

# CITY OF TUCKER

## ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM 1

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### DAILY OPERATIONS OF ROAD AND STORMWATER MAINTENANCE SERVICES

**Please complete this page and include this page only in bid submittal.**

**I hereby acknowledge receipt of the supplement pertaining to the  
above referenced bid.**

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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This addendum provides responses to the questions received for this solicitation as follows: (Responses in Red).

1. Does the 4 person roads team, the 3 person stormwater team, and all of the called-out equipment need to be dedicated to the City of Tucker for 2080 hours a year (all 12 months)?

Yes, the 4-person road crew, 3-person stormwater crew, and all required equipment shall be readily available for the City of Tucker for 2,080 hours annually. That is considering 40 hours a week. In the event of an emergency, the selected contractor may elect to deploy a different team/equipment at their discretion. It would be desirable to utilize the same team and equipment due to their familiarity of City staff and operations.

2. **General Scope of Work:, Paragraph A, Item e.** The RFP currently mandates the company have a current Utility Contractor’s License in the State of Georgia.  
Comment: Please be advised this is the FIRST time Optech has seen this requirement in 30 years working here in Georgia as our work is NOT “new construction”. Our Public Works contracts for the past 30 years in multiple Cities have been classified as “maintenance work” and we were not required to provide this Certificate previously in the City of Tucker, the Cities of Doraville, Stonecrest, Peachtree Corners, Johns Creek, Sandy Springs, Brookhaven, Milton, or the City of Holly Springs ALL of whom are former or existing clients for similar work.

While we are happy to seek this new certificate, the process takes several months to complete due to various courses and test requirements which must be passed by a designated company representative. There is clearly insufficient time for us and MANY OTHER firms to complete this process in the next 17 days. By implementing this strict rule you are severely limiting the number of companies that can compete for this Project. Very large companies such as Blount Construction have this but their interest in a small municipal contract like this is minimal. They are in the business of BUILDING NEW UTILITIES (NEW roads, and drainage systems), not “maintaining” City streets and fixing potholes and small storm drains.

**SUGGESTION:**

Respectfully, I would like to suggest you remove this requirement OR consider giving the successful contractor sufficient time of up to six months to obtain this license if you deem it of great importance. To ensure maximum competition for this contract, please add a sentence in this Item which states:

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*“The company shall have a current Utility Contractor’s License in the State of Georgia, OR present proof of experience with a minimum of ten (10) years performing similar street and drainage maintenance services with other comparable municipalities AND provide at least 2 references who will confirm their knowledge of that work record AND, CONCURRENTLY, make a good faith effort to obtain the Utility Certificate within 180 days of contract award.”*

The City of Tucker does more extensive work. As such, the City will require a Utility Contractor’s License in the State of Georgia. If unable to provide one in a timely manner, the proposer may elect to team with a sub-contractor to obtain the license. Keep in mind that the sub-contractor will need to be identified in the proposal.

3. **Item A. General Scope of Work, Item 6:** Basic Equipment, includes a “tandem” axle dump truck availability for both Streets and Drainage Department use.” Our tandem axle dump truck in Brookhaven sat at the City barn for four years because we found that size vehicle too large and unwieldy in the small streets of Brookhaven. Instead, we used a single axle dump truck as it was much easier to maneuver and much safer when considering the small children on those same narrow streets.

SO, we DO AND CAN have a tandem axle truck “available” if it should be needed however, we suggest reconsideration of that requirement if you are demanding a “FULL TIME BASIS”? That item cost well over \$ 100,000. With one day’s notice we can have a tandem axle dump and driver on site in Tucker. We suggest this availability should be sufficient to meet the City’s needs. Does the City really want or need us to invest in such a large piece of equipment and make it a component of the budget if it will not be used routinely and only parked in the lay down yard?

A single axle AND a tandem axle truck will need to be on-site on a full-time basis. In the event the truck needs maintenance or repairs, a loaner truck shall be provided at no additional cost to the City.

4. **Item B. Detailed Scope of Work** fails to sufficiently describe the limits of the work expected of the four (4) man crew. In other municipalities, the maximum size road repair was described (typically 10 X 10). Anything larger than that was contracted out with a subcontractor and the cost passed thru directly to the City. As currently written, we have no assurance the city will not demand major paving improvements of our small staff. LIMITS MUST BE SET.

This happened in Brookhaven as the City demanded we tackle repaving of major City streets up to 250-400 feet of double lane asphalt, with a small crew. This was both unsafe and impractical. With a crew of 4 we can easily handle ALL of the smaller more routine patching and pothole jobs, etc. but not major street improvement

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projects. A street repair size limit needs to be specified, as well as sidewalk and curbing. Anything beyond those pre agreed limits should be contracted out, competitively. Optech is happy to secure prices for consideration by the City's engineer for those major street improvements.

Unfortunately, there is not a "typical" repair area. The City of Public Works have completed patches as small as 2ft by 2ft, and as large as 12ft by 400ft. We are aware of the limitations of equipment and are willing to rent larger equipment at the discretion of the Public Works Director or designee. It's critical that the crews provided to the City has the understanding, competency, and willingness to safely and efficiently operate larger machines as needed.

5. In addition, the current Cost Proposal Rate Sheet requests "unit costs" for a wide range of items and asks for both "labor and materials". If our staff is providing those services up to a preset limit, then why are we giving you unit prices to again include more labor? We are happy to provide unit prices but respectfully suggest it be for the "larger" work described previously, requiring subcontractor assistance.

Unit rates are for additional work, emergency work, or work outside the normal operations. These rates are predetermined such that the City has a contractual method of financially compensating the contractor providing the services. It is critical to provide a rate.

6. **Item C. Equipment/Personnel and Storage, Item 1**, states: *"Subcontractors may be utilized to fulfill the requirements of the scope outlined in this RFP."*
  - a) Does this include the tandem axle dump truck or other road repair equipment required as referenced in (2), above?

Yes. Subcontractors may be used to fulfill this RFP and contract. If it's your desire to lease, rent, or provide a tandem axle dump truck to the City on a full-time basis, that is dependent on your business operations.

- b) If a Subcontractor/Partner of Optech has the "Utility Contractor's License" it appears that is acceptable based on the current RFP language written above. Isn't that correct?

That is correct. A subcontractor may elect to use their license. By doing so, they accept the work completed by Optech crews or any combination of labor versus utility license owner. Ultimately, if a subcontractor's license is being submitted – it's their responsibility to ensure the quality, permitting, etc.