REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

SCENARIO 16B TRANSMISSION MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

DESIGN SERVICES

PROJECT NO. WS85507003-1

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The City of Phoenix is seeking a qualified consultant team to provide design and possible construction administration and inspection services for the Scenario 16B Transmission Main Improvements project during FY 2017/18 through FY 2019/20. The main extends south along 36th Street from Roessler Road to Baseline Road then east to 42nd Place and then south to the 42nd Place booster pump station. The estimated construction cost is $9.9 million.

**SECTION I – PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

As part of the Transmission Main Inspection and Assessment Program, it has been determined for Scenario 16B there is a need to rehabilitate or replace approximately 2.1 miles of a reach of 60-inch PCCP transmission main. This project will first evaluate relocation versus rehabilitation alternatives. Included in this analysis will be evaluation of applicable pipe rehabilitation technologies and alternative routes for relocation of the main. Project design will be dictated by the chosen improvement alternative.

The Transmission Main Inspection and Assessment report is available for review at the 8th Floor of the Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington Street. Consultants may call 602-261-8232 to make an appointment to review these documents. Photos and/or copies of the report will not be permitted.

This project will be delivered through the Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) method. The selected Design Consultant will be expected to coordinate and collaborate with the CMAR during the design process.

**SECTION II – SCOPE OF WORK**

The scope of work will include but not be limited to the following:

- Investigate rehabilitation or replacement/realignment for the reach of 60-inch PCCP main extending south along 36th Street between Roessler Road and E. Baseline Road then east to 42nd Place and then south to the 42nd Place booster pump station
- Provide complete rehabilitation or replacement design for this reach of pipe
- Provide construction documents and specifications for the proposed design, whether rehabilitation or replacement
- Provide a construction schedule and engineer’s estimate of cost to construct and complete the selected PCCP main improvement alternative
- Conduct a route study to confirm feasibility of proposed alignments, if needed
- Develop grade and alignment for all feasible pipe routes, if needed
- Coordinate with the Street Transportation and Parks and Recreation Departments on selected routes within the right-of-way and/or on City owned property
- Coordinate with Salt River Project and Maricopa County Flood Control District on selected routes within their right-of-way
- Development of legal descriptions for new easements or reservations of rights, as needed
- Coordinate with other design consultants on adjacent projects, as needed
- Identify all utility locations both vertical and horizontally along the pipeline route
- Conduct geotechnical evaluations to develop construction requirements
- Investigate and identify traffic control impacts and costs using the City’s Right-of-Way Management Program
- Obtain all applicable permits
- All City standards shall be used to develop construction documents including but not limited to drafting standards and MAG standard specifications.

**SECTION III - PRE-SUBMITTAL MEETING**
A pre-submittal meeting will be held on Friday, October 27, 2017, at 2:00 p.m., local time, at Phoenix City Hall, 5W Conference Rooms, located at 200 W. Washington Street, 5th Floor, Phoenix, Arizona. At this meeting, City staff will discuss the scope of work, general contract issues and respond to questions from the attendees. As City staff will not be available to respond to individual inquiries regarding the project scope outside of this pre-submittal meeting, it is strongly recommended that interested firms send a representative to the pre-submittal meeting.

SECTION IV - STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS EVALUATION CRITERIA

A Firm will be selected through a qualifications-based selection process based on the following criteria:

A. **General information (10 points)**

1. Provide a general description of the firm or team that is proposing to provide services for the project.

2. Provide the following information:
   a. List the professional licenses held by the team and the key personnel who will be assigned to this project.
   b. Identify the location of the lead firm’s principal office and the home office location of key staff on this project.
   c. Provide an organization chart showing key personnel.

B. **Design Experience of the Prime Firm (20 points)**

Discuss the experience and qualifications of the prime firm in providing design services for similar projects. Identify projects the submitting firm has completed. For each project listed, please provide:

1. Description of the project
2. Role of the firm
3. Project’s original contracted construction cost and final construction cost
4. Construction dates
5. Project owner
6. Percentage of SBE participation in the design phase
7. Reference information (two current names with telephone numbers per project)

C. **Construction Administration and Inspection Experience of the Prime Firm (15 points)**

Discuss the experience and qualifications of the prime firm in providing construction administration and inspection services for similar projects. Identify projects the submitting firm has completed. For each project listed, please provide:

1. Description of the project
2. Project’s original contracted construction cost and final construction cost
3. Construction dates
4. Project Owner
5. Reference information (two current names with telephone numbers per project)

D. **Experience of Key Personnel and Subconsultants (20 points)**

Experience and qualifications of the specific project team expected to be assigned to this project. Include sub-consultant, including DBE’s experience. Identify each team member’s role in the projects identified. Specify if work was completed while employed under submitting firm or another firm.

For each key person identified, list their length of time with the firm and at least two comparable projects in which they have played a primary role. If a project selected for a key person is the same as one selected for the firm, provide just the project name and the role of the key person. For other projects provide the following:

1. Description of project
E. Project Understanding and Approach (30 points)

Understanding and approach to the project, including a discussion of the important considerations of the project and the team’s approach to the project issues.

F. Overall evaluation of the firm and its perceived ability to provide the required services (5 points)

Overall evaluation of the firm’s capability to provide the required services as determined by the selection panel members. No additional submittal response is required.

SECTION V - SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Firms interested in this project should submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ). Submittal requirements are as follows:

ALL FIRMS SHOULD BE REGISTERED IN THE CITY’S VENDOR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM PRIOR TO SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL. FOR NEW FIRMS - THE CITY WILL SEND AN EMAIL TO YOUR FIRM WITH A VENDOR NUMBER WITHIN TWO DAYS OF SUBMITTING THE REQUEST. THE VENDOR NUMBER SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON THE COVER OF THE STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS. INFORMATION ON HOW TO REGISTER WITH THE CITY IS AVAILABLE AT:

https://www.phoenix.gov/finance/vendorsreq

☑ Cover Letter: Provide a cover letter which includes full firm company name, address, phone number, vendor number, and the email address of your contact person for the project.

☑ Evaluation Criteria: Address the SOQ evaluation criteria and include a project organizational chart.

☑ Additional Content: Resumes and other information may be included (content shall be included within the permitted maximum page limit).

☑ Submittals:

- Clearly display the firm name, vendor number, project title, and project number on the cover of the SOQ and submittal package.
- Submittals must be placed in the depository located in the reception area on the 6th Floor of Phoenix City Hall by the submittal due date/time.
- All submittals must be addressed to:

  City of Phoenix
  Kini L. E. Knudson, PE, City Engineer
  c/o Debra Russell, Contract Specialist
  200 W. Washington Street, 6th Floor
  Phoenix, AZ 85003-1611

- Provide 6 copies of the Statement of Qualifications.
- A maximum of 12 pages is permitted to address all content in the SOQ submittal (Maximum page limit includes evaluation criteria and all additional content. It does not include cover letter.)
- Submit the Statement of Qualifications by 12:00 noon, local time, on Thursday, November 9, 2017
- Paper Size shall be 8½ “ x 11”
- Font size may not be less than 10 point
Each side of a page containing evaluation criteria and additional content will be counted toward
the maximum page limit noted above
Pages that have project photos, charts and/or graphs will be counted towards the maximum page
limit noted above
Front and back covers, cover letter, Table of Contents pages, and divider (tab) pages will NOT be
counted toward the maximum page limit noted above, unless they include evaluation criteria and
additional content that could be considered by the selection panel

Note: All pages exceeding the specified maximum page limit will be removed from the
submittal and not considered in evaluating a submitted SOQ.

GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION:
Please be advised that the following will be grounds for disqualification, and will be strictly enforced:

- Receipt of submittal after the specified cut-off date and time.
- Too few copies of the submittal.
- Deposit of submittal in the wrong location.
- Violating the “Contact with City Employees” policy contained in this RFQ.

SECTION VI - SELECTION PROCESS AND SCHEDULE

The successful firm will be selected through a qualifications based selection process. Interested firms will
submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ). A Selection Panel will evaluate each SOQ according to the
criteria set forth in Section V above. The City will select a firm based on the SOQ’s received; no formal
interviews will be conducted. The City may conduct a due diligence review on the firm receiving the
highest evaluation.

The City expects to create a final list of at least three, but not more than five firms for this project. The
City will enter into negotiations with the selected firm and execute a contract upon completion of
negotiation of fees and contract terms for City Council approval.

The following tentative schedule has been prepared for this project.

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If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating a contract with the best-qualified firm, the City may then
negotiate with the next most qualified firm until a contract is executed, or the City may decide to terminate
the selection process. Once a contract is executed with the successful firm, the procurement is complete.

Firm selected for this project will be notified directly by the City. Notification to all other firms on the
status of a selection on this project will be posted on the Design and Construction Procurement’s
“Preliminary Bid Results and Recent Awards” website:

http://phoenix.gov/streets/procurement/bid-results

SECTION VII – GENERAL INFORMATION

Citywide Capital Improvement Projects. Consulting and contractor services supporting the City’s
Capital Improvement Projects are procured under the authority of the City Engineer, currently located
within the Street Transportation Department. Design and Construction Procurement coordinates the
citywide consulting and construction contracting procurement processes.

Planholder Lists. All firms who download the Request for Qualifications packet for this project from the
“Current Opportunities” webpage will be listed on the project’s Planholder List. This report is available
within the project folder. The website address is:

http://phoenix.gov/streets/procurement/current-opportunities
Firms receiving a copy of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) through any other means must download the RFQ from the City webpage and register as a planholder for the project.

**Changes to Request for Qualifications.** Any changes to this Request for Qualifications will be in the form of a Notification. The City of Phoenix shall not be held responsible for any oral instructions. Notification Letters are available within the project folder. The address is:

[http://phoenix.gov/streets/procurement/current-opportunities](http://phoenix.gov/streets/procurement/current-opportunities)

It shall be the responsibility of the registered RFQ holder to determine, prior to the submittal of the Statement of Qualifications, if a Notification has been issued. Registered RFQ holders may refer to the webpage or call the Contract Specialist (listed below) in order to ascertain if Notification Letters have been issued for this project.

**Alternate Format.** For more information or a copy of this publication in an alternate format, contact the Contract Specialist (listed below) - Voice or 602-256-4286 – TTY. Requests will only be honored if made within the first week of the advertising period.

**Release of Project Information.** The City shall provide the release of all public information concerning the project, including selection announcements and contract awards. Those desiring to release information to the public must receive prior written approval from the City.

**City Rights.** The City of Phoenix reserves the right to reject any or all Statements of Qualifications, to waive any informality or irregularity in any Statement of Qualifications received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective Statements of Qualifications received.

**Contact with City Employees.** Beginning on the date the RFQ is issued and until the date the contract is awarded or the RFQ withdrawn, all persons or entities that respond to the RFQ, including their authorized employees, agents, representatives, proposed partner(s), subcontractor(s), joint venture(s), member(s), or any of their lobbyists or attorneys (collectively the Proposer), will refrain from any direct or indirect contact with any person (other than the designated Contract Specialist), including members of the evaluation panel, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, Deputy City Managers, Department heads, the Mayor and other members of the Phoenix City Council. As long as the RFQ solicitation is not discussed, Proposers may continue to conduct business with the City and discuss business that is unrelated to this RFQ solicitation with City staff.

Commencing on the date and time a solicitation is published, potential or actual proposers (including their representatives) will only discuss matters associated with the solicitation with the Mayor, any members of City Council, the City Manager, any Deputy City Manager, or any Department Director directly associated with the solicitation (including in each case their assigned staff, except for the designated Contracts Specialist) at a public meeting, posted under the Arizona Revised Statutes, until the resulting contract(s) are awarded or all offers or responses are rejected and the solicitation is cancelled without any announcement by the Contracts Specialist of the City's intent to reissue the same or a similar solicitation.

Proposers may discuss their proposal or the RFQ solicitation with the Mayor or one or more members of the Phoenix City Council, provided such meetings are scheduled through the Contract Specialist (listed below), conducted in person at 200 W. Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85003, and are posted as open meetings with the City Clerk at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meetings. The City Clerk will be responsible for posting the meetings. The posted notice shall identify the participants and the subject matter, as well as invite the public to participate.

This policy is intended to create a level playing field for all Proposers, assure that contracts are awarded in public, and protect the integrity of the selection process. **OFFERORS THAT VIOLATE THIS POLICY WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

**Conflict of Interest.** The City reserves the right to disqualify any Proposer on the basis of any real or apparent conflict of interest that is disclosed by the proposal submitted or any other data available to the City. This disqualification is at the sole discretion of the City. Any Proposer submitting a proposal herein
waves any right to object now or at any future time, before any body or agency, including but not limited to, the City Council of the City of Phoenix or any court.

**Data Confidentiality.** Except as specifically provided in the Contract, the Consultant or its subconsultants shall not divulge data to any third party without prior written consent of the City.

**Legal Worker Requirements.** The City of Phoenix is prohibited by A.R.S. § 41-4401 from awarding a contract to any firm who fails, or whose subconsultants fail, to comply with A.R.S. § 23-214(A). The firm and each subconsultant shall comply with all federal immigration laws and regulations related to their employees and compliance with the stated law. The City of Phoenix retains the legal right to inspect the papers of any firm or subconsultant employee who is awarded a contract to ensure that the firm or subconsultant is complying with the law.

**Lawful Presence Requirement.** Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 1-501 and 1-502, the City of Phoenix is prohibited from awarding a contract to any natural person who cannot establish that such person is lawfully present in the United States. To establish lawful presence, a person must produce qualifying identification and sign a City-provided affidavit affirming that the identification provided is genuine. This requirement will be imposed at the time of contract award. This requirement does not apply to business organizations such as corporations, partnerships or limited liability companies.

**No Israel Boycott.** By entering into this contract, the Consultant certifies that they are not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of the Contract to not engage in, a boycott of Israel, as defined in the state statute.

**Worker Background Screening.** Consultant and its subconsultants awarded a contract for this project shall perform Background Screening for all employees providing services for the project. The Background Screening provided by Consultant and subconsultants shall comply with A.R.S. § 41-4401, and all applicable laws, rules and regulations. In addition to the Background Screening performed by the Consultant and subconsultants, the City reserves the right to require the Consultant and subconsultants provide fingerprints and execute other documentation as necessary to obtain criminal justice information pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1750(G)(4) or Phoenix City Code § 4-22.

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**Badge Access Requirements.** The Consultant and subconsultants shall not be allowed to begin work in a City facility without prior completion and City's acceptance of the required background screening; and when required, the Consultant's and subconsultant's receipt of and payment for a City issued badge.

**Protest Procedures.** Firms wishing to respond to disqualification or a procurement outcome may refer to The Code of the City of Phoenix Chapter 2, Article XII, Section 2-188 which governs protest procedures utilized throughout the selection process. The procedures may be reviewed through the City of Phoenix website at:

http://www.codepublishing.com/az/phoenix/

**Questions.** Questions pertaining to this selection process or contract issues should be directed to the Contract Specialist, Debra Russell at (602) 262-3444 or debra.russell@phoenix.gov.