

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES  
TAFT RECREATION CENTER ATHLETIC FIELD

Solicitation #: DCAM-15-CS-0070

Addendum No. 5  
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This Addendum Number 05 is issued by e-mail on December 31, 2014. Except as modified hereby, the Request for Proposals (“RFP”) remains unmodified.

**Item #1**

**Requests for Information:** Below is a list of questions received and the Department’s responses:

1. “Scope of Work” item (h) requires bidders to provide a price to “raise all existing irrigation heads to appropriate grade and ensure all irrigation works properly”
  - a. Can DGS provide a count of the existing heads and specification for the system, and/or as built of the existing irrigation system. This information would help ensure that bidders are pricing the correct scope of work, and to allow DGS to make an apples-to-apples comparison among submitted bids. **Response: This information is not available.**
  - b. Please confirm that the existing irrigation system is functional. **Response: The irrigation system is functional.**
  - c. If the existing system is not functional, please clarify whether bidders should provide an add/alternate to install a new irrigation system – and if so, provide a specification for the new system. **Response: See solicitation documents for project scope requested.**
2. “Scope of Work” item (k):
  - a. This item directs bidders to provide complete sports field to “applicable national high school athletic standards”. Please provide the standards to which this item refers, so that bidders can price the correct scope of work. **Response: The National Federation of State High School Associations standards shall apply.**
  - b. Please also provide the specification for the required baseball/softball bases. **Response: Basis of design – Bases; Adams Bolco 100-ML Major League Bases with all required accessories to make a complete system including, but not limited to, anchor plates, anchors, and rubber plugs. Home plate; MacGregor Major League Home Plate with all required accessories to make a complete system including, but not limited to, anchor plate, anchor, and rubber plug.**
  - c. Please confirm that bidders will not be required to provide any other sports equipment (e.g. goal posts, bleachers, player benches, etc). **Response: See solicitation documents for project scope.**

3. Scope indicates that 3-4" of topsoil must be added to the sodded areas, which will raise the elevation of these areas. Please clarify whether the elevation of the existing baseball diamonds must also be raised. **Response: See Addendum 3 SOW, highlighted Item g. The only exception to this requirement would be the pitchers mounds or exceptions for drainage.**
4. "Protect and maintain athletic field" item (a) requires bidders to "protect and maintain field as required for a period of 8 consecutive weeks from the date of completion of sod installation". Please provide a clear scope for the maintenance activities that bidders must price under this line item. **Response: All required maintenance and upkeep per athletic field, lawncare, and industry standards as well as sod supplier recommendations and requirements.**
5. "Protect and maintain athletic field" item (g) requires bidders to "follow up with sprigging at beginning of next growing season to restore any wear in field". Please clarify the extent of restoration that will be required by the beginning of the next growing season. This information will help ensure that DGS can make an apples -to-apples comparison of bids. If this information is not available, should bidders include an allowance for this work? **Response: See Addendum 3 Scope of Work, Protect and Maintain Athletic Field, Item g for extent of restoration.**
6. "Protect and maintain athletic field" item (b) requires bidders to pneumatically install temp fence "through the center of" the athletic field. This temp fence would run through the center of the football field location. Please confirm that DGS wants temp fence in this area, as it will damage the newly installed sod. **Response: See Addendum 3 Scope of Work, Protect and Maintain Athletic Field, Item f.**
7. Please clarify whether existing electrical system and existing panels have sufficient space/capacity to support the new Musco lighting included in the scope. **Response: See solicitation documents for project scope.**
8. Please provide the "applicable standards" for basketball courts referenced in "Miscellaneous Scope" item (c). What level of preparation, patching, and crack repair will be required? **Response: The National Federation of State High School Associations standards shall apply. Level of preparation, patching, and crack repair vary with product type and are contractor defined based on requirements for product(s) used.**
9. "Miscellaneous Scope" item (j) requires the selected contractor to dispose of all debris generated by work on a daily basis. Please clarify whether the selected contractor will be permitted to use on site dumpsters for debris in lieu of hauling all debris off daily. **Response: Debris in on site dumpster(s) is acceptable.**
10. Add/Alternate 1 requests bidders to provide a price to repave the existing walkway. Please confirm whether the selected contractor can overlay the existing walkway, or whether DGS requires the existing walkway to be demolished and replaced. If it must be replaced, please confirm whether DGS would like standard asphalt installed, or whether DGS prefers a different product. **Response: Price both ways with standard asphalt.**
11. "Schedule for completion" section of addendum 3 indicates that the project shall be complete on or before August 15, 2015. Please clarify whether this is the substantial completion date for the project, the final completion date for the project, or the completion date for the maintenance period. **Response: The project shall be complete on or before August 15, 2015, as stated in the SOW.**

12. The executive summary for the RFP indicates that the selected contractor is required to maintain the athletic field for 6 months following preliminary acceptance by DGS, and that the Department shall assess the athletic field 3 months after the date of completion of the sod installation. The revised scope issued with Addendum 3 references an 8 consecutive-week maintenance period and does not mention an additional inspection at 3 months. Please confirm that the total required maintenance period is 8 weeks. Please clarify whether DGS will schedule additional inspections after the maintenance period concludes. **Response: Offeror are to use Addendum 3 Scope of Work requirements.**
13. Please provide a letter or other confirmation from DDOE that storm water management is not required for this project. **Response: No letter will be provided. See solicitation documents for project scope.**
  - a. If storm water management is not required, please clarify whether a geotechnical report “to include soil borings and infiltration testing per DDOE requirements” is necessary for this project. Performing a geotechnical report would add cost and time to the project. **Response: See Addendum 3 Scope of Work, Miscellaneous Scope, Item b.**
14. Will DGS require the selected contractor to install any drainage at Taft Field (e.g. trench drains, or other) **Response: See solicitation documents for project scope .**
15. “Miscellaneous scope” item (e) directs bidders to include the cost to “de-thatch, aerate, and overseed all grassy areas of the park not receiving new turf”. Please provide a drawing or aerial indicating which areas are to receive new sod turf and which areas are not to receive new turf. Project limits are not delineated in the aerial images provided. **Response: Per Scope of Work, project extents for this portion are “...all grassy areas of the park not receiving new turf”**
16. Soil Modifications: Under the “Requirements, expectations, and deliverables” section covering Soil Modification Materials, the following is included “Sand- must meet USGA specifications for compaction and percolation”. USGA specs for selecting and handling sand does not provide information on compaction. Please clarify the extent of compaction required for sand, if any. **Response: Follow USGA requirements for sand.**
17. Please clarify whether DGS will require a survey, landscape architecture, or civil engineering services. If the design work has been eliminated, please clarify whether the selected contractor will be required to secure a building permit for this work. **Response: See Addendum 3 Scope of Work, highlighted item a.**
18. Addendum 1’s add alternates reference a plan for locations of the alternates. However the plan was not provided. Can you issue the plan with locations? **Response: Offeror are directed to the original documents provided via link in the RFP.**
19. The Addendum 1 references removing and replacing the Athletic field Lighting per basis of design specifications. However no basis of design documents were provided. Can you issue those basis of design specifications? **Response: Offeror are directed to the original documents provided via link in the RFP.**
20. Are there any as built documents of the site and field lighting from the existing Rec Center construction? If so can, can you make them available to assist the bidding process? **Response: No as-builts are available.**
21. Restore Athletic Field - Scope Item e. says we are to install 3-4” of topsoil. If it installed overtop, this will cause a grade difference between the infield and grass areas. Are we to include 3-4” of soil for the infield (turf free areas)? **Response: See Addendum 3 Scope**

**of Work, highlighted Item g. The only exception to this requirement would be the pitchers mounds and exceptions for drainage.**

**Item #2**

**The bid date remains unchanged.** Proposals are due by **January 6, 2015 at 2:00 pm EST.** Proposals that are hand-delivered should be delivered to the attention of: Alicia Norris, Contract Specialist, at **Frank D. Reeves Center, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 8<sup>th</sup> floor, Washington, DC 20009.**

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