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# City of Central Point Public Works Department Request for Qualifications:

**Engineering Services** 

REPLY REQUESTED NO LATER THAN 3:00 p.m. PST on March 3, 2015.

The City of Central Point is accepting Statement of Qualifications (SOQs) from qualified individuals and firms to provide engineering services on an as-needed basis. This work can include but is not necessarily limited to planning, design, bidding and construction management, storm infrastructure design, and design of water quality best management practices, and grant writing projects.

The City will compile a list of no less than two (2) qualified consultants that will assist on miscellaneous projects. It is the City's intent to disseminate the projects equally between the selected consultants, however, the projects will be assigned to the qualified consultants on the basis of the project requirements, firm's expertise and experience and not necessarily on a rotational basis. The City invites qualified individuals or agencies to submit SOQs based upon the scope of the work contained in the RFQ.

Separately, one of the selected consultant(s) will also provide engineering development review and standards and specifications update services for City review of new subdivisions along with commercial, industrial and residential development. The contract for development review will be the same term as the engineering services. The first contract is proposed to be for a three (3) year period with two options to extend for an additional one (1) year at the City's discretion (maximum duration of contract is 5 years).

#### SUBMISSION OF SOQ PACKAGE

To receive consideration, packages must be submitted in accordance with the following instructions:

1. All packages shall be delivered to:

City of Central Point Attn: Matt Samitore

140 South Third Street, Central Point, OR 97502

- 2. Submit four (4) hard copies no later than 3:00 p.m. PST March 3, 2015.
- 3. The packages must be clearly marked "STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES".
- 4. Maintaining the integrity of the RFQ process is extremely important to the City of Central Point. As such all questions, shall be directed to the Parks and Public Works Director, Matt Samitore, at (541)664-3321 ext. 205 or email <a href="matt.samitore@centralpointoregon.gov">matt.samitore@centralpointoregon.gov</a>. Prior to contacting, please review the General Information section, titled "Request for Additional Information", located on Page 5

of this packet. Answers to all questions will be posted online and made available to all firms intending to submit a qualification package. Failure to adhere to these restrictions may significantly reduce your prospects for selection.

5. The City of Central Point reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, and has the right, at its sole discretion, to accept the SOQ package it considers most favorable to the City's interest and the right to waive minor irregularities in procedures.

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO FIRMS FOR EGINEERING SERVCIES

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

The City of Central Point invites qualified individuals or firms to submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to provide miscellaneous engineering services as described in the specifications set forth in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ). All SOQs are subject to the provisions and requirements of the City of Central Point Rules of Local Contract Review, the Oregon Revised Statutes, and the Attorney General's Model Public Contract Rules.

## **SOQ PACKAGE REQUIREMENTS**

Your SOQ package must not exceed thirty (30), 8.5" x 11" pages. If the page is double sided then it shall count as two pages. The SOQ, at a minimum, shall include the following:

- **1. Cover Letter**. All SOQ packages must include a cover letter, made to the attention of Matt Samitore, Parks & Public Works Director, and signed by a person legally authorized to bind the applicant to its Proposal. At a minimum, the cover letter must include the following items:
  - a. The firm name.
  - b. The names of local partners/principals and the number of local personnel.
  - c. Address, telephone, and FAX numbers of the firm.
- d. Contact information, including an email address, of the person(s) who are authorized to represent the proposer.
- **2. Personnel**. All SOQ packages must include the following information related to key personnel who will be working on these projects.
- a. The names of the partners, managers and other key staff personnel who will be assigned to the projects along with brief resumes that indicate their experience in municipal civil engineering.
  - b. An organizational chart including sub consultants (if applicable).
- **3. References**. All SOQ packages must include the following information related to the references and qualifications relative to the scope of work associated with this SOQ.
- a. List of Oregon local government jurisdictions your firm is currently providing engineering services for or has provided engineering services for within the last five (5) years. References must include a point person and contact information.
- b. Relevant Project Summary/Profile Sheets. At a minimum, the sheets shall provide a brief description of the project, provide date design was completed, provide date construction was completed, provide owner information, and contact person. Projects presented must have been completed within the last five (5) years.

**4. Project Approach.** A preliminary list of scoping items must be included with this RFQ, however it is anticipated that the proposal will include any amendments and/or provide additional recommendations based on their experience and expertise.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATION** (Proposer must meet the following minimum requirements):

- 1. Be a licensed civil engineer in the State of Oregon.
- 2. Demonstrate experience with public sector engineering of similar size and scope of the services being requested.

**EVALUATION CRITERIA** – Scoring will be based on the following criteria:

**General (25%):** Evaluations will be performed to determine the consultant's understanding of the work to be performed, overall approach to the project, and ability to explain details to staff. Consideration will be given as to the consultant's ability to respond in an expeditious manner to service calls.

Personnel Qualifications, Project Organization, Experience, and Commitment Criteria (25%): Submittals will be evaluated considering the consultant's technical, managerial experience, and qualifications to work on these projects.

**References (25%):** Evaluation of references and project summaries such that they are representative of the scope and size of the project presented in RFQ.

Relevant Past and Present Performance Criteria (25%): Assessment of the consultant's past and present performance will be evaluated relative to the capability to meet the performance requirements. Additionally, quality of service, customer satisfaction, cost control and timeliness of past and present projects will be evaluated.

### **DESIGN REVIEW ENGINEER**

- 1. Must meet all qualifications listed previous.
- 2. A minimum of ten (10) years design review experience within Oregon 50%
- 3. Familiarity with Central Point Standards and Specifications 25%
- 4. Familiarity with Central Point Master Plans and Capital Improvement Plans 25%

#### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Central Point is a growing community in Southern Oregon bordering the city of Medford on both the east and south of the City. The City is primed for large scale growth as the economy recovers. Additionally, the City has a new urban renewal plan as well as some areas of town with aging infrastructure. The City has created this RFQ as a way to compile a list of qualified consultants to assist the City with these infrastructure projects. There will be a cap of \$75,000 placed on all individual projects that will be covered under this contract. For individual projects that are anticipated to exceed this amount the City will perform a Request for Proposal (RFP) or Request for Qualifications (RFQ) (if the project is anticipated to comply with qualified based selection procedures).

#### **SCOPE OF WORK**

This list provides typical examples of work to be assigned. The services to be provided will be selective and as determined by the Director. As specific work is requested by the City, the City will assign a project number that will be utilized by the selected firm on all plans, reports, correspondence, etc. The selected firm shall provide the City with a scope, fee, and schedule for approval prior to commencing on work.

The successful proposer must demonstrate that they can effectively communicate with City Staff, work in a team like manner, and provide engineering services that satisfy the scope and is in the public's best interest. The successful proposer must also show that the project deliverables can be provided on time and within budget. Anticipated work and/or projects that may occur under this contract are included but not limited to:

- Planning, design and construction management for stormwater projects, which include water quality components.
- Planning, design and construction management for streets.
- Consultation on City building projects.
- On-call consulting for various City infrastructure systems and policies.
- Grant writing.
- As necessary, attend City meetings, public hearings and conferences with funding and regulatory agencies.
- Provide development review and third party review services.
- Coordinate meetings with City staff, other agencies, and developers and their consultants.
- Infrastructure systems analysis related to particular development proposals.
- Review of plans for road, sewer, storm drainage, geotechnical, grading and other improvements for conformance to City Standards and accepted engineering practices for subdivisions and building projects.
- Occasional construction inspections of installation of road, sewer, storm drainage and other improvements for conformance to City Standards and accepted engineering practices for subdivisions and building projects.
- Provide technical analysis to direct the City through the NPDES permit renewal process.
- Review of systems and documents to provide consultation for compliance with DEQ requirements.
- Provide technical analysis for compliance with local, state, and federal requirements regarding stormwater treatment.

The City of Central Point specifically reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to preapprove or request reassignment of staff assigned to work at the City of Central Point as best fits a project and/or request specific certification or licensing of staff to be assigned a task.

The successful proposer shall be responsible for all resources necessary to deliver these services. The City of Central Point supports the following software:

- Microsoft Office Suite 2010
- AutoCAD and Civil 3D 2011
- Arc GIS 10

It is anticipated that with each individual project a scope, deliverables list, and schedule will be provided. The successful proposer should anticipate that the City will request deliverables in one of the above referenced electronic formats, as well as hard copies. Deliverables will be determined on a project by project basis.

Resources to Be Provided: The successful proposer shall enter into an agreement with the City. The City has provided this agreement/contract language for review, located at the end of this RFQ. If there is language in the City's General Service Agreement that the successful proposer would like omitted or modified, changes can be submitted prior to finalization of the contract. Additionally, if there are insurance requirements that the successful proposer would like to discuss or see amended those can also be reviewed prior to contract authorization. If no requests are made on or prior to this date, then it shall be assumed that the contract language and minimum insurance requirements are agreeable.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Interviews**: Proposers *may* be invited to an interview with the City's Selection Committee. Selected proposers will be contacted regarding time and location of an interview, per the schedule in this RFQ.

**Compliance with Rules**: Proposers responding to this RFQ must follow its procedures and requirements. Except as otherwise provided in the RFQ, applicable provisions of Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 137, Division 47 shall apply to all professional service contracts of the City. Failure to comply with or complete any part of this RFQ may result in rejection of your Proposal.

**Request for Additional Information**: Proposers may submit questions or a request for additional information. All questions and/or requests must be submitted either by mail or email:

City of Central Point

Public Works & Development Department

Attn: Matt Samitore 140 South 3rd Street Central Point, OR 97502

matt.samitore@centralpointoregon.gov

All requests for additional information, must clearly reference the "SOQ for Engineering Services". All requests must be received no later than 3:00 p.m. PST on February 20, 2015.

The responses to the requests will be made available at the City's website:www.centralpointoregon.gov per the schedule in this RFQ. Hard copies can be mailed upon request and may require a fee for copying and delivery.

#### **Schedule for SOQ Actions**

SOQ Advertised (The Mailtribune) - January 24 & January, 31 2015
Deadline for Additional Information Requests - February 20, 2015 at 3 p.m. PST
Response to Additional Information Requests - February 25, 2015 end of business day
SOQ Package due - March 3, 2015 by 3 p.m. PST
Schedule Interviews (subject to City's discretion)
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Council Consideration of Contract - March 26, 2015
Intent to Award - April 2, 2015
Award of Project - April 9, 2015

**Proposal Withdrawal**: Any Proposal may be withdrawn at any time before the "Proposal Due" date and time by providing a written request for the withdrawal to the issuing office. A duly authorized representative of the agency shall make the request. Withdrawal of a Proposal will not preclude the proposer from filing a new Proposal prior to the scheduled deadline.

**Appeals**: Bidders who wish to appeal a disqualification of proposal or the award of contract may submit the appeal in writing to the City Manager's Office within five (5) working days of the postmarked Notice of Award or disqualification. Disagreement with the process, e.g., scoring by evaluators, is not subject to appeal.

Address appeals to: City of Central Point Attn: City Manager 140 South 3rd Street Central Point, OR 97502

**Ownership of Documents**: Any material submitted by a proposer shall become the property of the City. Materials submitted after a contract is signed will be subject to the ownership provision of the executed contract.

**Confidentiality of Information**: All information and data furnished to the proposer by the City and all other documents to which the proposer's employees have access during the preparation and submittal of the Proposal shall be treated as confidential to the City. Any oral or written disclosure to unauthorized individuals is prohibited.

**Public Record**: All SOQs and information submitted by proposers are not open for public inspection until after the notice of intent to award is contract is issued. Except for exempt materials, all Proposals and information submitted by proposers will be available for viewing after the evaluation process is complete and the notice of intent to award is sent to all participating parties.

**Indemnity**: The Engineer of Work shall hold harmless, indemnify, and save the City, its officers, employees, and agents, from any and all liability claims, losses, or damages arising or alleged to arise during the performance of the work described herein by reason of any act or omission of the Engineer of Work or any of its agents, employees or representatives. The indemnity applies to either active and passive acts or other conduct.

**Employment Status:** Consultant shall perform the work required by this contract as an independent consultant. Although the Owners reserves the right to determine and modify the delivery schedule for the work to be performed and to evaluate the quality of the completed performance, the Owners cannot and will not control the means or manner of the Consultant's performance. The Consultant is responsible for determining the appropriate means and manner of performing the work.

Consultant represents and warrants that the Consultant is not an employee of the City of Central Point and meets the specific independent consultant standards of ORS 670.600. Consultant is not an officer, employee, or agent of the Owners as those terms are used in ORS 30.265.

Consultant shall be responsible for any federal or state taxes applicable to any compensation or payments paid to Consultant under this contract and, the Owners will not withhold from such compensation or payments any amounts to cover Consultant's federal or state tax obligations.

Consultant is not eligible for any Social Security, unemployment insurance, or Workers Compensation, from compensation paid to Consultant under this contract except as a self-employed individual.

**Insurance:** The insurance requirements for this project are rated as a Level 4. Level 4 Insurance Requirements are for professional services over \$50,000.

Any company or individual performing work for the City of Central Point (hereinafter "the City") or hosting a special event on City property shall be required to provide proof of insurance to the City per applicable insurance level.

- 1. General Liability shall be a per occurrence form and must cover the time for which the work/event/contract is being performed/held.
- 2. Proof of insurance of not less than the amount required is to be provided. Limits shown in the requirements are a minimum per occurrence limit.
- 3. If the City is required to use Federal or State insurance policy limits, or is subject to the Federal or State tort claim limits, the limits required through this statement shall be superseded by such limits.
- 4. If a claim occurs where the amount of the claim exceeds the insurance policy limits required by this directive, the company or individual performing work/hosting event assumes full responsibility for the payment of such claim.
- 5. Waivers of the policy limits or provisions in this policy must be approved by the City Manager, City Attorney and the City Risk Manager of Record. Insurance policy limits may also be required to be higher based upon the City's review of the specific application for which insurance is required.
- 6. Tail Coverage: If any of the required liability insurance is on a "claims made" basis, RFQ for recipient shall maintain either "tail" coverage or continuous "claims made" liability coverage, provided the effective date of the continuous "claims made" coverage is on or before the effective date of the Contract/Agreement, for a minimum of 24 months following the later of:
- (1) Recipient's completion of all services and the City's acceptance of all services required under the Contract/Agreement, or
- (2) The expiration of all warranty periods provided under the Contract/Agreement. Notwithstanding the foregoing 24-month requirement, if recipient elects to maintain "tail" coverage and the maximum time period "tail" coverage is reasonably available in the marketplace is less than the 24-month period described above, recipient shall maintain "tail" coverage for the maximum time period "tail" coverage is reasonably available in the marketplace for the coverage required.

#### 7. Definitions:

Commercial General Liability: To cover bodily injury, death, and property damage. This insurance shall include contractual liability coverage for the indemnity provided under those listed in the Agreement/Contract, personal and advertising injury liability, products liability and completed operations liability. Coverage may be written in combination with Automobile Liability Insurance (with separate limits).

Professional Liability: To cover error, omission or negligent acts related to the professional services to be provided under the Agreement/Contract.

Automobile Liability: To cover each accident for bodily injury and property damage, including coverage for owned, hired, non-owned, leased, or rented vehicles as applicable. This coverage may be written in combination with the Commercial General Liability Insurance (with separate limits).

Builders Risk: To cover structures being built, temporary structures at the building site, and building materials not yet having become part of the building. The building materials are covered while on the insured location, in transit, or in storage at another location.

Installation Floater: To cover materials, equipment, and personal property while in transit, installation, and until coverage terminates according to the terms of the floater. This coverage can cover the

property of others in the contractor's care, custody or control that is often excluded under the contractor's general liability coverage.

Umbrella Liability: To cover excess liability over several of the insured's primary liability policies. An excess liability policy may be what is called a following form policy, which means it is subject to the same terms as the underlying policies; it may be a self-contained policy, which means it is subject to its own terms only; or it may be a combination of these two types of excess policies.

Umbrella policies provide three functions:

- (1) To provide additional limits above the each occurrence limit of the insured's primary policies;
- (2) To take the place of primary insurance when primary aggregate limits are reduced or exhausted; and
- (3) To provide broader coverage for some claims that would not be covered by the insured's primary insurance policies, which would be subject to the policy retention.

Most umbrella liability policies contain one comprehensive insuring agreement. The agreement usually states it will pay the ultimate net loss, which is the total amount in excess of the primary limit for which the insured becomes legally obligated to pay for damages of bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, and advertising injury.

8. Should the Umbrella/Excess Insurance coverage combined with Commercial General Liability coverage not equal or exceed the minimum combined coverage shown, coverage must be increased to equal or exceed the minimum total coverage limits shown.

If there is no Umbrella/Excess Insurance coverage, then the Commercial General Liability, Employers Liability, and Automobile Liability limits must be increased to equal or exceed the minimum total coverage limits shown.

- 9. (If applicable) Contractor will purchase and maintain property insurance for the entire work at the site on a replacement cost basis. Contractor shall obtain, at Contractor's expense, and keep in effect until final acceptance of the work performed under this contract, an Installation Floater or equivalent property coverage for materials, equipment, supplies, and tools to be used for completion of the work performed under this contract. The Installation Floater shall include coverage for testing, if applicable. The minimum amount of coverage to be carried shall be equal to the full amount of this contract. The contractor will be responsible for any applicable deductibles.
- 10. The Certificate of Insurance(s) and Endorsement(s) will be a part of the Contract/Agreement and shall be provided to the City with endorsement(s) indicating that the Commercial General Liability insurance coverage is in effect which shall be primary and non-contributory with any insurance maintained by the City.

For construction contracts, a per project aggregate (form CG 2503 05/09 or equivalent) shall also be required.

In all situations, the City shall be included as an additional insured under the commercial general liability, automobile liability, and umbrella liability policies as applicable.

As applicable, a waiver of subrogation under the workers' compensation and commercial general liability policies shall also be provided.

Copies of such endorsements or coverage enhancements shall be attached to the certificate(s) provided to the City and will become a part of the Contract/Agreement.

Insurance Coverage provided must be underwritten by an insurance company deemed acceptable by the City. The City reserves the right to reject all or any insurance carrier(s) with an unacceptable financial rating.

# **Level 4 Insurance Requirements:**

## Professional services contracts/agreements over \$50,000:

Commercial General Liability
\$ 1,000,000
Professional Errors and Omissions Liability
\$ 2,000,000
Workers' Compensation
Statutory Limit
Employer's Liability
\$ 500,000
Umbrella/Excess Insurance
\$ 2,000,000
Automobile Liability
\$1,000,000