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ADDENDUM No. 3 Community Engagement Services for Multipurpose Brownfield Grant (Annual Contract) RFP No. 27-0002

Use the form provided in the solicitation to acknowledge receipt of this addendum. Failure to do so may result in your submittal being deemed non-responsive and not receiving further consideration for award.

Vendors are informed that the above subject solicitation is hereby modified, corrected, or supplemented as specified, described and set forth in this Addendum:

I. QUESTIONS/RESPONSES

1. The solicitation references the City's EPA Multipurpose Brownfield Grant but does not identify the specific project area(s) for this contract. Should respondents assume community engagement activities will focus solely on the Liberty District, or should proposals anticipate engagement across additional Brownfield target areas during the contract term?

Response: The Liberty District is not represented as a selected site. Please **see attached Columbus, GA EPA Multi-Purpose Grant Summary for selected sites.**

2. Is the City's July 2020 Community Involvement/Engagement Plan the current document respondents should update and implement under this contract, or is there a newer version?

Response: **Correct, the Community Involvement Plan has not been updated since July 2020, this is the document that needs to be updated.**

3. The scope references programmatic support throughout the grant period in addition to specified public education meetings and visioning sessions. Should respondents assume that ongoing programmatic support includes continuous stakeholder coordination and communications between major engagement activities, or should pricing primarily reflect support associated with the identified deliverables?

Response: **The City has been managing the brownfield committee thus far. However, in the event that these and other stakeholders need to be contacted by the subcontractor and**

this service is charged separately from other costs, please include that separate cost (e.g, hourly rate).

4. Given that environmental assessment and cleanup services are being procured separately under companion RFP No. 27-0001, does the City expect the community engagement vendor to initiate and manage coordination with the selected environmental firm, or will the City coordinate between the two contracts directly?

Response: Ideally, the two vendors will coordinate schedules. However, city staff will assume parts of the role if needed.

II. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Indicate that your company has received this Addendum in the appropriate areas and include with electronic response. **Failure to acknowledge receipt of this addendum may render your Bid "Incomplete".**

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Columbus, GA EPA Multi-Purpose Grant Summary

The Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act (SBLRBRA) was signed into law on January 11, 2002. The Act amends the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, by adding Section 104(k). Section 104(k) authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to provide funding to eligible entities to inventory, characterize, assess, conduct cleanup and reuse planning, remediate, or capitalize revolving loan funds to remediate, eligible Brownfields sites. The Brownfields Utilization, Investment, and Local Development (BUILD) Act of March 2018 reauthorized and amended the Brownfields provisions of CERCLA. Entities are selected from applications prepared in accordance with the “Application Guidelines for Brownfields Multipurpose, Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants,” and submitted in a national competition. The Columbus Consolidated Government, as a municipality, was selected for Multipurpose funding in the FY24 competition.

The Columbus Consolidated Government plans to focus its Multipurpose Grant on a broad target area in the City; an area which reflects the extensive industrial footprint along the City’s railroad corridor. Following the departure of major manufacturers over the past 50 years, several abandoned industrial sites pose threats to their surrounding neighborhoods through soil and water contamination. This issue is of particular concern in some of the city’s lower-income residential areas. The Multipurpose Grant will help remedy this history and prepare the City to convert brownfields into safe spaces for reuse.

Through the grant, the City plans to achieve 3 goals: (1) the assessment and cleanup of the Bradley Circle Properties – a former textile landfill currently listed on Georgia’s Hazardous Site Inventory, (2) the Phase I & II assessment of the Winterfield Commercial Center and additional sites, and (3) the creation of a Brownfields Revitalization Plan, which will include a site inventory, prioritization schedule and reuse visioning sessions informed with community input. Where available, cleanup funds may be used to address additional brownfields in Columbus. In its grant application, the City proposed to convert the Bradley Circle properties into a park for sensitive populations that lacks direct access to greenspace. This is anticipated to be a major cleanup activity, which may require additional funding sources to complete.

The City also identified some uses for the assessment sites, such as a community outreach/health center, neighborhood safety center and fresh food market at the Winterfield Commercial Center site. However, these end uses will be shaped by the input provided by the public in the Revitalization Plan, which will create a strategy for future brownfields assessment and reuse citywide.

FUNDING AWARDED: \$1,000,000

EXPENDITURE DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 30, 2029