



Illinois Department of Transportation

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SUBJECT: Various Routes
Section 14-00161-00-RS
Stephenson County
Contract No. 85626
Item 068
July 31, 2015 Letting
Addendum A

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS:

Attached is an addendum to the plans and/or the proposal. This addendum involves revised, added and/or deleted material.

1. Revised pages 8-10 of the special provisions

Prime contractors must utilize the enclosed material when preparing their bid and must include any Schedule of Prices changes in their bidding proposal.

Bidders using computer-generated bids are cautioned to reflect any and all Schedule of Prices changes, if involved, into their computer programs.

Very truly yours,

John Baranzelli, P.E.
Acting Engineer of Design and Environment

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ted B. Walschleger, P.E." with a small "P.E." to the right.

By: Ted B. Walschleger, P.E.
Engineer of Project Management

General:

The Contractor will be required to furnish all traffic control devices necessary for the convenience and protection of vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Whenever the operation of the Contractor endangers or interferes with vehicular traffic or pedestrians, as determined by the Engineer, the Contractor shall furnish any additional traffic control devices necessary to direct and protect his workmen at no extra cost to satisfy the requirements of the Engineer. The Contractor will be responsible for the proper location, installation and arrangement of all traffic control devices furnished by him. Whenever operations indicate that relocation of a proposed or existing traffic control device is advisable, as determined by the Engineer, the Contractor shall remove, relocate and reinstall the device in question.

Provisions must be made for maintaining pedestrian access within the project area at all times. Where construction activities involve sidewalks on both sides of the street, the work shall be staged so that both sidewalks are not out of service at the same time.

Where work impacts a sidewalk, the Contractor shall designate one (1) person each work day responsible for assisting pedestrians through and around the work area during working hours. These persons shall be known to the Engineer. These persons shall be distinguishable from other personnel on the job site. This shall be accomplished by wearing an ANSI Class 2 garment that is a different color from the rest of the personnel on-site, but still meeting the color requirements in Article 701.12 of the Standard Specifications.

During non-working hours, the work area shall be graded, level, accessible and free from hazards. Temporary ramps shall be placed as necessary at each end of the removed sidewalk, meeting the slope requirements of a permanent ramp and sidewalk. It shall be open to pedestrians. Aggregate will be allowed as a temporary sidewalk surface for a maximum of 5 days.

Signs:

No bracing shall be allowed on post-mounted signs.

Post-mounted signs shall be installed using standard 720011, 728001, 729001, on 4"x4" wood posts, or on any other "break away" connection if accepted by the FHWA and corresponding letter is provided to the resident.

All signs are required on both sides of the road when the median is greater than 10 feet and on one way roadways.

"BUMP" (W8-1(O)48) signs shall be installed as directed by the Engineer.

"UNEVEN LANES" W8-11(O)48 signs shall be installed at 1 mile intervals or as directed by the Engineer.

When covering existing Department signs, no tape shall be used on the reflective portion of the sign. Contact the District sign shop for covering techniques.

All regulatory signs shall be maintained at a 7 foot minimum bottom.

Plate altering signs shall have the same sheeting as the base sign.

No more than one plate shall be used to alter a sign.

Any post stubs without a sign in place and visible shall have a reflector placed on each post.

Devices:

Cones or reflectorized cones shall not be used during hours of darkness.

A minimum of 3 drums spaced at 4 feet shall be placed at each return when the sideroad is open.

On all standards, and the devices listed in Section 701 of the Standard Specifications, the device spacing shall be revised to the following dimensions:

Where the spacing shown on the standard is 25 feet, the devices shall be placed at 20 feet.

Where the spacing shown on the standard is 50 feet, the devices shall be placed at 40 feet.

Where the spacing shown on the standard is 100 feet, the devices shall be placed at 80 feet.

Lights:

Steady burn mono-directional lights are required on devices delineating a widening trench.

Flaggers:

Flagger at Sideroads and Commercial Entrances:

Effective: April 9, 2015

Flaggers shall comply with all requirements contained in the Department's "Flagger Handbook" dated September 2011. The flagger equipment listed for flaggers employed by the Illinois Department of Transportation shall apply to all flaggers.

All workers and flaggers shall wear ANSI Class E pants and an ANSI Class 2 vest that in combination meet the requirements of ANSI/ISEA 107 2004 for Conspicuity Class 3 garments during hours of darkness.

In addition to the flaggers shown on applicable standards, on major sideroads flaggers shall be required on all legs of the intersection. Major sideroads for this project shall be (for Harlem Avenue) Stephenson Street and US 20 (Galena Avenue); (for Stephenson) Locust Avenue and Cherry Avenue; and (for Lincoln Boulevard) IL 26 (West Avenue).

In addition to the flaggers shown on applicable standards, a flagger shall be required on high volume commercial entrances listed below. High volume commercial entrances for this project shall be the KFC entrance along Harlem Avenue.

When the mainline flagger is within 200 feet of an intersection, the sideroad flagger shall be required.

When the road is closed to through traffic and it is necessary to provide access for local traffic, all flaggers as shown on the applicable standards will be required. No reduction in the number of flaggers shall be allowed.

Revise the first and second paragraph of Article 701.20(i) of the Standard Specifications to read:

"Signs, barricades, or other traffic control devices required by the Engineer, over and above those shown on the standard, required by the standard specifications, or detailed in the plans and provisions, will be paid for according to Article 109.04. All flaggers required at sideroads and commercial entrances remaining open to traffic not shown on the Highway Standards, required by article 701.13(a), or listed above, shall be paid for according to Article 109.04."

Pavement Marking:

All temporary pavement markings that will be operational during the winter months (December through March) shall be paint.

Short term pavement markings on a milled surface shall be paint.

Temporary pavement markings shall not be included in the cost of the standard rather it shall be paid for separately at the contract unit prices of specified temporary pavement marking items.

Maintenance of Traffic

The mainline shall be kept open to one-way traffic at all times during working hours and two-way traffic during non-working hours.

The Contractor shall be required to notify the City of Freeport, emergency response agencies (i.e.: fire, ambulance, police), school bus companies and the Department of Transportation (Bureau of Project Implementation) regarding any changes in traffic control. The Contractor shall be required to notify the City of Freeport of any sideroad closure or opening.

When work is being performed along Harlem Avenue within 500 feet of US 20 (Galena Avenue), Harlem Avenue shall be closed at this intersection. Access to affected properties will be maintained from the south. Work shall be scheduled to minimize the length of this closure.

During construction activities that require complete traffic lane closures on Stephenson Street, the intersection of Stephenson Street and Locust Avenue shall be closed. Work shall be scheduled to minimize the length of this closure.

The flagging of traffic around the island at the Stephenson Street and Locust Avenue intersection may be necessary during some stages of construction. This operation should be limited to the hours between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM.

No work on Lincoln Boulevard within 500 feet of the intersection with IL 26 (West Avenue) will be performed between the hours of 1:00 pm and 6:00 pm. In addition, flaggers can be no closer than 400 feet of this intersection during this time period.

The Contractor shall be responsible for providing a weekly article and map to the local news media describing work being performed and stages closed to traffic.

The Contractor shall have all lanes open from 3:00 PM Friday until 7:00 AM Monday.

Placing and removing pavement marking shall be completed using Traffic Control and Protection Standard 701311, 701427, 701501, 701502, or 701701.

The milling and resurfacing, widening, and curb and gutter work shall be completed using Traffic Control and Protection Standard 701501 and 701502.

The sidewalk work shall be completed using Traffic Control and Protection Standard 701801, as described above and Traffic Control and Protection Standard 701502 when a work area is required.

No drop-offs greater than 12 inches shall be allowed to remain in place for longer than 48 hours. Drop-offs greater than 24" shall not be allowed when flaggers are not present to regulate traffic.

Traffic Control Surveillance will be completed according to Section 700 of the Special Provisions. This work will not be paid for separately, but will be included in the **TRAFFIC CONTROL AND PROTECTION, (SPECIAL)**, pay item.

The Contractor is advised that in the event of snow, he will adjust any traffic control and protection / maintenance of traffic devices required for his operations that would interfere with snow removal operations but shall continue to provide protection for traffic.

All traffic control devices must remain in place until specific authorization for removal is received from the Engineer. The Contractor will be required to remove all traffic control devices which were furnished, installed or maintained by him under this contract and such devices shall remain the property of the Contractor upon said removal.

This work will be paid for at the contract unit price per lump sum for **TRAFFIC CONTROL AND PROTECTION, (SPECIAL)**, which price shall be payment in full for all labor, flaggers, materials, transportation, handling and incidental work necessary to furnish, install, maintain and remove all traffic control devices as indicated in these Specifications and as directed by the Engineer.

PARKWAY RESTORATION

This work shall be performed in accordance with Section 211, Section 250 and Section 251 of the Standard Specifications. Parkway restoration areas are to receive four (4) inches of topsoil and be seeded, fertilized, covered with erosion control blanket, and watered as specified within seven (7) days of final topsoil placement and until a healthy stand of grass is obtained, as determined by the Engineer.

Excavation shall include removing any high areas between the proposed sidewalk and the curb & gutter, along with a transition to existing ground conditions behind the sidewalk. Pulverized topsoil shall not be placed until the area to be covered has been shaped, trimmed, and finished. The surface of the pulverized topsoil shall be free from clods, stones, sticks, and debris. Any excess material that is generated from the preparation and placement of topsoil shall remain onsite and be incorporated into the project at no additional cost to the owner.