

Mid Michigan Waste Authority

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MEMORANDUM

To:

All Proposers

From:

Katharine Tessin/Administrative Director

RE:

Addendum #03 – MMWA Request for Proposals for Solid Waste Services

Date:

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

This addendum has been issued because of the following:

Answers to submitted questions (in general questions have been cut and pasted directly from the submission):

1. Page 10, h: Professional liability insurance is coverage we cannot be insured for since we are not a professional service. Can this be removed from the insurance requirements?

The RFP allows Bidders to specify desired exceptions to specific requirements at the time of submittal with the Bidder required to provide substitute language and opinion as to why etc. (See pages five and six in the RFP). Bidders should utilize Attachment G (page 82) to specify each exception.

2. Paraphrased Question: Does the planned disposal site (landfill, MRF, compost facility) have to meet the requirements as listed on page 30 at the time the bid is delivered?

No. However, at the time of submittal Bidder is required to provide its plan to develop a site that is acceptable to MMWA.

3. Attached are composting pricing charts including pricing for finished compost.

See attachments:

- Composting 5 and 5
- Composting 10 YEAR

4. Are the Recycling and Composting services an "opt-in" program by individual households?

No, recycling and composting services are not opt in programs by individual households. Individual residents can't pick and choose. Each municipality determines the specific services it chooses to provide for its residents. For example, the City of Frankenmuth currently offers curbside yard waste collection service. Frankenmuth Twp does not. A resident of the City of Frankenmuth cannot opt out of the cost of yard waste collection. A resident of Frankenmuth Twp cannot opt into yard waste collection service as a single unit.

a. If so, do you have a record of participation amongst the municipalities?

Not applicable.

5. Provide bid clarification that all perspective bidders shall responsible for the Saginaw County Solid Waste Surcharge as detailed in section 280 of Saginaw County Ordinance #108.

Bidders shall be responsible when applicable.

6. Regarding the schools recycling program, how are the current contracts with vendors currently handled?

There are no current contracts for school recycling under the MMWA program umbrella. MMWA is considering adding this service and is seeking pricing information.

7. Is there an option to provide all-in pricing for all bid sheets?

MMWA is asking Bidders to provide a pricing system matching MMWA's current services (weekly solid waste collection, weekly and bi-weekly recycling collection and seasonal weekly yard waste collection) by Zone. In addition, Bidders may submit alternate pricing schemes including all in pricing and/or re-zoning.

8. Is the house count guaranteed? Are member community agreements signed?

MMWA has received commitments from all members to remain in the Authority.

9. Are bidders required to bid on all price sheets?

No. The RFP allows Bidders to specify desired exceptions to specific requirements at the time of submittal with the Bidder required to provide substitute language and opinion as to why etc. (See pages five and six in the RFP). Bidders should utilize Attachment G (page 82) to specify each exception.

See also the response to question seven.

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10. Are communities able to pick and choose service levels (such as carts vs manual) and to what extent?

Yes. Some communities may want to continue manual collection service, others may want to switch to carts. An important factor may be the proposed cost.

1]. To what extent is customization on the carts? Are all size carts expected to be branded in the same fashion? Can WM carts be used if approved by MMWA?

Customization is envisioned as a heavy duty sticker specifying MMWA preparation guidelines affixed to each cart by the contractor prior to delivery.

12. Is the MMWA open to altering the days of services based on which zones are awarded to better balance operations? (EX. Zone 1 has no Wednesday service)

Collection services will be awarded as a whole, not broken up by zone with different collection vendors servicing specific zones. Bidders may propose alternate collection days for any municipality.

13. Could you please provide current pricing for each community along with the services they receive?

See attached "MMWA Member Collection Services Schedule A -2021" as of the Fourth Quarter of 2021. Addendum #01 also contains pricing information. This attachment was also included in Addendum #02.

14. Could you please provide the collection days for each of the 35 communities by zone?

See attached chart "MMWA Member Communities Collection Day by Zone"

15. Bid Bond, on Page 4, you refer to a Bid Bond of 5% of the proposed value of the first year of the bid, are all communities / zones and the MMWA covered under the umbrella of this one Bid Bond?

Yes, MMWA is the umbrella.

16. Is it possible to provide a unit could by day in each of the five zones and are they spread evenly over a five-day collection schedule currently?

See attached chart "2022 MMWA Member SW Services Collection Schedule" which was also included in Addendum #02.

17. Page 6, Section 13 – Is the MMWA currently considering splitting bids within zones?

No. Bids would not be split within Zones. A potential split scenario would be what MMWA currently has, a separate recyclables processor and yard waste composter from the collection vendor.

18. Page 19, Section, Suitable Recyclables Containers – The containers referenced in this section, 18- and 45-gallon containers. Are they currently in use and are they owned by the current contractor? Will they be removed if not awarded the contract again?

Containers are not owned by the current contractor. Residents use their own containers between 18-45 gallon in size.

19. Page 19, Section, Suitable Recyclables Containers & page 20, Section, Yard Waste – In both sections you refer to MMWA designed licensed and state of Michigan approved sites for recyclables and yard waste. What sites are currently used, and could you provide their locations?

MMWA's current recycling processor is GFL. The site address is: 280 Hughes Drive Traverse City MI 49696

MMWA's current composter is TDE Enterprises. The site address is: 2652 N Towerline
Buena Vista MI 48601

20. Page. 19, Section Suitable recycle Container, (2nd paragraph): mentions two annual incoming/outgoing recycling audits that determine the 50% revenue sharing scenario. All cost associated are to be built into the contractors recycle processing contract cost. Can you elaborate on the process of this audit and how the revenue sharing is determined?

This will be a new feature in the new contract. Bidders can propose an audit methodology, alternate revenue percentage and calculation.

21. Pg. 20, Food Waste: "Proposal should include an option for the potential addition of food waste collection." Does the MMWA view this as a fourth curbside collection? Does the local MMWA designed and licensed state of Michigan approved sites for yard waste accepted food waste a compostable item?

This is not a critical part of the bid, this is an aspirational program. At this time the current yard waste vendor does not accept food waste.

22. Page 21, Christmas Trees: Does the local MMWA designed and licensed state of Michigan approved sites for yard waste accept Christmas trees as a compostable item?

Currently, Christmas trees are not collected as a compostable item and are delivered to the landfill. The current yard waste vendor has indicated it would accept unadorned Christmas Trees.

23. Page 21, Finished Compost: Can you elaborate on this service? Where does this currently take place and how often?

Currently, all MMWA member communities have the right to purchase finished compost product, if available, on a first come, first served basis, from our current vendor at a rate of \$5.00/cubic yard. This rate includes the vendor's site workers loading of finished material onto member's transport vehicle(s). Material can be purchased at any time at this discounted rate. To date this service has not been used.

24. Page 22 . Public Drop Off, can you elaborate on this service? where is this currently located? Is it staffed by the contractor?

At this time there is no public drop off for recycling in Saginaw County. Previously, both Republic Services and Waste Management had a public drop off available at their recycling processing locations. MMWA is seeking a reintroduction of this service to be staffed and operated by the Bidder.

25. Page 23, Section, Office Space – Could you please clarify what is needed in this section? Number of offices? Location?

Approximately 2,000 square feet of modern office space equipped with high-speed internet service and all other usual amenities located in Saginaw County.

26. Performance Bond, Page 30 - amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the value of the applicable contract year. Is the RFP requesting one Performance Bond to cover all communities / zones and the MMWA?

Yes.

27. Page 34, Last Sentence – Since you make references on page 32, Section, Rolling Carts, that the carts will be an approved MMWA color and brand. Would the carts remain the property of the homeowner or city/village/township?

Carts would remain the property of the Bidder.

28. Page 43-62 – How would you like the household pricing stated?

Unit per week? Unit per month? Other?

Unit per month

29. Page 63-74 – Are we correct to assume that the front load dumpsters should be priced per dump and roll off containers priced per pull?

Dumpster/Rolloffs include three types: On Call, Special Events and Municipal. Examples of municipal include a dumpster placed year round at a municipal office or park.

30. Page 43-62 Can individual communities within a zone select different levels of service under the blended zone rate (EX. Carts vs. no carts OR weekly recycle vs EOW)?

Currently, each municipality can select its own services. For example, within Zone Three there may be municipalities that select weekly recycling collection and other municipalities that select bi-weekly recycling collection. Because weekly and bi-weekly recycling collection are priced differently there is no blended zone rate.

31. Page 43-62 Regarding pricing pages with Separate disposal costs. Could collection be awarded to one contractor and disposal to another? (GFL)

Yes, collection services could be awarded to one contractor with disposal services being awarded to another.

32. Page 71-72, Section – Labor Rate/hours Port to Port - In this section should we disregard the Dumpster Rate and just state as an hourly rate as requested? Or could labor be included in container pricing?

The labor rate is separate.

33. Page 92, MMWA Member Collection Services Schedule A -2021 - Could you please clarify what is required in this section? Individual pricing per community? Also, what is the meaning of the (+1, +2, +3) following several communities name?

Bidders are not expected to complete this chart. Page 92 is just an example of how MMWA organizes pricing information internally. It is our cheat sheet. +1, +2 are just reminders to MMWA that a community has an extra recycling collection stop at a municipal office or location.

34. Can you clarify who and how recyclables will be delivered to the selected MRF after collection? Who bears that cost and operational responsibility?

Currently, MMWA has a separate transloading agreement for the transporting of recyclables from Saginaw (WM) to Traverse City (GFL). If the collection and processing of recyclables are awarded to separate bidders the processor is responsible for any necessary transloading and associated costs.

Bidder may propose alternate solutions.

35. How will material be delivered to the MRF--compacted? In what kind of trucks? How many loads per day and per week are anticipated?

Currently, materials are compacted and delivered by transfer trailers. MMWA's material is co-mingled with other sources, therefore current loads per day and week are not MMWA specific. Bidders should plan on approximately 450 tons per month with an expected volume increase if carts are introduced.

36. What is the composition of the MMWA recycling stream by material? Has the Authority conducted any material sorts in recent years? Any idea what percentage of residue/non-recyclables are in the mix?

MMWA does not have any current information detailing the composition of its recyclables including the percentage of residue/non-recyclables. MMWA has not conducted any material sorts in many years.

37. Does the Authority have viable end markets identified for plastics 4, 6 and 7? And the RFP currently requires the recycling of ALL plastics 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7, not just bottles. Does the Authority have viable end markets for non-bottle plastics with these numbers? We are not aware of viable markets for several of these products. Are we obligated to accept them anyway? (GFL)

MMWA's current recycling processor is responsible for the marketing and sale of all recovered materials produced by the processing materials recovery facility.

Bidders may specify exceptions as noted in the response to question one on page one.

38. Will the Authority consider alternate revenue sharing other than the stated 50% revenue sharing for all revenues received from sale of material?

Yes. Bidders can make alternate proposals.

39. Do ALL of the requirements in the RFP apply to all bidders, even if they are bidding on only a portion of the services? If not, what sections apply to proposers on recycling processing services? For example, would a recycling processor need to maintain office space within Saginaw County if their MRF is outside the County?

Bidders responding only to the recyclables processing element and/or the yard waste composting element are expected to meet the requirements for:

- Attachment A
- Applicable requested pricing
- Attachment C
- Attachment D
- Attachment E
- Attachment F
- Attachment G Equipment
- Attachment H as it relates to its own facility and any other facilities the Bidder plans to utilize
- Attachment I
- Attachment J
- Attachment K
- Attachment L
- Attachment M
- Attachment N

For example, a recyclables processor located outside of Saginaw County would not be required to maintain office space within Saginaw County.

All bidders will be required to assign a customer service team to MMWA of at least one primary contact and one back up contact. The customer service team is required to respond to all phone calls and emails from MMWA either on the same business day or within one business day of MMWA originating the contact. In addition, the Bidder is responsible for providing timely and comprehensive updates on matters requiring a multiple day response time for full resolution.

Bidders may specify exceptions as noted in the response to question one on page one.

40. Can you clarify what licenses and State approvals you are requiring for a single-stream MRF under this proposal?

It is the Bidder's responsibility to fully understand and comply with the licenses and state approvals required by the state of Michigan to operate a MRF.

Also available on our website is a copy of the visual aid used during the optional meeting held on Wednesday, January 26, 2022. The chart is color coded by service day and details which zone each municipality is in, the municipality's approximate housecount and its current services.

All other bidding terms, requirements and conditions continue as indicated in the remaining original bid document.

shall acknowledge this addendum by signing and returning one copy of this notice with their submission.

Company Name:

Address:

City / State / Zip:

Telephone:

Email:

Print Name:

In the submission of their Bid, Bidder must acknowledge receipt of this addendum. Bidder

Print Title:

Signature and Date:

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MMWA Member Collection Services Schedule A - 2021

	2021	Collection Charges		Collection Services Levels			
Zones/Members	Hsct	all	w/out yw	Refuse	Recy	cling	Yard Waste
			& yw collection	Each zone a	\$2.82	\$1.92	\$2.72
			me Zones 1-5	different price	weekly	biwkly	wkly-8 months
Zone 1 \$5.44							
Carrollton Twp +1	2,239	\$10.98	\$8.26	Manual	W		YW
James Twp	777	\$10.98	\$8.26	Manual	W		YW
Saginaw Twp	13,078	\$10.98	\$8.26	Manual	W		YW
St. Charles - Village +1	778	\$10.98	\$8.26	Manual	W		YW
Swan Creek Twp +1	970	n/a	\$8.26	Manual	W		n/a
Thomas Twp +3	4,358	\$10.98	\$8.26	Manual	W		YW
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Birch Run - Village +2	352	\$10.97	\$8.25	Manual Manual		B B	n/a
Birch Run Twp +1	1,747	n/a	\$8.25		W	В	YW
Bridgeport Twp	3,958	\$11.87	\$9.15 \$9.15	Manual Manual	W		YW
Buena Vista Twp	2,744 1,781	\$11.87 \$11.87	\$9.15	Bags only	W		YW
Frankenmuth - City	773	n/a	\$9.15	Manual	W		n/a
Frankenmuth Twp	873	\$10.97	\$8.25	Manual	- **	В	YW
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Fremont Twp	810	n/a	\$8.34	Manual		В	n/a
Jonesfield Twp	379	n/a	\$8.34	Manual	10/	В	n/a YW
Kochville Twp +1	756	\$11.96	\$9.24	Manual	W	D	n/a
Lakefield Twp	398	n/a	\$8.34	Manual		B	n/a n/a
Merrill - Village +3	285	n/a	\$8.34	Manual		В	
Richland Twp	1,531	n/a	\$8.34	Manual	10/	В	n/a YW
Tittabawassee Twp +2	2,931	\$11.96	\$9.24	Manual	W	В	YW
Zilwaukee - City +1	710	\$11.06	\$8.34	Manual			
Zone 3 Total: 8	7,800				6 bi-wkly		3 YW
Zone 4				\$6.81			
Albee Twp	799	n/a	\$8.73	Manual		В	n/a
Blumfield Twp	825	n/a	\$8.73	Manual		В	n/a
Brady Twp	660	n/a	\$9.63	Manual	W		n/a
Brant Twp	760	n/a	\$9.63	Manual	W		n/a
Chapin Twp	401	n/a	\$9.63	Manual	W		n/a
Chesaning Twp +1	940	n/a	\$9.63	Manual	W		n/a
Maple Grove Twp	1,002	n/a	\$9.63	Manual	W		n/a
Marion Twp	366	n/a	\$9.63	Manual	W	10	n/a
St. Charles Twp	580	n/a	\$6.81	Manual	n/a	1 later	n/a
Zone 4 Total: 9	6,333				7 wkly		1 YW
Zone 5				\$6.96			
Bethany Twp	504	n/a	\$8.88	Manual		В	n/a
Breckenridge - Village	513	n/a	\$8.88	Manual		В	n/a
Wheeler Twp +1	573	n/a	\$8.88	Manual		В	n/a
Zone 5 Total: 3	1,590				3 bi-wkl	/	No YW
Subtotal: Zones 1-5:							
City Zone	10.500	ΦΕ 4.4	\$5.44	20-bags	- Primer	n/a	n/a
City of Saginaw	18,503	\$5.44	φ3.44	Zu-bays		11/d	11/4
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MMWA Member Communities Collection Day by Zone

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3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	M M M Tu Tu W	Jonesfield Twp Kochville Twp +1 Lakefield Twp Merrill - Village +3 Fremont Twp Zilwaukee - City +1 Tittabawassee Twp +2 Richland Twp Subtotal	379 756 398 285 808 711 3,028 1,531 7,896
4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	M M Th Th F F	Brant Twp Marion Twp Chapin Twp Chesaning Twp + 1 St. Charles Twp Albee Twp Blumfield Twp Brady Twp Maple Grove Twp Subtotal	763 367 401 940 580 793 809 659 1,002 6,314
5 5 5	F F	Bethany Twp Breckenridge - Village Wheeler Twp + 1 Subtotal	503 522 573 1,598

2022 MMWA Member SW Services Collection Schedule

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Monday 9	Tuesday 4	Wednesday 7	Thursday 8	Friday 11
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Brant Twp	Fremont Twp B	Bridgeport Twp^	Birch Run Twp B	Albee Twp B
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Kochville Twp ^	Zilwaukee - City^ A	Frankenmuth - City^	Buena Vista Twp^	Blumfield Twp B
Lakefield Twp B	•	Frankenmuth Twp	Carrollton Twp^	Brady Twp
Marion Twp		Spaulding Twp^ A	Chesaning Twp	Breckenridge Vlge B
Merrill - Village A		Tittabawassee Twp^	Richland Twp A	James Twp^
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Chapin Twp	W		New Year's Day	
Chesaning Twp	Th		New Year's Day	
Frankenmuth - City^	W		Memorial Day	NOTE: Holidays that fall on a weekday cause a one-day delay for that day and
Frankenmuth Twp	W	B week	Independence Day	each regular service day thereafter in the
Fremont Twp		b week	Labor Day	holiday week. Holidays that fall on a
James Twp ^	F	A	Thanksgiving Day	weekend do NOT cause a delay in services.
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Maple Grove Twp	F		_	
Marion Twp	M			
Merrill - Village	M	A week		
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