ADDENDUM NO. 1



Date: February 1, 2018 Bid Date: February 8, 2018

at 3:00 P.M. (Local Time)

Bid Name: Management Consulting (Non-Construction)

Bid No.: CMGR-180051-GD

NOTE: This Addendum has been issued only to the holders of record of the specifications.

The original Specifications remain in full force and effect except as revised by the following changes which shall take precedence over anything to the contrary.

Please find attached:

a) Copy of the black out period information (Financial Procedures Manual Section 41-423 Prohibition of lobbying in procurement matters) distributed during mandatory pre-bid meeting.

The following are answers/clarifications to questions received on or before 3:00pm January 25, 2018:

1. Question: As an RFQ, we plan to provide a representation of the subject matter experts in our stable.

Are we required to utilize the staff we propose, and if not, what is the process for approval

of additional staff once a project is defined?

Answer: No; the City is open to varying resources based on the project needs at the time. Please

share the resumes of your associates or those persons that will work on the project.

2. Question: What is the latest version of the strategic plan and is it available online? If so, what is the

URL?

Answer: Information pertaining to Gainesville's most recent strategic framework (i.e., strategic plan),

including the three phase process that led to its development, is described at:

http://www.cityofgainesville.org/CityManager/StrategicPlanning/CityStrategicPlan.aspx

Additionally, a link the strategic framework one-pager can be found directly at: http://www.cityofgainesville.org/Portals/0/openGNV/Framework%20One-Pager%20-

%20for%20prezi.pdf.

Please note that this framework presents guiding questions for the city to continually align projects, processes and organizational resources. This is not intended to be a strategic plan

in the typical "mission, vision, values, objectives" format.

3. Question: What is the general criteria for onsite work for the potential projects covered by this RFQ

Answer: Please see number 4.

4. Question: Does City of Gainesville encourage and/or permit virtual work tools for meetings and presentations (e.g., WebEx or GoToMeeting)?

Answer: Yes

5. Question: When was the last time the City of Gainesville conducted a review and update of their Human Resource policies?

Answer: This effort has been continuous since 2003, including a comprehensive rewrite that began in 2009. We've found that policies in general are fragmented and in some instances, silent, unclear and/or confusing, inconsistent or outdated relative to changing workplace practices/regulations, market and employee needs.

6. Question: Are there any areas of particular concern regarding Human Resource policies?

Answer: Policies in general are fragmented and in some instances, silent, unclear/confusing, inconsistent or outdated relative to changing workplace practices/regulations, market and employee needs

7. Question: What is the current approval process and structure for policy governance (i.e., how are policies approved)?

Answer: Policies are developed, reviewed and approved, through the department who owns the policy, reviewed as to form and legality with the City Attorney's office, escalated to the City's Charter Officers for review and approval, and when necessary, final approvals are decided on by the elected body consisting of the City Commission and Mayor.

8. Question: Does the City currently outsource any of the IT operations?

Answer: Yes

9. Question: In reference to the statement that Gainesville is not a tourist destination, what primary sources of revenue for the City

Answer: The primary source of revenue for the city is the general fund which is generated through property values, etc.

10. Question: Are there examples to further describe the expectations of a "citizen-centered" City?

Answer: The most comprehensive resources that describe our citizen centered efforts include the following materials:

a. The Blue Ribbon Report found at: http://www.cityofgainesville.org/Portals/0/clerk/CityComm/BlueRibbonReport.pdf

b. A Fast Company Magazine article, available at:
https://www.fastcodesign.com/3065107/how-one-florida-city-is-reinventing-itself-with-ux-design

c. The city's citizen centered microsite, available at: www.gainesvillecitizens.org

11. Question: When was the last time you had a Management Consulting study?

Answer: Over the years, consultants have been brought in for certain departments if needed. We are not aware of an overarching management consultant study that has been conducted for the overall organization in recent years.

12. Question: Did a consultant perform this study? If so, who was the consultant and at what professional fee structure?

Answer: See response to question 11. Fees and fee structure have varied based on the services needed at that time.

13. Question: Is there a preference for using a firm that can complete all areas vs. a firm that is bidding on only a few areas of the project?

Answer: We are open to any proposal whether it includes all services or a few areas as outlined in the RFQ.

14. Question: Do you have a timeline needed for completion?

Answer: This is dependent on the project and would be defined by determining what resources are available, the prioritized need for the work and the timeline the City and consultant agree upon. In some cases it is possible to request that services be expedited

15. Question: Do you have a project budget range for this project or these project areas?

Answer: We are developing a budget range for the various projects. This will be dependent on the department's available funding and the project need

16. Question: Will a company's Acord Form, Certificate of Liability Insurance, provide the City with proof of required insurance?

Answer: Acord Form, COI is acceptable

17. Question: Areas 2, 5 & 6 seem to have common threads; will the City consider merging into one?

Answer: Yes, the City will consider merging various subject areas.

18. Question: What is the meaning of Area 5 - Leadership? Does this refer to cutting-edge / innovative

citizen-centered strategies or, more literally, the city's leadership and office leadership?

Answer: We are interested in proposals on either topic. There is a need for leadership development

programs, particularly in the areas of management and executive coaching.

19. Question: Is the Leadership area during implementation?

Answer: Yes. This bid is intended to encompass a series of projects depending on the City's needs at

that point in time. The specific project and implementation timelines will be defined

dependent on the department or organization's needs.

20. Question: Will consultant have the ability to identify new gaps and blend into an existing area?

Answer: Yes. We welcome any feedback the consultant would provide and we would remain open

to discussing suggested solutions.

21. Question: If consultant bids for one or less than all areas, how does the city plan to project manage

multiple consultants? e.g. Governance structure?

Answer: Consultants are going to be awarded to be in a pool of consultants that will be individually

selected as needed by the City on a per project basis. Consultants will work with the

department that has requested their assistance. This will be dependent on the department's

available funding and the project need.

22. Question: How will the Smart City Lab with the University of Florida be intertwined into each area?

Answer: The Lab will be staffed by personnel from both the City and University. The Lab will be

the vehicle by which the City and University conduct joint research into smart city

technologies and policies.

23. Question: Will ongoing City projects be folded into the consulting services by area or will only new

tasks, jointly developed with the consultant and city be in scope?

Answer: This could be current and existing projects or new projects as determined by the City's

prioritized needs and funding availability. Please refer to the RFQ.

24. Question: Would consultant be excluded from any new projects coming out of this engagement, e.g.

AV/EV strategy requirement?

Answer: No

25. Question: What is the fee estimate?

Answer: The fee estimate is under development at this time.

26. Question: What is the expected contract duration for each area?

Answer: The expected contract duration will be determined at the time a department selects a vendor

27. Question: What is the procurement type?

Answer: This is a Request for Qualifications

28. Question: Will PM role apply to all areas in the RFQ? Other projects to be determined at a later date,

e.g. Smart City Lab with the University of Florida?

Answer: I do not foresee us procuring PM services for projects in the Smart City Lab.

29. Question: If we have more than one respondent identified for an area should we blend the rate or just

list separately?

Answer: Blending is acceptable.

30. Question: Is there a page limit?

Answer: No, however, responses should be kept as concise as possible.

31. Question: Our understanding is that the "Projected award date" refers to the timeframe in which

respondents will be informed that they have been selected by the City to contract for Management Consulting Services. Can you provide additional timeline details for the

"Projected award date" at this time?

Answer: The projected award date is April, 2018.

32. Question: How much lead/response time does the City anticipate allotting to qualified contractors to

respond to the specific project following selection of qualified contractors?

Answer: The city is willing to determine lead time during the negotiations process.

33. Question: Of the six management areas outlined, which one does the following bullet point apply to –

'Management or strategy consulting, including strategy implementation and execution'?

Answer: The bullet point applies to consulting, implementation, and implementation as determined

during contract negotiations.

34. Question: In Section K. the City states four (4) areas in which the City will be responsible to work

with the selected consultant(s). Will the City also be able to make staff available for a

specific project (or projects) to serve in roles that might be typically supported by City staff – such as participating on a Steering Committee, or serving as a Subject Matter Resource (SMR) to assist with validating and/or reviewing the project approach and deliverables?

Answer:

Yes

35. Question:

Given that the RFQ process as described is intended to assist the City in selecting qualified firms or individuals - and that there would be a subsequent effort to negotiate a contract or contracts with firms or individuals that the City selects - in our response we would provide proposed project staff who represent the qualifications and related experience required for the scope of the corresponding requested services. Final determination of the actual staff to be assigned to a project or projects would be confirmed as part of contract negotiations, as the timeframe in which a negotiated contract would begin is not yet determined, and staff availability may change accordingly.

In turn, if proposed project staff is not fully available during the timeframe of a negotiated project, we would make the effort to include those staff as Subject Matter Resources (SMRs) wherever possible and appropriate. Please confirm that this approach will meet the requirements of RFQ No. CMGR-180051-GD.

Answer:

Yes as long as project staff is listed in the RFQ

36. Question:

"D3. Consultant's firm shall provide a Dun & Bradstreet report to the city or some other acceptable means for the City to evaluate the firm's financial stability and reliability." Is this to be provided with the qualifications or after consultant selection?

Answer:

Yes

37. Question:

"D4. Consultant's firm shall provide proof of insurance in a form acceptable to the City, which give the City 30 days' written notice (except the City will accept ten (10) days' written notice for non-payment) prior to cancellation or material change in coverage, in the amounts as noted below:" Is this to be provided with the qualifications or after consultant selection?

Answer:

After consultant selection

38. Question:

"D6. Consultant's firm shall provide updated contact information for all clients served within the past three (3) years who were provided with the same management consulting services covered under the Statement of Qualifications being submitted." We have conducted 190 projects within the last three years in the areas on which we are proposing. We will be happy to list the clients. For how many do you want contact information?

Answer:

Please provide 3-5 reference of similar management consultant requirements.

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39. Question:	"A copy of the consultant's current Florida Professional Registration Certificate must be
	provided. If the consultant is a corporation, it must be chartered to conduct business in

Florida." Is this to be provided with the qualification or after consultant selection?

Answer: Yes with the qualification

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: Each Proposer shall acknowledge receipt of this Addendum No. 1 by his or her signature below, **and a copy of this Addendum to be returned with proposal.**

CERTIFICATION BY PROPOSER

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of this Addendum No. 1 and the Proposal submitted is in accordance with information, instructions, and stipulations set forth herein.

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DATE:		

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41-424 Prohibition of lobbying in procurement matters

Except as expressly set forth in Resolution 060732, Section 10, during the black out period as defined herein no person may lobby, on behalf of a competing party in a particular procurement process, City Officials or employees except the purchasing division, the purchasing designated staff contact. Violation of this provision shall result in disqualification of the party on whose behalf the lobbying occurred.

Black out period means the period between the issue date which allows for immediate submittals to the City of Gainesville Purchasing Department for an invitation for bid or the request for proposal, or qualifications, or information, or the invitation to negotiate, as applicable, and the time the City Officials and Employee awards the contract.

Lobbying means when any natural person for compensation, seeks to influence the governmental decision making, to encourage the passage, defeat, or modification of any proposal, recommendation or decision by City Officials and Employees, except as authorized by procurement documents.