

CHATHAM AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY RFQP 2022-05, ADDENDUM NO. 4

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PROJECT: CAT Comprehensive Master Transit Plan

This Addendum forms a part of the Request for Proposals 2022-05 dated, April 20, 2022 for CAT Comprehensive Master Transit Plan.

1.0 PURPOSE OF THIS ADDENDUM

This addendum provides responses to received questions for the RFP.

Question 1. Our agency is committed to sustainable business practices that reduce the environmental impacts of our operations. To encourage waste reduction, would CAT consider submittal of electronic copies (emailed PDF) instead of printed and mailed copies?

Response 1. CAT will accept the electronic copy in either a flash drive or email, however the requirement for sending 1 original proposal and 3 copies still required.

Question 2. Are price proposals required for this submittal, and if so, should they be included in a separate, sealed envelope or as part of the technical submittal?

Response 2. The price proposal is to be included with the proposal sealed as part as the technical. The price proposal will not be evaluated on as part of this RFP.

Question 3. Has a specific DBE participation goal been established for this project?

Response 3. CAT has not established a participation goal for this RFP, the DBE participation goal is established by the highest percentage on the received proposals.

Question 4. Could you please share the sign-in sheet and any other notes or information from the pre-bid meeting?

Response 4. I will attach the notes from the PRE-Bid Meeting, with this responses.

Question 5. Will there be collaboration and coordination between this effort and the Comprehensive Operational Analysis currently underway?

Response 5. Yes, there will be collaboration with the COA project.

Question 6. Some of the RFP terms appear to be terms which may later appear in a final contract with the selected proposer. May a proposer include in its submittal a request to negotiate the terms of the RFP to appear in the final contract upon

selection? We understand that certain federal flow down terms would be non-negotiable.

Response 6. The terms of the contract can be negotiated that are specified on the RFP can be included it depends on legal and CAT BOA to approve the terms.

Question 7. Can the Authority confirm if price proposals are required as part of this proposal?

Response 7. See response number 2

Question 8. If price proposals are to be submitted, should they be included within the technical proposal or should they be submitted in a separate sealed envelope?

Response 8. See response number 2.

Question 9 Do subcontractors need to complete any of the required forms?

Response 9. Yes, subcontractors need to complete the required forms.

Question 10. What amount of DBE participation is required to receive the full 20% DBE Certification during evaluation?

Response 10. The DBE certification is divided: the proposer is DBE certified; or the subcontractor is DBE certified. When the subcontractor is DBE certified the points are reduced to half and then based on percentage of participation.

Question 11. We have traditionally seen more specific detail about the proposal preparation and format requirements in which the advertising agency is requiring. We do not see any specific format requirements in the RFP. Are we to assume that there is no length (with reason) or sections requirements for the format of this proposal?

- My takeaway is that you are looking for the description of the proposer’s technical ability and supporting evidence of past performance within each of the Phases outlined in the RFP, while tying it all together across the project.

Response 11. There is not a specific format for proposal submittal, the assumption is correct.

Question 12. In the Certifications & DBE Policy Statement Section (1.24), it says that “CAT will ensure that DBEs are afforded full opportunity to submit offers and responses to this submission.....”

- For the purposes of this RFP, does a respondent have to be registered as a DBE in the State of Georgia to be considered as a DBE?
 - i.e., If a firm is registered DBE in Florida, is this considered as DBE for the purposes of this proposal?

Response 12. The DBE participation is preferred to be registered in the GDOT or the state of Georgia, but there is no state limitation on the registration.

Question 13. With CAT doing a TDP concurrently to this project and your last on-board survey having been done completed several years ago, is a new on-board survey being completed for the current TDP?

Response 13. Yes, as part of the TDP the on board survey will be performed.

Question 14. The RFP states that “Selection will be made on a ‘best value’ basis pursuant to the following criteria: (listed criteria)”

- The budget for the project is provided, however, it is not clear if CAT is expecting any budget proposal as part of the response.
 - Can it be assumed that this is negotiated after selection?

Response 14. The price proposal will not be considered in the evaluation process of this RFP.

END OF ADDENDUM NO. 4

Master Transit Plan Pre Bid Meeting

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Transcript

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So I'm well supported that city of Savannah and by Chatham County, um, in our efforts here on in in our funding and so forth. And so we really want to do something that's very collaborative with both and we have a joint school system here and we all I know those of us who were on this call who are planners know that that's what we do planning for is it's not for us and for today it's for all those folks that are coming behind us that next generation so we're considering having our kickoff in a location that is education based, and a part of the joint Savannah Chatham County education system in a way that we can signify that commitment to the future. As well as that collaboration. That's obviously not to in any way diminish the potential possibilities around system expansion into our city and port Wentworth, in pooler and so forth. We also you will know in the scope have a very unique system with marine services. We are we are not just a bus transit service, but we are also a marine services transit service. And so we want to be sure that you know, that all of the project scoping phases and tasks are encompassing of that as well. And we want to be sure that we explore not only the opportunities geographically for system expansion, but for service offering expansion. So right now we offer fixed route and demand response. If there are opportunities for express bus, if there are opportunities for high occupancy transit, we want to be certain that we've thought through all that and all that is mentioned in the scope as well. As jurisdictions are reimagining transportation and transit. We want to be sure that innovation to bringing multiple modes together, is thoughtfully considered in this plan. We mentioned mobility hubs on page 17. And that's something that we'll be looking for, especially in an area like ours, where there is in addition to there's a lot of different transportation modes, and cyclists, we have bike lanes and so forth here, how we can sort of bring all that together into a more of a mobility kind of concept. I think it would be an important part of our leadership role in this. And then the last thing that I would mention before we really turn this over to you all for any questions and so forth that you may have is on page 18. We talk about revenue enhancing strategies. We want to think about new non traditional service delivery methods. That can decrease operating cost and have been successful and proven at other transit agency. Of course, any identified opportunity that the team may your team may come up with, should be mindful of our labor agreements. And we mentioned in that section as well Express commuter bus options should be reflected in that opportunities, assessment and any consideration around marine service expansion opportunities. So with that, we will we will stop I want to reiterate again that we are We look forward to hearing the creativity and innovation and fresh original thought that we hope to see in your proposals that you submit, both around the level of resourcing we have available to accomplish our ambitious scope, but also around these things. That we're discussing now that are really key points of of the work effort. I do think that the fact that we've got the ongoing COA TDP route level work can be and and the public engagement that's a part of that. I think there's going to be ample opportunities for the teams that are working on these things, assuming that they might be two separate teams to collaborate and be able to leverage those kinds of things to a mutual

benefit in the resource commitment about projects. So with that, we will open it up for any comments or questions that you may have of us.

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If you don't have any, we will we will give you back the rest of your time. But we hope you are excited about this opportunity. I think we are we we've got things on the on the horizon right now. For example, we were working with Marta with Sen is off on the exploration of a hydrogen hub in Georgia and how that might inform you're probably aware that we just recently rolled out six electric buses as a part of our fleet, our fleet currently is diesel hybrid and electric. And we are committed strongly to sustainability and environmental being a good environmental partner to the community. And so there's there's a lot of exciting things besides the fact that Savannah is just a glorious place. This is a this is a transit system that that the master transit plan is really going to be a game changer I think and an opportunity for all of us to shine. So we appreciate the fact that you might be a part of that. And if there aren't any other questions, we will let you have the rest of your time back and appreciate you joining us Victor I'm gonna turn it back to you.

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Good afternoon, um, and procurement aren't of the of the scope of the projects of the RFP. Do you have any questions?

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I'd like clarification of word forms that the sub consultants have to provide, if I understand correctly, it's attachments, f and g, which includes the lobbying and debark debarment forms is that correct? For the Serbs? Yes. Okay. And then and I'm going to submit the written written form any anyway, but on it stay said the proposer must sign individual clauses that require separate signatures. I didn't see any clauses in the federal forms that required separate signatures. What were you referring to?

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On the RFP? Normally it shows the color of the there's one forms of clauses that should be attached to the RFP, the Federal clauses, and then the loving and and form I believe it's from F and G

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Okay. All right. Thank you.

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You're welcome. Any additional questions.

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One other thing I would share with you all and I think I know Victor mentioned our roles at the beginning. Ashley Goodridge from CAD is also on the call. And as our planning manager, I will actually be serving as the project manager for this project in addition to my role as CEO.

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If there are no or not additional questions we can adjourn the meeting.

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Thank you all very much. We're looking forward to your proposals. Thank you. Thank you all. Thank you. One