

**Addendum No. 1 to RFP 15-40 Rebid II**



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**Department of Purchasing**  
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**MAYOR**

To: All Parties on Record with the City of Somerville as Holding RFP 15-40,  
Temporary Living Quarters at Engine 3

From: Angela M. Allen, Purchasing Director

Date: June 1, 2015

Re: Deadline Extension; Responses to Questions

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**Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by signing below and including this form in your proposal package. Failure to do so may subject the proposer to disqualification.**

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Name of Authorized Signatory  
Title of Authorized Signatory

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### **Proposal Deadline**

The proposal deadline will be extended from Thursday, June 4 to **Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.**

### **Questions from Prospective Bidders**

1. Please forward the address for the staging area that was mentioned at the walkthrough for the DPW location nearby the job site

Response: 10 Poplar Street, Somerville, MA

2. Is this a "Dormitory" and wired as "commercial" ie. MC cable and all 20-amp circuits or dwelling and non-metallic sheathed cable is permissible?

Response: Wiring shall be MC cables (where concealed).

3. Existing feed to transformer #T-5 are they/will they be long enough to extend in to the interstitial area of the modular suite?

Response: Electrical work includes feeders to be provided up to the trailer panels.

4. Who is responsible for the Demo /storage of existing service equipment

Response: Electrical work includes the relocation of the existing transformer and demolition of existing switches.

5. What are the Data / Telephone requirements and who is responsible to install

Response: Electrical work includes the relocation of the existing transformer and demolition of existing switches.

6. Please confirm fire alarm work is to be by City's vendor and modular installer is only responsible for boxes and pipe chases.

Response: Modular building manufacturer to provide raceways and JBoxes as shown on plans. City's vendor to provide devices and wiring.

7. Please confirm no ADA access is required between floors and at exits

Response: The stations living quarters are for able bodied fire fighters and consequently the living quarters are exempt from accessibility requirements

8. How do you chase the plumbing to the second floor bathrooms?

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Response: This will be coordinated on the shop dwgs, it anticipated that a chase will be required for the main stack.

9. Would you consider a stem wall foundation with crawl space to mani-fold mechanical's beneath the building?

Response: This would be an option under the base bid. If piers are to be utilized this option would no longer be valid.

10. Regarding the two story stair tower what precautions have been taken for fire rating on to fire rate this? i.e. 2 hour rated doors at the top and bottom of the stair tower.

Response: The addition is considered a residential dwelling unit (R2) and consequently a single open means of egress is acceptable.

11. Can you please provide me with the information on the location of the fire alarm panel as well as the manufacturer of the fire alarm panel?

Response: The existing fire alarm panel is located in the southeast corner of the existing building within approximately 100 feet of the modular trailer. The existing fire alarm panel is manufactured by ESL Systems (1500 Series).

12. Will the City accept a drop ceiling in lieu of a gypsum board ceiling

Response: Yes a 2x4 acoustical ceiling can be utilized in lieu of the gypsum board ceiling

13. What happens to the drainage under the building if the pier alternate is accepted?

Response: If the pier alternate is accepted a concrete or bituminous curb will be constructed to divert water from going under building.

14. Can bidders propose design alternatives if they demonstrate costs savings?

Response: Yes bidders can propose design alternatives; however for comparison purposes the bids should reflect the bid docs. Any modifications or manufacturing alternates should be identified and priced out separately.

15. Fire Alarm; who is responsible for it?

Response: the City's vendor will take care of the fire alarm, there will be no need for the contractor to relocate boxes.

16. Can the existing concrete piers and slab remain in place

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Response: If the alternate to accept piers foundations is selected, the existing piers and slab under the building can remain in place. The existing piers and slab that fall outside of the buildings footprint would need to be removed.

17. How much of the existing apparatus bay can be utilized during construction.

Response: The first two bays of the apron can be utilized during construction. Anything beyond that point will need to be coordinated with the Fire Chief

End of Addendum #1