

**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS  
FIBER OPTIC MASTER PLAN & EXPANSION  
CITY PROJECT NO. WARP503**

1. Question: Do the forms and DIR registration count toward the 20-page limit?

**Answer:** No, required forms and DIR registration will not count towards the 20-page limit.

2. Question: Should the forms and DIR registration be submitted with the cost proposal or technical proposal?

**Answer:** All required forms should be submitted with the technical proposal.

3. Question: What is the City's budget for fiber construction following this RFP?

**Answer:** The City has allocated \$2.6 million from round 2 of its ARPA funds for the construction phase of this project.

4. Question: What are the start/end points? Is the plan to connect all fragmented sections?

**Answer:** The start point will be the Stewart-Eberhardt Building located at 22 E Weber Ave. Stockton, CA 95202. This is where the core switch will reside once City Hall is relocated. End points are to be determined by the chosen consultant through the development of the fiber optic master plan.

5. Question: Is the overall plan for this RFP to create a citywide fiber network eliminating all leased fiber?

**Answer:** Yes, the City's end goal is to eliminate the need to lease fiber by installing its own fiber network. The fiber optic master plan should explain how the City will accomplish this task over time. The PS&E part of this project is only for constructing a small portion of the network.

6. Question: Please clarify the scope of work. Is the intent to provide a price for a design based on the map provided?

**Answer:** The intent of this project is to develop a fiber optic master plan for a City-owned fiber optic network and to produce PS&E for the construction of phase one as determined in the fiber optic master plan. Existing maps and documents will aid in the development of these documents. The technical proposal should explain how the firm plans to accomplish these tasks while the cost proposal should outline the cost for the firm to deliver the services

outlined in their technical proposal. The City will enter into contract negotiations with the firm ranked highest by the selection committee to complete the work as outlined in their technical proposal.

7. Question: Will this design include fiber to the premise, or a main trunk system only with laterals?

Answer: The city already owns fiber connecting its network to the leased trunk. Only the main trunk and laterals will need to be planned out and designed.

8. Question: Will this build be executed in phases?

Answer: Yes, construction will be phased out. The fiber optic master plan should go into detail on the order in which the segments should be constructed. Then PS&E should be developed for the first segment as part of this project. The City will then seek funding to develop PS&E for construction of phase two as part of a separate, future project.