RESPONSE TO OFFEROR QUESTIONS

Question 1: Would DCPL please review and clarify the certification requirement in Paragraph M.2.2.3 for the entire proposed custodial staff to have received blood-borne pathogen training in advance of proposal submission. This requirement conflicts with industry employment practices to interview current project custodians with the intent to retain them in place, where possible. This requirement could prevent that from occurring. Also, this type of training is generally provided during project phase-in. and project personnel would be certified at that time. Would DPCL please consider limiting the proposal requirement for blood-borne pathogen training certification to key personnel only.

Response 1: DCPL will allow blood-borne pathogen training for the successful Offeror’s custodial staff to be completed within thirty (30) days after contract award.

Question 2: Page 2 of the RFP references 26 locations. There is no pricing page in the RFP listing those locations and how pricing is to be submitted?

Response 2: Please see Attachment J.9 titled “Form of Offer Letter”

Question 3: Can you provide life safety drawings for each location? It is also essential that we have each locations breakdown of square footage by floor type and restroom fixture count.

Response 3: Life safety drawings will be made available to the successful Offeror. DCPL does not provide building diagrams and evacuation routes to contractors without an established need and agreement to fill a DCPL requirement.

Question 4: The email we received from DCPL, Thursday, January 28th, about the DCPL Janitorial and Related Services Opportunity states the Bid Submission is due February 22, 2021 at 2 pm. However, the solicitation states the bid submission is due February 25, 2021 at 2 pm. Please confirm the solicitation bid submission date is correct.

Response 4: The proposal submission date is amended as follows:

The proposal submission date listed on Page 1, Block No. 9, and Section L, Paragraph L.3.4 Proposal Submission is extended from Thursday, February 25, 2021 by 2:00 p.m. EST to Thursday, March 11, 2021 by 2:00 p.m. EST.
Question 5: Who is the incumbent contractor and what is the value of the current contract?

Response 5: The incumbent contractor is Community Bridge. Please submit your FOIA request via email to the DC Public Library FOIA Officer at general.counsel@dc.gov.

Question 6: Eight (8) of the twenty-five (25) libraries are currently closed to the public. How do prospective Contractors visit these locations without scheduled site visits?

Response 6: See the attached site visit schedule.

Question 7: Please provide the cleanable square footage of each library.

Response 7: See Attachment J.9 titled “Form of Offer Letter” for cleanable square footage.

Question 8: Currently, the libraries that are open shutdown daily from 2pm – 3pm for cleaning. Will the Contractor be required to be onsite at this time to provide cleaning services?

Response 8: Yes, the Contractor is expected to be onsite to provide 2pm-3pm sanitizing services.

Question 9: Section C.3.1 of the RFP states that services must be provided for eight (8) hours per day but the hours cannot be consecutive. Are we allowed to provide a full-time cleaning staff to work each branch for eight (8) consecutive hours per day M-F, or are we required to provide part-time crews (i.e., 3.5 hours in morning, 1 hour in the afternoon, and 3.5 hours in the evening)?

Response 9: The eight (8) hours per day can be split to address library business hours, in order to cover pre-operation hours, and to cover closing hours.

Question 10: Will the CA determine whether the minimum 8 hours of coverage is not performed consecutively (C.3.1, pg. 6)? Or will that be left up to the contractor?

Response 10: The minimum eight (8) hours of coverage will be determined by both the CA and successful Offeror.
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Question 11: What is the typical number of visitors at each facility before the pandemic? What is the typical number of visitors during the pandemic? (Section A, paragraph 3, pg. 2)

Response 11: DCPL receives millions of visitors annually. We follow the District of Columbia Health Department guidelines on building capacity.

Question 12: Can you provide the number of corridor sanitizer dispensers at each facility (C.5.1.G, page 11)?

Response 12: This information will be provided during the scheduled site-visits.

Question 13: M.2.4.2(a) – The Past Performance Evaluation Form is Attachment J.10 not J.11.


Question 14: Where does this Bidder-Offeror Certification Form go? It is posted with the solicitation as Attachment J.12, but it is not included in the solicitation on the list outlining how to submit the price proposal.

Response 14: The Bidder-Offer Certification Form should be submitted in Volume Two Price Proposal - Section 8.