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21-29 SEWER PUMP STATION CONDITION ASSESSMENT

RFQ, NUMBER: 21-29

ADDENDUM NO. 1 – Q&A  
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- Question:** Will these pump station evaluations include any evaluation of the lake line system and/or force mains as well (and how the lake lines/force mains may impact pump station capacities)? Or will the evaluations be focused on the pump station sites?

**Answer:** This evaluation should focus on the pump station sites and does not include an evaluation of the lake line system or force mains.
- Question:** Does the selected consultant's staff need to be confined space entry trained and certified before they can enter any of the below-grade facilities?

**Answer:** The selected consultant needs to have a confined space policy (will be requested by the City) and will need to provide their own confined space equipment.
- Question:** The RFQ implies the City is interested in some level of permitting analysis for the pump station condition assessment. Can you clarify what the City desires with respect to environmental analysis of pump station improvements and permitting efforts?

**Answer:** Since the sewer pump stations are in close proximity to the lake, the City is aware that certain local, state, or federal permits are needed, which usually require environmental reviews. As part of the assessment report, the City would like to know the specific permitting requirements at each pump station and the reviews or other considerations that need to be completed beforehand.
- Question:** The RFQ states some pump stations have capacity concerns and the City's 2018 General Sewer Plan identified PS 23, 24, and 25 as needing capacity improvements. Are there any other sewer pump stations that need capacity improvements evaluated for this project?

**Answer:** In the City's 2018 General Sewer Plan, a project was identified relating to capacity improvements, PS-4, specifically for PS 23, 24, and 25 since they experience high wet well levels. There might be other sewer pump stations that have capacity concerns but without evaluating the lake line the City is not certain. This condition assessment project should not specifically focus on capacity concerns, but this can be noted in the assessment report.