



The City of **WORCESTER**

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To All Bidders:

Subject: **Bid No. 8314-W5, Window Replacement – Worcester East Middle School / WPS**

ADDENDUM NO. 3

To Whom It May Concern:

With reference to our bid request relative to the above subject, please refer to the changes/modifications/clarifications to the original proposal request.

- **PLEASE SEE BELOW QUESTIONS RECEIVED AND RESPONSES FROM CITY**

- 1) As we are hearing back from the window manufacturers, they are running into some issues pertaining to the glass. The vent windows are to be triple glazed. The weight of this glass exceeds their limits and the sash will not be able to be held open due to the heaviness of the glass. This is coming from the basis of design manufacturer.
Answer: H&A has spoken with the vendor and they have assured us that they can update the sashes to an operating configuration that will work with the size of the windows and the triple glazing at no additional cost impact.
- 2) The MBE/WBE requirements for this project are 10% and 15% respectively. Will the owner accept a combined percentage if it exceeds the project requirements? Example, if we can get 50% MBE but only 5% WBE, would this be acceptable?
Answer: Yes, combined percentage would be acceptable.
- 3) On the bid form there are line items for the removal of rotted wood frames. Would the intent be to replace the rotted wood with new wood blocking in it's place, or to increase the size of the window frame to fit within the masonry opening? Should the additional cost for this extra material be figured within this unit pricing, or will it be addressed in the form of a change order at a later time?
Answer: The unit price is for new wood blocking that will replace any rotted wood so that the size of the window frame is not increased.

Bidders are requested to acknowledge and/or include this addendum with submission. All other terms, conditions and specifications remain unchanged.

Very truly yours,

Christopher J. Gagliastro
Purchasing Director