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Science Building

Advance Planning/Design Services

Code 46626 Item 301

Information contained herein supersedes previously issued information and shall become part of the above referenced RFP and shall alter the requirements accordingly.

Questions & Answers

Question 1:

Are LEED, Green Globes, other green certifications required for this project?

Answer 1:

Yes, the University intends to have the building designed to a green building standard. Green Globes or LEED certification are both under consideration. The final decision will be made during Advance Planning.

Question 2:

Is it acceptable for architecture firms to partner up if one firm has considerable expertise in science buildings and lab design?

Answer 2:

Yes, but one of the firms must have an architect on staff now who is already licensed in North Carolina.

Question 3:

Is previous experience with UNC Charlotte a consideration for selection?

Answer 3:

Previous experience with UNC Charlotte and any public NC University would demonstrate appropriate experience within the system and with State Construction Office, which applies to Selection Criterion 1.

Previous experience with UNC Charlotte also demonstrates experience with the campus design & construction standards, which again applies to Selection Criterion 1.

Question 4:

Designers were asked to list square foot cost in the SF 330. Should this be the square foot cost of construction?

Answer 4:

Yes, please provide construction square foot cost.

Question 5:

Will a geotechnical investigation be performed during Advance Planning?

Answer 5:

Yes, a geotechnical investigation will be performed during Advance Planning and will be solicited through the successful design firm once Advance Planning starts. There is no need to list the Geotechnical Engineer on the Designer's Staffing Information form in the submittal.

Question 6:

Will the construction delivery method be CM@R or hard bid?

Answer 6:

It is the intent of the University to use the CM@R delivery method for this project.

Question 7:

Since the pre-proposal conference was mandatory, is it acceptable to use non-attending consultants?

Answer 7:

Yes, attendance at the pre-proposal conference is only mandatory for lead-design firms, namely the architectural firm whose name is listed first on the mandatory cover sheet.

Question 8:

Could a Word version of the UNC Charlotte Science Building RFQ be made available so designers can use this document to generate the Cover Sheet and Designer's Staffing Information Form?

Answer 8:

Yes, a Word version of the UNC Charlotte Science Building RFQ will be posted with this addendum.

Question 9:

Is it possible to clarify which disciplines of Science will be included in the Program?

Answer 9:

Exact determination will be made during Advance Planning. Wet labs with fume hoods will definitely be part of the program.

Question 10:

Is it possible to clarify the approximate percentage of research space and teaching space to be included in the Program?

Answer 10:

Exact determination will be made during Advance Planning. Both teaching and research space/labs will definitely be part of the program.

Question 11:

Is it possible to clarify the general backgrounds of the members of the Design Selection Committee?

Answer 11:

The selection committee will include a UNC Charlotte Board of Trustees Member, representation from our client/end user side as well as experienced members from Business Affairs and Facilities.

Question 12:

Is it possible to clarify the types of Core Facilities to be included in the Building Program?

Answer 12:

Exact determination will be made during Advance Planning.

Question 13:

Due to the presence of above ground storage tanks, should the proposed Design Team include a Hazardous Materials Consultant?

Answer 13:

Yes, a hazardous materials investigation will be performed during Advance Planning and will be solicited through the successful design firm once Advance Planning starts. There is no need to list the Hazardous Materials Consultant on the Designer's Staffing Information form in the submittal.

Question 14:

How large will the Data Center be?

Answer 14:

The current need is for a building of about 60ft x 25ft. The hope is to also plan for additional 60ft x 25ft for expansion.

Question 15:

Should the University issued Submittal Cover Sheets be included in the page count for the electronic pdf?

Answer 15:

Yes the University required Cover Sheet is included in the page count and shall be in the electronic pdf. An optional cover sheet, such as the design firm's standard cover and/or a clear cover is not part of the page count and shall be omitted from the electronic pdf.

Question 16:

Will our Section H be counted in the total page count?

Answer 16:

Yes the Section H is part of the total page count.

Question 16:

What is the correct solicitation number for this RFP: is it 287-16-14355-01BOND or "Code 46626 Item 301"?

Answer 16:

UNC Charlotte uses the Code and Item Number for reference.

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