



BRUNSWICK-GLYNN COUNTY JOINT WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

April 27, 2020

PROJECT: Request for Proposal No. 20-029 Engineering Services for Water & Sewer Master Plan

ADDENDUM: One (1)

DUE DATE: Tuesday, May 5, 2020 12:00PM, NOON

THIS ADDENDUM IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANSWERING THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- 1) **QUESTION:** Can JWSC share a blank agreement that will be signed for this project?

ANSWER: Yes, the JWSC Professional Services Agreement has been posted with the solicitation documents on the website, <https://www.bgjwsc.org/request-for-proposal-no-20-029-engineering-services-for-water-sewer-master-plan-update-project-no-2024/>

- 2) **QUESTION:** Shall the proposer be required to submit a bid bond? If so, how much?

ANSWER: No, a bid bond is not required for this project

- 3) **QUESTION:** Shall three client references be provided or just provide three past projects?

ANSWER: Multiple projects from one client can be provided as a reference.

- 4) **QUESTION:** Shall the full reports of the three past projects be provided or are the table of contents and executive summaries of the projects sufficient?

ANSWER: A digital copy of the full report should be submitted for review.

- 5) **QUESTION:** In the RFP documents on page 2, Task 1, the scope includes a review of “available Bentley WaterGEMS model”. However, on Page 7, under Scope of Services A, it does not list Review of Available Bentley WaterGEMS model. Please advise.

ANSWER: This was an oversight on our part. The task has been added under Scope of Services 4.0.A #3

- 6) **QUESTION:** When was the WaterGEMS model last calibrated?

ANSWER: 2018

- 7) **QUESTION:** Does the WaterGEMS model contain all piped or skeletonized pipes?

ANSWER: Skeletonized pipes. Some areas are fully piped.

- 8) **QUESTION:** What is the extent of the water model update on this project?

ANSWER: Minimal. Provide hourly rates to update water model if particular areas are requested during the project.

- 9) **QUESTION:** Is there a sewer model developed for the 2016 Master Plan update?

ANSWER: There is a minimal skeletonized version of the Sewer model.

- 10) **QUESTION:** Does the sewer model include gravity sewers upstream the lift stations?

ANSWER: The sewer model is mostly force mains with some gravity systems built within the system

- 11) **QUESTION:** Shall the sewer model be updated on this project?

ANSWER: Please provide pricing on updating the sewer model to include major transmission lines. Please provide hourly rates to update other requested areas if necessary during the project.

- 12) **QUESTION:** What versions of SewerGEMS and WaterGEMS are required for this project?

ANSWER: CONNECT edition, it should be current

- 13) **QUESTION:** Shall both the water and sewer models be calibrated for this Master Plan?

ANSWER: Yes

- 14) **QUESTION:** Shall fire hydrant tests be performed for the water model calibration? If so, can we assume JWSC will perform the tests?

ANSWER: The JWSC has recent flow tests on the vast majority of existing fire hydrants.

15) QUESTION: Shall pump drawdown tests be performed for the sewer model calibration?

ANSWER: No. Information on pump drawdowns will be provided to the selected proposer

16) QUESTION: How many major water and wastewater improvements have been made since the 2016 Master Plan update? Are they all in GIS already?

ANSWER: A list of completed capital projects can be provided to the selected proposer. GIS is updated at the completion of all projects.

17) QUESTION: Should the water and wastewater facilities inspected during the last Master Plan project be re-inspected during this Master Plan update?

ANSWER: Water production wells and water storage tanks need an updated condition assessment. The three wastewater plants and all priority lift stations that have not been recently updated need new condition assessments. A list of recently completed capital projects will be provided to the selected proposer.

18) QUESTION: How many lift stations shall be inspected for the project?

ANSWER: A list of priority lift stations is attached. Refer to Answer to Question 17 for inspection needs for priority stations that were inspected for last update.

19) QUESTION: Shall the existing SCADA systems be evaluated?

ANSWER: No. The JWSC currently has a funded capital project to update the SCADA systems on all pump stations. The SCADA system at Academy Creek is being updated during the current plant rehab project. The SCADA systems at Dunbar Creek and Southport have been recently updated. The majority of water stations have recently updated SCADA and are being transferred into the new system.

20) QUESTION: Shall sewer inflow/infiltration evaluation be performed?

ANSWER: A recent flow monitoring report for St Simons Island will be provided to the selected proposer. Smoke testing reports from St Simons Island and the mainland area will be provided for review to determine areas to prioritize for I&I reduction. Pump run time data will be provided where available to the selected proposer

21) QUESTION: Will the consultant need to review the updated or new gravity sewer videos? If so, do we have an approximate budget for number of line video?

ANSWER: No, CCTV footage is coded by certified NASSCO inspectors employed by the JWSC. Available data from the CCTV database will be provided to the selected proposer

22) QUESTION: Can the unit water and sewer flow rates developed in the 2016 Master Plan be adopted for this project?

ANSWER: No.

23) QUESTION: Due to the Covid-19 outbreak, would the JWSC temporarily forgo the notarization requirements on the RFP forms?

ANSWER: No, please ensure all forms requiring notarization are included and notarized properly.

24) QUESTION: If the client refuses to have their Master Plan reports shared with the JWSC and a proposer cannot provide three past Master Plan reports, are there any other options for the proposer to have their proposal accepted and qualified? Will the JWSC accept summaries of the projects?

ANSWER: No. It is critical that the evaluation team see the structure and components of submitted examples.

25) QUESTION: The response is listed as being due by 12:00 NOON, EST Tuesday, May 5, 2020. However the RFP states that “in observance of Shelter-in-Place orders issued by Georgia Governor Brian Kemp and social distancing measures, preference for receipt of solicitation is via mail.” After reviewing FedEx delivery schedules, may it be possible to amend the time responses are due to later in the day, perhaps 3:30pm or later to help ensure that respondents have the best chance possible to get their proposals in on time while following the guidelines for the preferred method of delivery?

ANSWER: No, the proposal deadline of 12:00PM, Noon, EDT, Tuesday, May 5, 2020 remains unchanged.

26) QUESTION: Would the JWSC consider digital submission of proposals in light of the COVID-19 pandemic?

ANSWER: No, please submit proposals as referenced in Section 3.0 of the RFP

27) QUESTION: Will JWSC consider a two week extension on the proposal submission deadline?

ANSWER: No, the deadline will remain Tuesday, May 5, 2020 by 12:00PM, Noon, EDT.

28) QUESTION: Can JWSC issue a list of all capital rehabilitation and expansion projects completed since the 2016 Master Plan?

ANSWER: Please refer to Question #16 of this Addendum. That list will be provided to the selected proposer.

29) QUESTION: Does JWSC use the CityWorks Asset Management module?

ANSWER: Yes. Version 15.5.3

30) QUESTION: Will JWSC provide electronic copies of the project estimate workbook/spreadsheets from the 2016 Master Plan to the selected consultant?

ANSWER: No.

31) QUESTION: How is pricing structured for this project in regards to the evaluation?

ANSWER: Pricing in the evaluation is worth 10 maximum points, but will be proportionate to all proposals received.

32) QUESTION: Is there a limit to the number of project references?

ANSWER: No, as long as the respondent remains within the page limit.



All applicants under this Invitation for Bid are kindly requested to acknowledge receipt of this Addendum in original only.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
ADDENDUM: ONE (1)**

DATE: _____

The above Addendum is hereby acknowledged:

(NAME OF BIDDER)

Signature

Title

BGJWSC Priority Lift Stations

Priority 1		
Station	Has Perm. Generator	Has Perm. Bypass Pump
2003		X
2030		X
2032		X
3101		
3114		
4002		
4003		
4005		
4035		

Priority 2		
Station	Has Perm. Generator	Has Perm. Bypass Pump
2001		X
2002		X
2005		
2008		
2011		
2022		
2023		
2056		
3103		
3129		
4001		
4006		X
4017		
4028		X
4036		
4048		X