

Channel Street Corridor Improvements  
Project No. WT23031  
Bidding Questions and Answers

Q. Are all irrigation pipelines and conductors under pavement to be installed in sleeves? It appears from the drawings it is limited to lateral lines under the walks and all pipelines under the streets.

A. Yes, all irrigation pipelines and conductors under pavement shall be installed in sleeves.

Q. Is the intention for the RCV's, QC's, gate valves, etc... To be installed in walks? It would seem that the space within the tree well planters would be limited.

A. The intent is for these to be installed within the tree wells.

Q. Since the Decomposed Granite Fines are to be installed in tree wells only, we can omit any stabilizers?

A. Stabilizer is required for the Decomposed Granite Fines.

Q. Concerning Bid Item #36. The specified manufacturer has no "certified" installers in the vicinity. Are there alternates that are acceptable to the city?

A. See Attachment A for an acceptable alternative.

Q. Also concerning #36 - The specified manufacturer's specifications call out "structural soil" to be installed in lieu of native soil. It is unknown if this is not performed, how the warranty will be impacted.

A. Manufacturer's specifications need to be followed in order to maintain the warranty.

Q: I do not see a Bid Item for Grading, Roadway Excavation, & Subgrade Prep. Please add a bid item for this work.

A: Grading, roadway excavation, and subgrade preparation are included in the miscellaneous paving and concrete bid items.

Q. Is the City providing the Pre-Construction Migratory Bird Survey?

A. Yes, the City will provide the pre-construction bird survey

Q. Is the City providing Archeological Resources?

A. City will provide Archeological Resources if something is found during project performance that requires such services.

Q. Per Section 5 of the Spec, Contractor is to pay the fee for the City Encroachment Permit...what is the fee so we can put into our Bid?

A. The encroachment permit fee is \$620.85

Is the City of Stockton providing Testing/Geotechnical Services for this project?

A. The contractor is responsible for all testing/Geotechnical Services. The City may perform testing but only to spot check in a quality assurance role.

With the working hours only being from 9a to 3p, as stated on sheet TC1.0 the working days provided are insufficient to complete this project within the current time allotted. Please consider providing additional working days or modifying the working hours for this project.

A. Requests to modify working hours to 7 am to 3 pm are generally granted, as long as the contractor is sensitive to nearby communities or schools concern for noise and traffic.

Q. Bid Items #40 & #41...Are the Driveways to include the sidewalk behind the driveway?

A. Yes, these bid items should include the sidewalk behind the driveways and the curb and gutter in front of the driveways.

Q. Bid Item #32 (C&G) - Does the Bid Item Quantity represent all of the C&G through the ADA Ramps and Driveways? Or is the C&G adjacent to the ramps and driveways to be included within those corresponding bid items?

A. This bid item includes the curb and gutter through the bulbouts but does not include the curb and gutter in front of driveways.

Q. When does the City anticipate issuing a Notice to Proceed? Just trying to see when the work will take place.

A. We would anticipate the contract to be awarded in November, and notice to proceed likely in March, 2025, unless it can be mutually agreed upon to begin earlier.

Q. Can the contractor re-phase the project or will they be held to the phasing plan in the project plans?

A. The contractor can revise the construction phasing as long as pedestrian and driveway access is maintained at all times. The contractor shall provide a Traffic Control Plan for approval by the City.

Q. Per bid form item #49, irrigation water service and backflow to be 3". Per plan sheet C6.2/note 7, irrigation water service and back flow to be 2". Please clarify.

A. The irrigation water service and backflow shall be 2" per Sheet L1.0 Irrigation Plan and Sheet C6.2.

Q. Please clarify if SDMH13 is existing or to be furnished by contractor.

A. SDMH 13 is a new manhole to be furnished and installed by the contractor.

Q. I wanted to know if the city of Stockton would accept an alternate/equal for the decorative light and pole. If so, what is the procedures to do so.

A. We would like to keep to the City standard as represented in the plans for decorative light and pole to match the rest of the downtown area that has the decorative poles.

Q. Section 6-1.03 Testing of the Special Provisions states that:

"Contractor shall hire a certified, independent from contractor's company, laboratory to conduct compaction and material testing. Testing includes and not limited to compaction testing and material testing. A relative compaction of 95% is expected on AC overlay, roadway sub grade and sidewalk areas.

Compaction testing will be required for subsoil, AB, and hot mix asphalt. For AB, sieve analysis, cleanness value, and R value may be provided by the vendor if the source is consistent.

For Asphalt Concrete, certificate of compliance, one sieve analysis, and one oil content test per day is required from supplier.

For concrete, certificate of compliance for Curb Gutter/Sidewalk, driveway, and ADA ramp or ASTM C39 compaction test, 4 cylinders per day, with a required 28- day strength of 3,000 psi is required. Full compensation for performing the work in these specifications shall be included in the prices paid for the various contract items of work, and no additional compensation will be allowed, therefore."

This states that all testing will be put on the contractor. Wanted to verify this is correct.

A. Yes, this is correct. The contractor is to perform all necessary testing. The City will provide spot check testing as we see necessary for quality assurance.

Q. Previously, RFI answers clarified that all pipes under paved areas shall be installed inside sleeves. However, since only one symbol of sleeve is shown on the plans, clarify if the design intent is to install both lateral lines and mainlines inside common sleeve. Otherwise please advise.

A. installing both lateral lines and mainlines inside a common sleeve is acceptable.

Q. Clarify the type of soil for bid item #52 (36" amended soil), shall import topsoil be used or on-site native soil can be amended? Also clarify the type of compost as part of tree pits backfill materials.

A. On-site native soil can be amended. Compost shall be ground fir bark "organic"