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**City of Beaufort**  
**Day Dock Design and Engineering Services (RFQ 2013-105)**  
**Answers to Questions Received by Question**  
**Deadline (March 8, 2013) and Asked During Meeting (March 12, 2013).**

1. Are there any existing surveys (hydrographic, as-built, valid Critical Line Plat) that can be made available to the successful firm in an autocad format? If not, are these surveys the responsibility of those submitting for the RFQ or does the City have these capabilities?

**Answer:** The submitter is to assume that all needed information, will need to be developed, researched or otherwise obtained by the awarded firm.

2. Is this a Design Build project?

**Answer:** This is clarified through the issuance of Addendum #1.

3. Have any plans been designed?

**Answer:** No. This work is part of the Scope of this RFQ as stated on page 1 of Addendum #1, "Awarded Firm shall have the ability to take a marine installation project (day dock) through all stages and facets of development. This will require coordinating all **design, planning**, and project development efforts with the City of Beaufort and its stakeholders (to include Historic Review Board (HRB))."

4. Is there a current geotechnical report available for use by all proposers, or will our team need to conduct a geotechnical evaluation as part of our scope of work?

**Answer:** There is no geotechnical report available at this time. The awarded firm will be responsible for conducting their own geotechnical evaluation.

5. Under Section II c) "...firm will participate in the selection of the general contractor..." What roles will the design firm and what roles will the City and/or other stakeholders have in the contractor selection?

**Answer:** The city will issue an RFP for construction, and the awarded firm from this RFQ will work closely with the city to select the best contractor for the project. This may include helping to edit the RFP, reviewing RFP submissions, and/or being a part of the RFP selection committee.

6. Under Section II c) The language indicates a Competitively Bid Stipulated Sum Fee. Do we interpret that to be between the City and the Contractor or does the project delivery structure indicate that the design firm is contracting directly with the contractor?

**Answer:** The Competitively Bid Stipulated Sum Fee Construction Contract, as noted in Section II c) is between the City and the contractor. The design firm will be selected first via this RFQ process, will be hired directly by the city, and will negotiate their fee prior to the selection of the contractor.

7. Under Section II d) ...*"Selection of the Construction Contractor will follow immediately after the conceptual design is approved."* At this stage, the design will be conceptual, not final? How will contractor know exactly what he is bidding on?

**Answer:** The contractor will be selected under a Stipulated Sum Fee contract, based upon the conceptual design. During the final design phase, the contractor and designer will work together closely to ensure that the final design stays within the parameters of the design budget, but continues to meet the full intent of the project from a design standpoint.

8. Under Section I a) *"Services required include participating in a SCDNR Water Access Grant Application."* This is not listed in the scope of services. What is design professional's role?

**Answer:** While we have not yet began the SCDNR application process, we are certain that engineering, if not design, will play a major role in the completion of the SCDNR application and therefore take lead in that process.

9. A Joint Federal and State permit will be required to perform the work. Is the design professional responsible for obtaining the US Army Corps of Engineers and DEHEC permits? Have regulatory permits (OCRM / Corps) been obtained? If not, is that work part of the Scope of this RFQ?

**Answer:** The application for all permits (federal, state, or local) required in this project will be the responsibility of the awarded firm.

10. Do you have any as-built drawings for the seawall?

**Answer:** Yes we do have these but they are outdated. We can guide you to these documents or the firm that prepared them. It will be required that the selected firm prepare their own drawings of the current conditions as well.

11. You mentioned some other marina projects in the near future. Does this RFQ only pertain to the Day Dock?

**Answer:** Yes, it only pertains to the Day Dock. There may be another minor element of the project as well, which involves converting the existing Day Dock, on the west side of the marina, to a recreational pier. Please refer to the Addendum to Sector 1 Master Plan, bullet point 4. This will be discussed with selected firm at time of negotiation.

12. In your addendums, you mentioned Robert Marvin and Sasaki created some plans for the city. Will these plans be made available to the awarded firm since these plans will be incorporated into the awarded firm's plan?

**Answer:** Yes, these plans can be provided. In addition, Cole, Jenest and Stone prepared the construction drawings for the 2006 park renovations, incorporating the previous two plans into the design. The more recent 2011 Civic Master Plan has even more detailed drawings, particularly for the area which is currently the marina parking lot. All of these plans, particularly the 2011 Civic Master Plan, should be reviewed and understood so that the design for the new day dock is coordinated and in keeping with the long term goals of the city.

13. Do you estimate any utilities need to be provided for the dock? Lighting? Electricity?

**Answer:** We do not know at this point. This will be determined during the conceptual design phase.

14. Have any specifics been decided as far as wind speed resistance, wave size, or size of vessels (range)?

**Answer:** No specifics have been decided as of yet. These will be determined during the conceptual design phase.

15. Have we pursued grant funding for this project already?

**Answer:** Yes.

16. Do we have specific materials for the dock? Concrete? Timber?

**Answer:** All of the above. These should be incorporated into design features that meet the intent of both the future plans, as well as the budget.

17. Do we have an idea as to the length of the dock?

**Answer:** Minimum 250'.

18. Can we go to the actual site to see where this dock will be built?

**Answer:** Yes, it's open to the public. The address is 1006 Bay Street.