ADDENDUM #1

Date:	**September 15, 2026**
RFP/RFB Number:	**26-089**
Title:	**Holly Springs Library & Cultural Arts Center Landscape Improvements**
Owner:	**Wake County Procurement Services**

The following questions have been answered as well as clarifications from the Pre-Bid Meeting Agenda have been noted for RFP #26-089.

A Pre-Bid Meeting was held on site on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 10:00am. The last day for questions was Friday September 11, 2026, at 5:00pm.

The due date for bids is **Thursday, September 24, 2026,** at 3:00pm EST. Sealed proposals will be received by Wake County Procurement Services, at Suite 2900, Wake County Justice Center, 301 McDowell Street, Raleigh, NC 27601

BIDDER QUESTIONS (PRE-BID MEETING)

Question: Is a breakdown of lump sum bid required?

Answer: Unit price breakdown is not required but encouraged since Project Manager will request one once bids are received.

Question: Plant availability may not lead to set schedule or preferred planting times.

Answer: If needed, we may work with some substitutions and/or bond some of the plant species until proper planting times.

Question: Is it required to have a General Contractor License?

Answer: No.

Question: Are all trees to be removed understory trees?

Answer: No.

Question: Is there flexibility to match existing benches on site?

Answer: Yes, flexibility in construction methods is okay but must match the exiting bench style. Shop drawing will be required.

Question: Are proposed plants going to be plugs or gallons?

Answer: Both.

Question: Tree removal is to get rid of tree and tree stump?

Answer: Yes, remove entire tree and grind down stump to below grade.

Question: Is this project following the Holly Springs root barrier requirements?

Answer: No.

Question: Does the existing irrigation system work?

Answer: No, it doesn't work.

Question: Arbor day trees are to be kept in place and plants adjusted around them?

Answer: Yes, the tree and signpost are to stay protected in place.

Question: If you accidentally cut an irrigation line, is contractor responsible for replacing it?

Answer: No, the irrigation system is not operational. Contractor will simply need to cap broken pipe.

Question: Are the wood tiered benches on concrete pads or do they just have footings?

Answer: Concrete footings.

Question: Is it a v-spade edge for the indicated edging?

Answer: No, steel edging has been noted for most edging unless noted otherwise.

Question: Who is responsible for watering, or is it included in the bid?

Answer: Watering schedule and scope will be worked out with winning bidder. Not currently included in base bid.

Question: Damage to private utilities will be whose responsibility?

Answer: Utilities will have to be located prior to digging. Once located, any damage is the responsibility of the contractor. The Project Manager will attempt to find existing as-builts to share with the winning bidder.

<u>BIDDER QUESTIONS (EMAIL)</u>

Question: Is there a sign-in sheet from the site walk held on 9/8/2026 available?

Answer: An addendum which will include the sign-in sheet and response to all bidder questions will be released no later than September 15, 2026 @ 5pm

Question: Is there an estimated cost or budget for this project?

Answer: There is no estimated budget at this time, but it's expected the project will be under $500k.

Question: Do you have an anticipated start date or completion date at this time?

Answer: Please refer to Project Manual.

Question: Will there be a parking area for overnight parking as well as a spot to stage equipment?

Answer: Yes, both will be available. The project manager will hold a pre-construction meeting with the winning bidder to coordinate staging and other construction related items.

Question: Any restrictions on types of equipment used (crane, track machines…etc.)?

Answer: There is no restriction on types of equipment used, except for blasting which is not allowed. Yet, it will be the responsibility of the contractor to ensure no buildings, structures, paving, and other site items are damaged due to construction activity.

Question: Will there be access to water hose or irrigation? Will irrigation be installed by a different company or the park?

Answer: There will be access to water hose connections but there is no active irrigation. There is no irrigation system currently scoped for this project.

Question: Will future treatment and care be done by grounds crew or contractor?

Answer: Maintenance outside of those specified in the Contract Documents will be by the County.

Question: What is the time frame to complete work?

Answer: Construction Schedule is 60 consecutive days after Notice to Proceed through Substantial Completion. 30 days after Substantial Completion to Final Completion. Please refer to Project Manual for more information.

Question: Can contractor caution off the area to restrict people from entering?

Answer: Yes. Please note that the existing building must remain operational and functioning during construction. It will be the contractor's responsibility to manage the safety of and access through the construction zone during construction period.

Question: Can trees and plants be purchased from nurseries or farms out of state?

Answer: Yes, as long as they meet the specified requirements in the Contract Documents.

PRE-BID MEETING AGENDA CLARIFICATIONS

1. The Bid Form was omitted from the Project Manual. Please use the enclosed **BID PROPOSAL FORM** in lieu of the ESTIMATE SHEET included in the Project Manual.

2. No Bid Bond is required.

3. No MBE participation required.

4. No project sign will be installed.

- **All other information remains as issued.**
- **Bid Proposal Form attached.**
- **Pre-Bid Attendance Sheet attached.**

SECTION 000401 – BID PROPOSAL FORM

WAKE COUNTY GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION – PROPOSAL FORM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF HOLLY SPRINGS LIBRARY & CULTURAL ARTS CENTER LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

(USE THIS FORM ONLY. Bids submitted on anything other than the form(s) provided may be considered non-responsive and subject to rejection)

SINGLE PRIME CONSTRUCTION WORK
INFORMAL CONTRACT

The undersigned, as Bidder, hereby declares that the only person or persons interested in this Proposal as principal or principals is or are named herein and that no other person than herein mentioned has any interest in this Proposal or in the Contract to be entered into; that this Proposal is made without connection with any other person, company or parties making a Bid or Proposal; and that it is in all respects fair and in good faith without collusion or fraud.

The Bidder further declares that he has examined the site of the work and informed himself fully in regard to all conditions pertaining to the place where the work is to be done; that he has examined the specifications for the work and the Contract Documents relative thereto, including addenda, if any, and has read all special provisions furnished prior to the opening of bids; that he has satisfied himself relative to the work to be performed.

The Bidder proposes and agrees if this Proposal is accepted to contract with the County of Wake with a definite understanding that no money will be allowed for extra work except as set forth in the General Conditions and Contract Documents, for the sum of:

Base Bid _____

_____ Dollars ($_____).

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Name of Landscape/Planting Contractor and License Number _____

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Name of Hardscape Contractor and License Number_____

_____

If a specific contractor is not being used in section above – write NONE on the line.

A contractor whose bid is accepted shall not substitute any person as subcontractor in the place of the subcontractor listed in the original bid, except (i) if the listed subcontractor's bid is later determined by the contractor to be non-responsible or non-responsive or the listed subcontractor refuses to enter into a contract for the complete performance of the bid work, or (ii) with the approval of the awarding authority for good cause shown by the contractor.

CERTIFICATION OF PROPOSER:

The Bidder further proposes and agrees hereby to commence work under his Contract on a date to be specified in a written order of Wake County and shall fully complete all work there under within 60 consecutive calendar days from and including said date. Applicable liquidated damages shall be as stated in Supplementary General Conditions.

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the following addenda issued during the time of bidding and includes the changes therein in this Proposal:

Addendum Number _____, Dated _____

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The undersigned agrees that this Proposal will not be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days.

The undersigned agrees to comply with the E-Verify requirements of the General Statutes of North Carolina, all contractors, including any subcontractors employed by the contractor(s), by submitting a bid, proposal or any other response, or by providing any material, equipment, supplies, services, etc., attest and affirm that they are aware and in full compliance with Article 2 of Chapter 64, (NCGS64-26(a)) relating to the E-Verify requirements.

The undersigned agrees not to discriminate in any manner on the basis of race, natural hair or hairstyles, ethnicity, creed, color, sex, pregnancy, marital or familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin or ancestry, marital or familial status, pregnancy, National Guard or veteran status, religious belief or non-belief, age, or disability with reference to the subject matter of this Contract. The Parties agree to comply with the provisions and intent of Wake County Ordinance SL 2017-4. This anti-discrimination provision shall be binding on the successors and assigns of the Parties with reference to the subject matter of this Contract.

Respectfully submitted this __ day of _____, 20__

PROPOSER SIGNATURE PAGE

_____
(Name of Firm or Corporation making Bid)

By: _____

WITNESS:

_____
(Proprietorship or Partnership)

Title: _____
(Owner, Partner, or Corporation President or Vice President Only)

CORP SEAL

Address: _____
_____
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Affix Corporate Seal Above

License Number: _____

ATTEST:

By: _____

Title: _____
(Corporation Secretary or Assistant Secretary Only)

WAKE COUNTY
NORTH CAROLINA

Wake County – General Services Administration
Facility & Field Services
Holly Springs Community Library & Cultural Arts Center - Landscape Renovations – Pre Bid Attendance 9/08/2026

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Hunt Scapes	Chris Hunt	4516 Watkins Rd Raleigh NC 27616	Office: 9192660081 Cell: 9196696044		Chrishunt@Huntscapes.com
Terra Medics	Wesley Furr	789 Selma Rd Wendell NC 27591	Office: Cell:	919 602-9995	weseterramedicsnc.com
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