanding where the bottom of the permanent casings are to be for the drilled shafts. Could you tell me what the casing length should be for the drilled piers?

Answer: The note on the design drawings should have stated the following, “if water is encountered permanent casing should extend 1’-0” above grade.” The use of casings is not a requirement of the contract. Drilled Shaft construction “means and methods” is to be left to the Contractor’s, or Subcontractor’s, professional judgment and discretion. This includes the use of casings, length of casings, termination of casings, or use of drilling fluid. Contractor to base this installation method on the site walk, provided geotechnical borings, and past experience. In summary, whatever is required for proper drilled shaft installation shall be included in the bid and subsidiary to the Drilled Shaft line item on the Bid Form.

END OF ADDENDUM NO. 1

Please sign below and email back a copy to Brandon Bergeron at the Port of Beaumont to verify you have received this Addendum. If you should have any questions please contact Kevin Drouet at (504) 895-0368.

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