

## RFIs for VA257-17-Q-1179 Install Street & Parking Lots Lighting

Q1. Requesting a copy of the Site Visit sign in sheet.

A1. The attendee sheet has been attached.

Q2. Section 01 00 00, Statement of Work, Paragraph 1.2.A.2 states “2) RELOCATE 27 SOLAR STREET LIGHTING POLES WITH COMPONENTS.” Please locate the existing locations on the plan provided.

A2. Specific poles were identified during the site visit, 27 in all. They will be staked out to the winning contractor. Things are dynamic on campus and the possibility exists that one or more poles could change locations before construction starts on this job.

Q3. Section 01 00 00, Statement of Work, Paragraph 1.2.A.2 states “2) RELOCATE 27 SOLAR STREET LIGHTING POLES WITH COMPONENTS.”

a. What should be done with the existing concrete pedestals (leave in place or demo)?

b. Will there be any patching of existing surrounding areas required?

A3. There are no concrete pedestals on the existing poles, none to be demolished. Please refer to section 1.11 B Restoration. The location of pole removal shall be patched and made whole.

Q4. Section 01 00 00, Statement of Work, Paragraph 1.2.A.3 states “INSTALL 15 WALLPACK LIGHTS AT VARIOUS BUILDINGS.” Will these be replacing existing locations?

A4. Some will be replacing existing ones and others shall be in new locations. Either way power will be provided to the location for wall pack installation.

Q5. Section 01 00 00, Statement of Work, Paragraph 1.2.A.3 states “INSTALL 15 WALLPACK LIGHTS AT VARIOUS BUILDINGS.” Will these be replacing existing locations? If scope of work requires new electrical power to any new wall packs or light poles, please provide scope by amendment to all bidders including location of power source for each light.

A5. As above: Some will be replacing existing ones and others shall be in new locations. Either way power will be provided to the location for wall pack installation.

Q6. It is our understanding from the site visit that the 27 solar light poles that are being relocated are not to be embedded in concrete at their new location and that they will simply be placed in the ground

a. Is this correct?

b. If this is correct to what depth should the 27 relocated solar light poles be placed in the ground?

c. If the 27 relocated solar light poles are to be placed in the ground, what are the compaction specifications and will select fill dirt be required?

d. Are any of the 27 solar light poles that are being relocated currently embedded in concrete or asphalt?

We strongly recommend that the VA specify that the 27 solar light poles being relocated be set in concrete per VA general specifications concerning pole lights per VA Spec Section 265600 part 1 paragraph 2.3. Concrete embedment of the relocated light poles is the only safe and viable long term method of securing these relocated light poles in their new locations.

A6. a) That is correct.

b) 4-5 feet, guided by the depth of the existing poles for ridged, proper, and vertical installation.

b) Compaction shall be done to vertically and properly erect solar light poles

c) None are known to be embedded in concrete or asphalt as seen during site visit

Q7. Are there any specifications/make or model numbers of the existing 86 light poles to be retrofitted (knowing this will help greatly in selecting an appropriate new LED light fixture)?

A7. The specifications are in the SOW. Example manufactures were also stated in the SOW.

Q8. Does the VA have a preferred LED light fixture for the existing 86 light poles to be retrofitted with new LED lighting?

A8. No preference could be stated here, all manufacturers have equal opportunity for their products. A cut sheet or prototype of the light shall be submitted for approval before installation.

Q9. Will the VA allow required work to be performed on Saturday and Sunday to eliminate parking problems associated with gaining access to light pole work locations?

A9. Saturdays could be considered viable, but any extra cost shall be borne by the contractor and arrangement and coordination shall be done with the COR 2-3 days before the Saturday in question, no Sundays.

Q10. Can existing parking spots be blocked off to gain access to the light pole work locations during normal working hours?

A10. Yes, when the lot is not already occupied by a vehicle as of time of blocking off.