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Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 10:24 AM
To: Chris Switzer
Cc: Rebecca B. Strader; Kayla McHugh; Kristine Punzalan; Dave Stermetz
Subject: RE: Clarification Questions City of Peoria RFP 24-19

Hi Chris,

Here are the clarifications to your questions regarding our response to RFP 24—19:

1. Budget clarification: The City Council has allocated \$50,000 toward this project. How will this maximum budget impact your proposal?
The hours and scope of work effort by Prairie Forge Group will be broader and expand with the increased budget. The additional hours/time can be spent in several ways: with more detailed designs and planning, in expanding the number of planning ideas, and consideration to paying local college students for their involvement in the effort.
2. Student clarification: Please specify or elaborate as to how your firm will recruit and involve a diverse pool of architectural students in this project.

 - 1-Partner with the Judson University Graduate Urbanism Department (professor Daniel Hussey) to design their graduate project around the City of Peoria's Development Corridor areas.
 - 2-Recruit other architectural students from Illinois colleges to photo-document, research, and provide charette/designing ideas for the Development Corridors.
 - 3-Illinois Central College offers an architecture program and a Computer-Aided Mechanical Drafting and Engineering course of studies. We would solicit a partnership/student internship program with the head of the department in the similar manner as noted in #1 above.
 - 4-Recruit college students from the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign, which offers an architectural/urban planning program, and apply their skills in the same manner as noted above.
 - 5-Bradley University offers courses in Business, Construction, and Engineering. We would take a similar approach and solicit a partnership with each department having a student internship program.
 - 6-Illinois State University offers courses in marketing. We would seek a similar partnership within their student internship program if marketing skills may be required.
3. Non-Profit clarification: Please specify or elaborate on what role – if any – a non-profit partner will play in your proposal and how it will help to advance equity or an equitable outcome.
We understand the City has partnered with the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) and has conducted surveys of residents of the South Village. We also believe there are about 20 churches located in and immediately adjacent to the South Village area. We desire to reach out to many of the local Non-Profit organizations in our process to understand the immediate needs of the area, to help us better understand the broader community needs, and to create equity among the community partners. We would like to include: PCCEO, Tri-County Urban league, Common Place, local churches, Neighborhood House and other NFP's the City feels need to share in this role.

4. Professional Services clarification: Please specify or elaborate on the role that licensed architects will play in your proposal and the level of on-site supervision licensed architects will provide to architectural students.

We will have three (3) licensed architects assigned to your project along with other degreed architects from Prairie Forge Group. Our team of architects will be on site for all meetings, surveys, and guide/direct the college students as we research, survey, photo-document, and meet with City staff to review plans and design options for each neighborhood Corridor Development scheme.

We appreciate the opportunity to work alongside the City staff, the up-and-coming college interns, and the non-profit partners within the community. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions or require any additional requests.

Best Regards,

Tom Tristano, AIA
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Subject: Clarification Questions City of Peoria RFP 24-19

As per my phone call, below are a few questions to clarify City of Peoria Proposal #24-19.

Please have your responses to me by 2:00 pm June 26, 2019.

Thanks
Chris

Clarification Questions:

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