



***INVITATION TO BID
IFB # 2007.10.22
GRANADA & PARK MAINTENANCE***

ADDENDUM NO 1

Issued Date: November 6, 2007

Please be advised the following questions were received before the deadline for questions stipulated in the IFB. The questions are not verbatim but are summarized for clarity and conciseness for response purposes. You are to refer to the (Q)uestions from prospective proposers and the City's (A)nswers to those questions.

Contract Period, Bid Bond and Performance Bond have been added to IFB # 2007.10.22

Q1. Section 2.9 on page # 6 of IFB # 2007.10.22

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Typo on the weekday for "Response to Questions due to Proposers"
5:00 PM, Thursday, November 21, 2007**

A1. Should read as follows;

5:00 PM, Wednesday, November 21, 2007

Q2. Section 2.10 on page # 6 of IFB # 2007.10.22

CONTRACT TERMS

This section is an addition to this IFB.

A2. 2.10 CONTRACT PERIOD

The initial contract period shall be for three (3) years with the City's option to renew thereafter for a maximum of two, one year renewal periods subject to cancellation clause as provided herein. Contract renewal shall be subject to the appropriation of funds, satisfactory performance and determination that the contract renewal is in the best interest of the City. The City requires a firm price for the initial contract period. Requests for contract amount adjustments shall be submitted in writing to the City identified herein ninety (90) days prior to the renewal date for review by the City.

**Q3. Section 3.8 on page # 8 of IFB # 2007.10.22
BID BOND / BID SECURITY / BID DEPOSIT – N/A**

A3. 3.8 BID BOND/BID DEPOSIT

A Bid Bond, a certified check, cashier's check, Treasurer's check or bank draft of any State or National Bank in the amount of 10% of total proposed amount will accompany the Proposal. The bonding company must appear on the US Treasury List. The Bid Bond of the successful Proposer will be retained until receipt and acceptance of a performance bond and all other required documents. Bid Bonds of all other Proposers will be returned without interest upon Award of Contract.

Failure to provide the bid bond when required shall result in the Proposer being “non-responsive” and rejected.

**Q4. Section 3.9 on page # 8 of IFB # 2007.10.22
PERFORMANCE OR PAYMENT BOND – N/A**

A4. 3.9 PERFORMANCE BOND AND REQUIREMENTS

The successful Proposer shall post a Performance Bond from a Corporate Surety, which is satisfactory to the City as security for the prompt payment to all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the work to be performed under this Contract and on any and/or all duly authorized modifications hereof. A bond will be posted on a per project basis and shall be a sum equal to one hundred percent (100%) of each projects total, unless otherwise specified. The bond may be in the form of a Cash Bond or Surety bond written through an approved, reputable, and responsible company authorized to do business in the State of Florida. Attorneys-in-fact who sign bid bonds or contract bonds must file with such bond a certified copy of power of attorney to sign said bond.

Performance Bond must be filed by the Contractor with the City Clerk, in the full amount of the contract price, as set forth here within this section in form and with corporate surety satisfactory to the City Manager and City Attorney, conditioned upon the performance of the work in accordance with the Contract and the Plans and Specifications thereof, and for the payment of all persons performing labor and furnishing equipment or materials in connection with the Contract and indemnifying said City of Coral Gables from any expense, loss, or cost arising from and out of the improper performance of said Contract.

Q5. Section 3.10 on page # 8 of IFB # 2007.10.22

**BID BOND/BID SECURITY/BID DEPOSIT FORFEITED LIQUIDATED DAMAGES –
N/A**

A5. 3.10 SURETY BOND QUALIFICATIONS

The following specification shall apply to proposal, performance, payment, maintenance, and all other types of bonds:

All Bonds shall be written through surety insurers authorized to do business in the State of Florida as surety, with the following qualifications as to management and financial strength according to the latest edition of Bests Insurance Guide, published by A.M. Best Company, Oldwick, New Jersey.

<u>Bond Amount</u>	<u>Best Rating</u>
500,000 to 1,500,000	A VI
1,500,000 to 2,500,000	A VIII
2,500,000 to 2,500,000	A X
5,000,000 to 10,000,000	A XII
over 10,000,000	A XV

On bond amount of \$500,000 or less, the provisions of Section 287.0935, Florida Statutes (1985) shall be in effect and surety companies not otherwise qualifying with this paragraph may optionally qualify by:

1. Providing evidence that the surety has twice the minimum surplus and capital required by the Florida Insurance Code at the time the Invitation to Request for Proposal is issued.
2. Certifying that the surety is otherwise in compliance with the Florida Insurance Code.
3. Providing a copy of the currently valid Certificate of Authority issued by the United States Department of the Treasury under ss. U.S.C. 9304-9308.

Surety insurers shall be listed in the latest Circular 570 of the U.S. Department of Treasury entitled A Surety Companies Acceptable to the Federal Bonds, published annually. The bond amount shall not exceed the underwriting limitations.

Addendum shall be acknowledged in section for the proposal response form, page # 30.

All other terms and conditions of this IFB shall remain in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

**Danilo Benedit
Procurement Supervisor**