

**COBB COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ENGINEERING DIVISION**

**February 6, 2012
Request for Proposals
Holly Springs Rd at Davis Rd
Design/Build
Project No. E3050**

ADDENDUM NO. 4

Proposals Received Until February 9, 2012 –12:00 Noon Local Time

The following addendum hereby amends and/or modifies the RFP Specifications as issued for this project. All Proposers are subject to the provisions of this Addendum. **Proposers shall acknowledge receipt of this addendum.**

I. CLARIFICATIONS:

1. All RFP requirements and Addendums shall be incorporated to the executed contract with the selected Design/Build team.
2. The Engineering and Construction Allowance amount will be used at the sole discretion of and authorization by Cobb County, and should not be considered as part of the project cost.
3. The Engineering and Construction Allowance is hereby reduced from \$150,000 to \$75,000 (revised Fee Proposal form included with this Addendum).
4. The selected Design/Build team will be required to stake the existing and proposed ROW and easements to clearly identify any additional ROW and/or easements required for construction of the project.
5. As stated in the RFP requirements, the project schedule will be a part of the overall proposal evaluation criteria. It is the County's intention to have this project substantially completed before Cobb County Schools resume in August 2012. The selected Design/Build team's project schedule completion date will be included in the executed contract.
6. All construction work performed under this contract shall be in accordance with the Georgia Department of Transportation Standard Specifications, Construction of Transportation Systems, **Current Edition**, and any **current** Supplemental Specifications modifying them, except as noted and in the Special Provisions.
7. Once the Proposal is submitted, changes to the Design Build Team will not be permitted without approval of the Engineer.

II. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:

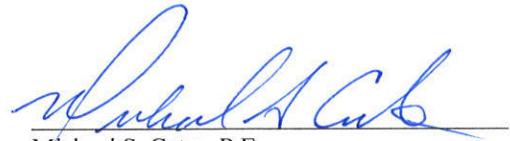
- Q1. Is there any bonding requirement on the contractor for the Design/Build work, and would there be any bonding requirement on the design build team members?
- A1. A 5% Bid Bond is required for the full amount of the project and must be included as part of the proposal submission. In addition, the selected Design/Build Contractor will also be required to provide a 100% Performance Bond and a 110% Labor and Material Payment Bond as part of the contract.
- Q2. In Evaluation Criteria; Paragraph 5 of the RFP it states that the [Cobb County] Finance Department will evaluate and score the financial stability of the top Proposer(s) using certain financial ratios and whether or not the Proposer submitted an audited or reviewed financial statement with the Proposal. Addendum #1 provided additional information about how financial stability will be evaluated; however some of that information was not clear and there remains some questions about what is being requested by Cobb County and how Proposers should respond. Consequently, we would appreciate clarification and/or response to the following questions:
- A. Addendum #1 includes a formula for the financial ratio being considered and a percentage for each ratio. Please clarify the significance of those particular percentages as they relate to the scoring.

- B. Please explain the how the percentages for return on assets and return on equity shown in Addendum #1 for the Profitability Ratios were arrived at and confirm that these percentages are correct for these ratios.
- C. Are the Proposers supposed to provide the financial ratios as part of their Proposal?
- A2. The percentages provided were an example and are for information only. The calculations will be performed by Cobb County Finance from the submitted Financial Information. **It should also be reiterated that only the Lead Design Firm is required to submit the Financial Stability Information required by the RFP.**
- Q3. If a Proposer decides to submit an audited or reviewed financial statement with it Proposal, will Cobb County treat those documents as Confidential, provided they are clearly marked as confidential, and exclude those documents from public disclosure? If so, will the County allow the Financial Statement be submitted in a separate sealed envelope?
- A3. All information will be considered the property of Cobb County at the time of submission; this will make them subject to the Open Records Act. Vendors may submit their financials in a separate sealed envelope but that does not exempt the financials from public disclosure. All documents will be available for public inspection after the contract has been awarded.
- Q4. The RFP includes the addition of a construction allowance of \$150,000.00.
A. What is the anticipated use for these dollars?
- A4. This item has been reduced to \$75,000 and has been explained above.
- Q5. Is there a possibility that the scope of the project may be expanded beyond the scope of the design/build team design for the RFP?
- A5. That is not anticipated at this time.
- Q6. Addendum 3 – Response 13 – States that design/build teams are to include 10% patching to a depth of 4 IN deep per Cobb County resurfacing details.
a. The area of patching work required can only be determined by Cobb DOT inspection and is thereby subjective.
i. If it is determined that less than 10% of the area requires patching will Cobb DOT expect a credit from the design/build team?
ii. Can the patching be paid for out of the \$150,000.00 construction allowance?
b. If patching remains part of the lump sum construction work should the design/build team include 10 % of the areas of pavement being resurfaced by their design or is it to include 10 % of areas where the scope of work only includes removal of existing stripe and installation of new stripe?
- A6. The 10% estimate of patching is the amount that Cobb County would use if the design was being performed by the County. The Design Build Team is responsible for determining the amount of patching to be included in the project.
- Q7. In Addendum 1 a question/response states that the design/build team is not responsible for costs of utility relocations. As the final scope of utility relocation work is subject to each utility company, if the relocation work exceeds the limits of construction (defined as ground disturbing areas) will the design/build team be reimbursed for any clearing, grassing or other costs associate with the relocation work?
- A7. Clearing & grassing for utility relocation work shown beyond the limits of the concept provided by Cobb DOT will be considered for reimbursement.

- Q8. Per Addendum No. 3 just posted to the Cobb DOT website for the subject project, section II. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:, question number 9, states, "*Can existing traffic striping be removed by grinding in areas where milling and overlay is not required?*". The answer "Yes" indicates that no additional milling and overlay will be required outside the limits of the of the intersection needed to construct the roundabout. Please clarify that this response negates special requirements of the project, item number 8 listed on page 2 of the original Request for Proposal of Design/Build Services dated January 13, 2012.
- A8. The final project limits will be defined by the Design Build Team, however the intent of this project is to resurface the project limits shown in the concept provided. Approximate Station Limits along Davis Road are from Sta. 13+00 to 21+00 and on Holly Springs Road from 94+00 to 101+00. These areas will require milling and overlay to achieve a clean roadway improvement at this intersection.

III. ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

An Addendum Acknowledgement form is attached for proposers to acknowledge receipt of the Addenda. Insert signed copy of this form in your final proposal after the cover letter. This form does not count toward the total number of pages.



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Attachments: *Addendum Acknowledgement Form*

Cobb County Department of Transportation

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Holly Springs Road at Davis Road Intersection Improvements

DESIGN/BUILD FEE PROPOSAL

I.	Design	\$	_____
II.	Construction	\$	_____
III.	Engineering and Construction Allowance	\$	<u>75,000.00</u>
	Total	\$	_____

FIRM'S NAME: _____

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME (PRINTED): _____

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

