Graco Park and Scherer Addition Lot 2

Request for Qualifications
Responses to questions or requests for clarification
22 January 2020

As of the deadline stated in the MPRB’s Request for Qualifications, the following questions or requests for clarification were received:

Q1  How does MPRB’s interest in using this RFQ to select discipline leads in each category relate to SUBP goals? Does the MPRB desire these submittals to be a single, lead firm in each category with the selected firms seeking fulfillment of SUBP goals in negotiation phase? Or, should teams be formed with this submittal to fulfill SUBP goals?

RESPONSE  The City of Minneapolis has indicated the project will have no Small and Underutilized Business Program goals as a result of the definition of responses from various discipline leads. Still, the MPRB is recognizing the intentions of the SUBP by indicating minimum goals in Section 4.5. The MPRB expects that each discipline lead will offer a response to the Request for Qualifications by identifying a team within the discipline that includes SUBP firms sufficient to satisfy the stated goals. The MPRB recognizes that, during negotiations, the ability to meet the goals may change as tasks are more fully framed and ultimately defined for each discipline lead.

Q2  The RFQ indicates that site civil (grading, stormwater and related permitting indicated in section 2.4) will be conducted under separate agreement. Will it be the responsibility of the selected leads under this RFQ to coordinate the work/consolidate plans performed by consultants under separate agreement?

RESPONSE  Those tasks indicated in Section 2.4 will need to be coordinated into the work, but whether that work stands alone or is incorporated into a larger package will be determined during negotiations of scope. Relative to a submittal of qualifications, it would become important to demonstrate where the responder has been a part of such a collaboration. Ultimately, an assignment of tasks and deliverable documents will be identified as part of the scope during negotiations with a goal of clearly distinguishing the work of the Civil Engineering discipline lead and a firm as indicated in Section 2.4.

The responses framed above do not changed any stated requirement or deadline indicated in the Request for Qualifications.