RFP PS20220605 - NOTICE - ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR A SOCIAL HOUSING RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT IN VANCOUVER

The City of Vancouver wishes to engage the services of an Architect as Prime Consultant for a social housing residential development in Vancouver. The development is contemplated as a six storey concrete and wood frame development, however, additional density will be pursued as part of a rezoning application which could change the form of construction. The project requires the Prime Consultant to lead an architect team and to establish and manage a team of design consultants in the disciplines required to complete the rezoning, schematic, and detailed design in addition to construction and post construction services. The project will be performed in two stages:

- Stage 1 includes all of the scope up to and including the Rezoning Stage; and
- Stage 2 includes all of the scope from post-Schematic phase, and Design Development phase through to project completion post-Construction.

The award of the contract will be for the first stage and while the City prefers to complete the project with the successful Proponent, the City may or may not continue with the successful Proponent for the second stage.

This project requires a Prime Consultant with proven experience in delivering social housing residential buildings to the City of Vancouver and BC Housing guidelines. The City will expect that potential Proponents who are seeking to participate in this RFP meet the following Key Criteria (preferably within the last 5 years). The City reserves the right to set aside, and no longer consider, proposals from Proponents who do not meet these Key Criteria:

- i. Experience leading major Rezoning, Development and Building Permit applications within the City of Vancouver;
- ii. Successfully leading mid and high-rise multi-storey residential projects;
- iii. Projects for municipal clients;
- iv. Experience designing social housing developments to City of Vancouver and BC Housing guidelines:
- v. Experience designing mid and high-rise buildings to Passive House certifiable standards;
- vi. Buildings employing a variety of construction materials and approaches;
- vii. Buildings on sites with challenging soils/water conditions; and
- viii. Fast-tracked delivery projects.

In addition, to the above experience, Proponents may be able to demonstrate the following experience (preferably within the last five years):

- Experience designing high-rise development projects in congested downtown areas:
- ii. Buildings requiring innovative code solutions; and
- iii. Buildings employing off-site fabrication of components.

In order to receive the full scope of the Request for Proposal, Proponents are required to complete the Non-Disclosure Agreement attached and return it to Jason Lo at jason.lo@vancouver.ca by 3:00 pm Friday, April 22, 2022.