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Subject: RFQ #1981-Q: SR 279 Realignment – Engineering & Design

Capital Improvement Project #17TAD provides funds for realignment of State Route 279 at Corinth Road. SPLOST funds were budgeted to provide local match for federal Surface Transportation Block Grant funds that are available through the State of Georgia.

The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) requires counties to use a multi-step solicitation process to select an engineering firm:

- Phase I: The county issues a Request for Qualifications (RFQ). All interested parties are invited to submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) if they are pre-qualified through GDOT. The Evaluation Team reviews and scores responding firms' qualifications.
- Phase II: The top scoring firms from Phase I are short-listed and invited to submit a proposal. The Evaluation Team scores the proposals. Phase I and II scores are added together, and the short-listed firms are ranked.
- This contract is defined as a "multi-phase project specific" type of contract. There is no overall contract maximum price; rather, task orders will be issued, each with its own not-to-exceed or other price, as appropriate. The first task order must be awarded and issued with the contract.
- It is anticipated that additional task orders will be issued. They will have to go through the same scoping meetings, fee negotiations, and award process as the first task order.

The Purchasing Department issued RFQ #1981-Q to seek a pre-qualified firm to provide engineering services for the project. The Department contacted 2,246 vendors through the Internet-based Georgia Procurement Registry. In compliance with Federal requirements for use of grant funds, 25 firms were contacted who had registered on the U.S. Small Business Administration's database.

Invitations were extended via the Fayette News, the county website, Georgia Local Government Access Marketplace (www.glga.org), Greater Georgia Black Chamber of Commerce, and Channel 23.

Nine companies submitted SOQ's (attached).

The Evaluation Committee, composed of members from Public Works and Environmental Management Departments, scored the SOQ's. Five firms were short-listed, and invited to submit proposals. All five responded; however, the courier dropped off Heath & Lineback Engineers' proposal at the City of Atlanta instead of Fayette County, causing it to miss the deadline and be disqualified.

The Evaluation Committee scored the remaining four short-listed firms' proposals. Phase I and Phase II scores were combined, with Practical Design Partners, LLC achieving the top score.

This is Practical Design Partners' first contract with the county, so a Contractor Performance Evaluation is not available. References were contacted, and all gave high recommendations.

Specifics of the proposed contract are as follows:

Contract Name	1981-Q: SR 279 Realignment – Engineering & Design
Type of Contract	Multi-Phase, Project Specific
Vendor	Practical Design Partners, LLC
Not-to-Exceed Amount	Amounts negotiated for each Task Order
Task Order #1	Concept, Traffic Study, & Cost Opinions
Task Order # Not-to-Exceed	\$135,528.91

Budget:

Fund	322: 2017 SPLOST	326: 2017 SPLOST Grant	Total
Org	32240220 Road SPLOST	32640220 Road SPLOST	
Object	541210 Other Imp	541210 Other Imp	
Project	17TAD SRS279 & Corinth Rd	17TAD SRS279 & Corinth Rd	
Available	\$3,116,486.82	\$237,483.84	\$3,353,970.66

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	Phase I: Qualifying			Phase II: Finalists			
	Experience & Qualifications	Resources & Workflow Capacity	Total Phase I	Technical Approach	Past Perform- ance	Total Phase II	Total Combined Score
<i>Max Possible Score</i>	300	200	500	400	100	500	1,000
Holt Consulting Company, LLC	169	125	294				
Keck & Wood, Inc.	188	113	301				
TransSystems Corporation	188	138	326				
Croy Engineering, LLC	206	125	331				
Lowe Engineers, LLC	225	125	350	225	88	313	663
Practical Design Partners, LLC	206	150	356	325	94	419	775
Michael Baker International, Inc.	225	138	363	325	63	388	751
NV5 Engineers and Consultants, Inc.	225	138	363	250	81	331	694
Heath & Lineback Engineers, Inc.	244	138	382	NA	NA	NA	NA

*Heath & Lineback Technical Proposal was delivered to the City of Fayetteville in error. Fayette County did not receive it until after the deadline had passed.

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Consultant: Practical Design Partners, LLC
Task Order 1 - Concept Development

Summary Scope of Work and Fees

Project Management - estimate based on 12 months	\$7,228.24
Roadway Design - work includes coordination with multiple GDOT Offices, database preparation, site visits, property line database development, preparation of three high level concepts, preliminary R/W and construction cost estimates, and review and submittal of 14 intersection evaluations.	\$40,496.53
Traffic Operations - work includes meetings with GDOT Offices of Planning and Traffic Operations, establishment of growth rates for traffic forecasts, collection of traffic data from 14 intersections and mainlines, development of traffic methodology memo, phase diagrams, collection and assessment of crash data (all locations), and preparation of 14 Intersection Control Evaluations (ICEs).	65,961.29
Environmental 1 (POND) - Coordination with Environmental Agencies, desktop screening of project area for NEPA and ecology.	\$12,737.81
Environmental 2 (ICF & Stokes) - Coordination with Environmental Agencies, desktop screening of project area for history and archaeology.	\$9,105.04
Sum:	\$135,528.91

SR 279/ CORINTH ROAD REALIGNMENT - V1



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SR 279

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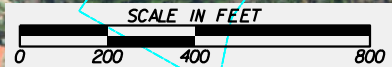
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