Cover Letter

01/25/2023

Re: CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND (CLFRF)

Dear Service Providers: Attached is a copy of the City of Hillcrest Request for Proposals ("RFP") for a control panel install/replacement at each water well (total of 2 panels)

- 1. Safely remove the older panel
- 2. Install a basic panel (recommendation for a panel that allows for repairs and updates in the future). The ability to run the following on the panel for each water well (total of 2 water wells):
 - a. Water Well #2
 - i. 2 booster pumps
 - ii. 1 water well
 - iii. 1 compressor
 - b. Water Well #3
 - i. 1 water well
 - ii. 1 chlorine pump
 - iii. 1 compressor
- 3. Inspection done by an electrician firm specializes in Water Plants and Water Municipalities and is a Licensed Electrician to ensure work meets the specifications for running the panel and the water well safely (provide documentation of the inspection for the City to maintain for records).
- 4. All debris to be hauled away and disposed of properly

These services are being solicited to assist the City of Hillcrest in the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF). The City of Hillcrest has received the funds from the U.S. Treasury as allocated in the American Rescue Plan Act, and is considering allocating a portion of the funds toward local infrastructure needs.

The City of Hillcrest will, in its sole discretion, determine the number of contracts awarded, and may decide not to award any contracts.

The submission requirements for your proposal are included in the attached RFP. Please submit a proposal of services and statement of qualifications to:

City of Hillcrest Attn: Tom Wilson, City Mayor <u>cityoffice@hillcrestvillagetx.gov</u>

The deadline for submission of proposals is **5:00 P.M. on Monday February 13th, 2023**. It is the responsibility of the submitting entity to ensure that the proposal is received in a timely manner. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award, regardless of whether or not the delay was outside the control of the submitting provider. The City of Hillcrest reserves the right to negotiate with any and all service providers submitting timely proposals.

The City of Hillcrest is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Section 3 Residents, Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, Labor Surplus Area firms and any other applicable disadvantaged businesses including HUBs are encouraged to submit proposals

Sincerely,

Tom Wilson, City of Hillcrest Mayor

Request for Proposal (RFP) for one control panel at each water well (total of 2 panels)

The City of Hillcrest is seeking a well-qualified company to safely work with MDS Water Service to power down the water well, remove the existing outdated panel, and replace the panel with new equipment to service the well:

1. Project Description

1. Conduct Pre-Construction Meeting with MDS

- i. Work with MDS to coordinate timelines to meet at each water well (Well #2 and Well #3) City Operations Manager will be able to help with coordinating the groups
- ii. Review the existing equipment located at the water wells
- **iii.** Measure all electrical components and motor sizes to ensure panel estimates will be sufficient for the City of Hillcrests needs

2. Water Well #2 -

- i. Contact MDS and the City of Hillcrest Operator Manager to coordinate for both to be at the water well.
- **ii.** Prior to starting the job at each water well, please provide the following information to both MDS and the City of Hillcrest Operator Manager
 - 1. Job Hazard Analysis (JSA), safety checklists, muster points identified onsite, unsafe stop work procedures and emergency procedures.
 - 2. Also, any public hazards the neighborhood should be aware of in the event an emergency happens.
 - 3. Show procedures are in place to handle anyone who approaches the job site. Nonessential people should be kept back at a distance until someone from the job can safely stop their job and safely approach the person to review safety procedures.
 - All safety data sheets should be strictly adhered to. This is an OSHA designated hazardous materials
- iii. Once safety has been discussed and action items complete, MDS can bring water well and turn equipment off
 - 1. MDS Lock out and tag out any equipment the electrician will not need to access, and it will ensure no accidents happen while the panel is being installed. (If lock out/tag out is not needed for any equipment, please provide this within the documentation)
 - MDS Provide written documentation or pictures the water well has been inspected and reviewed (please provide this documentation to the electrician and provide to the City of Hillcrest)
 - 3. Coordinate with MDS to ensure no motors or other electrical components will be damaged as the water is wells is being turned off
- iv. Safely remove the existing electrical equipment running the following components:
 - 1. Two booster
 - 2. Water Well controls
 - 3. Compressor
- v. Install new panel that will be sized to run the equipment
- vi. Test all electrical equipment prior to turning on the water well (ensure proper rotation and/or electrical shorts will happen that could cause damage to any existing equipment in place)
- vii. Once the test on the panel is complete, please contact MDS and the City of Hillcrest Operator for their review of the electrical panel job. If they approve of the work, the job can continue.
- viii. Test panel for connection
- ix. Review the panel controls with both MDS and the City of Hillcrest Operator

- 1. Operation and Maintenance Manuals (O&M's) are required for the panel
- 2. Include any troubleshooting needed to manage the panel safely
- 3. Include any limitations on the panel when running the equipment at the water well
- 4. Include any max loads and/or stress to avoid adding to the electrical equipment that could damage the panel
- 5. Include future maintenance plan for the panel (if necessary)
- x. Once safety has been discussed with operating the panels and it has been documented, MDS can bring water well on
 - 1. MDS Review lock out and tag out any equipment.
 - 2. Test water well to ensure no motors or other electrical components were damaged from the panel install
- xi. Safely dispose of any equipment removed from the water well area. Job site will be inspected for cleanliness and completion by the City of Hillcrest.

2. Water Well #3 –

- i. Contact MDS and the City of Hillcrest Operator Manager to coordinate for both to be at the water well.
- **ii.** Prior to starting the job at each water well, please provide the following information to both MDS and the City of Hillcrest Operator Manager
 - Job Hazard Analysis (JSA), safety checklists, muster points identified onsite, unsafe stop work procedures and emergency procedures.
 - Also, any public hazards the neighborhood should be aware of in the event an emergency happens.
 - 3. Show procedures are in place to handle anyone who approaches the job site. Nonessential people should be kept back at a distance until someone from the job can safely stop their job and safely approach the person to review safety procedures.
 - All safety data sheets should be strictly adhered to. This is an OSHA designated hazardous materials
- **iii.** Continue with the same directions as provided for Water Well #2 but with the following panel needs:
 - 1. 1 water well
 - 2. 1 chlorine pump
 - 3. 1 compressor
- 3. Inspection report provided by an inspector who Water Plants and Water Municipalities and is licensed to ensure work meets the specifications to prevent any damage to the existing facilities. Please provide inspection report for the City's records and future permitting needs.

4. Desired Timeline

- 1. Estimated start time in February 2023
- 2. Estimated turnaround to be 2 day per water well if not less
- 3. Coordination with the MDS Water Service will need to be included in the timeline as well

Please refer to United States Department of the Treasury (USDT) website for the FAQs and Fact Sheet <u>https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds</u>

5. Statement of Qualifications

The City of Hillcrest is seeking qualified company with experience with water equipment. Please provide the following as it relates to your qualifications:

Experience of the Company:

- A brief history of the service provider and any teaming partners/subcontractors, including general background, knowledge of and experience working with Federal agencies and programs
- Related recent experience in securing and managing federally-funded local projects, both infrastructure construction and service projects

Capacity to Perform:

- Provide description of your understanding of the project scope
- Describe which specific parts of the work that will be contractor self-performed and what parts will be subcontractor performed
- Describe your current and projected workloads
- Provide description of your proposed approach/strategy to provide and perform the requested services and required curing time. Include a "one line" schedule with adequate float to accommodate achieving completion date.
- Include any performance strategy in order to minimize down time.
- A statement substantiating the resources of the service provider and the ability to carry out the scope of work requested within the proposed timeline.
 - Please list all subcontractors and scopes they will perform.
 - Subcontractor to provide detail safety plan for any electrical work
 - Please list the firm that specializes in Water Plants and Water Municipalities that will be performing the inspection.

6. Proposed Cost of Services

Provide your cost proposal to accomplish the Scope of Work by activity or to accomplish the entire Scope of Work. Please provide the following format when submitting the bid:

- 1. Labor Cost,
- 2. Total Manhours,
- 3. Material Cost,
- 4. Construction supplies
- 5. Cost, Tools & Equipment,
- 6. Overhead and Profit
- 7. Burdened Labor costs (inclusive of payroll taxes (FICA, FUI, SUI) and any allocated benefits costs, etc)
- 7. <u>Evaluation Criteria</u> The proposal received will be evaluated and ranked according to the following criteria and using the rating sheet enclosed:

Criteria	Maximum Points
Experience of the	30
Company	
Prior Work Experience	20
Capacity to Perform	30
Proposed Cost	20
Total	100

8. Submission Requirements

- A copy of your current certificate of insurance. Need to be state certificate needed for both Workers Comp and General Liability. Also, any subcontractors will also need to provide certificate of insurance, workers comp and general liability.
- 2. Statement of Conflicts of Interest (if any) the service provider or key employees may have regarding these services, and a plan for mitigating the conflict(s). Note that City may in its sole discretion determine whether or not a conflict disqualifies a firm, and/or whether or not a conflict mitigation plan is acceptable.
- **3.** System for Award Management. Service Providers should have a current registration in the System for Award Management (https://www.sam.gov/SAM/). Service provider and its Principals may not be debarred or suspended nor otherwise on the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) in the System for Award Management (SAM). Include verification that the service provider as well as its principals are not listed (are not debarred) through the System for Award Management (www.SAM.gov). Enclose a printout of the search results that includes the record date. This clearance information should be included in the service provider's Proposal. The clearance in the Service Provider's proposal must be reverified prior to award. Federal awarding agencies may relax the timing of the requirement for active SAM registration at time of allocation in order to expeditiously issue funding. At the time of award, the requirements of 2 CFR § 200.206, Federal awarding agency review of risk posed by recipients, continue to apply. Current registrants in SAM with active registrations expiring between April 1, 2021 and September 30, 2021 will automatically be afforded a one-time extension of 180 days. (2 CFR § 25.110).
- 4. Form CIQ, (enclosed). Texas Local Government Code chapter 176 requires that any vendor or person who enters or seeks to enter into a contract with a local government entity disclose in the Questionnaire Form CIQ the vendor or person's employment, affiliation, business relationship, family relationship or provision of gifts that might cause a conflict of interest with a local government entity. Questionnaire form CIQ is included in the RFP and must be submitted with the response. Certification Regarding Lobbying (enclosed). Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements is included in the RFP and must be submitted with the response.
- 5. Form 1295, (enclosed). Effective January 1,2018, all contracts and contract amendments, extensions, or renewals executed by the Commissioners Court will require the completion of Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties" pursuant to Government Code § 2252.908. Form 1295 must be completed by the awarded vendor at time of signed contract submission. Form 1295 is included in this RFP for your information. Form 1295 requires the inclusion of an "unsworn declaration" which includes, among other things, the date of birth and address of the authorized representative signing the form.
- **6.** Required Contract Provisions. Applicable provisions (enclosed) must be included in all contracts executed as a result of this RFP.

9. <u>Contracting with HUB, small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area</u> <u>firms.</u>

If the awarded vendor (prime) uses subcontractors, it must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used. The following affirmative steps are required of the prime contractor:

- 1. Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- 2. Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- **3.** Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;

- **4.** Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) of the Department of Commerce.
- **6.** The Prime Vendor should utilize the SBA Center that is in the closest proximity to locality. Email your RFP to the appropriate center.
- 10. <u>Deadline for Submission</u> Proposals must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday February 13th, 2023. It is the responsibility of the submitting entity to ensure that the proposal is received in a timely manner. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award, regardless of whether or not the delay was outside the control of the submitting firm. Please electronically submit your proposal in .pdf format via <u>cityoffice@hillcrestvillagetx.gov</u>

Any questions or requests for clarification must be submitted in writing via EMAIL to the address above at least 3 business days prior to the deadline. The City of Hillcrest may, if appropriate, circulate the question and answer to all service providers submitted proposals.

Required RFP Forms as provided in the RFP must be submitted, or the proposal shall be considered nonresponsive

Respondent:

Final Score

Date of

Evaluator's Name:

Evaluation

Respondent will be scored by awarding points up to the maximum listed for each factor. Information necessary to assess the Respondent on these criteria may be gathered either from the submitted proposal and/or by contacting past/current clients of the Respondent. Respondents proposing to offer specific services (environmental) will be scored only on those services.

Experience of the Proposing Firm

	Factors	Max. Pts.	Score
1	Related Firm Experience / Background with federally funded projects	10	
2	Related Firm Experience/ Background with specific services:		
a	Administrative, construction management	5	
b	Administrative, non-construction management	5	
c	Procurement of other services & construction	5	
d	Financial Duties	5	
	Subtotal, Experience	30	

Prior Work Performance References

	Factors	Max. Pts.	Score
1	Related Work Performance	10	
2	References Provided for prior work	10	
	Subtotal, Performance / References	20	

Capacity to Perform

	Factors	Max. Pts.	Score
1	Demonstrated understanding of scope of the ARP Act Project(s), as appropriate	5	
2	Qualifications / Experience of Proposed Staff		
a	Resumes appropriate to services required	5	
b	Organizational Chart	5	
3	Approach/Strategy to implement services/projects	5	
4	Current and Projected Workloads	5	
5	Financial Capacity	5	
	Subtotal, Capacity to Perform	30	

Proposed Cost

	Method to Evaluate Proposed Cos	1	
"A" = 1	he lowest priced proposal of all qualified respondents		
"B" = F	Respondents Proposed Price		
	Factors	Max. Pts.	Score

Total Score

Г	Factors	Max. Pts.	Score
	Experience	30	
	Prior Work Performance / References	20	
	Capacity to Perform	30	
	Proposed Cost	20	
	Total Score	100	

Insert Certificate of Insurance

Insert System for Award Management (SAM) record search for company name and company principal

Link: <u>https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/forms/conflict/CIQ.pdf</u>

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	FORM CIQ
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire renease changes made to the raw by H.D. 20, our Leg., Regular desiston. This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	
1 Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	
2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law re completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th busines you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)	s day after the date on which
3 Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.	
Name of Officer	
officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attack CIQ as necessary. A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or I other than investment income, from the vendor? Yes No B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable local government a entity?	h additional pages to this Form ikely to receive taxable income, t income, from or at the direction
Yes No	
5 Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 m other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an o ownership interest of one percent or more.	
6 Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.0	
7	
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/ Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

(A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;

(B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or

(C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

(2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

 (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

 (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

(a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);

(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or

(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

(a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

(1) the date that the vendor:

 (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or

(B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

(2) the date the vendor becomes aware:

(A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);

(B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or

(C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

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Link https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/data/forms/1295/1295.pdf

CERTIFICATE OF INTE	RESTED PARTIES		FORM 1295
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Required Contract Provisions: Quick Reference Guide

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Required/Recommended Provision
Required/Recommended Provision and Required Exact Language
Not Required for PA Awards (Grants)

	Required Provision	Contract Criteria	Sample Language?
1.	Legal/contractual/administrative remedies for breach of contract	> Simplified Acquisition Threshold (\$250k)	No. It is based on applicant's procedures.
2.	Termination for cause or convenience	> \$10k	No. It is based on applicant's procedures.
3.	Equal Employment Opportunity	Construction work	Yes. 41 CFR Part 60-1.4(b)
4.	Davis Bacon Act	Construction work	Not applicable to PA grants
5.	Copeland Anti-Kickback Act	Construction work > \$2k	Not applicable to PA grants
6.	Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act	> \$100k + mechanics or laborers	Yes. 29 CFR 5.5(b)
7.	Rights to inventions made under a contract or agreement	Funding agreement	Not applicable to PA grants
8.	Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act	>\$150k	Yes
9.	Debarment and Suspension	All	Yes
10.	Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment	All (>\$100k: Certification)	Yes. Clause and certification
11.	Procurement of Recovered Materials	Applicant is a state or political subdivision of a state. Work involves the use of materials.	Yes