

ADDENDUM 2: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST AND STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

BN-0012 Town Lake Sidewalk

Question(s): Received 11/26/24

1) Code 13 Appraisal Review is not listed on NCDOT's online lookup for discipline codes; we understand that it is typically for NCDOT employees only. Can the Town confirm if this is the correct code, or if a different one should be listed?

This has been removed from the list of discipline codes.

Questions regarding this Addenda shall be directed to:

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Question(s): Received 11/22/24

2) Will the sidewalk be on the east side of NC 87 only, or do you want to provide sidewalk on both sides of the road?

The sidewalk alignment is not 100% determined. The east side-only alignment is likely the most practical and viable. The width has also not yet been determined.

3) Will the southern limit of the sidewalk be the park entrance just north of Roberson Creek or do you intend for the sidewalk to go further to the south?

The intention is to end the sidewalk at the park / Roberson Creek bridge.

Question(s): Received 11/25/24

4) Can you elaborate on the anticipated scope for code 398 – FEMA Compliance Monitoring & Auditing?

This code was originally included due to the proximity of the project to Roberson Creek, however it is likely not necessary and will be removed from the list of Discipline Codes.

5) Code 296 – Retaining Wall Investigation & Design is listed twice. Should the second one be a different code?

This was a typo and the duplicate will be removed.

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Advertised: November 13, 2024

TOWN OF PITTSBORO

REQUEST for LETTERS of INTEREST (RFLOI)

DESIGN SERVICES FOR SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

TITLE: BN-0012 TOWN LAKE PARK SIDEWALK

ISSUE DATE: November 13, 2024

SUBMITTAL DEADLINE: December 4, 2024

ISSUING AGENCY: TOWN OF PITTSBORO

SYNOPSIS

SUBCONSULTANTS ARE PERMITTED UNDER THIS CONTRACT.

This contract shall be partially reimbursed with Federal-aid funding through the North Carolina Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as the Department). The solicitation, selection, and negotiation of a contract shall be conducted in accordance with all Department requirements and guidelines.

The primary and/or subconsultant firm(s) (<u>if Subconsultants are allowed under this RFLOI</u>) shall be pre-qualified by the Department to perform ALL of the Discipline Codes listed below for the TOWN OF PITTSBORO. Discipline Codes required are:

- 13 Appraisal Review
- 32 Categorical Exclusions
- 63 Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impacts
- 70 Erosion and Sediment Control Design
- 106 Historic Architectural Surveys of Standing Structures (Buildings and Bridges)
- 132 Landscape & Streetscape Design
- 152 Pavement Design
- 155 Pavement Markings Plans
- 192 ROW Appraisals
- 194 ROW Negotiators
- 199 Route Location Surveys
- 201 Rural Roadway Design
- 207 Signal Design
- 208 Signal Equipment Design

- 235 Subsurface Utility Engineering
- 243 Threatened and Endangered Species Survey & Studies
- 247 Traffic Management Plan Levels 3 & 4
- 255 Traffic Separation Studies & Crossing Evaluation Studies
- 270 Utility Coordination
- 276 Visualization
- 269 Urban Roadway Design
- 294 Roadway Foundation Investigation & Design
- 296 Retaining Wall Investigation & Design
- 296 Retaining Wall Investigation & Design
- 316 Multi-use Trail Design, Survey & Layout
- 360 Topographic Surveying
- 361 Boundary Surveying
- 362 Easement Surveying
- 398 FEMA Compliance Monitoring & Auditing
- 433 Tier I Basic Hydrologic and Hydraulic Design
- 480 Highway Floodplain Program Support

WORK CODES for each primary and/or subconsultant firm(s) <u>SHALL</u> be listed on the respective RS-2 FORMS (see section 'SUBMISSION ORGANIZATION AND INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS').

This RFLOI is to solicit responses (LETTERS of INTEREST, or LOIs) from qualified firms to provide professional consulting services to:

Perform design services for sidewalk construction on NC 87 from Pittsboro Elementary School Rd. to Town Lake Park. Design services include but are not limited to preliminary engineering, estimations of probable cost and permitting.

LOIs SHALL be received or by mail or hand delivery no later than 3:00pm, Wednesday December 4, 2024.

The address for mailings is (USPS only):

Town of Pittsboro PO Box 759 Pittsboro, NC 27312

The address for hand-deliveries, FedEx & UPS is:
Town of Pittsboro
287 East Street, Suite 221-A
Pittsboro, NC 27312

LOIs received after this deadline will not be considered.

Except as provided below any firm wishing to be considered must be properly registered with the Office of the Secretary of State and with the North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors. Any firm proposing to use corporate subsidiaries or subcontractors must include a statement that these companies are properly registered with the North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors and/or the NC Board for Licensing of Geologists. The Engineers performing the work and in responsible charge of the work must be registered Professional Engineers in the State of North Carolina and must have a good ethical and professional standing. It will be the responsibility of the selected private firm to verify the registration of any corporate subsidiary or subcontractor prior to submitting a Letter of Interest. Firms which are not providing engineering services need not be registered with the North Carolina Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors. Some of the services being solicited may not require a license. It is the responsibility of each firm to adhere to all laws of the State of North Carolina.

The firm must have the financial ability to undertake the work and assume the liability. The selected firm(s) will be required to furnish proof of Professional Liability insurance coverage in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000.00. The firm(s) must have an adequate accounting system to identify costs chargeable to the project.

SCOPE OF WORK

The **TOWN OF PITTSBORO** is soliciting proposals for the services of a firm/team for the following contract scope of work:

Perform final design and cost estimates for sidewalk construction on NC 87 from Pittsboro Elementary School Rd to Town Lake Park. Scope is to include but not limited to preliminary survey and site layout, environmental documentation, project design, right-of-way and utility assessment, production of bid documents and assistance with bid administration.

PROPOSED CONTRACT TIME: SIX (6) MONTHS

PROPOSED CONTRACT PAYMENT TYPE: LUMP SUM

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

All LOIs are limited to **FIVE (5)** pages (RS-2 forms are not included in the page count) inclusive of the cover sheet, and shall be typed on 8-1/2" x 11" sheets, single-spaced, one-sided.

Fold out pages <u>are not</u> allowed. In order to reduce costs and to facilitate recycling; binders, dividers, tabs, etc. are prohibited. One staple in the upper left-hand corner is preferred.

LOIs containing more than **FIVE (5)** pages will not be considered.

TWO (2) TOTAL COPIES OF THE LOI SHOULD BE SUBMITTED.

Firms submitting LOIs are encouraged to carefully check them for conformance to the requirements stated above. If LOIs do not meet ALL of these requirements they will be disqualified. No exception will be granted.

SELECTION PROCESS

Following is a general description of the selection process:

- The LGA's Selection Committee will review all qualifying LOI submittals.
- For Limited Services Contracts (On-Call type contracts), the LGA's Selection Committee <u>MAY</u>, at the LGA's discretion, choose any number of firms to provide the services being solicited.
- For Project-Specific Contracts (non On-Call type contracts), the LGA's Selection Committee MAY, at the LGA's discretion, shortlist a minimum of three (3) firms to be interviewed. IF APPLICABLE, dates of shortlisting and dates for interviews are shown in the section SUBMISSION SCHEDULE AND KEY DATES at the end of this RFLOI.
- In order to be considered for selection, consultants must submit a complete response to this RFLOI prior to the specified deadlines. Failure to submit all information in a timely manner will result in disqualification.

TITLE VI NONDISCRIMINATION NOTIFICATION

The LGA in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 US.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all RESPONDENTS that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit LETTERS of INTEREST (LOIs) in response to this ADVERTISEMENT and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

SMALL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE FIRM (SPSF) PARTICIPATION

The Department encourages the use of Small Professional Services Firms (SPSF). Small businesses determined to be eligible for participation in the SPSF program are those meeting size standards defined by Small Business Administration (SBA) regulations, 13 CFR Part 121 in Sector 54 under the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS). The SPSF program is a race, ethnicity, and gender neutral program designed to increase the availability of contracting opportunities for small businesses on federal, state or locally funded contracts. SPSF participation is not contingent upon the funding source.

The Firm, at the time the Letter of Interest is submitted, shall submit a listing of all known SPSF firms that will participate in the performance of the identified work. The participation shall be submitted on the Department's Subconsultant Form RS-2. RS-2 forms may be accessed on the Department's website at NCDOT Connect Guidelines & Forms.

The SPSF must be qualified with the Department to perform the work for which they are listed.

PREQUALIFICATION

The Department maintains on file the qualifications and key personnel for each approved discipline, as well as any required samples of work. Each year on the anniversary date of the company, the firm shall renew their prequalified disciplines. If your firm has not renewed its application as required by your anniversary date or if your firm is not currently prequalified, please submit an application to the Department **prior to submittal of your LOI**. An application may be accessed on the Department's website at <u>Prequalifying Private Consulting Firms</u> -- Learn how to become Prequalified as a Private Consulting Firm with NCDOT. Having this data on file with the Department eliminates the need to resubmit this data with each letter of interest.

Professional Services Contracts are race and gender neutral and do not contain goals. However, the Respondent is encouraged to give every opportunity to allow Disadvantaged, Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (DBE/MBE/WBE) subconsultant utilization on all LOIs, contracts and supplemental agreements. The Firm, subconsultant and subfirm shall not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, age, disability or sex in the performance of this contract.

DIRECTORY OF FIRMS AND DEPARTMENT ENDORSEMENT

Real-time information about firms doing business with the Department, and information regarding their prequalifications and certifications, is available in the Directory of Transportation Firms. The Directory can be accessed on the Department's website at <u>Directory of Firms</u> -- Complete listing of certified and prequalified firms.

The listing of an individual firm in the Department's directory shall not be construed as an endorsement of the firm.

SELECTION CRITERIA

All pregualified firms who submit responsive letters of interest will be considered.

In selecting a firm/team, the selection committee will take into consideration qualification information including such factors as:

- 1. **25%** = GENERAL INFORMATION & RELEVANT FIRM EXPERIENCE.
- 2. **20%** = TEAM STAFF EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS.
- 3. 30% = PROJECT UNDERSTANDING & METHOD OF APPROACH.
- 4. **25% =** PROJECT SCHEDULE.

After reviewing qualifications, if firms are equal on the evaluation review, then those qualified firms with proposed SPSF participation will be given priority consideration.

SUBMISSION ORGANIZATION AND INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

The LOI should be addressed to **KENT JACSON**, **PE**, **ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER** and must include the name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the prime consultant's contact person for this RFLOI.

The LOI must also include the information outlined below:

Chapter 1 - Introduction

The Introduction should demonstrate the consultant's overall qualifications to fulfill the requirements of the scope of work and should contain the following elements of information:

- Expression of firm's interest in the work;
- Statement of whether firm is on register;
- Date of most recent private engineering firm qualification;
- Statement regarding firm's(') possible conflict of interest for the work; and
- Summation of information contained in the letter of interest.

Chapter 2 - Team Qualifications

This chapter should elaborate on the general information presented in the introduction, to establish the credentials and experience of the consultant to undertake this type of effort. The following must be included:

- 1. Identify <u>recent</u>, similar projects the firm, acting as the prime contractor, has conducted which demonstrates its ability to conduct and manage the project. Provide a synopsis of each project and include the date completed, and contact person.
- 2. If subconsultants are involved, provide corresponding information describing their qualifications as requested in bullet number 1 above.

Chapter 3 - Team Experience

This chapter must provide the names, classifications, and location of the firm's North Carolina employees and resources to be assigned to the advertised work; and the professional credentials and experience of the persons assigned to the project, along with any unique qualifications of key personnel. Although standard personnel resumes may be included, identify pertinent team experience to be applied to this project. Specifically, the Department is interested in the experience, expertise, and total quality of the consultant's proposed team. If principals of the firm will not be actively involved in the study/contract/project, do not list them. The submittal shall clearly indicate the Consultant's Project Manager, other key Team Members and his/her qualifications for the proposed work. Also, include the team's organization chart for the Project / Plan. A Capacity Chart / Graph (available work force) should also be included. Any other pertinent information should also be listed in this section.

Note: If a project team or subconsultant encounters personnel changes, or any other changes of significance dealing with the company, NCDOT should be notified immediately.

Chapter 4 - Technical Approach

The consultant shall provide information on its understanding of, and approach to accomplish, this project, including their envisioned scope for the work and any innovative ideas/approaches, and a schedule to achieve the dates outlined in this RFLOI (if any project-specific dates are outlined below).

APPENDICES-

CONSULTANT CERTIFICATION Form RS-2

Completed Form RS-2 forms SHALL be submitted with the firm's letter of interest. This section is limited to the number of pages required to provide the requested information.

Submit Form RS-2 forms for the following:

- Prime Consultant firm
 - > Prime Consultant Form RS-2 Rev 1/14/08; and
- ANY/ALL Subconsultant firms to be, or anticipated to be, utilized by your firm.
 - Subconsultant Form RS-2 Rev 1/15/08.
 - ➤ In the event the firm has no subconsultant, it is required that this be indicated on the Subconsultant Form RS-2 by entering the word "None" or the number "ZERO" and signing the form.

Complete and sign each Form RS-2 (instructions are listed on the form).

The required forms are available on the Department's website at: https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/consultants/Pages/Guidelines-Forms.aspx

Prime Consultant Form RS-2

Subconsultant Form RS-2

All submissions, correspondence, and questions concerning this RFLOI should be directed to **Ben Schmadeke at bschmadeke@pittsboronc.gov**

IF APPLICABLE, questions may be submitted electronically only, to the contact above. Responses will be issued in the form of an addendum available to all interested parties. Interested parties should also send a request, by email only, to the person listed above to be placed on a public correspondence list to ensure future updates regarding the RFLOI or other

project information can be conveyed. Questions must be submitted to the person listed above no later than **November 27**, **2024**. The last addendum will be issued no later than **December 2**, **2024**.

SUBMISSION SCHEDULE AND KEY DATES

RFLOI Release – **NOVEMBER 13, 2024**Deadline for Questions – **NOVEMBER 27, 2024**Issue Final Addendum – **DECEMBER 2, 2024**Deadline for LOI Submission – **DECEMBER 4, 2024**

Firm Selection and Notification - **DECEMBER 11, 2024**