QUESTIONS-ANSWERS-CLARIFICATIONS

2024 ON-CALL MATERIAL TESTING SERVICES FOR VARIOUS CITY PROJECTS PROJECT NO. SEB-24-001

January 15, 2024

1. Question:

The last paragraph under "Minimum Scope and Limit of Insurance" of Attachment C, Exhibit E "Insurance Requirements for Professional Services" requires that, if greater insurance limits are carried than the City requires, the City is allowed full access to those higher limits. Just because a Consultant carries higher limits should not automatically allow the City full access to those higher limits. Please advise if the City is willing to remove this language from this exhibit.

Answer:

If the Consultant maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums, the City of Stockton requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City of Stockton.

2. Question:

Attachment C, Exhibit E "Insurance Requirements for Professional Services" "Primary Coverage" states that for any claim, the insurance required from the Consultant be primary and non-contributory with that carried by the City and its additional insureds. However, there is no primary and non-contributory coverage available under a Workers' Compensation or Professional Liability policy as these two policies only cover the Insured Party (the Consultant) and neither extends coverage to third parties of any kind (the City and its additional insureds). As such, the third party's coverage must contribute. Please advise if the City is open to modifying this requirement so that primary and non-contributory coverage is only required with respect to General Liability and Automobile Liability insurance.

Answer:

The Primary and Non-contributory endorsement is only required for the General Liability and Auto Liability

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3. Question: Can we make changes and add items to the fee schedule, or do you want

the document completed as it is?

Answer: Complete the document as it is.

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4. Question: Since resumes do not count toward the 10-page maximum for the technical

SOQ, should they be included in an Appendix?

Answer: Resumes are counted toward the 20-page maximum as indicated in the

SOQ.

5. Question: What is the maximum number of pages? RFQ on page 9 sates, SOQ shall

not exceed 10 pages and the second to the last sentence of this paragraph states, "SOQs shall be no more than twenty (20 pages) including...10-O1

form."

Answer: As indicated in the SOQ, the maximum number of pages is 20.

6. Question: Would you please clarify the preferred SOQ content layout?

a) On page 6, below the "4.4 Coordination/Meetings" it states in parenthesis, "(Please note that the above tasks are listed as a general framework for this RFQ. You are encouraged to include additional tasks into your SOQ.)" – is this referring to 4.1-4.4? Or is this statement in

reference to a different framework

Answer: The statement refers to any additional tasks that the consultant thinks are

necessary for the project.

b) On page 8, it states, "Required SOQ Content" – this doesn't appear to

match what is noted on page 6.

Answer: Content of the SOQ should follow Section 6.0 REQUIRED SOQ CONTENT.

c) The attachment E Evaluation Criteria has some different prompts, which

eludes to a different framework than noted on pages 6 and 8.

Answer: Attachment E Evaluation Criteria will be used based on the submitted SOQ.

It is up to the consultant to make sure all the requirements of the SOQ are

addressed.