A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

Department of Highways Professional Services Procurement Bulletin 2019-05 Bourbon | 7-8705 | US 460

This document constitutes a Request for Proposals for a Professional Service Contract from qualified individuals and organizations to furnish those services as described herein for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Highways.

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

County - Bourbon
Route - US - 460
Item No. - 07-08705.00

Project Description - Improve US 460 from Russell Cave Road to the US 27 Bypass in Paris

II. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Manager – Cecil Smith

User Division – Division of Right of Way and Utilities

Approximate Fee – \$250,000 Lump Sum – Unit Price per Parcel

Project Funding – State-funded (SPP)

Project Length – 6.3 Miles

Number of Parcels – 61 parcels for acquisition

III. PURPOSE AND NEED

The purpose of this project is to assist the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet in providing Right of Way acquisition and relocation services on the above project in Bourbon County. The subject project is for the reconstruction of US 460 from MP 1.394 to MP 7.696.

IV. DBE REQUIREMENT

None

V. SCOPE OF WORK

The selected Consultant(s) will be responsible for all or any of the following: appraisals, appraisal reviews, acquisition, negotiations; and relocation assistance; project management; legal services, and other related acquisition services.

- a. The selected Consultant agrees that upon request, staff will be available to assist in responding to State inquiries or citations.
- b. Right of Way contract scoping meeting requirements and general guidelines shall follow: https://transportation.ky.gov/ProfessionalServices/Forms/Right%20of%20Way%20Scoping%20Meeting%20Requirements%20-%20General%20Guidelines.pdf

c. Project Report - It will be the responsibility of the respondent to compile and complete the project report prior to the scoping meeting. The report shall summarize in detail all relocations, i.e. residential, non-residential, miscellaneous moves, & outdoor advertising. (Project Report shall be written by a qualified person(s). Note: The Cost of the project report shall be part of the fee proposal.

The selected Consultant may provide the project management and any of the described services for any adjacent projects along the US 460 corridor from Georgetown, KY to Centerville, KY to be added at a later date by contract modification. The remaining US 460 corridor has approximately 75 parcels.

1.0 Legal Services (Titles & Closings)

Initial title reports have been ordered and will be provided to the Consultant. The anticipated date of completion is December 14, 2018.

The Consultant shall be responsible for Legal Services including but not limited to:

- title report updates
- deeds of conveyance
- grants of easement
- title updates
- releases
- closings
- delivery of checks
- condemnation filing
- condemnation settlement

Legal Services shall be provided by firms prequalified for the types of legal services required with the KY Transportation Cabinet's Office of Legal Services. Payment for and management of these services shall be the responsibility of the Consultant.

2.0 Negotiation Services

- **2.1** Consultant shall be responsible for analyzing provided title reports to determine potential title problems. The Consultant is responsible for making any necessary updates using Legal Services as outlined above in "Titles & Closings". Consultant shall inform the KYTC ROW Project Manager of completed updates to titles.
- **2.2** Analyze appraisal and appraisal review reports and confirm the KYTC's approved value prior to making offer for each parcel.
- **2.3** Prepare the initial offer letter, memorandum of understanding, instruments of conveyance, and any other documents required or requested by KYTC on applicable Department forms.
- 2.4 The written offer, approved appraisal report and required brochures must be given to each property owner or the property owner's designated representative. Shall maintain a record of contacts and secure the necessary instruments upon acceptance of the offer for the closing.
- **2.5** Respond to property owners inquiries verbally and in writing within three (3) business days.

- **2.6** Should have a minimum of three (3) contacts with each property owner or the property owner's designated representative and maintain a precise record of contacts for each parcel on applicable Department forms. (Note: Three (3) contacts may be waived for special circumstances)
- **2.7** Advise property owner of the Administrative Settlement process. Transmit to the KYTC ROW Project Manager any written counter offer from property owners including supporting documentation, and Provider recommendation with regard to Administrative Settlements in accordance with Department policy and procedures.
- **2.8** Issue Property Owner's Survey to the property owner.
- **2.9** All Acquisition Parcels are completed following the procedures within the Right of Way Guidance Manual.

2.10 Negotiation using and MAR:

- **2.10.1** Acquisition Agent will be responsible for the following:
 - Determine if in fact a MAR should be used, (MAR's are used when value of the acquisition is less than \$10,000 and non-complex.) MAR's which exceeds \$10,000 and up to \$25,000 shall be subject to an appraisal if requested by the property owner(s).
 - Creating the MAR by the collection of comparable sales data either independently or from the approved comparable sales book for the project. A minimum of three (3) comparable sales shall be used to determine the value for the "Offer to Purchase" letter. Once the MAR is completed, the agent may then proceed with contacting the property owner and arrange for a meeting to make the MAR offer
 - MAR offer is given to the property owner both verbally and in writing
 - Owner should be given approximately 30 45 days to sign, or submit a counter offer to be reviewed.
 - Once the acquisition agent has completed the file, the file is sent to Central Office for processing, either for payment or condemnation.
 - If a file is submitted for condemnation, the file is reviewed and forwarded on to the Office of Legal Services, and assigned to project legal subprovider.
- **2.11** Negotiation using an Appraisal (Before and After Method)

Acquisition Agent will be responsible for the following:

NOTE: The same steps are followed as above; with the exception of the appraisal value amount has no limit, and the fair market value compensation is based on comparable sales of surrounding locations.

3.0 Relocation Assistance Services for Residential, Non-Residential, Miscellaneous Moves, and Outdoor Advertising

- **3.1** When relocation assistance is required as part of a contract the selected Consultant shall complete an Acquisition Stage Relocation Report (ASRR) for any and all relocations being assigned.
- **3.2** All relocations will be done in accordance to 49 CRF, Part 23, Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Regulations for Federal and Federally Assisted Programs and 600 KAR 3:010 Relocation Assistance Payments of the Transportation Cabinet and the current Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Relocation Assistance Guidance Manual.

- 3.3 The Relocation Assistance Specialist should provide advance notice of the date and time of their initial meeting with the Displacee with (if applicable and practical) the Appraiser's inspection of the subject property in order to coordinate the appraiser's inspection with (if applicable and practical) the initial interview with the Displacee by the Relocation Assistance Specialist
- **3.4** Notify all Displacees and potential Displacees of eligibility for relocation assistance. At the time of initial contact, provide Displacees with a Relocation Assistance Brochure [Your Benefits as a Highway Displacee]
- **3.5** Provide on-going relocation assistance and advisory services to Displacees affected by acquisition of right of way.
- **3.6** Locate, evaluate, and maintain files on comparable available housing.
- **3.7** Compute and submit the request for relocation housing/rental supplement to the KYTC ROW Project Manager using KYTC approved forms.
- **3.8** Provide 90-day notice to vacate simultaneous with the delivery of relocation benefits package. The 90-day notice may not be delivered prior to a personal interview with the Displacee to determine the type, needs and eligibilities.
- **3.9** Notify the KYTC ROW Project Manager immediately if the Displacee does not move after the 30-day notice.
- **3.10** Perform a decent, safe, and sanitary inspection of the replacement housing in accordance with Department policy.
- **3.11** Coordinate and monitor with displaced homeowners, business owners, tenants, and with moving companies in accordance with Department procedures.
- 3.12 Maintain relocation record of contacts journaling all attempted and completed contacts with all parties. This includes descriptions of the reasons and outcome for each contact.
- **3.13** Attend closings on replacement property if requested by any party involved, and assure supplemental payment is properly distributed.
- **3.14** Relocation agent will be available for any appeals and hearings.
- **3.15** Issue Relocation Surveys to all Displacees.
- **3.16** Residential Relocation

Relocation Agent will be responsible for the following:

- 1. Explaining Relocation Assistance Program and possible benefits available to displaced persons
- 2. Determining eligibility for Relocation Assistance benefits
- 3. Determining need for Last Resort Housing
- 4. Justifying need for Last Resort Housing
- 5. Offering advisory services
- 6. Updating worksheet

- 7. Calculating rent and/or purchase supplement computations and all revisions
- 8. Determining personal property located within the acquisition
- 9. Issuance of 90 day and 30 day notices
- 10. Performing Decent, Safe and Sanitary Inspections of replacement property
- 11. Determining eligible incidental expenses for reimbursement
- 12. Determining Mortgage Interest Differential payment eligibility
- 13. Securing required documentation necessary for filing claims
- 14. Filing all claims on proper forms in a timely manner
- 15. Attending closings of replacement property
- 16. Ensuring requirements of program benefits are met
- 17. Filing required reports in a timely manner
- 18. Inspecting that personal property is removed from acquired area
- 19. Secure key(s) to acquired improvements
- 20. Turning key(s) over to District property management
- 21. Assisting displaced person(s) with the Appeals
- 22. Being available for deposition and/or testimony at 13B Appeal Hearing
- 23. Making themselves and contact information available to displaced person(s)
- 24. Willingly work through assigned district and its Right of Way personnel
- 25. Close each parcel with completed TC 62-210 and updated record of contacts
- 26. Close project with completed TC 62-97
- 27. Turn completed files over to ROW Project Manager

3.16.1 Nonresidential Relocation

Relocation Agent will be responsible for the following:

- 1. Explaining Relocation Assistance Program and possible benefits available to displaced
- 2. Determining eligibility for Relocation Assistance benefits
- 3. Offering advisory services
- 4. Updating worksheet
- 5. Determining personal property located within the acquisition
- 6. Identifying any hazardous wastes or substances
- 7. Issuance of 90 day and 30 day notices
- 8. Determining which nonresidential benefits are best for displacee
- 9. Determining compensation for moving personal property
- 10. Securing bids for moving personal property (if necessary)
- 11. Determining if displaced is eligible for reestablishment benefits
- 12. Determining which expenses are eligible for reestablishment
- 13. Obtaining CO approval prior to the reestablishment
- 14. Obtaining before and after pictures of reestablishment
- 15. Determining if displaced is eligible for in lieu of move benefits
- 16. Obtaining required tax documentations for in lieu of move benefits
- 17. Determining in lieu of move benefit
- 18. Obtaining required documentation necessary for filing claims
- 19. Filing all claims on proper forms in a timely manner
- 20. Ensuring requirements of program benefits are met
- 21. Filing required reports in a timely manner
- 22. Inspecting that personal property is removed from acquired area
- 23. Assisting displaced person(s) with the Appeals
- 24. Being available for deposition and/or testimony at 13B Appeal Hearing
- 25. Making themselves and contact information available to displaced person(s)
- 26. Willingly work through assigned district and its Right of Way personnel
- 27. Close each parcel with completed TC 62-210 and updated record of contacts
- 28. Close project with completed TC 62-97
- 29. Turn completed files over to ROW Project Manager

3.16.2 Miscellaneous Move Relocation

Relocation Agent will be responsible for the following:

- 1. Explaining Relocation Assistance Program and possible benefits available to displaced persons
- 2. Determining eligibility for Relocation Assistance benefits
- 3. Offering advisory services
- 4. Updating worksheet
- 5. Determining personal property located within the acquisition
- 6. Issuance of 90 day and 30 day notices
- 7. Determining compensation for moving personal property
- 8. Securing bids for moving personal property (if necessary)
- 9. Obtaining required documentation necessary for filing claims
- 10. Filing all claims on proper forms in a timely manner
- 11. Ensuring requirements of program benefits are met
- 12. Filing required reports in a timely manner
- 13. Inspecting that personal property is removed from acquired area
- 14. Assisting displaced person(s) with the Appeals
- 15. Being available for deposition and/or testimony at 13B Appeal Hearing
- 16. Making themselves and contact information available to displaced person(s)
- 17. Willingly work through assigned district and its Right of Way personnel
- 18. Close each parcel with completed TC 62-210 and updated record of contacts
- 19. Close project with completed TC 62-97
- 20. Turn completed files over to ROW Project Manager
- **4.0 Subproviders:** Sub-Providers providing service under the work authorization shall meet the same requirements and level of experience as required of the respondent. No subcontract under the letter agreement shall relieve the primary respondent of responsibility for the service. If the respondent uses a Sub-Provider for any or all of the work required, the following conditions shall apply under the listed circumstances:
 - **4.1** Respondents planning to subcontract all or a portion of the work shall identify the proposed Sub-Providers.
 - **4.2** Subcontracting shall be at the respondent's expense.
 - **4.3** KYTC retains the right to check Sub-Provider's background and make a determination to approve or reject the use of submitted Sub-Providers.
 - **4.4** The respondent shall be the only contact for the Department and Sub-Providers and shall list a designated point of contact for all Department and Sub-Provider inquiries.

5.0 Project Management-Services shall include, but are not limited to the following activities:

5.1 Communication

- **5.1.1** Maintain a project right of way status report including a separate project status reports for relocations in accordance with the KYTC ROW Project Manager on Department approved forms.
- **5.1.2** The KYTC ROW Project manager shall be the only point of contact for the respondent Project Manager unless otherwise approved by the ROW Project Manager.

- **5.2** Maintain all working files at the respondent principal office or regional office within the State. To make all working files available for review by the KYTC ROW Personnel.
- **V.3** Provide invoices utilizing Department standard payment submissions forms supporting documentation. Supporting documentation requirements are determined by KYTC ROW.
- **5.4** Maintain records of all correspondence and contacts with property owners.
- **5.5** Responsible for monitoring all right of way activities associated with a highway project.
- **5.6** Attend monthly status meeting with appropriate ROW Project Staff. Date, time, and location are determined by the KYTC ROW Project Manager.
- 5.7 The respondent project manager shall deliver all project files, correspondence, and other project related materials within 30 days of completion of the project to the KYTC ROW Project Manager.
- 5.8 The respondent project manager may provide the project management for the Right of Way services for any adjacent projects along the US 460 corridor from Georgetown, KY to Centerville, KY to be added at a later date by contract modification.

VI. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

The Department may retain any of the advertised services to be performed by in-house state forces.

Instructions for Response to Announcement can be found at: https://transportation.ky.gov/ProfessionalServices/Pages/Respond-to-an-Announcement.aspx

The selected Consultant will be required to maintain continuing Professional Liability Insurance of an amount not less than \$500,000 during the life of this contract.

The Department reserves the right to terminate this agreement at any time upon a thirty (30) days written notice to the selected consultant. In the event termination is a result of a cancellation of a project, no deed will be taken for property once notice is received, unless specifically authorized in writing by the Director of the Division of Right of Way. In the event of termination, the selected consultant will be compensated for work performed through the date of said termination. Work completed, in whole or in part, will become the property of the Department. Any dispute in connection with work not disposed of by this agreement will be referred to the Secretary of the Transportation Cabinet, or duly authorized representative, whose decision will be final.

VII. AVAILABLE STUDIES

Preliminary Right of Way Plans - Bourbon | 7-8705 | US-460

VIII. PREQUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

To respond to this project, the Consultant proposed consultant must be prequalified for Right of Way Services by the Division of Right of Way and Utilities by the response due date of this advertisement. The selected Consultant must maintain prequalification as set out in the ROW Guidance Manual throughout the term of the contract.

RIGHT OF WAY SERVICES

- Right of Way Acquisition
- Right of Way Relocation

IX. PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE

Dates other than Response Date are tentative and provided for information only.

- Bulletin Posted November 13, 2018
- Response Date December 5, 2018 by 4:30 PM ET (Frankfort Time)
- First Selection December 11, 2018
 December 10, 2018
- Final Selection December 21, 2018
- Right-of-Way Scoping Conference January 2, 2019
- Fee Proposal January 11, 2019
- Contract Negotiations January 23, 2019
- Notice to Proceed February 21, 2019

X. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Completion of All Services – April 30, 2020

XI. EVALUATION FACTORS

Consultants will be evaluated by the selection committee based on the following, weighted factors:

- 1. **Staff Experience (20 Points)** Score is based on the experience of the assigned Appraiser(s), Negotiator(s), and Relocation Assistance Agent(s) on their experience with KYTC, experience with other agencies, professional training, as well as, experience on past projects. Staff Members shall provide documentation to be evaluated.
- 2. Current Work Capacity (20 points) Score is based on the number of active right of way projects currently with KYTC. The ability to meet the project schedule along with the percentage of completed work on each active project and the workload of the Project Manager, Appraiser(s), Review Appraiser(s), Negotiator(s) and Relocation Assistance Agent(s) assigned. Must provide documentation to be evaluated.
- 3. **Project Manager (17 Points)** Score is based on the Project Manager's experience with KYTC or any other projects, as a Project Manager, from previous assignments, and any professional training. Project Manager shall provide documentation to be evaluated.
- 4. **Quality of Work (17 Points)** Score is based on the assigned Appraiser(s), Reviewing Appraiser(s), Negotiator(s), and Relocation Assistance Agent(s) on their experience with KTYC, with other agencies, professional training, quality of work, professionalism and ratings from previous assignments. Must provide documentation to be evaluated.
- 5. **Timeliness on Past Assignments (13 Points)** Score is based on how well the firm has performed in completing any prior assignments in a timely manner; taking into account those events beyond the control of the selected consultant which may have caused delays.
- 6. **Cooperation of Past Assignments (10 Points)** Score is based on how well the firm has responded to requests from those responsible for oversight on any past contracts.

7. Knowledge of the locality and familiarity of the general geographic area – (3 Points) For state-funded projects, if a Selection Committee vote results in a tie between two (2) firms, one (1) of which will perform more of the work tasks in Kentucky than the other, then the former firm shall be ranked one (1) place ahead of the latter.

XII. <u>SELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS</u>

- 1. Cecil Smith, User Division
- 2. Kelly Divine, User Division
- 3. Dane Blackburn, P.E., Secretary's Pool
- 4. Stewart Lich, P.E., Secretary's Pool
- 5. Cole Mitcham, P.E., Governor's Pool

XIII. AREA MAP

