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DATE: May 18, 2024
TO: Potential Respondents
FROM: Carrie Stoeckert—Construction Contract Expeditor III
SUBJECT: Questions #1
RFQ752-24-987CS
Campus Utility Infrastructure Master Plan

1. Can you please provide timing of Campus Master Plan Update RFQ release?

ANSWER: **Anticipated Early Fall**

2. Would the prime firm be precluded from inclusion as a sub on a team for the Master Plan Update if selected as the prime for Utility Master Plan?

ANSWER: **No**

3. Is it possible to coordinate a guided site visit of the campus prior to submission of the RFQ response? Who is the best contact at UNT to do so?

ANSWER: **The team can visit the campus at any time, but there will not be a guided tour.**

4. Can you please provide a comprehensive list of the expected scope of utilities for the Utilities Master Plan to address? Does the scope include natural gas, telecom, water, sanitary and storm in addition to medium voltage distribution and thermal utilities?

ANSWER: **NG, water, sanitary and storm are City utilities. Medium voltage distribution and thermal utilities are UNT. Telecom not included.**

5. Does UNT have any existing hydraulic modeling and/or relay coordination models? Will updating / creating relay coordination models be part of the scope of work?

ANSWER: **Any modeling or coordination models would likely be minimal and outdated so the assumption should be no, they don't exist. Yes, for chill water.**

6. Does UNT currently have any carbon neutrality or sustainability goals? Does UNT still purchase renewable recs to offset 100% of its power purchase?

ANSWER: **No written goals but the intent is to maximize sustainable opportunities. Power purchased in now 100% renewable so we are not purchasing renewable recs.**

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7. Does this scope only include thermal and electrical utilities or is the intention to include wet civil utilities such as water, fire water, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, etc?

ANSWER: **Yes – see Q4**

8. Assuming the scope includes the wet civil utilities, is there an anticipated need to provide analysis for a Water Treatment facility, a Waste Water Treatment facility, or Elevated storage tanks?

ANSWER: **No. Storage should be considered for the chill water system.**

9. Is there an anticipated schedule or major milestone list for the campus master plan to inform the approach for 3.F?

ANSWER: **Campus Master Plan is anticipated to begin January 2025**

10. On page 6 under “Relevant experience and Capabilities” #2. Does each subconsultant need to provide a list of 5 relevant projects or does our team need 5 as a whole?

ANSWER: **Team as a whole**

11. Does participation in the UNT Utility Infrastructure Master Plan RFQ prevent the selected company from participating in the design and implementation of the utility plan?

ANSWER: **No**

12. Is there a definitive timeline on design & completion of the utility upgrades?

ANSWER: **This is going to need to be aligned with the projects to be outlined in the Campus Master Plan.**

13. Any Any preference for a turnkey-approach that establishes a comprehensive utility plan, offers project design/engineering and manages the construction process? Or does UNT prefer to keep these disciplines in silos with different firms?

ANSWER: **These need to be separate**

14. If all work can be self-performed (no subcontracting), is HUB participation still required?

ANSWER: **No, you must complete the self-performance section on how you will be doing the work with you staff, equipment, etc.**

15. Please provide a list of all utilities desired to be covered by this effort.

ANSWER: **See Questions 4-7.**

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16. Sample Master Plan Services scope document seems to address Campus Master Plan and not the Utility Infrastructure Master Plan. Is it expected that the selected firm will help UNT write a new scope specific to the Utility Infrastructure Master Plan or will an updated scope of work be provided prior to qualification submission.

ANSWER: **The Utility Infrastructure Master Plan does not exist and the selected firm will be writing the document.**

17. Is there an anticipated duration or schedule for either the Campus Master Plan Update or the effort covered this Utility Infrastructure Master Plan? If so, can that schedule(s) or duration(s) be provided?

ANSWER: **Campus Master Plan is anticipated to begin January 2025 with completion June 2026**

18. Can the previous 2013 Campus Master Plan be provided for reference for preparation of the RFP response?

ANSWER: **Can be found at <https://www.untsystem.edu/offices/strategic-infrastructure/campus-plans.php>**

19. What is the condition/level of detail of existing documentation for each of the utilities desired to be included in this study.

ANSWER: **Varying levels of details on existing utilities based on installation date and utility owner – UNT or City of Denton.**

20. When do you anticipate starting the update of the 2013 Campus Master Plan, as related to the Infrastructure Master Plan?

ANSWER: **Campus Master Plan is anticipated to begin January 2025**

21. Do you have an expected duration for completion of the Infrastructure Master Plan, or the Campus Master Plan itself? We understand these two planning projects will coincide and coordinate with one another.

ANSWER: **Campus Master Plan is anticipated to begin January 2025 with completion June 2026**