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ADDENDUM #1

INVITATION FOR BID #21-01 EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES

THIS ADDENDUM IS TO: ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW:

Q1. In section III of the RFP ("MINIMUM CRITERIA"), the RFP states that the City will only consider responses from Contractors who meet all of the criteria items, A-F. The second item ("B") states that the proposer must currently hold "at least two municipal contracts to provide ALS and BLS emergency response in OEMS Regions III, IV or V."

AMR holds EMS contracts in Springfield, Greenfield, and Milford (as well as a backup EMS contract in Worcester). However, we do not have at least 2 municipal contracts in Regions III, IV or V. As such, would the City consider a response from AMR?

A1. Per conversations with working ground we will not accept bids from Contractors outside OEMS Regions III, IV or V.

Q2. Good afternoon, we are in receipt of this RFP and plan to formulate a response. However, we are concerned about the timeline that the City has put in place. There are many considerations to be made and evaluated, as we consider the best response to the City of Newton's request.

Will the City consider extending the submission deadline? If the City does not extend the deadline, will the City allow for electronic submission of proposals?

A2. The deadline for proposal submission remains August 6, 2020 at 10:00AM, Room 108, Newton City Hall, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, Massachusetts. No electronic proposals will be accepted. All proposals must be in a sealed envelope.

Q3. The RFP lists 10,000 provider runs annually. How many of those runs are transports? How many are patient refusals? How many are cancellations?

A3. Newton Fire does not record patient transports or patient refusals. That information is a function of EMS provider.

All other terms and conditions of this bid remain unchanged.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU ACKNOWLEDGE ALL ADDENDA ON YOUR BID FORM. FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL ADDENDA COULD RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID AS NONRESPONSIVE.

Thank you.

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