

Request for Qualifications – Engineering Services Q&A’s (March 16, 2021)

Q: Is it anticipated that there will be any added PBBs, GSE or added gates that will be a part of projects that come out of this RFQ?

A: There is a possibility these types of projects may be required as part of the RFQ. The Airport’s Master Plan is currently being updated and could include these types of projects in the development plan.

Q: What is the scope for the North Concourse Expansion Phase I – DESIGN project listed in Appendix A?

A: The scope of work will be determined upon completion of the Airport’s Master Plan Update which is currently in progress.

Q: Who is the existing engineering consultant?

A: ZHA Incorporated

Q: What points will be awarded for each of the evaluation criteria?

A: Points and/or weights are yet to be determined.

Q: Who are the incumbents?

A: ZHA Incorporated

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A: No. However, the DBE’s certification must be verifiable through the Florida Department of Transportation UCP DBE directory. A certificate or letter of renewal should be submitted if available.

Q: Base on the paragraph below shown in bold taken from the RFQ, if a "DBE" firm name and/or certification is not part of the Prime Consultant Package does that mean the DBE firm won’t be allowed to participate as a sub-consultant for projects described in Appendix-A Potential Project Lists?

A: Please refer to Article 14: Subconsultants of the Sample Professional Services Contract.

DBE Status

Indicate whether firm and/or sub-contractors are a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE). If firm or sub-contractor(s) are a DBE, include current certification form for each DBE.

Q: Base on the paragraph below shown in bold taken from the “RFQ” does it mean a Veteran Own “DBE” firms or Disabled Veteran Own “DBE” firm will be selected over a non-veteran own “DBE”?

A: This paragraph does not state that with regard to the Airport’s selection of an engineering firm. This paragraph places requirements on the engineering firm selected by the Airport as well as that

engineering firm's sub-tier contractors and consultants regarding their employment of labor. This paragraph does not relate to the Airport's selection of an engineering firm except to the extent that an engineering firm competing for this contract will not agree to comply with 49 USC § 47112(c).

Q: Base on the paragraph below, does it mean a Veteran Own "DBE" firm or Disabled Veteran Own "DBE" firm will be given first right of refusal as it relates to selecting a sub-consultant to perform the designs shown in Appendix-A Project list?

A: This paragraph does not relate to first rights of refusal and it is not clear how a first right of refusal would work in the circumstances you described. This paragraph places requirements on the engineering firm selected by the Airport as well as that engineering firm's sub-tier contractors and consultants regarding their employment of labor. This paragraph does not relate to the Airport's selection of an engineering firm except to the extent that an engineering firm competing for this contract will not agree to comply with 49 USC § 47112(c).

Q: When is the paragraph below in bold applicable to Airport Projects?

A: This provision applies to all Airport Improvement Program funded projects that involve labor to carry out the project. This preference, which excludes executive, administrative, and supervisory positions, applies to covered veterans (as defined under § 47112(c)) only when they are readily available and qualified to accomplish the work required by the project.

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In the employment of labor (excluding executive, administrative, and supervisory positions), the Contractor and all sub-tier contractors must give preference to covered veterans as defined within Title 49 United States Code Section 47112. Covered veterans include Vietnam-era veterans, Persian Gulf veterans, Afghanistan-Iraq war veterans, disabled veterans, and small business concerns (as defined by 15 USC 632) owned and controlled by disabled veterans. This preference only applies when there are covered veterans readily available and qualified to perform the work to which the employment relates.

Q: Was this "RFQ" advertise in the FAA Match-maker data base?

A: Yes

Q: If a "DBE" firm and/or Veteran Own firm isn't selected by the Prime Consultant can the non-selected firm get a debrief as to why they weren't selected?

A: The Airport does not offer "debriefs" to RFQ respondents. Moreover, the Airport would not have this information, but you could contact a prime consultant and request this information.

Q: Will "DBE" firms be notified in advance when the Airport Authority is ready to execute the design for a project on the list describe in "Appendix-A Potential Projects List"?

A: The Airport posts bid notices on its website <https://www.iflybeaches.com/airport-authority/business-opportunities> when they become available.

Q: We are an acoustical consulting firm interested in the subject RFQ. We understand that there might have been a pre-proposal meeting on March 8. Please let us know if a list of attendees is available. We are trying to identify interested architectural firms that we can contact for teaming opportunities.

A: We uploaded the Zoom Meeting attendee list, and the meeting notes onto our website. Here is a direct link: <https://www.iflybeaches.com/documents/request-for-qualifications-engineering-services-zoom-meeting-attendees-and-questions-and-answers>

Q: Is it possible for me to get a copy of or have access to the current Master Plan for ECP?

A: It is on our website. Here is a direct link: <https://www.iflybeaches.com/ecp-master-plan>

Q: Is there an attendee list from the pre-proposal meeting for the Engineering Services RFQ or will one be posted to the business opportunities page on the website?

A: Zoom Meeting Attendees, March 8, 2021 were as follows:

ECP Airport Staff Present:

Richard McConnell, Deputy Executive Director

Kathy Gilmore, Executive Assistant

Zoom Attendees:

Amy Zimmerman	GRAEF
Andrew Kacer	AECOM
Ashley Binder	KEITH & Associates
Brian Thompson	RS&H
David Scruggs	ZHA
Flint Weinberg	KEITH & Associates
Jason Toole	CPH
Job Gammons	James & Moore and Associates, LLC
John Greaud	Barge Design Solutions
John Weavil	SME
Parker McClellan	Northwest Florida Beaches Int'l Airport
Rick Mellin	ZHA
Scott Martin	Walter P Moore & Associates
Tonia Nation	AVCON, INC.

Q: We were unable to attend the non-mandatory pre-proposal meeting for Engineering Services RFQ #2021-ENGINEERING SERVICES held today. We are interested in teaming with other firms for this RFQ. Is it possible to get an attendee list (see answer above) and a copy of the pre-proposal presentation?

A: There was no formal presentation, just a review of the key items in the RFQ that is posted on our website.