

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Village sidewalk and pavement restorations requirements  
Contractor pre-bid sign-in sheet  
Soil Boring reports & location map

**UPDATE:**

The Village plans on posting to their website a copy of the *Draft Village of Hamilton Construction Standards Manual* to be used as a reference.

As mentioned at the Pre-bid meeting the following revisions have been made to the construction drawings and are available on the Village of Hamilton Website “Master Drawing Revisions”

SHT 2. REVISED: NOTES 2&3 IN THE GENERAL NOTES REGARDING DEPTH OF PIPE  
SHT 16. REVISED: ADDED BIG FINK TEST STATION TO SOUTH HDD ENTRY POINT  
SHT 35, 37, 42, 46. REVISED: DEPTH OF 2” PIPE. WAS 48”. NOW 36”  
SHT 54. ADDED A BIG FINK TEST STATION AT STATION 51+80 NEXT TO TELEPHONE POLE  
SHT 55. ADDED A BIG FINK TEST STATION AT STATION 64+20 NEXT TO TELEPHONE POLE  
SHT 71. GAS TRENCH DETAIL – WAS IN FEET, NOW INCHES  
SHT 78. NOTE #13 ADDED: WITH FILTER FABRIC, ADDED: NOTE #17  
SHT 79. ROTATED RELIEF VALVE & ADDED SONO TUBE UNDER RELIEF VALVE  
SHT 84. ROTATED RELIEF VALVE/CHANGE RELIEF VALVE STACK;  
UPDATED BOM TO REFLECT STEEL STACK COMPONENTS: LINE ITEM 14-20

**CONTRACTOR QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS:**

1. Is this project considered an Article 7 project? ANSWER: **No**
2. Does this project fall under MBEWBE requirements? ANSWER: **No**
3. Will Ag Fields require any special construction practices and or restoration requirements (i.e. Full width ROW stripping, soil decompaction/subsoiling etc)? ANSWER: **The Contractor is to prepare his bid assuming the ability to, “double ditch”, segregating the topsoil as indicated on the construction plans. The contractor must follow all other NYS Ag & Market guidelines as pertain to Agricultural fields.**
4. Who is responsible for paying crop damage? ANSWER: **The Contractor is not responsible for crop damage as long as his work is within the permanent or temporary easement, as depicted on the construction drawings. Any damage to crops outside of the easement will be the full responsibility of the Contractor.**
5. Will project Survey data be transferred electronically to aid the contractor in project layout/stakeout? ANSWER: **The Village will provide centerline stakeout of the project, it will be the Contractors responsibility to maintain the stakeout. There will be electronic survey information available for some ROW’s, and property lines. Any stakeout other than the centerline will be the responsibility of the Contractor.**

6. Who will be responsible to retain X-Ray services for Contract #1? ANSWER: The Village will provide X-Ray services, the contractor will make every effort to coordinate in advance with the Village.

7. What is the preliminary intent/schedule for project award and start date? ANSWER: It is the intent of the Village to have a signed contract by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. The construction may start at that time assuming all permits are received, material is acquired, and field conditions are reasonable.

8. What Operator Qualifications will be accepted? ANSWER: NGA, the Contractor is responsible for all cost associated with receiving the proper training.

9. Airpark Staging/Laydown Area

Will an owner's project trailer be required? ANSWER: No

Is power available at this location? ANSWER: Temporary electric service can be provided by Village if requested by Contractor. The cost of power will be assumed by the contractor.

10. Who will be responsible for Gate Station Electric service?

If contractor responsibility, please provide details. ANSWER: The Village will coordinate getting electric to the Gate Station site. The contractor will be responsible for electric installation beyond the meter location, this is to include all underground conduits, exterior/ interior lighting etc.

11. Who will be responsible for providing all piping and related appurtenances for contract #2 & #3? ANSWER: The Village will supply pipe and appurtenances. NOTE: ½" and 1" Permasert (stab) fittings will be supplied and used in the project.

12. Are gas services included in this contract? ANSWER: No, However, we have asked for an all-inclusive price to install services. This per foot price will be used to determine if the Village would prefer the contractor to install services such as the Hamilton High School, Colgate Field House and the Hamilton Community Hospital. The exact meter location of these services has yet to be determined. The material for these services will now be supplied by the Village.

13. Would be beneficial for the village to approach the state to get the work hours extended in advance since it is such a tight schedule and they would have more bargaining power with the state than we would have? ANSWER: It is our understanding that NYS Labor Dept. rules limit work to 8 hours per calendar day, and no more than five days per calendar week. The contractor will be responsible for seeking a waiver of the restriction, and the Village will support such a request. Contractor should contact Tom Moon NYS Dept. of Labor at 315-793-2314.

IN VILLAGE HOUR RESTRICTIONS- 7 AM- 5PM Mon-Fri, the Village will consider extending if unexpected delays occur.

IN VILLAGE WORK DAY RESTRICTIONS- The contractor will not be allowed to work in certain areas within the Village on the following days, this does not constitute a complete shutdown:

Commencement Weekend –May 17-18

Reunion Weekend – May 30- June 1

July 4<sup>th</sup> Weekend

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Family Weekend – October 26

The Village would grant an exception to this requirement if weather induced delays threaten to delay completion.

14. Which Contract will take care of the tie-in where contract 2&3 come together? ANSWER: Contract #2 includes the 10”x 8” reducer, it will be the responsibility of Contract #3 to provide the tie-in at that location.

15. Which contract is responsible for energizing the gas main? ANSWER: Each contractor is responsible for energizing their own section of the contract. The Contractor will provide enough manpower to safely energize the sections as coordinated between the Contractor and Inspector.

16. Will it be required for each fuser to cut out their first Butt Fuse daily? ANSWER: The Contractor should assume that the first fusion of each day may be required to be cut out and examined for quality assurance purposes.

17. Will the contractor be allowed to place spoil on the shoulders of the State Roads in this Region? ANSWER: Spoil cannot be placed on the paved shoulders along State roads.

18. Though not anticipated, should there be a rock price in the contract for hammering or drilling just in case? This would give you a pre-established price. ANSWER: We are asking the Contractors to please provide a rock trenching price in addition to a HDD rock drilling price.

19. Is it an option to use steel casing on the State road bores instead of HDPE casings and will the village provide if they decide to provide the other materials? ANSWER: A Steel casing would be acceptable. The Contractor would have to provide the Village as much notice as possible to adjust the material order. Cathodic protection (anodes) will need to be added to a steel casing.

NOTE: The Village is seeking a waiver from the DOT on the casing requirement, the waiver may contain the requirement of extra depth under the State roads, possibly 8’. This waiver has not been granted and the Contractor shall bid the work as shown on the Construction plans.

20. Does the village have a site to dump spoil? (Spoil, concrete, blacktop, drilling mud) ANSWER: No. Although the Village can provide a list of contacts that may be interested in receiving construction material.

21. Is the intent to cut trees between station 126+00 and 147+00 or is the intent to work within the narrow path and save the trees? ANSWER: That area is located within or immediately adjacent to a NYSDEC wetland and permit restrictions apply. Trimming of branches along the path is acceptable and selective cutting of trees is allowed as long as no ground disturbance within the defined wetland boundary occurs.

22. Will the prevailing wage rate for this project be heavy highway? ANSWER: Heavy highway. For further information the Contractor should call NYS Dept. of Labor and discuss with Tom Moon, 315-793-2314.

23. Is the contractor responsible for all survey layout and as-builts? Who will perform the initial staking of the new gas main? ANSWER: The Village will provide centerline stakeout of the project, it will be the Contractors responsibility to maintain the stakeout. There will be electronic

survey information available for some ROW's, and property lines. The contractor will be required to submit an as-built drawing,

24. Will compaction testing be required by an outside source such as ATL or is it up to the contractor to compact all replaced material as stated in the specification? ANSWER: **None anticipated unless dictated by the NYSDOT permit.**

25. After testing of all installed pipe before energizing, does the Village require 100 % nitrogen purge. ANSWER: **A slug purge would be acceptable.**

26. Does the DOT require a steel sleeve @ the route 20 crossing? The engineer mentions mechanical bore on sheet #74 of the drawings. Same question for State Route 46 and 26 crossings. ANSWER: **A casing at State road crossings is required for 4" and larger crossings. The casing can be HDPE.**

27. Can dual containment pipe be used for road crossings? ANSWER: **No**

28. 48 inches of cover on the 10 inch main will require trench shoring and or sloping because of depth over 5 feet. Shoring may be required for the entire length of trench in efforts to meet the OSHA requirements. Is 48" of cover necessary for all of the 10 inch installation in fields and old rail bed? ANSWER: **The contractor is to install all 10" pipe from the City Gate to Airport Rd with 48" cover. 10" pipe south of Airport Rd can be installed with 40" cover.**

29. Were the pink ribbons placed by DEC? Are these designated areas for disturbance? ANSWER: **The pink ribbons were placed by Epsilon Associates (Village of Hamilton Environmental Consultant) representing the Delineated Wetland Boundary. These flags were placed in the summer of 2013 and in no way can be relied upon to still be accurate.**

30. When directional boring, are sleeves required under all roads? ANSWER: **Sleeves/ Casings are required under State roads for 4" and larger crossings.**

31. Is there a State Inspector Cost? ANSWER: **The NYSDOT indicated that there would be no permit or inspection costs for this project.**

32. In reference to contract 3, will the engineer provide quantities for sidewalk removal and all lineal footage of black top to be removed and replaced because of existing snow/winter conditions? ANSWER: **No. The contractor shall utilize the construction prints and their own field investigation to determine sidewalk and asphalt removal and replacement quantities.**

33. Do you expect any work stoppages or delays due to college activities, commencement, etc? If there are unexpected work stoppages that are no fault of the contractor, will the completion date be extended? ANSWER: **No. The gas needs be available to Colgate University, Hamilton Community Hospital, and Hamilton High School by August 29.**

34. Will the material for this project be provided by the contractor as stated in the bid package or by the Village of Hamilton? If The Village of Hamilton does supply the material, will they supply all necessary fittings and electro fusion couplings that will be required to perform the work? ANSWER: **The Village will supply pipe and appurtenances for Contracts #2 and #3. The Contractor is to supply all equipment and appurtenances for Contract #1 -City Gate Station.**

35. In reference to the City Gate contract, is all control wiring the responsibility of the contractor? ANSWER: **No, but conduits indicated on the construction documents page 86 will need to be installed.**
36. When will Tennessee Pipe Line install the station inlet valve? ANSWER: **Tennessee Gas Transmission will install the piping, up to and, including, the station inlet valve.**
37. Is it absolutely necessary that all gas piping be installed by August 29? Can some of the smaller sections such as Smith Road and Madison Street be installed after deadline without penalty? ANSWER: **The gas needs be available to Colgate University, Hamilton Community Hospital, and Hamilton High School by August 29. The contractor will be afforded an additional 30 days to complete the main extensions such as Smith Road and Madison Street without penalty.**
38. Does the contractor furnish stainless steel tubing for regulators? ANSWER: **Yes, the contractor shall furnish and install all stainless steel tubing, valves, and fittings for regulator control lines, pilot heaters, chart recorders, and odorizer installation.**
39. What type of floor will the regulator and meter building have? ANSWER: **The buildings shall be constructed with a steel sub-frame with a metal diamond plate floor. The building shall be placed on sonotubes as indicated on the construction plans. The Contractor shall submit shop drawings for the Village to approve.**
40. Do the Gate Station buildings require insulation? ANSWER: **The City Gate buildings shall be constructed to minimize noise. A Parkline A29 Acoustical wall system and R30 Ceiling insulation system (or equivalent) shall be installed. The Contractor shall submit shop drawings for the Village to approve.**
41. City Gate Station, the specifications call for extra strong fittings to be used with x-52 piping, are x-52 fitting acceptable that match the specified pipe? ANSWER: **The 2" XS pipe should be labeled a grade B pipe, not an X52. A revision to the Bill of Material will be issued prior to ward. All 4", 6", & 10" steel pipe shall be X52 as shown.**
42. Does the inspector have the authority to sign change orders? ANSWER: **Yes**
43. What is the Villages payment schedule? ANSWER: **Requisitions are due on the 1st Friday of the month, payment will be after the monthly Trustees meeting, and 5% retainage will be held.**
44. What are the minimum qualifications of the bidders? ANSWER: **The Bidder shall have a minimum of five (5) years' experience in the field of installing HDPE gas piping to qualify for the pipeline contracts, and a minimum of five (5) years' experience in the fabrication of city gate apparatus to qualify for the city gate contract.**