



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

**PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR
HARRY WURZBACH AT AUSTIN HIGHWAY
INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS
Project No. 40-00206A**

June 12, 2014

Amendment #1 includes responses to the questions asked at the pre-submittal conference held on Monday, June 9, 2014. This amendment also includes the posting of additional solicitation documents.

I. RFQ QUESTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

1. **Question:** Would you say this project is more than \$5 million?
Response: The estimated construction cost for this project is \$7.2 Million, not including any joint bid utility construction. The estimated budget for design services for this project may exceed \$1 million should the joint bid utility work be substantial and if utilities accepted joint design work from the consultant.
2. **Question:** The description of the scope of services in the RFQ makes no mention of environmental services. As a project with federal funding, there will need to be NEPA environmental documentation prepared. Will the City complete the environmental documentation and, if so, what level of coordination will be required from the design consultant?
Response: NEPA document preparation is anticipated to be performed by an on call environmental consultant directly for the City. Coordination by the design consultant with the environmental consultant will be required during the design process.
3. **Question:** Will the preliminary design study for Harry Wurzbach Road completed a couple of years ago be made available?
Response: Yes, the PER and schematic for this area will be posted on the City's web page with this amendment to the solicitation.
4. **Question:** Is landscape design anticipated to be needed for this project?
Response: Yes, we anticipate some landscape work will be needed as a part of the design package.
5. **Question:** Will any coordination with Fort Sam Houston need to be provided by the design consultant?
Response: No direct coordination is expected to be required by the design consultant with Fort Sam Houston staff. The City will provide any coordination as needed.
6. **Question:** The proposed scope does not clearly identify the need for public coordination and meetings or environmental permitting/compliance, will these services be required of the selected firm?

Response: Please see the response to question two relative to environmental compliance. With respect to public meeting coordination, the City will require the support of the design team staff for certain public meetings during the design process as typically performed on all City projects. The Design Guidance Manual Public Involvement section may be used as a reference.

7. **Question:** Is right-of-way acquisition anticipated for this project?

Response: Yes we anticipate some Right of Way acquisition will be needed for this project. The design consultant will need to provide survey work and documentation for specific parcels during the design process. The City real estate staff will perform the acquisition of the required parcels.

8. **Question:** Will any separate drainage studies be required for this project?

Response: The design staff will need to perform necessary drainage studies and analysis to confirm and complete the design of the drainage improvements for the intersection and drainage outfall.

9. **Question:** Can you explain the 25% subcontracting goal?

Response: The awarded firm is required to subcontract 25% of the total contract value to certified SBE(s) headquartered (or having significant business presence) within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA). SBE or M/WBE Prime Respondent participation does NOT count towards the Subcontracting requirement.

II. SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS

1. In accordance with the Discretionary Contract Selection Process Guidelines, the list of evaluation committee members for this solicitation has been posted on the City's website.
2. The Preliminary Engineering Report (PER), previously performed on this project, has been posted on the City's website as reference.

END OF AMENDMENT 1