

ADDENDUM NO. 1
TO
CITY OF AUBURN, MAINE
Comprehensive Plan Update BID#2025-013
DATE: 11/21/2024

This addendum amends and /or supplements the bid documents as indicated below. Only these items alter the bid documents. Any verbal discussions or responses are hereby declared null and void. Please acknowledge this addendum on the Bid Proposal Form.

Q: The City's last Comp Plan update was only 5 years ago — what is motivating the next plan update process to happen so soon?

A: Good question. The 2010 plan, adopted in 2011 was a full rewrite. The 2021 Updates were intended to restart the clock like a full rewrite, but they were very targeted and did not include new inventory information that the state required for them to make a new finding of consistency that would restart the clock as a "new" plan. They found the amendments to be consistent with the Informed Growth Act but still kept the same expiration date.

Q: Does the City have a set-aside budget for this project? Our team wants to be able to cater our approach to responsible fiscal limitations and provide the best bang for the buck.

A: We budgeted up to \$220k for the project but would like to have a contingency for any scope changes recommended by the consultant and committee.

Q: Are you currently working on any planning studies or initiatives in conjunction with any other municipality or the region?

A: We collaborate with Lewiston often and as needed but there is no current joint effort underway. We do work regularly through the MPO and ATRC for transportation planning and construction funds for the region. Joint efforts underway there include SS4A and MTP2023-2045 (<https://www.avcog.org/1143/Active-Studies-and-Projects>)

Q: Are you currently engaged in any planning or economic development studies that are not currently listed on your web site? Do you intend to start any new infrastructure, planning or economic development studies (excluding the comprehensive plan) in the next 6 - 12 months?

A: We have the following efforts underway:

Housing Study specific to Auburn based on the Mayors Housing Committee

<https://www.littleandrogateway.com/> and <https://www.avcog.org/1262/ATRC-Washington-St-Corridor-Feasibility->

Minot Avenue - https://www.auburnmaine.gov/CMSContent/BIDS%20FY25/2025-007/2025-007%20Minot%20Ave%20Union%20Street%20VPI_2nd%20release-signed.pdf

Contemplating Mall Area Complete Streets Study but ran out of funding so that is on hold.

We have significant infrastructure projects funded during the next 12 months including. Dam removal on the Little Androscoggin (Littlefield Dam), River walk Rail Trail extension from Bonney Park to Washington Street near Brickyard Circle, New Public Safety Facility (Police and Fire) and New Engine 2 Fire Station, New PAL Center(under Construction).

Two major CDS applications that look promising - Water Sewer and Sidewalk extensions along Broad Street from Mill St To Hackett and Washington Street in new Form Based Code Area, Court Street redesign/construction W/Maine DOT for complete Street Infrastructure on the whole length.