

CHATHAM AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY RFQP 2022-03, ADDENDUM NO. 2

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PROJECT: ZEB Rollout & Implementation Consulting Services RFP

This Addendum forms a part of the Request for Proposals 2022-03 ZEB Rollout and Implementation Consulting Services RFP

1.0 PURPOSE OF THIS ADDENDUM

This addendum answers questions submitted for the RFP and an updated schedule of events.

Question 1. Section 1.2 stipulates that responses must be mailed or hand delivered to the address provided. Is it possible to submit electronic copy? Or, alternatively, submit an electronic copy by the submission deadline, with one unbound original and three copies delivered shortly afterwards?

Response 1. We request three an original, three (3) copies and an electronic copy.

Question 2. The evaluation criteria in section 1.33 covers pricing, however, there is no mention of where we should submit or how to submit it in relation to the wider tender document. Could you please clarify what is required for the format submission of pricing?

Response 2. We do not have a specific format for pricing.

Question 3. The project is called “Zero-Emission Bus Rollout and Implementation Plan”. There are two types of ZEBs: battery-electric and hydrogen fuel cell. To what extent should we explore hydrogen as an option? Would CAT prefer that we focus solely on battery-electric buses in the project?

Response 3. CAT Buses are electric, however we are open to options.

Question 4. One task item is “(7) Updated scheduling blocks with characteristics of ZEB ranges”. Is CAT asking that we do scheduling / run cutting as part of the project? Or is our role to advise CAT’s schedulers on the parameters and limitations of electric bus service?

Response 4. The role will be to advise on the parameters based on the limitation of the buses.

Question 5. Is the proposal due on February 18th (pages 2 and 3) or February 19th (page 6)? Both dates are mentioned as due dates in the proposal.

Response 5. An addendum was issued on the proposal dates typo, the correct date is February 18, 2022.

- Question 6. Can CAT be able to provide a sample contract/agreement typically used by the agency for our review?
- Response 6. CAT will provide the contract agreement to the participant who is awarded the contract.
- Question 7. Would it be preferable to CAT if we noted any contract exceptions in the proposal document at this time?
- Response 7. After the award is issued, CAT will negotiate certain terms on the contract to the extent that FTA allows.
- Question 8. Does CAT have an established DBE goal for this effort?
- Response 8. CAT, does not has an established DBE goal for the RFP, what the proposers present during process, the highest DBE proposed will establish the points evaluation.
- Question 9. If so, is there a preferred database to utilize for approved or preferred DBE sub consultants?
- Response 9. We use GA DOT and State.
- Question 10. The RFP notes that pricing will be 10% of the consultant selection criteria; is there a specific format that CAT would like to see the pricing submitted? If a specific format were preferred, would that format be made available in the addenda?
- Response 10. See response 2.
- Question 11. Has CAT established an expected timeframe that the work needs to be completed by? If so, what is that expectation?
- Response 11. Task orders will be issued, the contract is expected to be for two (2) years term.
- Question 12. Per the RFP, three years of audited financials must be submitted with the proposal. It is acceptable to submit these in a separate, sealed envelope for confidentiality, rather than bound into the proposal document itself? If so, would be preferred to include the required affidavit related to financials noted in the RFP to be enclosed with those financials, or included in the bound proposal document?
- Response 12. CAT accepts the document to be sealed on an envelope and/or part of the original document as long as is received within the date of the proposal closing date. An affidavit related to the financials is acceptable to be noted in the proposal.

Question 13 Has CAT determined approximately the maximum budgets for these RFP's, or will they be relying on the value propositions of SOW's born by the market to identify their budget?

Response 13 Certain publicly available documents may be found on CAT's website at <https://www.catchacat.org/about-cat/transparency/>

Question 14 It wasn't until today that we found a large firm that was willing to bid on the project and team with us. Due to this late entrance of our teaming partner, we are requesting an extension of two weeks.

Response 14 At this moment CAT is not planning on extending the due date of the RFP.

END OF ADDENDUM NO. 2