



2024-04 Fire Safety System for Charleston City Hall and City Service Center

## **Addendum 2**

This Addendum is being issued to publish technical questions and answers, publish maps, publish the pre-bid sign in sheet, and extend the bid opening date.

**The new bid opening date is Friday February 16, 2024, at 10:00 AM**

1. Who is responsible for any asbestos issues?
  - A) The City has contracts for asbestos testing and abatement. The successful vendor is responsible for working with the City's Building Commission to manage any asbestos concerns by utilizing the contracts in place. The City's asbestos contractor will prioritize the efforts as design and install are underway.
  
2. Can the drawings be updated by owner to reflect accurate room designations Re: storage room and closets, multi occupancy office areas, bathrooms, main entry/exit doors, conference areas and all areas required to provide NFPA appropriate equipment?
  - A) The only drawings that we possess have been provided. It will be the responsibility of the vendor to determine needs that are not clarified by the walkthrough or what has been provided.
  
3. Can the drawings and/or specifications be updated by owner to indicate air handling units above 2000 CFM?
  - A) According to our General Services Department, City Hall has 24 units that exceed 2000 CFM. Their locations are available in the attached images.
  
4. Could the City of Charleston provide more up to date drawings (rather than original floor plans) of city hall showing new floor plan layout? If there are drawings in AutoCad format that would be great. Hoping to have something more recent available. If you had an architect prepare drawings in the past, we could engage that architect to provide these drawings and then after the project have them update these drawings as an As-Built set. Each contractor would need a contact the firm to obtain pricing for these services.

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5. Is there an environmental report on the building for the areas, such as the basement and areas that are unoccupied, to verify they are asbestos and silica free?
- A) The City has contracts for asbestos testing and abatement. The successful vendor is responsible for working with the City's Building Commission to manage any asbestos concerns by utilizing the contracts in place. We currently do not have any environmental reports that we can provide.
6. Just for verification Where is the funding for this project coming from? Are there Federal Funds?
- A) This is not a federal wage rate project. See page 11 of the bid packet "Bid Specification Sheet".
7. Can we please get verification from CFD that the building will not require a mass notification/voice system?
- A) The Fire Marshals have advised that by their interpretation the mass notification/voice system is not requested.
8. If this is to be brought up to current code, how do we handle historical architecture?
- A) The State Historic Preservation Office will not be involved, this is a local decision.
9. Are the Elevators in the Main City Hall Building Capable of Elevator recall?
- A) Not at this time.
10. Are we able to work after regular business hours as to not disrupt staff?
- A) The City is not opposed to work being performed during regular business hours with advanced approval from the City by department. This can be obtained by request through the City Manager's office. The City is willing to work with the successful vendor to facilitate access.