ADVERTISEMENT - REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency (FHATA) RFO #FY24-1103 TPSC

On-call Transit Planning Services - Consulting Indefinite Delivery / Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ)

February 20, 2024

General Notice:

FHATA is requesting proposals from a qualified and experienced firm(s) to provide On-Call Transit Planning Services in the areas of Transit Operations, and Management Planning, Capital Project Planning, and Planning Level Engineering Services. The complete bid package, addendums and additional information can be obtained via our website at https://www.fhata.org/open-solicitations.

Statement of Qualifications for the On-Call Transit Planning Services - Consulting will be received at FHATA Facility located at 5815 Marlatt Avenue, until March 18, 2024 at 2:00 PM, central standard time (CST). SOQ must be submitted in accordance to the RFQ Guidelines and clearly marked: <u>FY24-1103 TPSC</u>

Pre-bid conference (not mandatory strongly suggested) will be held via Zoom March 1, 2024 at 2:00 PM, central standard time (CST). The call information can be found on our website at https://www.fhata.org/open-solicitations

No public bid opening will be held.

Inquiries and Addendums: Questions, comments or requests for clarifications are due by the end of day March 1, 2024 and should be in writing submitted to Melanie Tuttle at mtuttle@fhata.org. Responses will be provided through Addendums.

This project will be funded in part by the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) and managed by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), or Kansas Department of Transportation, or a combination thereof. The contract will be between the selected firms and FHATA and will contain required federal and state procurement terms and conditions, which will be applicable irrespective of funding source. The highest procurement standards, terms and conditions will apply.

In connection with carrying out this project, the Submitter shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or handicap. The FHATA reserves the right to solicit or to waive a new solicitation for new bids if sufficient effort, as determined by FHATA, has not been made to comply with the DBE goals and requirements. There is no specific project goal established for this project.

The Owner reserves the right to accept or to reject any and/or all bids, to re-advertise for bids and to waive any informality in any proposal and to determine the most responsive bid by its own criteria, as described within the specifications.

No person or entity submitting a proposal in response to this RFQ, nor any officer, employee, agent, representative, relative or consultant representing such a person (or entity) may contact through any means, or engage in any discussion concerning the evaluation and award of this contract with any member of the FHATA's Board of Directors or any employee of FHATA during the period beginning on the date of proposal issue and ending on the date of the selection of the Contractor. Any such contact would be grounds for disqualification of the proposer. Contact with FHATA Procurement Department staff during such time period must be limited to technical questions, and discussions leading to Best and Final Offers (BAFOs).

All prospective proposers should notify Melanie Tuttle via e-mail intent to bid at mtuttle@fhata.org. It is the bidder's responsibility to check the website for any addendums and signature sheets prior to submitting their bids at https://www.fhata.org/open-solicitations. FHATA will not be responsible for communicating with firms that do no not notify us of their interest in this solicitation.

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