



JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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ADDENDUM TO RFQ

RFQ Number: RFQ 20-037/JW

RFQ Title: Professional Title Preparation Services for Home
Buyout/Acquisition Program (Community Development Block
Grant – Disaster Recovery) for Jefferson County

RFQ Due: **11:00 am CT, Wednesday, October 28, 2020**

Addendum No.: 1

Issued (Date): October 6, 2020

TO RESPONDENT: This Addendum is an integral part of the RFQ package under consideration by you as a Respondent in connection with the subject matter herein identified. Jefferson County deems all sealed proposals to have been proffered in recognition and consideration of the entire RFQ package – **including all addenda**. For purposes of clarification, **receipt of this present Addendum by a Respondent should be evidenced by returning it (signed) as part of the Respondent's sealed proposal**. If the Proposal has already been received by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department, Respondent should return this addendum in a separate sealed envelope, clearly marked with the RFQ Title, RFQ Number, and Opening Date and Time, as stated above.

Reason for Issuance of this addendum: Revision to Evaluation Rating Criteria. Please see revised bid specifications pages 8, 10, 12, 13, & 15.

The information included herein is hereby incorporated into the documents of this present Bid matter and supersedes any conflicting documents or portion thereof previously issued.

Receipt of this Addendum is hereby acknowledged by the undersigned Respondent:

ATTEST:

Witness

Witness

Approved by ____ Date: _____

Authorized Signature (Respondent)

Title of Person Signing Above

Typed Name of Business or Individual

Address

Section 8. Statement of Qualifications

Jefferson County is seeking to contract well-qualified Title Company/Firm to provide Title Preparation Service provider(s) to assist and advise in the acquisition of flood prone properties for a Home Buyout or Acquisition Program.

Respondents should include the following in their response submission:

- Name of the firm wishing to contract with the County.
- Firm's local address.
- Firm's corporate or main office address.
- Number of years the firm has been in business.
- Firm's organization chart
- Names, titles, address, and telephone numbers of persons who are authorized to negotiate for and contractually bind the firm. One of these persons should sign the response. A contact must be named for addressing questions generated during the evaluation process.
- Description of the reasons why the firm would be uniquely qualified to provide Professional Title Preparation Services to Jefferson County.
- Brief history your firm, including general background, knowledge of and experience working with relevant agencies, with an emphasis on recent experience;
- Description of work performance and experience with Title Preparation Services for Home Buyout and/or Acquisition Programs (within the past five years) including a list of at least three references from past local government clients or other applicable clients, with information describing the recency and relevancy of the previous performance and experience;
- **Three (3) COMPLETED & SIGNED Vendor Reference Statements. These statements must be completed and signed by the Reference.**
- Description of your firm's capacity to perform as well as resumes of all employees who will or may be assigned to provide technical assistance if your firm is awarded this Title Preparation Services contract, identifying current employees and proposed hires; and
- Statement substantiating the resources of the proposing entity and the ability to carry out the scope of work requested within the proposed timeline.
- ~~Proposed Cost of Services: Please provide your cost proposal to accomplish the scope of work by activity (Title Preparation Services) outlined above and for any additional services required using the Cost of Services Form, Page 15. (Omitted per this addendum)~~

Section 9. Additional Information

- A. Provide a listing of all current litigation(s), outstanding judgements and liens affecting the firm.

Section 10. Confidential/Proprietary Information

If any material in the Statement of Qualifications is considered by Respondent to be confidential or proprietary information (including manufacturing and/or design processes exclusive to the Respondent), Respondent **must** clearly mark the applicable pages of Respondent's Statement of Qualifications to indicate each claim of confidentiality. Additionally, Respondent must include a statement on company letterhead identifying all Statement of Qualifications section(s) and page(s) that have been marked as confidential. Jefferson County will protect from public disclosure such portions of a Statement of Qualifications, unless directed otherwise by legal authority, including existing open records acts. Merely making a blanket claim that the entire Statement of Qualifications submission is protected from disclosure because it contains some proprietary information is not acceptable, and will make the entire Statement of Qualifications subject to release under the Texas Public Information Act.

7. Minority-Women Business Enterprise Participation

It is the desire of Jefferson County to increase the participation of Minority (MBE) and women-owned (WBE) businesses in its contracting and procurement programs. While the County does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms.

Section 12. Rating Criteria

The appointed Selection Committee will consider the following criteria in evaluating responses:

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| a. | Experience | Maximum Points = 40 |
| b. | Work Performance/References | Maximum Points = 40 |
| c. | Capacity to Perform | Maximum Points = 20 |
| d. | Proposed Cost | Maximum Points = 20 (Omitted per this addendum) |

Section 13. Submission Requirements

Respondents are responsible for submitting:

One (1) original and (5) five response copies; with all copies to include a completed copy of this specifications packet, in its entirety.

Additionally, Respondent must monitor the Jefferson County Purchasing Department Website (below) to see if addenda or additional instructions have been posted. Failure to return all required forms could result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

<https://www.co.jefferson.tx.us/Purchasing/>

Responses shall be mailed or delivered to:

Jefferson County Purchasing Department
1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor
Beaumont, TX 77701

All submissions must be received by 11:00 am CT, Wednesday, October 28, 2020.

Jefferson County will not accept any submissions received after the stated time and date, and shall return such submissions unopened to the Respondent.

Jefferson County will not accept any responsibility for submissions being delivered by third party carriers.

Submissions shall be tightly sealed in an opaque envelope or box and plainly marked with the RFQ Number, RFQ Name, RFQ Due Date, and the Respondent's Name and Address; and shall be addressed to the Purchasing Agent.

The County requests that response submissions NOT be bound by staples or glued spines.

Submissions will be opened publicly in a manner to avoid public disclosure of contents/however only the names of Respondents will be read aloud.

There will NOT be a Pre-Submittal Conference for this RFQ.

Deadline for Questions: In the event your firm desires additional information, Jefferson County will endeavor to provide such information; however, Jefferson County will not be responsible for any delay resulting in the respondent's inability to meet the deadline for submission of the Statement of Qualifications. Interested parties may provide written questions to Jamey West, Assistant Purchasing Agent at: jwest@co.jefferson.tx.us.

Professional Title Services Rating Sheet (Revised)

Grant Recipient Jefferson County, Texas

CDBG Contract No. _____

Name of Respondent _____

Date of Rating _____

Evaluator's Name _____

Evaluator's Signature: _____

Experience -- Rate the Respondent of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 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 past experience with the Respondent and/or by contacting past/current clients of the Respondent.

Experience

<u>Factors</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>	SCORE
1. Related Experience / Background with federally funded projects	5	_____
2. Related Experience / Background with specific project type (Federally-Funded Home Buyouts/Home Acquisitions)	5	_____
3. Related experience/background with specific services (Professional Title Services)	20	_____
4. References from current/past clients	10	_____
Subtotal, Experience	40 possible points	TOTAL

Work Performance

<u>Factors</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>	SCORE
1. Past client projects completed on schedule	20	_____
2. Work product is consistently of high quality with low level of errors	20	_____
Subtotal, Performance	40 possible points	TOTAL

Capacity to Perform

<u>Factors</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>	SCORE
1. Qualifications/Experience of Staff	5	_____
2. Present and Projected Workloads	5	_____
3. Quality of Response	5	_____
4. Demonstrated understanding of scope of the project	5	_____
Subtotal, Capacity to Perform	20 possible points	TOTAL

Professional Title Services Rating Sheet (Revised)
(CONTINUED)

EVALUATOR: _____

TOTAL SCORE

<u>Factors</u>	Maximum Points	<u>SCORE</u>
☐ Experience	40	_____
☐ Work Performance	40	_____
☐ Capacity to Perform	20	_____
	100	
Total Score _____	MAXIMUM POINTS	_____

~~Cost of Services Form Note: This Page Omitted.~~

~~Instructions:~~ ~~Cost of services must be submitted on this form. Please print clearly.~~

~~Each Respondent shall submit a proposed unit rate per title preparation as required for all projects under the scope of this RFQ. This unit rate shall be inclusive of all fringe, overhead, profit, insurance, bond, travel, incidental expenses, or any other costs associated with providing the respective scope of work. Each awarded Firm shall be required to submit pricing proposal as described in the scope of work as described herein.~~

Cost Per Each Property	
Title Preparation	\$ _____.