

CITY OF TAUNTON
Department of Public Works
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (“RFP”)
FOR THE PROVISION OF MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER RESIDUALS
DISPOSAL SERVICES AND FACILITIES

SECTION 1
INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The City of Taunton is requesting proposals to identify the lowest cost option for disposal of the wastewater residuals (hereinafter referred to as “biosolids”) from its waste water treatment plant using an environmentally sound process. The city is offering for lease an approximately four (4) acre portion of the city’s closed landfill site, which was previously site-assigned by Mass DEP, for the potential development of a privately owned and operated municipal biosolids disposal facility. A plan depicting said site and legal description are included together as Attachment A to this RFP. This site, although relatively small in size, may be suitable to construct and operate a facility that would process biosolids from the City’s wastewater treatment plant and the region. By hosting such a facility, the City would expect host community fees and/or other financial benefits, such as most favored costs for biosolids disposal. The City will not participate in project development costs. The project is to be funded in its entirety by the respondent selected through this RFP process.

The City’s wastewater treatment plant does not have any available area on which to construct a biosolids disposal facility. The city has no site assigned parcels available to locate a biosolids disposal facility, other than the landfill site.

A respondent does not have to propose that its facility would be located on the City’s landfill site. Respondents can propose facilities at their own sites within or outside of Taunton. However, as one of the City’s goals is to re-use the closed landfill site, use of said site will be a factor in assessing responses to this RFP.

Proposals will be evaluated with great weight on the total financial benefit to the City, but the City will consider all evaluation criteria stated in this request for proposals, including, for example, the overall environmental benefits, environmental sustainability, and minimization of greenhouse gas emissions associated with the proposals. Possible financial benefits to the City

would include host community fees, ground lease payments, most favored costs for biosolids disposal and any other payments or fees that would benefit the City as a result of the project proposal. Specific dollar figures should be stated in addition to any formulas or percentages that describe financial benefits of proposals.

1.2 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Taunton wastewater treatment plant is located at 825 West Water Street. The plant treats 8.4 million gallons of wastewater per day and generates approximately 8 tons of wastewater residuals (i.e., biosolids) per day. The WWTF biosolids are currently thickened by gravity and dewatered in centrifuges into approximately 20% solids biosolids cake. The City of Taunton does not have a biosolids disposal facility of any kind. Biosolids from the wastewater treatment plant presently are transported by truck to a facility in Naugatuck, Connecticut. Said facility utilizes an incineration disposal process. The city's present contractual arrangements for the disposal of biosolids will expire in the near future. Greenhouse gas emissions are associated with both the transportation of the biosolids and the disposal process utilized at the Connecticut facility.

The City of Taunton landfill is located at 360 East Britannia Street, Taunton. The landfill reached capacity and was required to cease accepting solid waste and WWTF biosolids for landfilling as of May 1, 2020. Prior to said closure the landfill annually generated revenue to the City of approximately \$1.5 million annually.

The portion of the previously Mass DEP site-assigned landfill site that is being offered for lease for development of a biosolids disposal facility consists of approximately four (4) acres. Said four acres is a portion of the City's eighty-four acre closed landfill site, is adjacent to the area occupied by the landfill, and was most recently used as the location for the City's convenience center for public drop off of solid waste and recyclables. Said four acre area is accessible from East Britannia Street.

The City has a drop off convenience center for recyclable products that occupies a portion of the four (4) acre area that is available. Respondent that propose to use the landfill site must either share space with the recycling center or, the convenience center could be relocated to another area on the site at the respondent's expense to accommodate the respondent's facility. Respondents proposing to use the landfill site should therefore address whether the convenience center may remain in its present location under their proposals, or whether the convenience center will need to be relocated.

The City estimates a fair market value of a land lease for the four (4) acre portion of the landfill site at approximately \$46,800 in year one, based on City assessor calculations. Therefore the

City expects that any proposal to lease said area includes appropriate compensation of at least said amount initially, with an escalator for subsequent years of the lease.

1.3 PURPOSES AND GOALS

The City's primary purposes and goals in soliciting proposals are:

1. To obtain a cost effective option for disposal of biosolids from the City's wastewater treatment plant;
2. To dispose of the City's biosolids in an environmentally beneficial and sustainable manner;
3. Compliance with all applicable laws and regulations concerning the processing and disposal of biosolids, and at a facility that has a likelihood of obtaining the necessary permitting approvals by the pertinent regulatory authorities;
4. Minimization of greenhouse gas emissions generated by the biosolids disposal process, including but not limited to emissions associated with transporting biosolids to the disposal facility and the emissions associated with the disposal process itself;
5. Site leasing at the landfill to generate revenue to offset the revenue lost following landfill closure, and associated re-use of the portion of the landfill site that is presently underutilized due to the landfill closure

1.4 AUTHORITY

The lease of City land and the development of a biosolids disposal facility on City land (if City land is utilized) City are procurements governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Ordinances of the City of Taunton, and are subject to the following laws, among others: M.G.L. Chapter 30B, §§ 1(e), 6(j) and 16; Chapter 362 of the Acts of 1996.

1.5 SCOPE OF WORK

1.5.1 Anticipated Respondent Undertakings and Requirements.

The successful respondent will have responsibility for the design, financing, construction, ownership, operation and maintenance of its biosolids disposal facility, whether located on the City's landfill site under a lease with the City, or at another location. The Respondent will also be responsible for applying for and securing all required permits, approvals and permissions associated with its biosolids disposal activities and facility.

The Respondent will be solely responsible for the financial arrangements of the project, including the sale of any offtake products. The respondent will pay the City a host community

fee for all biosolids received from non-City sources if the respondent's facility is located in Taunton.

The respondent will be solely responsible for obtaining commitments for the delivery of non-City biosolids to its facility, if located in Taunton. In its proposal, the respondent must provide a plan for generating such commitments as will be required for the size of such facility as it may be proposing to develop in Taunton.

The City will need an alternate disposal option for its biosolids in the third quarter of CY 2023 our target date. A project proposed must present a detailed schedule and discuss where in development process it will be on the target date.

The City will only accept proposals from firms that have an existing project of similar type and size either operational or financed and under construction at the time of the proposal submission.

1.5.2 Anticipated City Undertakings.

The City is prepared to provide the following in support of the project:

- a. Approximately four (4) acres at the City's landfill site, subject to a successfully negotiated site lease;
- b. A contractual commitment to supply the biosolids from the City's wastewater treatment plant to the selected respondent's facility, ;
- c. Cooperation in obtaining permits, approvals and permissions; and,
- d. Assistance with grant applications or financial incentive programs.

Any fees paid for the services provided will be subject to reduction based on the host community benefits and potential lease arrangement for a site provided by the City, if any.

1.5.3 Contractual Arrangements.

The relationship between the City and the selected respondent will be embodied in a Service Agreement for the disposal of the City's biosolids; a Ground Lease Agreement for the City landfill site, if utilized by the selected respondent; and a Host Community Agreement, if the selected respondent's facility is to be located in Taunton. In their proposals, respondents should provide the City with a synopsis of any proposed terms and conditions that they desire for said agreement(s) (see Section 2). The City is especially interested in the proposed length of term of the project required by the respondent, and any pricing terms for its services.

1.6 AVAILABILITY OF RFP DOCUMENTS

The RFP documents will be available exclusively through the City of Taunton bid portal located on the City of Taunton website. You can access the City of Taunton bid portal by following this link: <https://www.taunton-ma.gov/bids>.

One can also navigate to the RFP documents by going to the City of Taunton website (Taunton-ma.gov), click on FIND IT FAST, then select REQUEST for Bids in the pop up find it fast listings.

To access the RFP you must register at the bid portal. Click on the project you are interested in. Then complete the form under SUBSCRIBE TO UPDATES. When this is complete you will then find the original RFP. Only registered RFP takers will be notified by email of Addenda being issued. However, when you go back to the bid portal, any addenda will come up immediately when you click on the project, without registering again. Furthermore, if you want to see the original document you would need to go through the registration process again. If you have difficulty please call the DPW at 508-821-1431 for assistance. Thank you for your interest in our project.

1.6. RFP QUESTIONS AND CONTACTS

If any interested party is in doubt as to the true meaning of any part of this RFP, it may submit a written request for an interpretation or clarification. Inquiries must be emailed to Terry Garcia TGarcia@Taunton-ma.gov. Verbal, unwritten requests will not be honored. The deadline for submittal of questions shall be close of business on Thursday July 22, 2021. The answers to all questions received by that deadline, together with any additional information that the City needs to provide, shall be the subject of an RFP addendum. Such an RFP addendum shall be issued on or before Monday July, 26, 2021. Entities submitting proposals shall acknowledge receipt of any RFP addendum in the proposal cover letter. Addenda will be posted on the City's website and via the City's bid portal (the bid portal is described in further detail below). All addenda shall become part of the contract documents.

1.7. LANDFILL SITE VISIT

A site inspection of the landfill property is required for those proposing to locate a facility on the landfill site. Site visits must be reserved in advance and will be limited to only one proposer at a time. **Please contact Theresa Garcia, Law Department, at 508-821-1146 or via email at TGarcia@Taunton-ma.gov to schedule your visit.** All visits will be scheduled for the period starting Wednesday July 7, 2021 through Friday July 16, 2021. Please call any time prior to the inspection period to schedule your visit. The City landfill is located at 360 East Britannia Street. Proceed to the Convenience Center trailer for assistance on where to park. Please note that this

site is an active construction site for the capping and closure of the landfill and unaccompanied persons are not welcome to roam the area without an escort.

SECTION 2 PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

2.1 DUE DATE AND SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

The deadline for the submittal of responses at the Taunton Law Department, Attn: City solicitor, located at 15 Summer Street, Taunton MA 02780 is 12 pm Noon on Friday July 30, 2021. Respondents are requested to submit 1 original unbound proposal and four (4) copies, as well as an electronic copy on CD/DVD or thumb drive. The City of Taunton expects to select a respondent for further discussions no later than 14 days from the submittal deadline. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Interested parties may obtain the RFP package at the City bid portal located on the City website as set forth above in section 1.6.

All proposals submitted in response to this RFP shall conform to the information, requirements, procedures and instructions provided. The submitted proposal shall be securely sealed in an envelope labeled "Response to RFP for Biosolids Land Lease."

2.2. FORMAT FOR RESPONSE TO RFP

In order to enhance this process and provide each Respondent an equal opportunity for consideration, adherence to a standardized response format is required. The format of each proposal submitted in response to this RFP must contain the following elements in the order listed below, organized into these separate numbered sections/chapters:

1. Cover Letter
2. Executive Summary
3. Description of Proposed Technology
4. Environmental Suitability of Project
5. Respondent Experience and Qualifications
6. Proposed Plan and Project Understanding
7. Key Team Personnel Qualifications and Experience
8. Respondent Financial Condition
9. Desired Business Relationship and Comments on Proposed Service Agreement
10. References
11. Supporting Material

The following ten numbered paragraphs provide guidelines to each respondent for the information to provide in its proposal, including the page limits for each of the sections:

- 1. Cover Letter (Two pages or less)**

The cover letter must be on the respondent's letterhead and signed by a representative of the respondent with the authority to enter into contracts with the City on the respondent's behalf. It must contain at least the following information:

- a. Full name and location of the respondent;
- b. Identification of any other member organization of the respondent's team and a discussion of the planned role for each entity;
- c. A brief summary of the proposed technology used for the respondent's biosolids disposal process, describing its status, the locations at which the technology has been used, any outstanding features of the technology and its proposed utilization for the City's biosolids disposal.
- d. Acknowledgement of the receipt of all RFP addenda.

2. **Executive Summary (three pages or less)**

The executive summary must be presented as a separable document summarizing in clear and concise language the information contained in all other parts of the proposal, and shall include an introduction and overview section and a conclusion. The executive summary should be drafted so that it may be easily understood by persons not having a technical background. Respondents should understand that the City may distribute the executive summary to public officials, representatives of public interest groups, and other major project participants. Accordingly, a respondent should not include any data in the executive summary that the respondent wishes to remain confidential. The executive summary should not contain any price, cost, or economic data. The City assumes no liability for disclosure or use of any data presented in the executive summary.

3. **Description of Proposed Technology (Ten pages or less)**

This section of the response allows the respondent to present the system being offered for biosolids disposal. It should describe the type of processing, treatment or disposal technology being proposed, including the methodology, proposed throughput, inputs and outputs. The description should include, for example, a process flow diagram, general equipment arrangement, mass balance, and system performance data. If applicable, the need for interconnecting with the electrical utility should be identified. Any unique or outstanding feature of the technology should be presented, along with a description of the energy/products produced, the types of air emissions and waste products generated and how they will be managed, any pre-processing of biosolids required prior to its introduction to the technology, and the nature and amount of process residue produced.

For the purposes of this RFP, any existing process for biosolids disposal is an applicable technology. Any respondent proposing to use a transfer station must also describe the ultimate disposal/processing facility, or facilities, it intends to use, and provide a description of those

facilities and their owners/operators, in addition to the transfer station, in accordance with all of the appropriate sections of the RFP.

The material presented should be descriptive only – any calculations, formulae, academic papers, articles, test results, press releases or other supporting material should be referenced and included in the Supporting Material section at the end of the response submittal.

4. Environmental Suitability of Project

The City is committed to only allowing a project on the landfill site that has been fully vetted through the State of Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, MEPA and determined suitable for the City site. This is a commitment that the City has made to its residents, especially those living in the vicinity of the landfill, to ensure that an independent environmental regulating authority has determined after a comprehensive environmental review the suitability of a project for this site. To satisfy this requirement, proposers will have to comply with one of two options. Option (A) requires demonstrating their project's ongoing compliance with the MEPA requirement or option (B) agree that they will voluntarily request a full environmental review in the form of an Environmental Impact Report as part of their permitting process. This condition applies for any project that is proposed to be located within the city of Taunton.

Documentation requirement for Option (A)

Submit a copy of the environmental notification form (ENF) document as submitted to MEPA and the Certificate issued by MEPA on the ENF. If already published, submit all draft EIR and Final EIR documents and MEPA certificates. If the EIR documents are being developed, include a statement to this effect and indicate the projected date for the next document submission to MEPA.

Documentation requirement for Option (B)

Develop and submit a thorough and complete draft environmental notification form (ENF) document with all required attachments. You do not need to make a submission to MEPA at this time but must demonstrate the ability to submit immediately to MEPA should your project be accepted.

5. Respondent Experience and Qualifications (Eight pages or less)

The purpose of this section is to provide the City with an overview description of the Respondent's organization and the Respondent's current and prior experience in applying its technology to biosolids disposal. The Respondent should:

- a. Summarize the organization of the company, a brief business history, current principal place of business, size, number and types of employees, and any other relevant organizational information. If the respondent's team includes other organizations (e.g.,

major technology providers, joint venture partners, guarantors, etc.), such information should be provided for each organization that is part of the respondent's team.

- Present the respondent's experience record in applying the proposed technology, including the location, size (ton/day, ton/year, etc.), operating history and performance characteristics of each installation. For each cited installation, Respondent should describe: the nature of its involvement with the installation,
- the name of the owner and/or host of the facility, if not the Respondent,
- the length of time that the facility has been in operation, including the start date and end date (if no longer in operation), and if not currently operating, the reason for the cessation.

If an installation cited is not the respondent's, then the Respondent should identify the entity that developed that installation and the relationship of that entity to the Respondent.

5. Proposed Plan and Project Understanding (four pages or less)

The Respondent shall provide an organized, narrative explanation evidencing the Respondent's understanding of the Project. The narrative shall exhibit the Respondent's understanding of each of the following items:

- a. The technical and managerial scope of this Project, including a projected detailed milestone schedule of Project tasks from reaching a contract with the City through planning, permitting, design, construction, startup and full operational status;
- b. Discuss all other critical actions that still need to occur to make the project viable. Provide your assumptions on the timing when these actions will be resolved during the project schedule.
- c. Discuss all byproducts of your process and explain how and where they will be disposed.
- d. If your proposal includes leasing the site at the City landfill, then present a detailed sketch showing the location of the facilities on the site map. Include marked planned traffic flow notes.
- e. The City's objectives and requirements;
- f. The key project issues, constraints, challenges and opportunities, including the operating and management environment that will be encountered.

6. Key Team Personnel Qualifications and Experience (Six pages or less)

This section should include the qualifications of the key management and technical staff of the Respondent, especially those involved with the development of the technology being offered. For each individual, include a resume or description of his/her education and professional experience.

7. Respondent Financial Condition (Six pages or less)

In this section, the Respondent should provide financial information that the City can use to determine the Respondent's financial capabilities. Such information includes, as available:

- a. Documentation and discussion of the financial condition and capacity of the Respondent and its financial resources. Any annual reports or financial filings should be included only as supplemental information to the Respondent's proposal submittal in Section 8;
- b. Financial statements, including income statements, balance sheets, and changes in financial position, for the past three (3) years;
- c. Current credit rating of the firm's senior and subordinate debt, if any and any rating agency reports issued during the last five years.

8. Desired Business Relationship (Five pages or less)

The City expects to enter into a Service Agreement that embodies the proposed business relationship between the City and the selected respondent, as well as a Lease Agreement for the City landfill site, if utilized by the selected respondent, and a Host Community Agreement, if the selected respondent's facility is to be located in Taunton. Respondents are invited to propose terms and conditions for said agreements, as well as the incorporation of economic and operational terms that have yet to be identified, such as the length of the initial term, proposed pricing for biosolids disposal, financing requirements, etc. Respondents, in this section, should propose arrangements for revenue sharing; assignment of environmental attributes; lease, purchase or asset acquisition models for the facility site; reversion, transfer and valuation of depreciated facilities and or equipment at the end of Term; and any other advantageous economic arrangement that would benefit the City.

Financial elements and benefits to the City should be stated in specific dollar amounts in addition to percentages or formulas that are set forth with the proposal.

The City estimates a fair market value of a land lease for the four (4) acre portion of the landfill site at approximately \$46,800 in year one, based on City assessor values. Therefore the City expects that any proposal to lease said area includes appropriate compensation of at least said amount initially, with an escalator for subsequent years of the lease.

This section of the submittal should also be used by the Respondent to describe its plan to solicit and obtain delivery commitments for biosolids from communities other than Taunton. The plan should describe the Respondent's experience with marketing its facilities to potential users, with specific examples of the methods used and the outcomes obtained.

9. References

In this section, Respondents should provide the City with at least four (4) references that the City can use to attest to the information provided in the proposal. Such references must include:

- a. At least two (2) references from a significant customer or user not affiliated with the Respondent that uses the Respondent's facilities;
- b. One reference from a bank or institutional lender that has recently extended credit to the Respondent, or with which the Respondent has maintained a current banking relationship; and,
- c. At least one reference of a major, independent supplier of the Respondent.

10. Supporting Materials

In this section, Respondents may include material that details or amplifies the description of their technology and experience. Respondents may subdivide this section in any way that conveniently organizes their supporting material.

Additionally respondents shall submit the Non Collusion Statement included with this RFP as Attachment B.

2.3 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Proposals made in response to this RFP may contain technical, financial or other data whose public disclosure could constitute a trade secret. To protect such data from disclosure, the Proposer should specifically identify the pages of the proposal that contain confidential information by identifying the specific portions of the proposal that it believes to constitute trade secrets or are otherwise exempt from public disclosure under the Public Record Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

SECTION 3 SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR

3.1 Selection Process

The opening of responses to this RFP shall not be open to the public (including respondents), and the contents of all proposals shall be kept confidential until the later of (i) completion of the evaluation process and discontinuance of the procurement for biosolids disposal, or (ii) award of a contract either as a result of this RFP or through a subsequent phase of this procurement.

The proposals will be opened only in the presence of one or more City employees or officials. The proposals will be initially reviewed by a committee consisting of at least the Commissioner of Public Works, Assistant Commissioner of Public Works, City Solicitor, and the Mayor ("the Committee"). The contents of the proposals shall remain confidential, and shall not be

disclosed to competing contractors until the completion of the evaluation or until the maximum time for acceptance, as stated below (see Section 3.3). At the opening of proposals, the Mayor or her designee shall prepare a register of responses to the RFP for public inspection.

The City shall have the right to reject any or all proposals if it shall be deemed to be in the best interest of the City to do so.

All proposals shall be evaluated by the City based on the evaluation criteria described below.

3.2 Evaluation Criteria

The Committee will employ the recommended model for an evaluation and rating system as presented in the Massachusetts Inspector General's guidance document for Chapter 30B projects. The evaluation of the proposals will use the following criteria:

Evaluation Criteria:

1. Technology Applicability and Maturity (see Section 2.2.3)
2. Respondent's Proposed Plan and Project Understanding (see Section 2.2.5)
3. Respondent's Experience and Qualifications (see Section 2.2.4)
4. Project Team Personnel Qualifications (see Section 2.2.6)
5. Respondent's Financial Capability (see Section 2.2.7)
6. Financial benefit to the City, including but not limited to: (1) cost for the City's biosolids to be processed at the respondent's facility; (2) Host Community Payments (if the respondent's facility is located in the City); (3) lease payments to the City (if located on the City landfill site).
7. Environmental soundness of the proposal, factoring in: likely environmental impacts associated with the proposal; environmental sustainability of the proposal; greenhouse gas emissions associated with the proposal, inclusive of transportation associated with disposal.
8. Proposed use of the City's available four (4) acre landfill site location
9. Likelihood of the project to meet our projected target date for operational status.
10. Overall responsiveness to the RFP.

For each evaluation criterion described above, the Evaluation Committee shall assign a non-numeric rating of highly advantageous, advantageous, not advantageous, or unacceptable, and the reasons for the rating. The Evaluation Committee shall then provide a narrative, composite rating for each proposal, explaining in detail the reasons for the rating.

The City reserves the option to require an interview of one or more of the respondents.

The Committee may make such reasonable investigations as it deems proper and necessary to determine the ability of the respondent to provide the services. The Committee and/or its representative(s) reserve the right to inspect the respondents' installation(s) to satisfy questions regarding the firm's capabilities.

3.3 Rule for Award

The Committee will make a recommendation to the Mayor for further discussions based on the narrative, composite rating prepared in accordance with Section III., above, and upon completed reference checking. The Mayor and Committee shall identify the Offeror(s) chosen for further discussions. The finalist's proposal will be subject to approval by the Municipal Council.

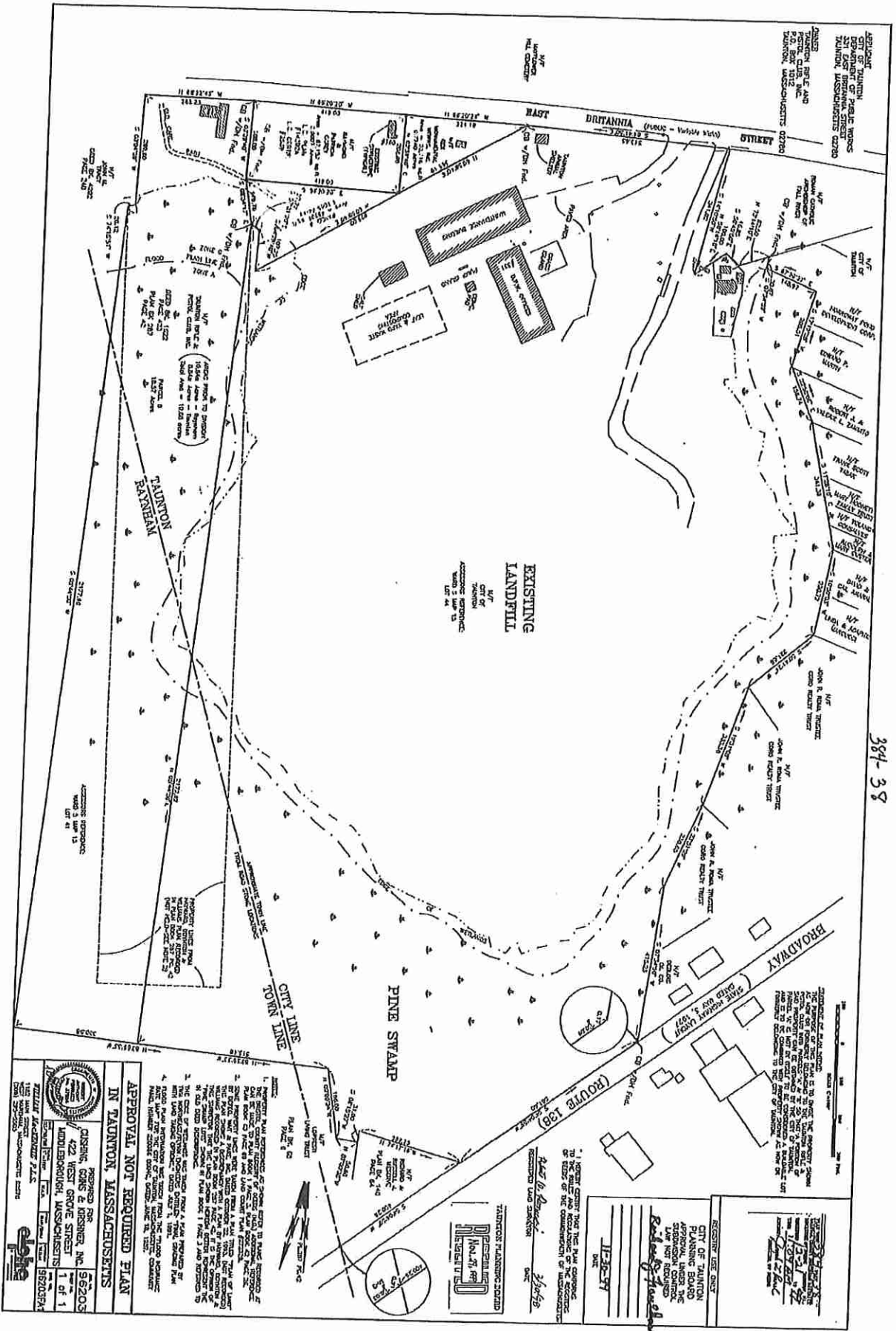
ATTACHMENT A

TAUNTON LANDFILL SITE -- POTENTIAL LEASE AREA

Plan and Legal Description

(Potential lease area is highlighted on the plan)

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC: THIS PLAN IS A PRELIMINARY PLAN AND IS SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE BOARD OF HEALTH HAS REVIEWED THIS PLAN AND HAS FOUND IT TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HEALTH CODE. THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS REVIEWED THIS PLAN AND HAS FOUND IT TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT. THIS PLAN IS NOT TO BE CONSIDERED A FINAL PLAN UNTIL IT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

REGISTERED LAND ENGINEER
 DATE: 11-26-97
 CITY OF TAUNTON
 PLANNING BOARD
 APPROVAL UNDER THE
 LAND USE ACT
 DATE: 11-26-97
 REGISTERED LAND ENGINEER
 DATE: 11-26-97

TAUNTON PLANNING BOARD
 RECEIVED AND
 FILED IN FILE # 384-38
 DATE: 11-26-97

1. REVISIONS TO THIS PLAN ARE TO BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HEALTH CODE AND THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT.
2. THE BOARD OF HEALTH HAS REVIEWED THIS PLAN AND HAS FOUND IT TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HEALTH CODE.
3. THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS REVIEWED THIS PLAN AND HAS FOUND IT TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS ACT.
4. THIS PLAN IS NOT TO BE CONSIDERED A FINAL PLAN UNTIL IT HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED PLAN
IN TAUNTON, MASSACHUSETTS

APPROVED FOR:
 CHAS. G. ...
 422 WEST GROVE STREET
 TAUNTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01962

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TAUNTON LANDFILL SITE – POTENTIAL LEASE AREA

Legal Description

Beginning on the Northern sideline of East Britannia Street, a public way with a variable width.

Thence N 60°58'40" E a distance of 825.00';

Thence S 04°28'40" W a distance of 107.25';

Thence S 57°31'20" E a distance of 27.72';

Thence S 08°54'17" E a distance of 119.76';

Thence S 03°39'40" E a distance of 208.00';

Thence N 86°20'20" W a distance of 419.00';

Thence N 86°20'24" W a distance of 324.19' to the point of beginning.

The lease area is 169,069 square feet = 3.8875 acres.

ATTACHMENT B

NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT

To: The Honorable Shaunna O'Connell
Mayor and Chief Procurement Officer
City Hall
15 Summer Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Re: Request for Proposals for the Provision of Municipal Wastewater Residuals
Disposal Services and Facilities

The undersigned hereby certifies on behalf of the proposer
_____ (name of proposer) that said proposer has not, either
directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or
otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with
this Proposal submitted on the _____ day of _____, 2021.

Submitted on the pains and penalties of perjury:

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

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ADDENDUM #1
Issued July 28, 2021

The following changes are made to the RFP Document:

1. Section 2.1: The date for submission of the Proposal is changed from 12 pm Noon on Friday July 30, 2021 to 12 pm noon on Tuesday August 17, 2021.
2. Section 1.6: The date for submission of RFP Questions is changed from the close of business on Thursday July 22, 2021 to the close of business on August 9, 2021.
3. Section 1.7: The period for scheduling landfill site visits has been changed from "All visits will be scheduled for the period- starting Wednesday July 7, 2021 through Friday July 16, 2021" to "All visits will be scheduled for the period starting Wednesday July 7, 2021 through Monday August 9, 2021."

END OF CHANGES

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ADDENDUM #2 Issued August 13, 2021

This addendum is for informational purposes only and does not require any additional information to be supplied with a proposal.

This information is being supplied proposers to supplement the information in the original RFP document, Section 3 "Selection of Contractor" on the process to be followed in selecting the successful proposal for further negotiation.

This addendum explains and presents the rating system to be used in evaluating the proposals submitted.

The Mayor of the city of Taunton is the City's Chief Procurement Officer and will oversee the proposal review process.

Proposals will be reviewed in two steps; step 1 will evaluate the technical and other non-cost evaluation criteria as shown in the attached rating form, and then step 2, the cost information, supplied in section 8. "Desired Business Relationship". Step one shall be completed first and the top 3 rated proposals will then move on to step two, for further evaluation of the cost and benefits to the city. The City's objective is to obtain the necessary services to deal with the City's biosolids long term at the lowest possible cost to the City.

The RFP invites a broad spectrum of projects to apply, including projects that might benefit from using the City's landfill site and others that do not need the landfill site. We have opted for full inclusion of projects to allow finding the best possible, environmentally sound and cost effective solution for the City's biosolids problem both now and into the future. We wish to make clear, that proposals that do not include using the city's landfill site will neither benefit from or be penalized when considering Item 7 on the attached rating sheet. A normalization procedure will be used to allow fair comparisons to those using and those not using the landfill site.

Attached is the Proposal Rating Sheet that will be used in evaluating proposals.

End of addendum #2

PROPOSAL RATING SHEET

REVIEWED BY _____

PROPOSER: _____

DATE RECEIVED: _____

PROPOSAL RATING SECTION

highly
advantageous advantageous not
advantageous advantageous unacceptable

1 Technology Applicability and Maturity (see Section 2.2.3)

score value	8	4	0	-8
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2 Respondent's Proposed Plan and Project Understanding (see Section 2.2.5)

score value	8	4	0	-8
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3 Respondent's Experience and Qualifications (see Section 2.2.4)

score value	12	6	0	-12
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4 Project Team Personnel Qualifications (see Section 2.2.6)

score value	10	5	0	-10
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5 Respondent's Financial Capability (see Section 2.2.7)

score value	10	5	0	-10
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6 Environmental soundness of the proposal, factoring in: likely environmental impacts associated with the proposal; environmental sustainability of the proposal; greenhouse gas emissions associated with the proposal, inclusive of transportation associated with disposal.

score value	18	9	0	-18
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7 Proposed use of the City's available four (4) acre landfill site location

score value	2	4	0	-8
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8 Likelihood project will meet projected target date for operational status.

score value	10	5	0	-10
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9 Overall responsiveness to the RFP.

score value	16	8	0	-16
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TOTALS

Grand Total				
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this section to be evaluated following completion of the project technical review
 10 Financial benefit to the City, including but not limited to: (1) cost for the City's biosolids to be processed at the respondent's facility; (2) Host Community Payments (if the respondent's facility is located in the City); (3) lease payments to the City (if located on the City landfill site).