

March 13, 2014

Bid #2014-09
Purchase and Distribution of Refuse and Recycling Carts
Response to Comments

Addendum I

You recently received the above mentioned bid. The City received comments from various Companies and has prepared a response document addressing all comments received for your review (attached).

All other terms, conditions and specifications remain the same. Please sign where indicated below and attach this addendum to the bid you submit.

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(Company)

	Question	Reference	City Response
1.	Clarification of Axle diameter: Section 3.3 #11 and Section 3.3 #12.a	Section 3.3, 11 & 12.a	Axle shall have a minimum 5/8" diameter and be approximately 23" long and is to be manufactured from alloy steel that has been coated with zinc plating to prevent rust and to be mounted on the cart body through axle fittings that are integrally molded as part of the body providing permanently lubricated bearing surfaces. The axle mounts and lower attachment point must be sealed to prevent leakage.
2.	Asking for City to consider a lid that is attached to the cart body at two (2) points.	Section 3.3, #14	The City will consider a Lid that is attached to the cart body at two (2) points.
3.	In any warranty situation, once the replacement carts and or parts have been delivered to the City it is the responsibility of the City to either replace the part or swap out the cart. In other words once the replacement cart or parts are in your possession the associated labor then becomes the responsibility of the City.	Section 3.3, #19	The City will not maintain a surplus of inventory of carts. The warranty should include any defective cart or parts to be replaced by the bidder.
4.	Recycling Carts Only – Will the City consider a label measuring 8 x 12?	Section 3.3, #23	The label shall carry a 10 year warranty and must be a minimum of 9.5" x 14.5" in size. (Note: the City will provide the graphic image).
5.	The City is asking for the recycling cart only to have an integrally molded hook on the underside for hanging of literature and information materials at the time of delivery.	Section 3.3, #24	The specifications included a statement (or an alternative).
6.	How does the City plan to utilize the RFID Technology and the hand held scanner?	Section 3.4	The City will utilize the RFID Technology and hand held scanner for the purpose of asset management that will be maintained in-house. The City will not require a plan to lease a scanner.
7.	Clarification for cart body and lid: Specifications (3.3,5a.) and Appendix A (#2).	Appendix A, #2	The cart body and lid shall be molded high-density polyethylene.

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8.	Clarification of PCR requirements for assembled cart: Specifications (3.3,5a) and Appendix A (#10).	3.3,5a. and Appendix A, #10	The City will allow the assembled cart to have a minimum PCR of 10%. Please state the percentage of PCR that will be utilized in the manufacture of cart: _____%
9.	Clarification for Minimum Wall thickness: Specifications (3.3,6) and Appendix A (12).	3.3,6 and Appendix A, #12	The City requires the cart body to have a minimum wall thickness of .175 inches throughout the body of the container. The thickness of the containers critical wear points (cart bottom, handle, etc.) must a minimum thickness of .185 inches.
10.	Clarification for wheel diameter and width: Specifications (3.3 #12) and Appendix A #20	3.3 #12 and Appendix A, #20	The City requires the wheels to be minimum of 10" in diameter respectively for 65/95 gallon containers with a width of a minimum 1.75".
11.	Clarification of estimated number of carts for Table 3.2	Page 16, #3.3	The City is asking for an estimated number of carts as follows: 64-gallon refuse, estimated quantity is 23,000 96-gallon recycling estimated quantity is 22,000
12.	Confirmation of Public Bid Opening	n/a	The City will publicly open bids (#2014-09).
13.	Will the City allow a rotationally molded manufacturing process of containers.	Appendix A #2	See answer for #7 in this document.
14.	Clarification for minimum wall thickness.	3.3,6 and Appendix A, #12	See answer for #9 in this document.
15.	Will the City allow a 0.25" x 0.25" wear strip on the cart.	Appendix A, #13	As stated in the specifications, provide a detailed performance report of product to be reviewed upon evaluation.

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16.	In place of the lower lock bar as specified, will the City accept a steel stop bar that is 1" o.d. galvanized steel bar, 16 gauge, rotating a full 360 degrees.	Appendix A, #15	The City stated "minimum" qualifications and left a line for recording bidders specifics. If bid is for an item that is other than what is specified include specifications for that item.
17.	Will the City accept a lid thickness of 0.125"	Appendix A, #27	The City stated "minimum" qualifications. If bidding on something other than specified include specifications for that item.
18.	Confirm the number of colors required for caution marking inside the lid.	Appendix A #33	The outside, top of the lid must contain a permanent, full color in-molded instruction label. The image shall not fade, discolor, or disfigure, and shall not peel or wear off under normal use. The label shall carry a 10 year warranty and must be a minimum of 9.5" x 14.5" in size. (Note: the City will provide the graphic image).
19.	Confirm that the City will add a blank on the pricing page for the caution marking on the inside of lid.	Appendix A, #33	The City will not provide a blank on the Pricing Page for the caution marking on the inside of the lid.
20.	Will the City allow bidders to state the largest size of IML available to fit both 64 and 95 gallon carts being bid?	Appendix A, #34	The City stated "minimum" specifications. If bidding on something other than specified include specifications for that item.
21.	Will the City allow carts to be shipped partially assembled with carts being assembled by the Contractor prior to deliver to residents.	Appendix A, #38	The City will not allow carts to be delivered partially assembled.
22.	In relation to question #21, would the City confirm that staging area will be provided by the City for the Contractor's use during assembly and distribution services. Area to be paved, partially covered, secure and approx.. 3.5 acres.	Appendix A, #38	The City does not have the available space to fulfill this request.
23.	Will the City allow the length for the axle to be other than what is specified?	3.3, #11	The City stated approximate numbers. If bidding on something other than what is specified, include specifications for that item.
24.	Will the City allow a standard marking in lieu of the specified "arrows toward street" marking.	3.3#18	If bidding on something other than what is specified, include specifications on what is being bid.

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25.	Would the City change the requirements for warranty replacements to be a part for part replacement, including cart bodies?	3.3, #19	The City's current specifications already include "container" or "container parts"
26.	Would the City delete the requirement stating Contractor to provide labor for replacements and a local vendor for labor?	3.3, #19 & 20	See answer for #3 in this document.
27.	Specific cart dimensions: Would the City allow bidders to state cart dimensions.	Page 19, summary of specifications for 65 gallon cart and 95 gallon cart	Yes. The bid should include cart dimensions for the cart they are bidding and any literature, brochures, etc.
28.	Specific weight: Would the City allow 64 gallon cart to be approximately 27.5 pounds and 96 gallon cart to be approximately 35 pounds?	Page 19, summary of specifications for 65 gallon cart and 95 gallon cart	The bid should include cart weight of what they are bidding for evaluation purposes.
29.	Capacity: Does the city intend for carts to be compliant with ANSI with cart load ratings/capacities equal to 3.5 pounds per gallon?	Page 19, summary of specifications for 65 gallon cart and 95 gallon cart	Yes. The bidder must provide capacity of 64 and 96 gallons (+/- 1%) and include independent, certified test results in accordance with ANSI Z245.60-2008.
30.	Confirm Performance Bond is to include 100% of the amount of the initial year of the contract, only needing to guarantee the initial rollout of carts.		The successful bidder is required to furnish a performance bond within ten (10) days after the receipt of the Notice of Award in the amount of the bid price based on total bid price.