

Re: RFI

Monday, November 23, 2009 5:35:55 PM

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Thank you for both of your clarifications.

On Nov 23, 2009, at 5:11 PM, Dawson, Benita wrote:

If the prime contractor is a JSEB, he or she will receive 10 points in the evaluation process.

From: Dawson, Benita

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2009 5:08 PM

To: 'Maurice Joyce'

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Jill, please make sure questions and answers are provided to all pre-bid attendees.

All Bidders, please note that this project will be awarded to a qualified Section 3 Business Concern. In response to the question below, which I think may be two questions combined together, the prime contractor (ie. bidder) must meet one of the three requirements below to be considered a qualified Section 3 Business Concern:

1. Business is owned, at least 51% by Section 3 Residents
2. At least 30% of your permanent, full-time employees are currently Section 3 Residents or were Section 3 Residents in the past 3 years
3. Commitment to subcontract 25% of the dollar award to qualified Section 3 Business Concerns who meet the requirements listed in 1 and 2.

Prime contractors who meet one of these requirements will receive a preference in award. If a prime contractor does not meet any of the above requirements, but provides information on Table A and Table B along with other required forms, the contractor will not be considered a Section 3 Business Concern.

I would advise all bidders to review the basis of award, which has been provided on the Section 3 Proposal Form of the specs. An award shall be made to the qualified Section 3 Business Concern with the highest priority ranking and with the lowest responsive bid...

From: Maurice Joyce [mailto:mcjoyce2@bellsouth.net]

Sent: Monday, November 23, 2009 2:50 PM

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Ms. Dawson:

I am writing to confirm our discussion during the mandatory pre-bid meeting today at CRC concerning Evaluation of Proposals and awarding of Non-Pricing Points. My question was:

Are the points awarded only if the Prime Contractor submitting the bid meets these requirements or,

If the Prime contractor did not meet the requirements, but appropriately qualified Section 3 and JSEB subcontractors were identified on Tables A & B submitted with the bid.

You stated that the Evaluation points would be earned in BOTH circumstances.

Both cases would seem appropriate since the contract verbiage below refers to both "Bidder" as well as "*Bidders*" and, appropriately credentialed subcontractors could be part of a non-credentialed Bidders' team. Neither Bidder nor Bidders appears in the "Definitions" section of the bid documents, but both Contractor and Subcontractor do appear there. Please confirm that interpretation. Bid document verbiage is below for your convenience.

Thank you in advance,
Maurice Joyce

Evaluation of Section 3 Proposals by Priority Ranking

Section 3 proposals will be evaluated by a committee consisting of a representative or designee of the following: the Housing and Development Department, Community Development Division, the Architect/Engineer, City Equal Business Opportunity Office and Sub-recipient/Department. Each Section 3 proposal will be separately evaluated. Grading of any criterion will be done in whole numbers with decimals exceeding 0.5 given the next higher score. If no responsive bid by a Section 3 Business Concern meets the requirements of this section, the contract shall be awarded to a responsible bidder with the lowest responsive bid. The evaluation criteria and points available are as follows:

1. Section 3 Economic Opportunities Plan for Low and Very Low residents of the Project area:

10 available points

Ten points will be awarded to the Bidder who has an existing Section 3 Plan or who commits to start and use such a plan on the project (See Contractor Section 3 Economic Opportunities Plan)

2. Section 3 Contracting and Employment Opportunities for Contractors and Residents of the Project area:

20 available points

Eligible Section 3 Bidders who hire subcontractors and residents from the service area to participate in the project may receive up to twenty (20) points based on the Federal requirements of 30% of new hires. Residents must submit evidence that they are a resident of the project area or Section 3 Business Concerns as defined in Part 135.5. Tables A & B must be completed and returned with the bid package.

3. Training and Apprenticeship Programs

10 available points

Eight (8) points will be awarded to any Bidder who has an existing training or apprenticeship program for the designated Section 3 residents and Business Concerns that will be used on this project, or who commits to start and use such a program on the project (provide program description on company letterhead).

Two (2) additional points will be awarded for an apprenticeship or training program for Section 3 residents, which is directed toward training craftsmen or qualifying agents in trades that are required by state or local regulations to be certified, such as electricians, plumbers, HVAC mechanics, etc.

Revised 3/26/04. Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business (JSEB) Program

10 available points

Bidders who meet the requirements for the Jacksonville Small and Emerging Business Program (JSEB) will receive 10 Points.