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Health & Wellness Center

Advance Planning / Design Services

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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:

No, only compliance with:

NC Statutes Chapter 143 -135.35 thru 143-135.40,

Performance Standards for Sustainable, Energy-Efficient Public Buildings.

See SCO website – Chapter 300, Section 305 for details.

Question 2:

Is it acceptable for architecture firms to partner up if one firm has considerable expertise in recenters?

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 the Health & Wellness Center tie into a regional utility plant (RUP) for mechanical service?

Answer 5:

Yes, there is an existing RUP behind the student union that might serve the Health & Wellness Center. However, if the future Science Building will share the site with the Health & Wellness Center, then a mini-RUP might be constructed and shared between the two buildings along with utilizing capacity from the existing RUP behind the Student Union.

Question 6:

Will the Health & Wellness Center require construction of additional parking?

Answer 6:

No, parking is a campus wide consideration and is accommodated by campus wide parking decks and lots.

Question 7:

What will the exterior aesthetic of the Health & Science building be?

Answer 7:

The campus has an established exterior aesthetic which includes use of brick and pre-cast and somewhat traditional exterior appearance. The building exterior should make a statement and convey its function via its exterior while also complementing the other buildings on the surrounding sites.

Question 8:

Will the Health & Wellness Center have a direct connection to the Union Deck or the Student Union?

Answer 8:

A direct connection to the Union Deck or the Student Union is not a design requirement. The primary goal is to develop a building that functions well and provides the best possible adjacencies and access to the most appropriate program spaces on the entry level and ground floors. Connections to the deck and the Union could be considered, but only if these connection can be made to happen at opportune locations.

Question 9:

Will the Brailsford & Dunlavey Study be made available for design firms to review during this RFP process?

Answer 9:

No, the Brailsford & Dunlavey Study will not be made available for review at this time.

Question 10:

Will a geotechnical investigation be performed during Advance Planning?

Answer 10:

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 11:

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

Answer 11:

The final decision on the construction delivery method has not yet been made.

Question 12:

Is a survey with topographic information of the site already available?

Answer 12:

A topographic survey has not yet been performed. Survey services will be solicited through the successful design firm once Advance Planning starts. There is no need to list the surveyor on the Designer's Staffing Information form in the submittal.

Question 13:

Is there more information available related to the pools, specifically will competitive diving be included in the program? If so, will this be springboard and platform and are competition heights already designated?

Answer 13:

All the information on the pools is listed in the power point presentation that was used during the pre-submittal conference and can be downloaded from the University website. Competitive diving is not currently a program consideration, but the Recreation Services Department is considering the exploration of competitive diving during Advance Planning. Including diving in Phase IB of the project is a possibility, but it could also prove unfeasible. Details on specific platform heights have not been discussed to date.

Question 14:

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

Answer 13:

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 15:

Where on the site will the future Science Building be located?

Answer 15:

Currently the University is considering locating the Science Building along Cameron Boulevard to occupy a portion of parking lot 19 and all of parking lot 18.

Question 16:
How large will the future science building be?

Answer 16: The current program for the science building includes approximately 250,000 square feet.

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