



SCDOT/CAGC Road Subcommittee Meeting

February 19, 2014

Attendees: See attached list

Charles Eleazer opened meeting and had introductions.

OLD BUSINESS

Low Shoulder Specification

Charles is working with Joe Sease on the draft specification and has incorporated some of the comments submitted by the AGC and SCAPA. Greg Ashmore and Casey Schwager will work with Charles and Joe to address some of the other concerns submitted.

Consistency Items (i.e. Patch, Mill and Paving)

On December 9th the SCDOT district construction engineers met and discussed the order of operation for patching, milling and paving. A memorandum was drafted and forwarded up the chain of command but with vacancies occurring at the SCDOT, this has not been acted upon at this time and a response may be forthcoming. However some guidance has been given on developing the bid packages so that boiler plate specifications that apply to all roads will be listed on one sheet up front and specific items will be on each separate road in the proposal.

ADA Ramps & Detectable Warning Surfaces

ADA ramps previously were bid by each and the detectable warning surfaces by the square foot. Now the ADA ramps are bid by the square yard with the detectable warning surfacing included in this square yard price. Changing to the square yard price for the ramps was very beneficial for the contractors for bidding purposes but not knowing where the ramps were going to be installed proved to be a problem for determining the square footage of detectable warning surfaces to be included in this square yard price. AGC would like to have the detectable warning surfaces as a separate pay item. Mark Anthony will check on why the change was made and see if the pay item for detectable warning surfaces can be added back into the proposals.

NEW BUSINESS

Compost Bid Item

This bid item is very expensive and has only been used a couple of times on projects. Charles is going to investigate the frequency and how much of this item has been used on projects and discuss with the district construction engineers to see if this is necessary to include in the bidding proposals.

OTHER BUSINESS

Full Depth Patching Quantities

Full depth patching quantities have been under-running and it is hard to bid if the quantity is not accurate. Some districts are checking the quantities closer before the bid packages are released. This item will be discussed at the next district construction engineers meeting. If contractors are seeing this occurring in certain areas, they need to notify Charles of the discrepancies.

Contract Time Windows

Charles wanted to know if contractors had a problem with a specification which would allow the contractor to determine when the project was constructed within a window of time during a construction season. For example, if a project was bid in January and the completion date was October, the contractor could perform the work between award and October but once work started the contractor would have 30, 60, 90 or some specified number of days to complete once the work started but not to extend past the contract completion date. Sample specification will be sent for review.

Next Meeting: **April 16th, 2014**