

CERTIFICATE OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF ADDENDUM

THE CITY OF READING

ADDENDUM NO. 5

RFP: Pagoda Walls & Stairs Structural and Geotechnical Engineering Construction Project.

DUE DATE: December 14, 2021
3:00 P.M. Prevailing Time

- Q1. When does the City plan to begin and complete this assignment?
- a. To begin ASAP, with a NTP immediately after contracts are executed.
 - b. 9/16/22
2. Do we have access to the Geotechnical Soils Report at this time?
- a. No
3. Does the City have any type of template and requirements to prepare the price proposal?
- a. No – Please be concise and accurate with the proposal
4. Are there any specifications, schedules or other instructions included with this RFP that are necessary for preparation of a proposal?
- a. No
5. Are there any page limitations or format for preparation of the proposal?
- a. No
6. What is the format of a Joint/multiple firm submission?
- a. Please include the Firm and or Individual's Name, experience and all pertinent background information necessary for selection
7. Will the City of Reading consider a Design-Build approach to delivering this project?
- a. No
- ****If not, will the City consider a Design-Build approach as an option or alternative form of project delivery?
- a. No
8. There are two different Non-Discrimination Statement forms included within the RFP (on pages 21 and 27). Which form should we complete/sign/include with our proposal?
- a. Please sign both – Sorry for the confusion

Q2. Taking historic features into consideration, does the City want the walls rebuilt to have a similar/same appearance as what is existing?

a. Yes

• Are ADA upgrades required or desired?

a. The Building's ADA needs will be addressed thru a later RFP to include the Building's use.

• Has there been any settlement issues at the site?

a. Unknown

Q3. We were on site this past Thursday (10/7) looking at the Pagoda and surrounding area. In particular, do you happen to have an existing set of plans on file you can share?

a. Plans to include the surrounding area are unavailable at this time

Q4. 1. Is the Pagoda on the National Historic Register?

No

2. Will the City provide the interested consultants the Pagoda's Historic Documents to assist us with preparing the proposals?

a. No

3. Will the Access Modification Drawings prepared by Gannett Fleming, dated May 2021 and revised 9-10-21, be used by the City to solicit a separate Contract to pave and install the drainage, curb and sidewalk as well as the gate in the parking/driveway area?

a. This project is completed

4. Were the Access Modification Drawings prepared by Gannett Fleming, dated May 2021 and revised 9-10-21, provided for our information only, and the interested consultants be responsible for the engineering and design of the drainage, curb and sidewalk as well as the gate in the parking/driveway area?

a. This project is completed, use as reference only.

5. The letter from SSM dated April 30, 2018 “Preliminary Options of Probable Costs for Pagoda Walls - Design Concept Stage” indicates the structural costs to build a new retaining wall will range between \$1.58M (Option 3) to \$3.42M (Option 1). However, at the on-site Pre-proposal Meeting on September 20, 2021, the City indicated the Construction Cost maybe as much as \$11M. Please clarify the significant cost difference of approximately \$7.5M since we anticipate the retaining wall will be the major item of work.

a. As mentioned in the pre-bid, the SSM analysis was for reference only.

6. Please confirm the upper tier retaining wall that supports the parking/driveway area will not need to be replaced.

a. As stated in the pre-bid, the ‘upper tier retaining walls’ need an assessment too

7. Since the responses to submitted questions will impact the development of our proposal, can responses be posted prior to the question deadline date of 12/01/2021?

a. Yes

Q5. What are the potential funding sources for the design and construction phases of this project?

a. The City’s CIP

Q6. RFP Scope of Work Item 5 states consultant is to ensure project stays within the City’s required budget. What is the City’s budget for design and construction for this project?

a. The construction budget will be created in consultation with the City by the firm/individual who successful wins this RFP

Q7. Please clarify the intent of the “special inspector” indicated in item 6 of the RFP. Will the A/E be able to provide the special inspections either in-house or with a consultant under our contract or is an independent 3rd party inspector intended with their own separate contract with the City?

a. Yes

Q8. Will the Condenser Unit outside and in front of the lower tier wall need to be maintained in-place or temporarily need to be relocated during construction/reconstruction of the lower tier wall?

a. TBD

Q9. Given the unknown conditions along the lower tier wall behind the pagoda, we are requesting as-built plans be provided for the retaining walls (if they're available on file).

a. See above

Q10. To accurately scope the historic work associated with this project, we would like to understand if this project will receive federal money or federal grants.

a. No

I, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE CHANGES COVERED BY THIS ADDENDUM HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT.

Firm Name (Type or Print) _____

Authorized Signature _____

Title _____

Name (Type or Print) _____

Date _____