

## Addendum No. 1 Senior Architect – Application and Integration Architectures Project No. K22-0040-29

## 12/27/2021

The purpose of this addendum is to amend and clarify certain portions of the above-referenced solicitation with all prospective bidders/offerors.

## **Clarifications:**

C1. Delete: Key Information Sheet, Closing Date and Time: January 17, 2022 at 4:30 PM EST Replace with: Key Information Sheet, Closing Date and Time: January 14, 2022 at 4:30 PM EST

## **Ouestions:**

- **Q1.** Is there an incumbent in place?
- A1. Yes.
- **Q2.** If there is an incumbent, could you please let us know the incumbent name?
- **A2.** Adaequare.
- Q3. If there is an incumbent for this contract, is the incumbent eligible to submit the proposal again?
- A3. Yes.
- **Q4.** Can you please re-confirm the start date?
- **A4.** April 1, 2022.
- **Q5.** If the process completes before the state date, will the contract start early?
- **A5.** No.
- **Q6.** How many vendors do you intend to award for this contract?
- A6. One.
- **Q7.** What is the solicitation document from the incumbent's appointment?
- **A7.** K17-0039-29A, Titled Senior Architect Application and Integration Architectures.
- **Q8.** Is there an estimated or NTE budget allocated for this contract? Could you please share the previous spending on this contract, if any?
- **A8.** The AOC does not share budget information.
- **Q9.** Is there a requirement for US Citizenship for the resource, or can the proposed resource be a US Permanent Resident (Green Card) or person with authorization to work in the US?
- **A9.** Offerors shall propose resources that have the proper work authorization to work in the United States. The Judiciary will not provide work authorization, or sponsoring, for Independent Contractors.
- Q10. Are there any pain points or issues with the current vendor(s)?
- **A10.** The AOC does not discuss the details of current contracts.
- Q11. Is there any mandatory subcontracting requirement for this contract? If yes, Is there any specific goal for the subcontracting?
- **A11.** No, there is no mandatory subcontracting.

- Q12. What is the total number of resources who are currently working on this project? What is their position name and hourly rate?
- A12. One resource in a Senior Architect position. The AOC does not share budget information.
- Q13. Considering the current COVID-19 pandemic situation, if the proposed candidates are not available at the time of award, will the agency allow us to provide replacement personnel with similar or more skill sets?
- **A13.** No.
- Q14. Are hourly rate ranges acceptable for proposed personnel?
- A14. No. Offerors shall submit pricing in accordance with Attachment E, Bid/Price Proposal Form.
- Q15. Is it entirely onsite work or can it be done remotely to some extent?
- **A15.** See RFP Section III.F.
- Q16. Do the services need to be delivered onsite or is there a possibility for remote operations and performance?
- **A16.** See RFP Section III.F.
- Q17. Do we need to submit the actual resumes for proposed candidates, or can we submit the sample resumes?
- **A17.** Please submit resumes with the requested information in RFP Section IV.C.2.f.
- Q18. How many candidate resumes can we submit?
- **A18.** One.
- Q19. What is the mode of interview of the candidate i.e. virtual or in-person?
- A19. Please see RFP Section III.I
- **Q20.** Could you please provide the list of holidays?
- A20. The Maryland Judiciary's holidays are listed at <a href="https://www.courts.state.md.us/administration/holidays">https://www.courts.state.md.us/administration/holidays</a>
- **Q21.** Is there any mandated Paid Time Off, Vacation, etc.?
- **A21.** No.
- Q22. Will the AOC reduce the cyber policy insurance requirement to \$5 million?
- **A22.** See RFP Section II.L.2.
- Q23. Is it required for the candidate to have experience inside the juvenile and appellate court?
- **A23.** This experience is preferred, but not required.
- **Q24.** Are independent contractors (1099) allowed to submit the bid or are only organizations/vendors allowed for this solicitation?
- **A24.** Independent Contractors may submit a proposal.
- **Q25.** As financial reports, (i.e., profit loss statement and balance sheet) are company confidential information, could we submit it via separate secured email or is it mandatory to submit via hardcopy?
- **A25.** Offerors shall submit via hardcopy.
- **Q26.** Do we need to submit the Firm's references, Candidate references, or both?
- **A26.** Candidate references shall be submitted in accordance with Section IV.C.2.g. of the RFP. Firm experience shall be submitted in accordance with Section IV.C.2.h. of the RFP.
- Q27. Can we submit the Right to Represent Agreement and Letters of Intended Commitment to Work upon awarding?
- **A27.** See RFP Sections IV.C.2.f.3 and IV.C.2.f.4.



**Q28.** Can you provide a link for the Judicial Branch Procurement Policy?

**A28.** Please see the following link on our website: https://www.courts.state.md.us/procurement

All addenda will be incorporated into the final contract documents and will be binding on all bidders/offerors responding to this solicitation. Each bidder/offeror submitting a bid/proposal must acknowledge receipt of all addenda by completing and forwarding Attachment H (included in bid/proposal package) with the bid/proposal response; failure to acknowledge addenda may result in the bid/proposal rejection.

If you have any questions regarding this addendum, please contact me at (410) 260-1421 or email me at <a href="mailto:lauren.sands@mdcourts.gov">lauren.sands@mdcourts.gov</a>

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