Request for Proposals (RFP)
Disston Playground Renovations
4423 Longshore Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19135
February 28, 2019
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Application Process

On behalf of the City of Philadelphia ("City"), the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority ("PRA") is pleased to issue this Request for Proposals ("RFP") for qualified prime contractors (each, an "Applicant" and together, the "Applicants") for the Disston Playground Renovation project located at 4423 Longshore Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19135. This project is part of the City’s Rebuilding Community Infrastructure Program ("Rebuild").

Submission Deadline

Applicants must submit a response/proposal (a "Response") no later than April 4, 2019 at 3:00 PM; absolutely no Response will be accepted after that time.

Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting

All Applicants must attend the mandatory pre-bid meeting at Disston Playground, 4423 Longshore Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19135 at 10:00 A.M. on March 14, 2019.

The names and contact information for all attendees at the pre-bid meeting will be posted on PRA’s website as public information within a few days of the pre-bid meeting.

Questions/Requests for Additional Information

PRA will accept questions and requests for additional information directed in writing to RFP@pra.phila.gov up to 3 PM on March 18, 2019. Questions, responses, and additional information will be posted on the PRA Website within 3 business days of this date.

Related Parties

Applicants may submit only one Response to this RFP. Individuals or businesses that are legally related to each other or to a common entity may not submit separate Responses. The PRA and City, in their sole and absolute discretion, retain the right to reject any Response where:

1. Applicants or principals of Applicants are substantially similar or substantially related parties; or;
2. The PRA and City have determined that the Applicant has violated these conditions or the spirit of these conditions.

Submission Process

Responses will only be accepted in either of the following:

1. Online Submission – via the electronic portal on PRA's website (http://www.philadelphiaredevelopmentauthority.org/); or
2. Hard Copy Submission – Submit 3 original copies of the Response and one electronic copy on a USB Flash Drive to the PRA via hand delivery or registered mail. Files on the USB Flash Drive may only be in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF. Applicants may hand deliver or send their Response via registered mail to:
Robert LaBrum  
Director, Design & Construction  
Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority  
1234 Market Street, 16th Floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  

Disqualification  
Responses will be disqualified if:  
1. They are submitted after the specified deadline;  
2. They are submitted by some means other than the two formats listed above. For electronic Responses, the PRA website portal is the only means that will be accepted. Responses sent via email, Dropbox or other electronic venues will be disqualified;  
3. If the Response package is incomplete.  

Bid Price  
The PRA will award this Project to the Response determined to be the most responsive based on the criteria explained below. Bid price is one of these criteria, though the Project will not necessarily be awarded to the lowest bidder. Bidders must complete and submit the Construction Bid Proposal Form located in Attachment A, Division 0 (Bidding and Contract Requirements).  

Bid Bonds  
Bidders must complete and submit the Bid Bond Form located in Attachment A, Division 0 (Bidding and Contract Requirements).  

Schedule  
The timeline for this opportunity is as follows:  

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PRA reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to alter this schedule as it deems necessary or appropriate.  

Project Description/Scope of Work  
The Work covers the demolition and renovation of Disston playground, located at 4423 Longshore Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19135. The demolition will include the removal of existing equipment, paving, and the milling and overlay of asphalt. The new construction includes the installation of new playground and fitness equipment and safety surface, fencing, asphalt paving, concrete paving, site furnishings, and grading/earthwork.
For completed scope of work please refer to the Project Drawings and the Specifications. This project is part of the City’s Rebuilding Community Infrastructure Program ("Rebuild").

Response Submission Requirements

1. **Construction Bid Proposal Form** located in Attachment A, Division 0 (Bidding and Contract Requirements).
2. **Bid Bond** located in Attachment A, Division 0 (Bidding and Contract Requirements).
3. **Experience (Not to exceed two pages):** Describe past experiences with providing similar projects. Please cite projects performed for the City of Philadelphia or other public/governmental agencies. Please include examples of projects that were completed on time and on budget.
4. **Approach to Project Delivery (Not to exceed one page):** Describe your approach to carrying out the scope of work on time/budget, and strategies that make your firm qualified to best perform these services. Please include a detailed Project timeline.
5. **Economic Inclusion (Not to exceed one page).** Provide a narrative describing Applicant’s past performance in engaging certified Minority Business Enterprises ("MBE"), Woman Business Enterprises ("WBE"), and/or Disabled Business Enterprises ("DSBE") in subcontracting and in procuring goods and services; in addition, describe the Applicant’s past performance in hiring local, diverse workforce, both in-house and with subcontractors. If Applicant is a Certified MBE, WBE or DBE; please submit information to confirm Certification as part of bid proposal. Please include contract and workforce participation goals and achievements on previous projects. Provide a plan for meeting contract and workforce participation goals (subcontractors, etc) for this Project.
6. **Declarations and Other Information.** Response must also include the completed forms identified in the Declarations and Other Information below.

Evaluation & Selection

PRA intends to award this Project to the Applicant that best demonstrates the level of experience, skill and competence required to perform the services called for in this RFP in the most efficient, cost-effective, and professional manner and in a manner, that is consistent with the contract and workforce participation goals of the Rebuild initiative. The PRA will initially review the Responses to determine compliance with the Response Submission Requirements. Only Responses that comply with these requirements will be considered for evaluation. If no Response meets these requirements, the PRA may allow all Applicants to supplement their Responses to conform to these requirements.

PRA will evaluate Applicants based on the following factors:

1. Complete application and eligibility of applicant including compliance with all requirements listed in this RFP;
2. Appropriateness of firm for the scope of work, and ability to carry out the work in a high-quality standard on time and budget;
3. Prior experience, including competence and proven track record working with City of Philadelphia and/or other public agencies;
4. Track record of economic inclusion in contracting and workforce;
5. Bid price;
6. Any other factors the PRA considers relevant to the evaluation of the responses; and
7. Financial capability

Events of Disqualification or Default

Subsequent to the selection of an Applicant, and before execution of the Contract, the PRA may treat any of the following as an event of disqualification or default:

1. Unilateral withdrawal by the selected Applicant;
2. Failure to proceed substantially in accordance with the Response as submitted;
3. Failure by the Applicant for any reason whatsoever to timely execute the Contract when tendered;
4. Material misrepresentation, omission, or inaccuracy contained in any document submitted either as part of the Response, or subsequent thereto. For the purposes of this section, the PRA places particular importance on the information required by the Applicant in the City of Philadelphia Questionnaire & Financial Statement for Qualifying Bidders and the Campaign Contribution Disclosure Forms;
5. Failure to provide in a timely manner the additional material required after selection throughout the PRA selection process.

Upon the happening of an event of disqualification or default by the selected Applicant, PRA shall have the right, at its election, to:

1. Rescind its selection; or
2. Declare null and void a Contract that may already have been executed.

Declarations and Other Information

Rebuild Economic Opportunity Plan

Applicant must sign the Rebuild Economic Opportunity Plan (Attachment I) and submit it with your Response.

This Project will require the selected Applicant to exhaust its best and good faith efforts to reach goals for diverse business inclusion and to employ an appropriate diverse workforce. The specific goals for this Project will be determined in consultation with the City’s Office of Economic Opportunity. Adopted as part of City Council Resolution No. 180124 (2018), was a Rebuild Master Economic Opportunity Plan, which establishes certain goals for contracting and diverse employment for the Rebuild program. The Master EOP excerpt below is included in the Rebuild Project Statement, which is Attachment G of this RFP:
II. Rebuild Diversity and Inclusion Goals

A. Participation Goals for Diverse Business Inclusion

In order to achieve Diverse Business Inclusion in Rebuild, each contract between PAID and Project User will require an EOP containing participation ranges for M/W/DSBEs. Goals for Rebuild are informed by the City’s most current Annual Disparity Study as follows:

- **Professional services contracts**: 25-30% minority and 15-20% women
- **Construction contracts**: 30-35% minority and 15-20% women

EOPs will contain individualized participation ranges for both MBEs and WBEs according to project scope and dollar value.

B. Employment Goals for Diverse Workforce

Project User agrees to exhaust its Best and Good Faith Efforts to employ an appropriately diverse workforce which will include minority persons and females at all tiers of employment and management. Project User shall also cause its Participants to employ an appropriately diverse workforce. For this Plan, an appropriately diverse workforce is one which reflects the local availability and historic utilization of Philadelphia residents, and also recognizes underutilization of diverse workers across all trades. The following are expressed as hourly project goals:

- **Total minority journeyperson hours**: 45% (African American journeypersons 27%, Hispanic journeypersons 15%, and Asian journeypersons 3%); and of the foregoing total minority workforce hours, 60% laborer hours and 40% skilled hours.
- **Total women journeyperson hours**: 5%, skilled and laborer.
- **Total minority apprentice workforce hours**: 50%, skilled and laborer and total women apprentice workforce hours 5%, skilled and laborer.
- **Local construction workforce**: 50-60%.

**Tax Clearance and Conflict of Interest Form**

Applicants, upon request of the PRA, must provide evidence satisfactory to the PRA that all municipal taxes, including business taxes, real estate, school, water and sewer charges, if applicable, are current for both the individual Applicant and the Applicant's firm, and that neither is currently indebted to the City; will at any time during the term of the contract be indebted to the City, for or on account of any delinquent taxes, liens, judgments, fees or other debts for which no written agreement or payment plan satisfactory to the City has been established. Please complete the Philadelphia Tax Status Certification and Conflict of Interest form (Attachment D) and submit it with your Response.

**Compliant with City of Philadelphia Revenue Department**

Bidders must have a current City of Philadelphia Business Activity License and have a valid contractor’s license.
Campaign Contribution Disclosure Forms

Please complete the applicable disclosure forms (Attachment E) and submit with your proposal.

City of Philadelphia Questionnaire & Financial Statement for Qualifying Bidders

Please complete the applicable questionnaire and financial statements (Attachment H) and submit with your proposal.

Insurance Requirements

Please submit a certificate of insurance evidencing the required coverages as outlined in Attachment F with your Response. If, for any reason, you cannot comply with the insurance requirements, please provide the reasons for your inability to do so and the PRA will consider any deviations from the insurance requirements on a case-by-case basis.

By submitting a Response to this RFP, an Applicant affirmatively acknowledges: (i) its acceptance of the terms and conditions of this RFP; (ii) the PRA may exercise in its sole discretion the following rights; and (iii) the PRA may exercise the following rights at any time and without notice to any Applicant:

1. to reject any and all Responses;
2. to supplement, amend, substitute, modify or re-issue the RFP with terms and conditions materially different from those set forth here;
3. to cancel this RFP with or without issuing another RFP;
4. to extend the time period for responding to this RFP;
5. to solicit new Responses;
6. to conduct personal interviews with any Applicant to assess compliance with the selection criteria;
7. to request additional material, clarification, confirmation or modification of any information in any and all Responses;
8. to negotiate any aspect of a Response, including price;
9. to terminate negotiations regarding any and all Responses at any time;
10. to expressly waive any defect or technicality in any Response;
11. to rescind a selection prior to Contract execution if the PRA determines that the Response does not conform to the specifications of this RFP;
12. to rescind a selection prior to Contract execution if the PRA determines that the specifications contained in this RFP are not in conformity with law or that the process in selection of an Applicant or Response was not in conformity with law or with the legal obligations of the PRA;
13. in the event a Contract is awarded, the successful Applicant or Applicants shall procure and maintain during the life of the Contract liability insurance in an amount to be determined prior to the award of the Contract;
14. in the event a Contract is awarded, all Applicants agree to perform their services as an independent contractor and not as an employee or agent of the PRA;
15. in the event a Contract is awarded, all Applicants agree that no portion of performance of the contract shall be subcontracted without the prior written approval of the PRA; and
16. each Applicant agrees to indemnify, protect and hold harmless the PRA from any and all losses, injuries, expenses, demands and claims against the PRA or the City sustained or alleged to have been sustained in connection with or resulting from (i) the submission of the Applicant’s Response; (ii) the delivery by the Applicant to the PRA of any other documents or information; and (iii) any other conduct undertaken by the Applicant in furtherance of or in relation to the Applicant’s proposal. Each Applicant agrees that its duty to indemnify and hold
harmless shall not be limited to the terms of any liability insurance, if any, required under this RFP or subsequent contract.

The PRA is under no obligation whatsoever to Applicant as a result of this RFP. The RFP does not represent any commitment on the part of the PRA to Applicant or the Project. In no event shall the PRA be responsible for any cost, expense or fee incurred by or on behalf of Applicant in connection with the RFP. Applicant shall be solely responsible for all such costs, expenses and fees.

NOTICE: The PRA is subject to the Pennsylvania Right to Know Law. Any information provided in your Response to this may be subject to disclosure to the public. Documents provided in response to this RFP may also be required to be disclosed by applicable law, subpoena, and/or court order.
Disston Playground Renovations RFP – Questions/Answers:

1. Detail 3 “Paving to Safety Surface” on D-1.0 shows Safety Surface with Asphalt Paving underneath. Please advise if this detail applies to where we are to mill existing asphalt and place new safety surface on the milled surface? Yes. The contractor shall ensure that the safety surfacing and adjacent paved walkways are flush.

2. Detail 3 also mentions an Asphalt Paving Detail on D-1.1/2, however we do not find this drawing included with the bid documents. Please see detail 2 on sheet D-1.0 for Asphalt Paving.

3. Detail 4 on the same page “Landscaped Edge to Safety Surface” shows no Asphalt Paving underneath Safety Surface just stone. Please advise to where this applies? Should all safety surface not going on top of existing milled surfaces get stone under them? This detail applies to the eastern edge of the 5-12 year old playground where the safety surface meets lawn. Yes, all safety surface not over milled surfaces shall receive an adequately compacted stone base. The contractor shall ensure that the safety surfacing and adjacent paved walkways are flush.

4. Please provide thicknesses for the Safety Surface Cushion Course as well as the Wearing Course they are not clearly identified on the drawings. The poured in place rubber surfacing must meet the requirements of ASTM F 1292 for impact attenuation and the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act provisions for accessible playground and recreation areas. The requirements of ASTM F 1292 are based on the designed fall heights of the playground equipment. Please contact Matt Burns, Kompan Principal Sales Representative at 310.775.5082 for information on playground equipment.

5. Has the existing earth material been tested in accordance with PADEP Clean Fill Standards? Existing earth material has not been tested in accordance with PADEP Clean Fill standards. The responsibility of testing and managing soils in accordance with local, state and federal regulations resides with the contractor.

6. If the material has not been tested, who is responsible for testing the material? Please see response to question 5.

7. Can the material be managed as Clean Fill in accordance with the PADEP Clean Fill Standards? Please see response to question 5.

8. If the material cannot be managed as Clean Fill, what should we assume for bidding purposes? Please see response to question 5.

9. Will the use of Recycled Concrete meeting PennDOT 2A spec in lieu of stone be acceptable? No. PPR does not accept recycled concrete in lieu of stone.

10. Who is responsible to furnish and install the playground equipment and foundations? General Contractor is responsible for ordering and arranging install of all equipment and foundation

11. Are subcontractors required to attend the Mandatory Pre-Bid meeting or is that stipulation only for potential Primes? Subcontractors are not required to attend the pre-bid meeting. It is only mandatory for the prime contractors.
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