Amendment No. 1

Solicitation No. 697DCK-26-R-00267
ZMP Underground Utility Improvements

Question Set 1

RFI 001 – Small Business Subcontracting Plan

Question:
As an other-than-small (large) business offeror, is the individual subcontracting plan required to be submitted with the proposal by July 2, 2026, or will it be requested from the apparent successful offeror for negotiation prior to award, consistent with the "negotiated within the time specified by the Contracting Officer" language in Clause 3.6.1-4(b)(1)?

FAA Response:
A subcontracting plan is required for other-than-small offerors. Refer to Clause 3.6.1-4, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (APR 2025). (b)(7).Proposals.submitted.in.response.to.this.solicitation.must.include.a. subcontracting.plan.that.separately.addresses.subcontracting.with.small.business?women_owned.small. business?service_disabled.veteran_owned.small.business?and.HUBZone.small.business.concerns¡ A sample Subcontracting Plan has been attached.

Question:
If the plan is due with the proposal, please confirm in which volume (Technical or Business) it should be included and whether it is excluded from any applicable page or content limits.

FAA Response:
The Subcontracting Plan shall be included in the **Business Volume** of the proposal. Section L is revised to include the Subcontracting Plan as Item 2(e). The Subcontracting Plan is excluded from any applicable page or content limitations.

RFI 002 – Missing Attachment 6

Question:
Attachment 6 (Past Experience History) was not provided. In addition, Clause SA55 references an incorrect attachment number.

FAA Response:
Attachment 6 is hereby provided. The reference in Clause SA55 to Attachment 4 is revised to read **Attachment 6**.

RFI 003 – Key Personnel Requirements

Question:
Please reconcile conflicting key personnel requirements between Clause SA55 and Clause 3.8.2-17.

FAA Response:
Clause 3.8.2-17 is revised to:

- Add **Quality Control Manager** as key personnel; and
- Remove **Major Subcontractor Leads** as key personnel.

The Quality Control Manager is therefore subject to the substitution and consent requirements of Clause 3.8.2-17.

RFI 004 – Construction Waste Management

Question:
Please confirm applicability of Clause 3.6.3-22, Construction Waste Management (APR 2025).

FAA Response:
Clause 3.6.3-22 is mandatory for this project. Proper documentation regarding the disposition of waste materials (including soil) is required as noted in the clause.

The Contractor shall establish a program to minimize waste generation and maximize recycling, reuse, diversion, and salvage of construction and demolition (C&D) debris.

RFI 005 – Proposal Due Time

Question:
The solicitation contains conflicting proposal due times (Block 10 = 1500 CT and Block 13 = 1700 CT). Please clarify.

FAA Response:
Proposals are due **July 2, 2026, at 5:00 PM Central Time (1700 CT).**

RFI 006 – Award Timing and Seasonal Completion

Question:
Please advise how offerors should address Minnesota seasonal weather restrictions within the 180-calendar-day Period of Performance.

FAA Response:
Offerors shall develop and submit a project schedule that demonstrates completion of all contract requirements within the 180-calendar-day Period of Performance. The FAA recognizes that Minnesota seasonal weather conditions may affect certain activities, including paving, concrete work, grading, seeding, and site restoration. Offerors are expected to account for anticipated weather impacts, material lead times, and seasonal construction constraints in their proposed schedules.

The Period of Performance remains 180 calendar days. Contractors should sequence the work to maximize completion of weather-sensitive activities during favorable construction conditions. Any delays

encountered during contract performance will be addressed in accordance with the contract provisions governing excusable delays and contract modifications, as applicable.

RFI 007 – Small Business Set-Aside Status

Question:
Is this project a Small Business Set-Aside?

FAA Response:
No. This solicitation is being conducted as an **Unrestricted Full and Open Competition**.

Question Set 2

1. Personnel Requirements

Question:
Do the Superintendent, SSHO, and Quality Control Manager need to be three separate individuals?

FAA Response:
The Superintendent and Quality Control Manager may be the same individual. However, the Site Safety and Health Officer (SSHO) must be a dedicated safety professional whose primary responsibility is site safety and health oversight. The SSHO must also have completed OSHA 30-hour training and meet all applicable project safety requirements

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2. Period of Performance Extensions

Question:
Can the Period of Performance be extended after award due to equipment and material lead times?

FAA Response:
The POP is non -negotiable at this time. We do recognize that there may be material lead times and shortages. Your estimated project schedule should show if there are any anticipated materials lead times that can significantly impact the project schedule for our review.

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3. Site Visit Sign-In Sheet

Question:
Please provide the site visit attendee sign-in sheet.

FAA Response:
See attached document.

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4. Hazardous Materials

Question:
Please confirm whether asbestos or lead is present on the project.

FAA Response:
Refer to Sheet D108, Note 2.

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5. Project Phasing

Question:
Does this project require phasing?

FAA Response:
Yes. The project will be phased. The phasing schedule will be agreed upon after contract award.

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6. Tax Exemption

Question:
Is this project tax exempt?

FAA Response:
The FAA is exempt from state and local taxes; however, this exemption does not pass through to the Contractor. The Contractor is responsible for all applicable taxes.

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7. Construction Start Date

Question:
When is on-site work anticipated to begin?

FAA Response:
A mutually agreed-upon start date will be established between the FAA and the successful awardee after all required critical submittals have been reviewed and accepted. The Notice to Proceed (NTP) will be issued once these requirements have been satisfied.

8. Third-Party Inspections

Question:
Are third-party inspections required?

FAA Response:
Yes. Third-party inspections are required. Testing and inspection agencies must meet the qualifications specified in ASTM C1077 and ASTM E329. Refer to the project specifications.

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9. Permitting

Question:
Are permits required?

FAA Response:
Yes.

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10. Soil Borings

Question:
Are soil boring reports available?

FAA Response:
See attached soil boring report.

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11. Water Source for Grading

Question:
Will a bulk water source be available for grading operations?

FAA Response:
A water source may be available on-site for grading operations, subject to coordination with the City. The Contractor shall provide all necessary equipment required to obtain, transport, and distribute water, including water trucks or similar equipment.

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12. Landscaping Restoration

Question:
Is landscaping restoration required?

FAA Response:
Yes. Refer to the drawings and specifications.

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13. Survey/Staking Data

Question:
Please provide staking data points.

FAA Response:
Refer to the Statement of Work.

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14. Colored Grade Tops

Question:
Are red, yellow, and blue tops required?

FAA Response:
No. Contractors are responsible for ensuring proper drainage and water flow in accordance with the scope of work.

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15. Site Visit Photos

Question:
Please provide site visit photographs.

FAA Response:
During the site visit, contractors were given the opportunity to request specific photographs to be taken by FAA personnel during the walkthrough. No such requests were made; therefore, no additional photographs were taken.

Please note that photography on or within FAA facilities is prohibited without prior approval from the Facility Manager. Any requests for specific photographs must be coordinated through the FAA and approved in advance.

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16. Guardhouse Demolition

Question:
Please provide photographs of the old guardhouse to be demolished.

FAA Response:
The guardhouse has already been removed. Do not include this work in your proposal.

Question Set 3

1. Tree Removal

Question:
Trees appear to conflict with some utility work. Are they to be removed and replaced?

FAA Response:
Please identify the specific trees in question as the trees have been removed.

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2. Previously Removed Trees

Question:
Please identify which trees have already been removed.

FAA Response:
All trees identified for removal have already been removed. The Contractor will not be required to perform any additional tree removal under this contract.

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3. Storm Pipe Connection

Question:
Sheet C108 Note 4 indicates extending and reconnecting a storm pipe with a tee connection. The drawing appears to show the storm drain connected to a sewer line. Please confirm.

FAA Response:
That depiction is not correct. Refer to the profile view on Sheet C108.

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4. Staging Area

Question:
Please identify the contractor staging area.

FAA Response:
The staging area will be determined following award based on the project footprint.

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5. Flagpole

Question:
Is the flagpole shown on Sheet D109 part of the project?

FAA Response:
No.

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6. Gantry Crane

Question:
Is the gantry crane shown on Sheet P101 part of the project?

FAA Response:
Refer to General Note B on Sheet P101.

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7. Drawing Organization

Question:
Can the plans be reordered for easier review?

FAA Response:
The drawings are organized in accordance with the Specification Table of Contents.

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8. Project Duration

Question:
Can the Period of Performance be extended from 180 to 240 days?

FAA Response:
The Period of Performance remains 180 calendar days. Contractors should sequence the work to maximize completion of weather-sensitive activities during favorable construction conditions. Any delays encountered during contract performance will be addressed in accordance with the contract provisions governing excusable delays and contract modifications, as applicable.

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9. Project Start Date

Question:
When is the project expected to start?

FAA Response:
A mutually agreed-upon start date will be established between the FAA and the successful awardee after all required critical submittals have been reviewed and accepted. The Notice to Proceed (NTP) will be issued once these requirements have been satisfied.

10. Winter Shutdown

Question:
Will the project shut down during winter months?

FAA Response:
No. The project will continue through winter. Offerors shall develop and submit a project schedule that demonstrates completion of all contract requirements within the 180-calendar-day Period of Performance. The FAA recognizes that Minnesota seasonal weather conditions may affect certain activities, including paving, concrete work, grading, seeding, and site restoration. Offerors are expected to account for anticipated weather impacts, material lead times, and seasonal construction constraints in their proposed schedules.

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11. Commissioning

Question:
Will commissioning be performed by the FAA?

FAA Response:
Plumbing commissioning is required in accordance with the project specifications.

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12. Taxes

Question:
Should Contractors include state and federal taxes?

FAA Response:
The FAA is exempt from state and local taxes; however, Contractors remain responsible for all applicable taxes.

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13. Heat Trace Requirements

Question:
Please identify where heat tracing is required.

FAA Response:
Heat tracing is required for domestic water and sewer utility lines installed between 0 and 42 inches below grade.

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14. Groundwater Information

Question:
Please provide a soils report indicating groundwater conditions.

FAA Response:
Refer to the Minnesota Well Index (MWI). Minnesota Well Index (MWI) - MN Dept. of Health

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15. Water and Sewer Specifications

Question:
Please provide missing water and sewer specifications.

FAA Response:
Refer to Division 22.

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16. City Review and Fees

Question:
Has the City reviewed the drawings, and are fees required?

FAA Response:
The City participated during Phase I of the project. All work associated with this phase occurs within the project boundaries.

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17. Utility Bypasses

Question:
Are utility bypasses required?

FAA Response:
Refer to Page 40 of the specifications.

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18. Cooling Towers

Question:
How long may cooling towers be shut down during piping work?

FAA Response:
Cooling towers may be shut down for up to 30 minutes. Temporary cooling methods must be provided by the Contractor and approved by the FAA prior to shut down.

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19. Bid Date Extension

Question:
Can the bid date be extended?

FAA Response:
No. The proposal's due date remains unchanged.

20. Guard Shack

Question:
Please confirm the old guard shack has been removed.

FAA Response:
Confirmed. Do not include this work in your proposal.

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21. Previously Completed Concrete Work

Question:
Please identify completed concrete work shown on the drawings.

FAA Response:
Refer to the attached drawing.

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22. Utility Excavation Methods

Question:
Must all utility excavation be performed using hydro-vacuum excavation?

FAA Response:
Yes. All utility excavation must be performed using non-destructive vacuum excavation. Refer to Specification Section 312000, Paragraph 3.7.

Additional Information

Completed Walkways

The highlighted walkways shown in the attached exhibit have already been completed and **shall not be included in offerors' proposals**