

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Design Build Request for Proposal

For

Polk Parkway (SR 570) and Pace Road Interchange

Contract No. E8J79

FPID No(s). 416537-1-52-01; 416537-2-52-01, 416537-2-52-02, 416537-2-52-03
and 416537-4-52-01

RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS GROUP 4

Question No. 1

We would like to submit the following cost question in regards to ramp plaza power services:

In the Response to Questions Group 1, Q&A No. 12, we are directed to pay the utility provider the cost of power service drops connecting the ramp gantry buildings to the existing power grid. We have performed extensive coordination with the utility provider. They have been as helpful as they can and have provided a preliminary cost estimate and clarified details about the primary power distribution system that are not in the concept plans. However, the price is unusually large and they are not providing it as a firm price. Their uncertainty in this situation is due to the pending changes for the USF campus. They do not have a clear picture of what will be passing through the project site to the new campus. The final configuration of that system will have a huge impact on both the costs of the power service drops and the distribution system we are responsible for bidding. The already large price could easily be a lot larger (or even a lot smaller) depending on the final configuration of new electrical facilities to be provided for the campus. Because of the large costs and volatility of this situation, would it be possible to issue an addendum excluding these costs from all our bids, or converting this part of the scope (including the primary distribution system already in the RFP) to an allowance? We are particularly concerned by the fact that, as of a few weeks ago, TECO claimed that they had not talked to any other teams about this issue. The figures they discussed with us are easily five to tens time greater than a normal power service drop situation.

Response:

The intent of FTE's requirement in Addendum No. 1 and Response to Question 12 in Response to Questions Group 1 was to have the Design Build firm coordinate with the local power supplier and cover the costs of any utility power line extensions and power service drops through the Pace Road construction limits to service infrastructure required for this project (Lighting,

Signals, Toll Plazas, and ITS). Upgrades to the power company's service lines capacity beyond the existing overhead line capacity for improvements beyond this project were not anticipated in Addendum No. 1. To provide clarification of this requirement and to further address this question, FTE is issuing Attachment 30 in Addendum No. 9.

Question No. 2

I have attached the details for the lighting on the adjacent Pace Rd. project. This project is scheduled to bid the same week as the Polk Parkway. The RFP did not detail the lighting design to be used for the light fixtures on Pace Rd.

Does the Turnpike want all of the teams to use the same fixtures detailed in the adjacent Pace Rd project?

Response:

The language in the RFP on page 62 states, "The contractor shall coordinate with the City of Lakeland and Polk County so that the decorative lighting fixtures installed along this section of Pace Road will be similar in both aesthetics and photometrics to the fixtures currently being installed on the County's section of Pace Road adjoining this project to the east. Plans for the County's enhancement project are included as a General Information Document."

The attachment referenced in the question (Sheets L-1 thru L-3) is a part of General Information Document 16 Polk County's Enhancement Plans, which was inadvertently left out of the RFP disk. This general information document is being provided in Addendum No. 9 in the file named "Gen Doc 16 Polk County's Enhancement Plans.pdf". The City recommends supplying the same lighting type as that being used by Polk County Enhancement project. Also as a point of clarification, the light poles in the County's section of Pace Road have not been installed, however, as the question points out that project is currently advertised for bids. Please note these plans are not intended to represent the bid set of plans for Polk County's procurement, but are the latest plans FTE received from them.