

Midtown Traffic Operations Program (MTO) – FC-9177

Responses to Questions

1. Is it required to submit the GDOT “Notice of Professional Consultant Qualifications” for the prime and each firm on the team?

Answer: Yes. Please submit the “Notice of Professional Consultant Qualifications” for the prime consultant and all sub-consultants or joint venture of consultants on the presenting team listed in the Proposal. The Notice must be current as of the deadline stated for this RFQ and throughout the contract period.

2. Please clarify which Attachments are required to be submitted by sub-consultants. According to paragraph A.2. on page 8 of the RFQ, Attachment C should be submitted for the sub-consultants but the form itself says “For Prime Consultant Only.”

Answer: Attachment C should have said, “For Prime Consultant and all sub-consultants.” Please submit for the prime and sub consultants.

Clarification on Diversity Inclusion

Diversity Inclusion Policy for the City of Atlanta Diversity Programs

Although the above referenced contracting opportunity has been deemed to be a non-City of Atlanta project and **is not subject to any of the City's diversity programs or monitoring as a mandatory requirement**, it is the policy of the City of Atlanta (COA) to actively promote full and equal business opportunities. As a policy, the City advocates for the inclusion of small, disadvantaged, minority, and female business enterprises through the City's SBO and EBO programs, as well as the administration of the federal DBE and ACDBE programs. It is also the policy the City of Atlanta to actively promote equal employment opportunities for disadvantaged, minority and female workers and prohibit discrimination based upon race, religion, color, sex, national origin, marital status, physical handicap upon or sexual orientation through the City's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Program. The purpose of the COA and federal diversity programs is to mitigate the present and ongoing effects of the past and present discrimination against women, minority, disadvantaged, and small business so that opportunity - regardless of race, gender, or firm size - will become institutionalized in the Atlanta marketplace. It is important to note the City of Atlanta's Diversity Program requirements at the time of the project bid.

Proponents seeking to submit proposals for FC# 9177 - Midtown Traffic Operations Program (MTO) are encouraged make a good faith non-discriminatory outreach effort to meet/exceed the inclusion percentage as stated in the solicitation document. However, the CoA's Office of Contract Compliance (OCC) will not be monitoring the above referenced solicitation for participation. The project owner is the

entity responsible for all reporting requirements that arise from the receipt of federal funding as a financing vehicle for this project.

Additionally, because this is not a City of Atlanta project, there will be no determination by OCC as to whether it is necessary to require proponents to make good faith efforts to form joint venture teams comprised of at one certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firm(s). If proponents choose to pursue a joint venture arrangement of their own volition, the submitted proposal must include an executed copy of the Joint Venture agreement. The Joint Venture agreement should include at a minimum:

- The initial capital investment of each venture partner.
- The proportional allocation of profits and losses to each venture partner.
- The sharing of the right to control ownership and management of the joint venture.
- A detailed description of the discrete portion of work or tasks that will be performed by each of the venture partners.
- The method of and responsibility for accounting.
- The method by which disputes are resolved.
- All other pertinent factors of the joint venture.