MEMORANDUM

TO:	Beltline Trail, Ad Hoc Subcommittee
FROM:	Eric Williams, Natural Resources Planner
SUBJECT:	Initial Screening of Proposals for Consultant Selection Interviews
DATE:	January 7, 2021

On December 11, 2020 the District posted a Request for Proposals (RFP) for professional engineering services necessary to plan, design, and administer construction for the Beltline Trail from approximately Hamilton Street at Military Ave to John A Creighton Blvd at Sprague Street. This project will construct a multi-use trail along a former railroad corridor, with access points to provide connection to existing locations in the adjacent community, and consideration of future connections. Proposals were received on January 7, 2021.

Responses were received from eight (8) firms;

- Alfred Benesch & Company
- Big Muddy Workshop
- E&A Consulting Group
- Ehrhart Griffin & Associates
- Lamp Rynearson
- Olsson
- Schemmer
- Snyder & Associates

The original RFP is attached including the schedule for subcommittee meetings.



Memorandum

То:	Interested Engineering Consultants
From:	John Winkler, General Manager
Date:	December 11, 2020
Re:	Request for Proposals for Beltline Trail Professional Services

Proposals Received by: January 7, 2021 at 2:00pm

The Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District (District) is requesting proposals for professional engineering services necessary to plan, design, and administer construction for the Beltline Trail from approximately Hamilton Street at Military Ave to John A Creighton Blvd at Sprague Street (see attached map). This project will construct a multi-use trail along a former railroad corridor, with access points to provide connection to existing locations in the adjacent community, and consideration of future connections. A copy of previous conceptual study work along this corridor is available upon request.

All proposals must follow the format outlined in this request for proposals (RFP). Failure to do so may result in disqualification of the consultant's proposal. For the purpose of this RFP, a page shall mean one printed side of a sheet of paper. The RFP may include a front and back cover page (no plastic covers please). Do not include any divider pages. Proposals may be printed single sided (one page per sheet of paper) or double sided (two pages per sheet of paper). If interested, the following information should be submitted with the proposal:

1) A letter of interest not to exceed two (2) 8 ½ x 11 pages. Include the firm name, address, telephone number and email address, the year the firm was established, any previous names for the firm and a list of the types of services for which the firm is qualified.

2) **The body of the proposal not to exceed ten (10) 8 ½ x 11 pages and three (3) 11 x 17 pages.** General overview of firms understanding of the project and approach to the project.

3) A description of the project organization not to exceed two (2) 8 ½ x 11 pages. Including the names of the principals of the firm, the names of the personnel expected to be utilized including any sub-consultant personnel and the specific project contact person. 4) A List of not more than four (4) similar projects completed by the firm within the last 5 years. Each project description shall be limited to one (1) 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 page (maximum of 4 pages),

5) **Resumes for up to seven (7) key personnel.** Resumes shall include their workplace location, a description of their relevant experience, length of time with the firm, applicable licensures and registrations, and their proposed role in the project. Resumes shall be limited to one (1) 8 ½ x 11 page per resume (maximum of 7 pages).

6) Proposed schedule of completion not to exceed one (1) 11 x 17 page.

7) Proof of professional liability insurance in the amount of 1,000,000 not to exceed one 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 page.

Selection factors for the project will include the following:

1) Project understanding and approach,

2) The project organization, adequacy of available staff, location of personnel relative to the project location and the proposed schedule of completion,

- 3) Similar projects completed by the firm,
- 4) Qualifications of the professional personnel and staff members,

This RFP for consulting services is a qualifications based selection process. The price for consulting services shall be negotiated during the scoping process and should not be included in the proposal. Estimates of probable cost of alternatives included in the proposal may be listed in the proposal. All consultant firms, submitting proposals, must be available to initiate work upon notice to proceed.

An Ad Hoc Subcommittee of the District's Board of Directors will be responsible for reviewing and evaluating the proposals. Final selection will follow timetable below:

Date	Description
December 11, 2020	Distribute RFP to engineering consultants
January 7, 2021	Final date for receipt of proposals, due at 2:00pm
January 12, 2021	Ad Hoc Subcommittee meeting on the initial screening of proposals received. Three (3) firms selected for interview.

January 18, 2021	Notification to selected firms for interview time and date.
February 4, 2021	Ad Hoc Subcommittee meeting to interview selected firms. Subcommittee will rank each firm by preference.
March 9, 2021	Ad Hoc Subcommittee meeting to consider negotiated contract with first choice firm.
March 11, 2021	District Board of Directors adopts Subcommittee recommendation on entering into a contract with the selected engineering consulting firm.

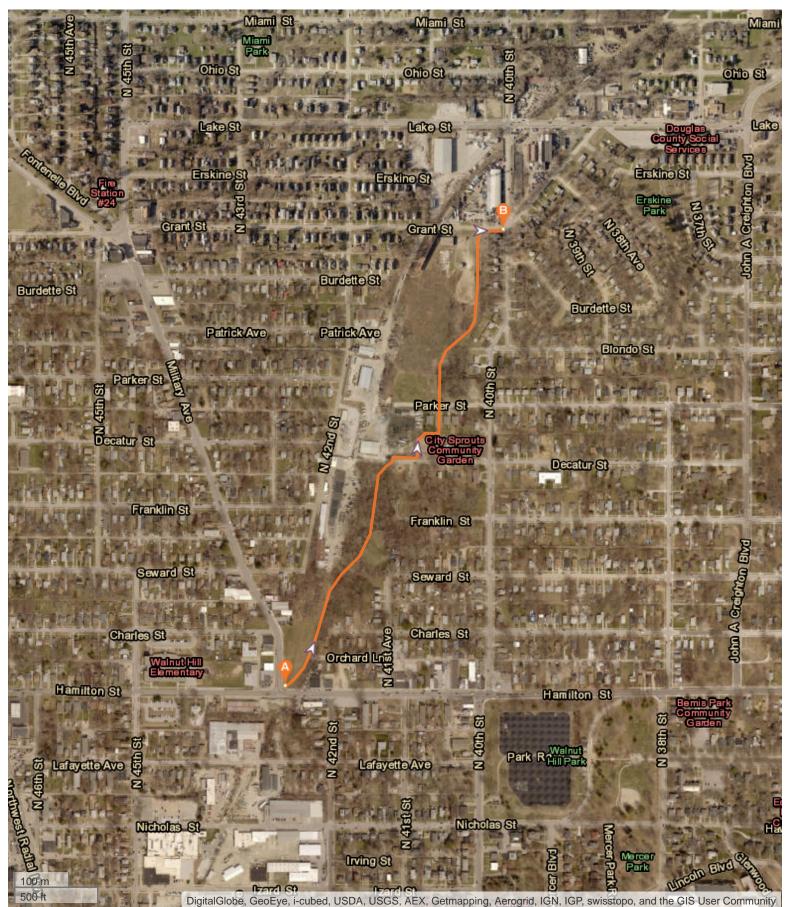
Interested firms should submit eight (8) printed copies and one (1) electronic copy of their proposal to the District's Omaha office, located at 8901 South 154th Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68138, no later than 2:00 pm on January 7, 2021.

Inquiries regarding this matter may be addressed to

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Cc: Beltline Trail Ad Hoc Consultant Selection Subcommittee:

Fred Conley – Chair Danny Begley Tim Fowler Tim McCormick Jim Thompson Larry Bradley – Alternate **Beltline Trail, South**



Beltline Trail, North

