ADDENDUM TO RFP DOCUMENTS



ADDENDUM #02

SCCD RFQ: #15-012

Project:

Solano Community College District

Biotechnology & Science Prequalification Questionnaire Documents

Date: 12/11/14

Addendum # 02 – The following clarifications are provided based on questions received and must be added/considered when completing your submittal: Acknowledgement of receipt of this <u>ADDENDUM</u> is required in the proposal's cover letter of introduction. Please clearly note the addendum date and number.

Carification: The writable version of the RFFQ is located on the District's website at

www.solano.edu/measureq/vendor.php

Answers to Submitted Questions:

- Would it be possible to submit all requested financial information directly via email. Is it possible to limit the distribution to only those who will actually review it. Can financial information be submitted in a smaller quantity and in a separate envelope?
 Answer: Financial information may be submitted in a separate sealed envelope. It may NOT be submitted via email. Please submit the information in the quantities requested for the response to this RFQ, i.e. 8 bound copies, 1 unbound and an electronic copy.
- 2. Will the District consider reducing the Errors and Omissions Insurance limit to \$2,000,000.

Answer: The District will not change the Errors and Omissions Insurance requirement. The \$5,000,000 as stated in the RFQ is required.

3. Please identify firms that participated in the bridging design for both projects, along with other organizations that are excluded from participating in this RFQ.

Answer: The criteria (bridging) architects are as follows:

Biotechnology Building Criteria Architect, ED2 International

Civil Engineer, Creegan + D"Angelo

Landscape Architect, Merrill Morris Partners

Structural Engineer, KPFF Consulting Engineers

MEP Engineers, PAE

Acoustical, Papadimos Group

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Cost Consultant, AECOM

Autotechnology Building Criteria Architect, Lionakis Automotive Consultant, MDG Civil Engineer, CSW/ST2 MEP Engineers, Integral Landscape Architect. Gates & Assoc. Cost Estimating, Cumming

4. Please confirm that the staff titles identified in Section 11 A, B, C, D, E, and F are the only personnel to be included in this section, or with this specific information. Data sheets for individuals such as Project Executive, Design Manager, Estimator, Architect Principal, or similar positions are not required at this time.

Answer: The staff titles as shown in Section 11 are required submittals. Additional data sheets can be submitted by the D/B in their response to this RFQ, however only the information for the requested personnel will be evaluated.

5. Since the project is valued at \$12.5 M, can the proposed (5) projects be at a minimum of \$10 M instead of \$15 M?

Answer: The value of the Biotech project is \$18.5 M. Submitted projects should be at a minimum of \$15 M.

6. Do architects need to be on the (approved list) to participate on a Design/Build team for the subject project?

Answer: Architects not on the District approved list can participate in the D/B RFQ process.

- 7. We are interested to know how the geotechnical design services will be chosen for the two D/B projects which are currently in the RFQ stage. Will the D/B team be required to select the geotechnical firm from the District's prequalified pool?

 Answer: The D/B teams will select their own geotechnical firm and are not required to select from the District's preapproved pool of geotechnical engineers.
- 8. Going forward, will the geotechnical engineer of record role be contracted directly by the College or will the contract be between the D/B firm and the geotechnical engineering firm?

Answer: The geotechnical engineer of record will be contracted directly with the D/B firm. The District may, at some future time and at its' discretion, hire an owner's representative geotechnical engineer for owner oversight.

9. A preliminary geotechnical engineering report has been prepared for each project. Which firm (s) prepared the respective reports? Is/Are this/these firm/firms precluded from being part of the D/B team.

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Answer: Ninyo and Moore prepared the preliminary geotechnical reports for both projects. Ninyo and Moore IS precluded from teaming with a D/B team for both projects.

- 10. The College has established a pre-qualified geotechnical engineering pool of consultants. Should the D/B firm be tapping into this pool when selecting the geotechnical engineer of record for the respective projects.
 Answer: D/B teams are not required to select from the pool of pre-qualified consultants.
- 11. Are special inspection/materials testing services to be part of the D/B team. At what stage of the team's submittal does the materials testing firm need to be named?

 Answer: Special inspections and materials testing services will be retained by the District.
- 12. Will the special inspection/materials testing firm be subject to the PLA and therefore need to be a Union firm?
 Answer: Special inspections and materials testing services will be retained by the District.
- 13. Can you provide a list of who attended the mandatory pre-submission conferences.

 Answer: The lists on attendees to the mandatory pre-submission conferences is located on the District website at www.solano.edu/measureg/vendor.php.
- 14. Please clarify what the DVBE goals or requirements will be, as stated on Page 9 of the RFQ.

Answer: DVBE goals or requirements are not required to be met as part of the RFQ. Those goals and requirements will be clarified in the D/B RFP.

- 15. Please confirm that the forms provided in Part A, Exhibit 3, 4 & 5 are for reference only, and are not required to be submitted with the RFQ response?

 Answer: These forms are for reference only.
- 16. The RFQ requires that D/B Entities select Mechanical and Electrical Engineers, as part of the D/B Team. We ultimately intend to utilize D/B MEP subcontractors, who will serve as the respective Engineers of Record. Please clarify the District's intent with the requirement for MEP consultants on the D/B Team.
 Answer: Please submit the Engineers of Record that you intend to use on the project in
- 17. Will there be a writable PDF version of the Project Sheets and Resumes.

 Answer: The writable versions of the PDF are located on the District's website at www.solano.edu/measureg/vendor.php.

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your qualifications submittal.

- 18. Addendum No. 1, question no. 8, request a clarification of whether or not a lab consultant's information should be included with the RFQ submission.
 Answer: A specialty consultant's information is not required as part of the RFQ submission. Only the General Contractor, Architect, Structural Engineer, Mechanical Engineer, Electrical Engineer and Civil are required to provide information.
- 19. General Liability Insurance can comply with the 3 year completed operations by renewing the policy annually or by providing a dedicated policy that automatically has a 3 year completed operations included, known as a General Liability Wrap-Up policy.

 Answer: The District will require a General Liability Wrap-Up Policy that automatically has a 3 year completed operations included.
- 20. Under the General Liability requirements is states the Owner's and Contractor's protective liability coverage, this coverage is afforded by your master General Liability Policy. Please clarify that the Owner is not looking for a separate policy in the Owner's name also known as an OCP.

Answer: The Owner is not looking for an additional policy known as an OCP. This requirement must be included in the General Liability Coverage.

- 21. Professional Liability the 5 year tail can be complied with by renewing the policy annually. Does the Owner want a specific professional liability for this project alone?

 Answer: The D/B team is to provide a separate liability policy for this project alone that is to include the 5 year tail. The owner will not accept a policy that is renewable on an annual basis.
- 22. Please clarify on \$15M project cost on the Mechanical Engineer, is that for the entire project of just the mechanical portion?

 Answer: The project cost is the total construction cost of the work.
- 23. The RFQ states that the GC is to have an office within 75 miles of the project site for at least 1 year.

Answer: The 75 miles is "as the crow flies" from the District's Fairfield campus. That distance should include San Jose. This applies to the General Contractor only, no consultants are included in this requirement.

- 24. Please confirm the design competition stipend.

 Answer: There will be a stipend for the design competition in the final RFP. The amount of the stipend will be included in the RFP.
- 25. Please provide a copy of the contract the DBE will enter into.

 Answer: The contract is being reviewed by the District and is not available at this time.
- 26. Section 10 Relevant Experience of the D/B Team: It is not clear what is required as the relevant delivery method is already asked for in the form.

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Answer: Other relevant experience may be design assist or construction management at-risk where the construction manager is part of a team including the architect.

27. Can you clarify what is meant by team members, meaning specific members of the Architect team or GC team or whether this section is meant to be projects the GC and Architect have completed together.

Answer: In section 10, "team members" refers to the <u>employees</u> of the firm (for example, 10.A General Contractor, or 10.C Structural Engineer). In section 11, "team members" refers to the <u>firms</u> that you are including in your proposed team for this project. In section 15.E, "team members" refers to the <u>firms</u> that you are including in your proposed team for this project.

28. Section.

In Section 7A, you are calculating the maximum value of the contract with a calculation that includes working capital, lines of credit, and backlog. An experienced large firm with a large backlog will likely not qualify using this calculation.

Answer: This formula <u>may</u> be considered by the District as stated at the top of Section 7.A. As this section states, should a firm not qualify on the basis of this calculation, the District will consider any alternative information you can provide that, in its sole judgment, indicates clearly the firm's ability to meet the financial requirements of the anticipated District contract.

29. On page 7 of the Pre-qualification application, it states "Only Design/Build Entities determined by the District to be prequalified may be issued a formal Request for Proposal. The intent of the District is to pre-qualify three (3) Design/Build/Entities." Are you only qualifying 3 firms through this Pre-qualification process?

Answer: No. Firms submitting a Pre-qualification application will be determined by the District to be either Pre-qualified or Not Qualified. All Pre-qualified firms will receive a Design/Build Request for Proposal. The District anticipates, as a brief first step of the RFP process, short-listing 3 firms. Only those 3 firms would submit Design/Build Proposals.

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