ADDENDUM TO RFQ DOCUMENTS



ADDENDUM: #02

SCCD RFQ: #15-001

Project:

Solano Community College District Architectural Services Pool Request for Qualifications

Date: 07/18/14

All Addenda can be found at the District Purchasing website:

www.solano.edu/purchasing

Addendum # 02 – The following clarifications are provided based on questions received and must be added/considered when completing your submittal: Acknowledgement of receipt of <u>ADDENDAS #01 and #02</u> is required on the Statement of Qualification cover letter of introduction. Please clearly note the addendum date and number.

ITEMS

1. Under Relevant Project Experience

- a. Item #6 Appendix Key team members Please provide each team members information in the following manner:
 - i. Name
 - ii. Education
 - iii. Licenses and certifications
 - iv. Time employed with firm
 - v. Experience
 - 1. Relevant project and role on that project
 - 2. Size of project
 - 3. Project completion date

2. Under Relevant Firm Qualifications:

- a. Building Information Modeling (BIM) capabilities The District, in an effort to ensure that designs are meeting their needs, may desire that several of the projects be put through a BIM process. Please describe your firm's experience and capabilities in the use of BIM and how you have successfully used it to develop plans, and how you have used it in the development of design documents for presentations to user groups.
- b. LEED The District is looking to have each building designed to meet a LEED Silver certification for sustainability if they were to be submitted into the USGBC for review. Please demonstrate your knowledge and experience in providing LEED design principles into your designs. Provide specific project information that will

demonstrate the level of expertise that your firm has in working with the USGBC in managing, submitting, and obtaining certification for LEED projects.

3. Intent of the RFQ – As a clarification, RFQ #15-001 was issued with the intent to establish a pool of qualified firms that will provide the best "fit" for the District's design needs within the list of upcoming projects. These needs include; a wide range in project size and scope, different delivery methods, specific building requirements (labs, library, automotive, aeronautics), and a miscellaneous group of projects, and design services that best fit the Program needs.

Answers to Additional Submitted Questions:

1. Can you please confirm that you would prefer that the design team submit with a lab consultant if we do not have one in house?

Answer: Please refer to the RFQ on page 4, Scope of Services, paragraph two where it states "The Biotech and Science Buildings will require the use of a qualified Lab Planner as part of the firm's team and should be identified as such in the SOQ".

2. Does our involvement in this pool (assuming we are selected) mean we cannot chase DBE or LLB work on projects only when/if we are providing bridging architecture services or other work on that particular project? (i.e. we could still team with a DBE or LLB if another Architectural firm is chosen to contract with the District to provide bridging on a particular project).

Answer: That is correct. A team (Architect and sub-consultants) that is contracted to produce bridging/criteria documents for a specific project is precluded from contracting with the Design Build Entity for that specific project only.

3. Please confirm, per Addendum #1, page limit is 30 pages, doubled sided = 30 sheets, 60 pages?

Answer: 30 sheets of paper printed front and back for a total of 60 printed pages.

- 4. We have deep portfolios in both libraries and science buildings;
 - a. If we are interested in both opportunities, how shall we present our subconsultants?

Answer: It is up to the firms submitting an SOQ to present their qualifications in such a manner as to show their capabilities as to why they should be included in the pool.

b. Would we show two different teams or shall we list them all together knowing their specialties are obvious.

Answer: See answer to part 4a above

5. Is the request for litigation history just for the prime consultant or also for the subconsultants?

Answer: For the prime consultant, unless the sub-consultant is being submitted as a Joint Venture Partner.

6. Can sub-consultants projects be used for relevant project experience (5-15 public works projects in the last 7 years)?

Answer: No, unless the sub-consultant is being submitted as a Joint Venture Partner.

7. There is a requirement to provide "current fee schedule per hour for proposed firm members and prospective sub-consultants" in the RFQ. Can this be separate from the 30 page limit on the proposal as an appendix?

Answer: The fee schedules for the sub-consultants can be listed in the appendix with their other information.

8. In reference to the above noted RFQ, would the District consider amending the indemnification provisions with the modifications listed below?

Revise with the following section as noted:

[10.1] To the furthest extent permitted by California law, Architect shall defend, indemnify, and hold free and harmless the District, its Governing Board, agents, representatives, officers, consultants, employees, trustees, and volunteers ("the indemnified parties") from any and all claims that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the Architect, its officers, employees, subcontractors, consultants, or agents.

Remove the following sections:

[10.2] Architect's obligation pursuant to [section 10.1] includes reimbursing District for the cost of any settlement paid by the indemnified parties and for any and all fees and costs incurred by the indemnified parties to enforce the indemnity herein. Architect's obligation to indemnify shall not be restricted to insurance proceeds. District shall also have the right to accept or reject any legal representation that Architect proposes to defend the indemnified parties.

[10.3] District may withhold any and all costs that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the Architect from amounts owing to Architect. Acknowledge and understand that the successful firms will sign the standardized Independent Consultant Agreement for Professional Services for smaller sized projects, which contains the following indemnity provisions for full Architectural Services:

[13] To the furthest extent permitted by California law, Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold free and harmless the District, its Governing Board, agents, representatives, officers, consultants, employees, trustees, and volunteers ("the indemnified parties") from any and all claims that arise out of, pertaining to, or

relating to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the Contractor. The District shall have the right to accept or reject any legal representation that the Contractor proposes to defend the indemnified parties.

Replace with the following:

"Defense costs and fees: Notwithstanding any language to the contrary in this Section 10, Consultant shall only be required to reimburse District, et. al. for defense fees and costs (including attorney's fees), in proportion to Architect's proven acts of negligence and further, only to the extent such fees and costs were directly attributable to District, et. al.'s defense of a suit based on Architect's proven negligence."

Answer: No, the District will not consider amending the indemnification provisions in the agreement.

9. Are your projects typically permitted entirely through DSA or do you have a campus review agency that may only require DSA review for Access/ADA?

Answer: Yes, all projects will be submitted, as required, to DSA for review and approval.

10. Are the delivery methods for the individual projects set in stone? We are particularly interested in the new Autotech Building and want to know if the District prefers the Design Build approach.

Answer: The District has set forth the delivery methods as described in the RFQ. At this point there is no direction to make a change.

11. Who will be on the Selection Committee?

Answer: The members of the selection committee will be established so as to ensure a full participatory governance environment.

12. Is the District interested in utilizing a pre-manufactured building system for any of the projects identified in the RFQ?

Answer: The District is looking to the teams that are selected into the pool to provide their expertise into the best designs/direction for the District.