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ADDENDUM EIGHT

ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR OF PROCUREMENT, ST. LOUIS COUNTY

To: All Potential Proposers

From: David Wahl, Purchasing Manager

Subject: Request for Proposals #2022-14
St. Louis County 2050: An Equitable and Sustainable Comprehensive Plan

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED

Listed below are questions received after the issuance of Addendum Six dated February 22, 2023, and the corresponding answers:

1. Were only Prime Firms required to be on the list (Addendum Five, superseded by Addendum Seven)?

The RFP did not distinguish between Prime and Subcontractors with respect to the proposal submission requirements. See [Addendum Seven](#), issued on February 27, 2023 for the list of interested parties that met the established preliminary requirements, including attendance at the mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference (Section 1.5) and submission of the Business Profile and Experience Survey (Section 2.2).

2. Do you require an itemized response to each topic identified in the RFP (see below), or can we talk about them as intersecting topics?

- Sustainability

Sustainability is a primary element of the Plan. A sustainable comprehensive plan requires consideration of the interrelatedness of policy decisions and their consequences to ensure meeting the needs of the present does not compromise the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

- Climate Change

Climate Change jeopardizes the long-term viability of County residents' livelihoods. Comprehensive plans and future land use and developments cannot disregard the social, economic, and environmental realities of our region's conditions. In the last half decade, extreme temperatures, more frequent droughts, floods, and disastrous storms have

revealed the challenges ahead—threatening urban, suburban, and rural communities throughout both Missouri and St. Louis County.

- Natural Disasters

Increased global temperatures will yield more frequent extreme weather events and natural disasters. The St. Louis region is exposed to sustained heatwave-caused droughts followed by heavy rains that result in flooding episodes. These dangerous episodes severely impact our most vulnerable populations. The Plan must offer strategies for building resiliency in the face of natural disasters exacerbated by climate change.

- Resilience

Resilience avoids quick, inadequate solutions that do not meet the deepest needs of communities but instead employs restorative and regenerative designs for addressing long-term issues and helping communities bounce back quickly after disaster. The Plan must incorporate resilience throughout all elements.

Topics listed in the RFP are intended to be treated as intersecting with each other and the elements of the plan. Proposals should describe the Respondent's approach to addressing plan elements, (for example, Housing), through the lens of the relevant topical considerations.

3. Would you consider adding a new standalone element/chapter to the plan, e.g., "Environment" or "Resilience"?

Respondents are welcome to recategorize or include new elements/chapters as part of their proposal.

4. Are you open to consolidating your schedule?

The intent of this question is not clear. The schedule for selecting a consultant takes into consideration several factors including staff availability and the contracting process. The schedule for the planning facilitation process and development of the Plan Document is tentative and Respondents can suggest modifications in their proposal.

5. Is there anywhere in the proposal that you would like us to show relevant projects and/or list our 3 references?

References are to be provided via the Business Reference – Prime and Business Reference – Subcontractor forms found on the RFP website (<https://stlouiscountymo.gov/st-louis-county-departments/planning/stlco-2050/>). The Reference Forms allow for a brief description of relevant projects. Respondents are welcome to discuss relevant projects and experience within their proposal where they deem such discussion most appropriate.

6. I see that there is a "Business References - Subcontractor" form that is required. What do we do if we have more than one subconsultant on our team?

Respondents should submit as many “Business References – Subcontractor” forms as necessary to account for all subconsultants that are part of a proposal team.

7. Are any of the items in 3.4.2 - 3.4.6 required to be attached to our proposal?

The items listed in Section 3.4.2 – 3.4.6 are to be provided through the required forms found on the RFP website (<https://stlouiscountymo.gov/st-louis-county-departments/planning/stlco-2050/>) or at the time of contracting.