

**Town of St. George
Uptown/Little Harlem Neighborhood Revitalization
Dorchester County, South Carolina
CDBG Project #4-NR-19-002**

REQUEST FOR BIDS

ADDENDUM #1

**Addendum Issue Date:
Tuesday June 22, 2021**

**Bids Due By:
Monday, June 28, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.**

to

**Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments
5790 Casper Padgett Way
North Charleston, SC 29406**

**Addendum 1:
Questions and Responses**

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Question 1: After looking through them I see that “bidders must make a positive effort to use small and minority owned businesses...” and there are Section 3 documents that must be completed and returned with our bid. [We are] a minority owned business, however, we do not qualify for Section 3. Is it required for us to qualify for this or can we still bid this job?

Response 1: Section 3 guidelines require that the Town, as the Grantee, “must make all bidders and contractors aware of the Section 3 requirements and take appropriate steps to promote and encourage the hiring of Section 3 residents and businesses.” Based on CDBG guidance, there is a preference for Section 3 Businesses in the evaluation of bids or proposals, but that does not supersede the general requirement to procure contractors in a competitive manner. It should not preclude you from submitting a bid on the project.

Question 2: Are you requiring a bid bond?

Response 2: There is no bid bond required.

Question 3: Is water and electricity available or will we need to supply our own?

Response 3: All of the homes proposed for demolition have been disconnected from utilities for many months. Water and/or electricity *may* be available from the utility providers at a location nearby, but it should not be assumed that water or electricity will be available at the project sites.

Please be reminded that all bids are due prior to the Public Bid Opening that will be held at **2:00 P.M. on MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2021** at the office of the **Berkeley-Charleston-Dorchester Council of Governments, 5790 Casper Padgett Way, North Charleston, SC 29406.**