

**MT. SAN JACINTO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

**ADDENDUM NO. 2**

**RFP NO.2021-018**

**Materials Testing and Special Inspection Services for  
San Jacinto Campus STEM Building**

May 17, 2021

Owner:

Mt. San Jacinto Community College District  
1499 N. State Street  
San Jacinto, CA 92583

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## QUESTIONS

Q1. Page 2. The RFP states that the District intends to enter into a contract based on competitive hourly rates. Public agency contracts with private engineering firms are addressed in California Government Code 4526 which requires that selection of private engineering firms by a local agency be on the basis of demonstrated competence and professional qualifications. Will the District consider revising the selection process using a Quality-Based Selection (QBS) process so that a “best-qualified firm” is first selected and then a contract negotiated at a fair and reasonable cost?

**A1. RFP has been issued to the list of the District prequalified firms that have previously demonstrated that they are qualified to propose on the project.**

Q2. Page 4. Section 1.5. The RFP states that the District will allocate work to Pre-qualified Consultants without having to request and evaluate additional information as to Consultant’s qualifications. Can you explain how this applies to this RFP?

**A2. RFP has been issued to the list of the District prequalified firms that have previously demonstrated that they are qualified to propose on the project.**

Q3. Page 4. Section 1.6. The RFP states that as a condition of bidding for this Project, and in accordance with California Public Contract Code Section 20651.1, prospective bidders are required to submit to the District a completed set of prequalification documents on forms provided by the District. This code section applies to licensed contractors and not to registered engineers. Will the District consider deleting this requirement?

**A3. RFP has been issued to the list of the District prequalified firms that have previously demonstrated that they are qualified to propose on the project. If you were not prequalified during this process, then you will need to following the prequalification requirements per section 1.6.**

Q4. Page 6. Section 2.1.5. Fee proposal. The RFP indicates the District requires a lump sum fee proposal with hourly billing rates. Will the District consider deleting this requirement so that a “best-qualified firm” is first selected and then a contract negotiated at a fair and reasonable cost?

**A4. RFP has been issued to the list of the District prequalified firms that have previously demonstrated that they are qualified to propose on the project. District is now looking to contract from the prequalified list of contractors and needs a price for project.**

Q5. Page 6. Section 3.4. Fee. The RFP indicates the selection criteria includes the proposed fee structure for requested services. Will the District consider deleting this requirement so that a “best-qualified firm” is first selected and then a contract negotiated at a fair and reasonable cost?

**A5. RFP has been issued to the list of the District prequalified firms that have previously demonstrated that they are qualified to propose on the project. District is now looking to contract from the prequalified list of contractors and needs a price for project.**

Q6. Page 6, Section 4.1. The RFP states that each Consultant must be prepared to support multiple construction projects ranging from reconstruction/modernization, retrofit, infrastructure and new construction. What other projects are included in this RFP in addition to the STEM project?

**A6. No other project is currently being solicited. This section can be deleted.**

Q7. Page 7, Section 4.2.d. The RFP states that the Consultant shall work under the direction of the DSA Project Inspector/Inspector of Record (IOR). The California Administrative Code requires that project inspectors be responsible for monitoring the work of special inspectors and testing laboratories, not directing. Will this requirement be revised?

**A7. Correct. The intent is the IOR will be “monitoring” the scope of work, but will be the entity responsible for calling for and directing the need for material testing service in coordination with the Construction Manager.**

Q8. Page 7, Section 4.2.f. The RFP states that Testing Laboratory personnel be certified by ICBO. ICBO does not certify laboratory testing personnel. Will the District be revising or deleting this requirement?

**A8. Correct. This should have read ICC**

Q9. Page 9, Section 4. The RFP states that the selected firm shall maintain on staff one full-time Civil Engineer registered in the State of California. Since the services include geotechnical engineering, will the RFP be revised to also require one full-time California-registered Geotechnical Engineer?

**A9. Revise to include Geotechnical Engineer.**

Q10. Page 10, Section 6.0. This section consists of insurance requirements for Inspector of Record. Will the RFP be revised with insurance requirements for the material testing firm?

**A10. Insurance requirements are the same**

Q11. Page 16, Section 10.4. The RFP states that Consultant shall propose an all-inclusive fixed fee and billing rates. Will the District consider revising the selection process using a Quality-Based Selection (QBS) process so that a “best-qualified firm” is first selected and then a contract negotiated at a fair and reasonable cost?

**A11. RFP has been issued to the list of the District prequalified firms that have previously demonstrated that they are qualified to propose on the project. District is now looking to contract from the prequalified list of contractors and needs a price for project**

Q12. Exhibits A, B, and C, Resume Form, Experience Form, Billing Rate Form. Are these forms required or can the information be provided in another format? Will the District consider deleting the requirement for billing rate form and consider revising the selection process using a Quality-Based

Selection (QBS) process so that a “best-qualified firm” is first selected and then a contract negotiated at a fair and reasonable cost?

**A12. a) Another format would be accepted as long as the information is provided.**

**b) RFP has been issued to the list of the District prequalified firms that have previously demonstrated that they are qualified to propose on the project. District is now looking to contract from the prequalified list of contractors and needs a price for project**

A13. Geotechnical Report. We have reviewed the project geotechnical report and are concerned that it does not adequately characterize the site soil, geologic and groundwater conditions, including the site liquefaction and seismic settlement potential. Since the selected consultant will be assuming responsibility as the Geotechnical Engineer of Record, will they have the opportunity to perform their own analysis and revise the geotechnical report recommendations as they deem appropriate?

**A13. The report has been approved by CGS and DSA. Any revisions would need to go back to CGS and DSA for approval without impacting the project schedule or budget.**

Q14. While the DSA 103 sheet clearly states that the LOR will be responsible for providing ACI Technicians during concrete pours for the purpose of collecting compressive strength cylinder samples, are we to assume the IOR will be responsible for inspection of rebar placement and also present during all concrete placement?

**A14. Correct**

Q15. Where will the shop fabrication be performed?

**A15. The General Contractor has not been selected yet, so the location of the steel fabricator is unknown at this time. I would assume a California fabricator in your proposal.**

Q16. Do we have a shift schedule for the fabrication facility?

**A16. The General Contractor has not been selected yet, so the steel fabricator is unknown at this time.**

Q17. Should we provide any allowance for overtime and do you have a percentage in mind?

**A17. Assume normal, working days and an alternate add for suggested overtime premium based on your analysis of the project and schedule.**

Q18. Is there a definitive duration for shop fabrication inspection?

**A18. January 2022 thru April 2022. Assume fabrication to start 1/3/22 and field erection is scheduled to begin 4/26/22.**