Questions and Answers

City of Tacoma

Mayfield Powerhouse Crane Controls Upgrade
RFP Specification No. PG23-0128F

All interested parties had the opportunity to submit questions in writing by email to Dawn DeJarlais, Senior Buyer by January 30, 2024. The answers to the questions received are provided below and posted to the City’s website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org. Navigate to Current Contracting Opportunities / Public Works and Improvements Solicitations, and then click Questions and Answers for this Specification. This information IS NOT considered an addendum. Respondents should consider this information when submitting their proposals.

Question 1: Per Addendum No. 1, it appears that local employee utilization requirements were removed, is that correct?

Answer 1: Yes

Question 2: What determines the project nature (e.g., civil project, building project) for the local employment utilization requirement?

Answer 2: LEAP applies to public work and improvements and service contracts related to such work on City sites

Question 3: Can we use apprentices from the project area??

Answer 3: Per LEAP Program Apprentice requirements, the Contractor is required to ensure that apprentices from WA State perform 15 percent of the total Labor Hours worked on this project are approved by WA State Apprenticeship Council and registered in the Apprenticeship Registration Tracking System.

Question 4: Is the basis for the labor hours limited to the trades work performed at site, or does this include other labor hours (e.g., in the shop), and does the answer vary for bidders based in-state vs. out-of-state?

Answer 4: The hours included in the total labor hours calculated at the end of a project is based on labor that is subject to WA State Prevailing Wage law. There are specific rules for off-site work. Where a bidder might come from, does not take into consideration when setting LEAP requirements. When calculating total labor hours at the end of a project, hours from craft workers living outside WA State are not included.