



**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)
FOR
PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE HEMISFAIR PLAY ESCAPE
AMENDMENT #1
February 21, 2013**

Amendment #1 includes questions received in writing, revisions and clarification to solicitation documents and/or required forms.

I. QUESTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS TO RFQ

1. Clarification: The City is seeking Respondents who have experience with projects similar to the scope of services outlined in the Program and Concept Design documents prepared for the Hemisfair Play Escape (formally Plaza de Artes) located at www.hemisfair.org/playescape.
2. The scope says that the selected team will be called on to analyze and prepare recommendations related to an existing program and conceptual design; how committed is the city to this current design? Will the selected team have the ability to make grand changes to the conceptual design, or are you looking for the selected team to simply tweak and document the established program?
Response: The selected Respondent will be expected to analyze and prepare recommendations related to the existing program and to develop a design solution based on the final approved program. The design solution may have significant changes from the existing conceptual design.
3. Section IX-O. refers to a “Solicitation Response Tip List” posted by CIMS, but I could not track this down on your website. Can you share the web address for this information?
Response: The CIMS Contract Services website is currently being modified. The Solicitation Tip List has been added as Exhibit C to the RFQ for reference.
4. Who is on the selection committee?
Response: The Evaluation Committee consists of members of the City of San Antonio and HPARC.
5. Because such unusual projects do not come along often, may we include project sheets for similar work that was completed more than 5 years ago?
Response: Projects dating back seven (7) years may be submitted if the key staff involved in the projects still are with the firm. Refer to Section II Revisions to the RFQ and Solicitation Documents for revision.
6. Should artists be part of our proposed team, or will there be an opportunity to select artist as the Project develops?
Response: Artist should not be included as a part of your Project team.
7. Complete projects of this nature require extraordinary efforts for world-class results. What is the anticipated fee range?
Response: The City is soliciting for qualifications at this time. The City will negotiate the design fees and rates with the recommended firm.
8. Is the site (HPARC) vested into any tree ordinance such as 1997, 2003, 2006 or 2010 ordinance?
Response: The selected firm shall comply with the City’s 2010 Tree Ordinance.

9. Will HPARC provide a separate cost analysis through the process prior to final issued CD package?
Response: The selected Construction Manager at Risk firm for the Project is scheduled to provide construction cost estimates at the completion of each phase.
10. Will public input meetings drive the final design approach for the CD package or will HPARC be the sole decision maker?
Response: The only community outreach efforts will be those facilitated by the selected Respondent at completion of schematic design. Input received will be considered when preparing design development drawings.
11. Will SAWS recycled water be used for play water features or irrigation design?
Response: A final determination on this has not been determined but it is a possibility.
12. Is the \$5.5 million dollar budget for the Hemisfair Play Escape the construction budget, or does it include fees and other Project costs?
Response: The total Project budget of \$5.5 million is inclusive of all costs, i.e. design, construction, permits, and other Project costs.

II. REVISIONS TO THE RFQ AND SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS
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1. Immediately after the Pre-Submittal meeting on Friday, February 22, 2013 at 10:30 A.M., staff will be meeting on the back porch of the Eager House located at 434 S. Alamo for a walk through of the Hemisfair. This walk through is optional and not mandatory.
2. The Solicitation Tip List has been added to the RFQ as Exhibit “C” and is available on the City’s website at www.sanantonio.gov/rfplistsings.
3. Section D. Understanding of the Project and Proposed Management Plan, subsection **4. Outreach and Diversity (2 points) Indexed and Labeled as Tab 17**. The entire Outreach and Diversity Plan has been deleted in its entirety. The Understanding of the Project and Proposed Management Plan (15 total points) has been revised to the following:
 1. Project Understanding (7 Points) Indexed and labeled as Tab 14
 2. Design Management Plan (5 Points) Indexed and labeled as Tab 15
 3. Construction Phase Services (3 Points) Indexed and labeled as Tab 16
4. Paragraph J. Statement of Qualifications, subparagraph A.1 (Experience) which states the following:
 “1. Experience (Indexed and Labeled as “Tab 9”) – City will consider the relevance of past experience for all parties proposed as a part of the team. Provide a narrative in four (4) pages or less that describes the team’s qualifications as they relate to Hemisfair Play Escape Project.
Has been revised to the following:
 “1. Experience (Indexed and Labeled as “Tab 9”) – City will consider the relevance of past experience for all parties proposed as a part of the team. Provide a narrative in four (4) pages or less that describes the team’s qualifications as they relate to Hemisfair Play Escape Project ([refer to www.hemisfair.playscape](http://www.hemisfair.playscape)).”
5. Section V. Submittal Document Requirements and Evaluation Criteria, subsection A.2 Project Sheets on page 6 of the RFQ which states the following:
 “ Respondent’s submittal shall include, at minimum, three (3) project sheets, limited to one (1) page for each project included, which shall describe similar projects Respondent has completed within the last five (5) years.
Has been revised to the following:
 “ Respondent’s submittal shall include, at minimum, three (3) project sheets, limited to one (1) page for each project included, which shall describe similar projects Respondent has completed within the last seven (7) years.”

END OF REVISIONS

No other items, dates, or deadlines for this RFQ are changed.