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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR WEST CONNECTOR TRAIL EXTENSION

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA

To:

Engineering Design Services

From:

Todd McCoy, Parks & Recreation Director

Subject:

Provide Conceptual and Engineering Design Services for the construction of a

trail

Date:

October 31, 2022

The City of Grand Island Parks & Recreation Department is seeking qualifications to provide Conceptual and Engineering Design Services for the construction of a trail from the intersection of North Road and Old Potash Hwy to the City Water Tower Park on Engleman Rd.

The Request for Qualifications are due November 29, 2022 by 4:00 p.m. (Local Time). Three (3) copies of the Request for Qualifications shall be submitted to:

City Clerk Attn: RaNae Edwards P.O. Box 1968 Grand Island, NE 68802

Any questions in responding to RFQ please contact Todd McCoy, Parks & Recreation Director (308) 389-0290 or toddm@grand-island.com. I look forward to receiving your response to this request.

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Sealed Request for Qualifications will be **received at the City Clerk's office**, 100 East First Street, Grand Island, NE 68801 or P.O. Box 1968, Grand Island, NE 68802, **until 4:00 pm (Local Time), November 29, 2022 to provide Conceptual and Engineering Design Services for the construction of the West Connector Trail Extension**. Request for Qualifications received after the specified time will be returned unopened to sender.

The award winning offeror will be required to comply with the City's Insurance requirements.

The Purchaser reserves the right to reject any or all Qualifications, to waive technicalities, and to accept whichever proposal that may be in the best interest of the City, at its sole discretion.

No bidder may withdraw their Request for Qualification for a period of ninety days (90) after date of bid opening.

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS WEST CONNECTOR TRAIL EXTENSION

Project Name: West Connector Trail Extension

Estimated Project Schedule: 30% Design/Cost Est/Final Design (Winter 2022-23)

Construction (2023-2024)

Project Background:

This project is for the construction of a trail from the intersection of North Road and Old Potash Hwy to the City Water Power Park on Engleman Rd. The Parks & Recreation Department is proposing a 10' concrete trail section and all other improvements needed to complete the project.

Project Scope:

Conceptual Design Services

- Have project kickoff meeting with City to discuss direction of the project.
- Have or help organize stakeholder meetings about the project with surrounding property owners.
- Use design information to develop costs estimates for project costs.

Surveying Services

Perform topographic survey required for design of this project.

Geotechnical Services

• Geotechnical service will be required to verify soil conditions and provide proper pavement design for this trail.

Engineering Design Services

- Have project kickoff meeting with City to discuss direction of the project as well as intermittent meetings throughout design process.
- Provide utility coordination with existing utilities in the corridor to allow for trail construction.
- Provide construction documents stamped and sealed by a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Nebraska for the improvements as indicated from the conceptual design phase for trail paving, temporary traffic control, drainage, erosion control, signing and all other related improvements needed for the project. Documents shall be provided as:
 - o Electronic AutoCAD Civil 3D files; Half size final prints on 11x17; Electronic PDF files
- Provide any special provisions that are not part of the Grand Island City Specifications that the engineer deems needed for this job for the City to incorporate in the bidding documents.

Construction Phase Services

Provide construction observation, construction staking and soil and material sampling and testing in accordance with the project technical specifications and at the direction of the Project Engineer. Work includes providing personnel and equipment to:

- Take concrete samples and perform concrete testing.
- Take soil samples to perform classification, moisture content, gradation, and relative compaction tests.
- Take field density tests to verify appropriate compactive effort is producing the required compaction results.
- Provide construction oversight to observe compliance with City of Grand Island Specifications.

- Provide necessary construction staking services in order for contractor to build project per plans.
- Submit weekly construction testing reports to the City by Monday of the following week.

Project Contact: Parks & Recreation Director Todd McCoy toddm@grand-island.com or 308-389-0290

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The qualifications shall be evaluated with the following considerations:

- Approach to the project;
- Brief company history, including references of similar departments/cities serviced by your company;
- Resume of key staff designated for the projects and a clear identification of their roles in the projects;
- Names and addresses of references;
- Copy of proposed contract agreement;
- Any exceptions to the qualification requirements as stated herein; and
- Proposed work schedule.

QUALIFICATION PROTOCOL

Todd McCoy, Parks & Recreation Director will be the City's contact person for additional information on this RFQ (308) 389-0290. Interested firms shall send four (4) copies of their proposals to RaNae Edwards, City Clerk, P.O. Box 1968, Grand Island, NE 68802-1968. Proposals must be received **no later than 4:00 p.m. (Local Time) on November 29, 2022**. Proposals must remain firm for ninety (90) days from the due date. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to select the proposal which is deemed to be in the best interest of the City, at their sole discretion.

CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

The evaluation committee will rank the qualifications. Todd McCoy, Parks & Recreation Director will negotiate a contract with the highest ranked proposer. If a satisfactory contract cannot be negotiated with the highest ranked proposer, then an attempt will be made to negotiate a contract with the next highest ranked proposer.

GRATUITIES AND KICKBACKS

City Code states that it is unethical for any person to offer, give or agree to give any City employee or former City employee, or for any City employee or former City employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, or preparation of any part of a program requirement or a purchase request, influencing the

content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or qualification therefore. It shall be unethical for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a consultant under a contract to the prime consultant or higher tier consultant or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of an agreement or order.

INSURANCE

The award winning offeror will be required to comply with the City's Insurance requirements.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY

1. "Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability." This insurance shall protect the Contractor against all claims under applicable State worker's compensation laws. This insurance shall provide coverage in every state in which work for this project might be conducted. The Contractor shall also be protected against claims for injury, disease, or death of employees which, for any reason, may not fall within the provisions of a worker's compensation law. This policy shall include an "all states" endorsement. The liability limits shall be not less than the following:

Worker's Compensation Employer's Liability Statutory Limits \$100,000 each accident \$100,000 each employee \$500,000 policy limit

2. "Business Automobile Liability." This insurance shall be written in comprehensive form and shall protect the Contractor, Contractor's employees, or subcontractors from claims due to the ownership, maintenance, or use of a motor vehicle. The liability limits shall be not less than the following:

Bodily Injury & Property Damage \$500,000 Combined Single Limit

3. "Comprehensive General Liability." The comprehensive general liability coverage shall contain no exclusion relative to explosion, collapse, or underground property. The liability limits shall be not less than the following:

Bodily Injury & Property Damage \$ 500,000 each occurrence \$1,000,000 aggregate

4. "Umbrella Liability Insurance." This insurance shall protect the Contractor against claims in excess of the limits provided under employer's liability, comprehensive automobile liability, and commercial general liability policies. The umbrella policy shall follow the form of the primary insurance, including the application of the primary limits. The liability limits shall not be less than the following:

Bodily Injury & Property Damage \$1,000,000 each occurrence \$1,000,000 general aggregate

- 5. Additional Requirements. The City may require insurance covering a Contractor or Subcontractor more or less than the standard requirements set forth herein depending upon the character and extent of the work to be performed by such Contractor or Subcontractor. Insurance as herein required shall be maintained in force until the City releases the Contractor of all obligations under the contract. The Contractor shall provide and carry any additional insurance as may be required by special provisions of these specifications.
- 6. Certificate of Insurance. Satisfactory certificates of insurance shall be filed with the City prior to starting any work on this contract. The certificates shall show the City as an additional insured on all coverage except Workers Compensation. The certificate shall state that thirty (30) days written notice shall be given to the City before any policy is cancelled (strike the "endeavor to" wording often shown on certificate forms). If the Contractor cannot have the "endeavor to" language stricken, the Contractor may elect to provide a new certificate of insurance every thirty (30) days during the contract. The Contractor shall immediately notify the City if there is any reduction of coverage because of revised limits or claims paid which affect the aggregate of any policy.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Each proposer agrees that they will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, color, religious creed, ancestry, handicap, sex or political affiliation.

LB 403

Every public contractor and his, her or its subcontractors who are awarded a contract by the City for the physical performance of services within the State of Nebraska shall register with and use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of new employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska.

FISCAL YEARS

The City of Grand Island, Nebraska operates on a fiscal year beginning October 1st and ending on the following September 30th. It is understood and agreed that any portion of this agreement which will be performed in a future fiscal year is contingent upon the City Council adopting budget statements and appropriations sufficient to fund such performance.

QUALIFICATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The City will not pay any costs incurred by the firm in preparing or submitting the proposal. The City reserves the right to modify or cancel, in part or in its entirety, this RFP. The City reserves the right to reject any or all qualifications, to waive defects or informalities, and to offer to contract with any firm in response to any RFP. This RFP does not constitute any form of offer to contract.

TITLE VI

The City of Grand Island, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notified all bidden that it will affirmatively insure that in any contact entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, sex, age and disability/handicap in consideration for an award.

SECTION 504/ADA NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The City of Grand Island does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission of its programs, services, or activities, in access to them, in treatment of individuals with disabilities, or in any aspect of their operations. The City of Grand Island also does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices.

This notice is provided as required by Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Questions, complaints, or requests for additional information or accommodation regarding the ADA and Section 504 may be forwarded to the designated ADA and Section 504 compliance coordinator.

Jerry Janulewicz 308-385-5444, extension 140 100 East First Street, Grand Island, NE 68801 Monday through Friday; 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

