

TOWN OF RIDGWAY

DUCTILE IRON PIPE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

QUESTION / ANSWER NO. 2

Q: Since we are to follow the alignment of the existing line, would it be possible to have a bid item added for any unforeseen fittings that may arise in the excavation of the line? Such as where a fitting angle or size must be increased in order to make a connection, 11.25° to 22.5° or 6" to 8". **A: The specs require the contractor excavate in advance of each tie in and that they locate the tee or cross in the location needed to align with the connection point in a straight line.**

Q: Can unit prices for fittings be added to the unit price list to account for sharp changes in slope. **A: We have added some unit price items by addendum 2. However, the Town only allows vertical fittings where extra depth will result in a depth of cover in excess of 6-1/2'.**

Q: Due to extended lead times on Mueller brand gate valves, will Kennedy Valve gate valves meeting AWWA C515 standards be accepted for use on this project? **A: This question was submitted without a cut sheet for the specific valve being proposed. At this late date in the bidding process, we cannot provide an answer to this question. This will need to be submitted as an alternate for evaluation during the submittal process.**

Q: Manufacturers are informing us that they do not make DR7 DIPS HDPE x MJ adapters. Will DR9 DIPS HDPE X MJ Adapter with a 250 PSI pressure rating be accepted for this project? **A: DR 9 will be acceptable in this specific situation.**

Q: Will the Town allow the selected GC to do a portion of the work in the Fall of 2024 and come back in the Spring of 2025 to complete the project? **A: Yes**

Will the 120 Calendar Day contract time will be paused for a winter shutdown, correct? **A: Yes**

#3. Concerning the schedule of dates, if the selected GC intended to start the project in the Fall of 2024 and cease their work by November 15th as stated in the Pre-Bid meeting notes, is there a specific date in the Spring of 2025 that construction can continue? Or is it just as soon as the weather allows? **A: The Town Standards allow excavation and backfill from 3/15 - 11/15.**