#### City of Santa Fe | Purchasing & Contracts

# Application for Affordable Housing Trust Funds (AHTF) RFP

Offeror Education Meeting Monday, January 27, 2025

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### Best Value Approach (BVA)

Identifies Experts and utilizes their expertise to deliver high performing projects and services.

What is an Expert?

- "Seeing into the future" [preplans and mitigates risk]
- Tell the difference between conditions
- Simplify the plan for stakeholders [communicate through metrics]

## **Contract Background**

The New Mexico Affordable Housing Act determines eligible uses for the fund; eligibility criteria for applicants; and proposal requirements in order for the disbursement of these funds to be compliant with the State of NM's Anti-Donation Clause. The New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority (MFA) is responsible for ensuring compliance with the Act through the Affordable Housing Act Rules (the "Rules"). The NM Affordable Housing Act allows the City of Santa Fe to donate, provide, or pay for the costs of the following:

- Land upon which affordable housing will be constructed;
- An existing building that will be renovated, converted, or demolished and reconstructed as affordable housing;
- The costs of acquisition, development, construction, financing, and operating or owning affordable housing; or
- The costs of financing or infrastructure necessary to support Affordable Housing.

# **City Request for Proposal**

Funding is available to developers and sponsors of affordable housing, including partnerships, corporations, limited liability companies, joint ventures, public/private partnerships and non-profit organizations that are organized under state, local, or tribal laws and can provide proof of such organization. Eligible applicants must have proven financial capacity and organizational experience to carry out the activities described in the proposal submitted to receive an AHTF allocation.

For the FY25-26 year, a balance of in the AHTF is available. Depending on the proposals, this allocation will be distributed how the city sees best fit to the proposals that would most benefit the city.

### **Client Requirement**

| #  | Requirement   | City of Santa<br>Fe | Offeror's<br>Project<br>Performance | Ref # |
|----|---|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| 1  | # of years experience in affordable housing projects  | 1                   |                                     |       |
| 2  | # of affordable housing projects                      | 1                   |                                     |       |
| 3  | # of affordable housing project in NM with government | 1                   |                                     |       |
| 4  | Average budget (\$)                                   | N/A                 |                                     |       |
| 5  | Average duration (months)                             | 12 months           |                                     |       |
| 6  | Average sources of funding                            | N/A                 |                                     |       |
| 7  | Average funding for projects (\$)                     | N/A                 |                                     |       |
| 8  | Average members on staff                              | N/A                 |                                     |       |
| 9  | Average customer satisfaction                         | 10/10               |                                     |       |
| 10 | Average time deviation (%)                            | 0%                  |                                     |       |
|    | Average cost deviation (%)                            | 0%                  |                                     |       |

### **Project Schedule: Selection Phase**

| Selection Phase                                   | Days from<br>RFP Release | Due Date                     |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| RFP Release                                       | 0 days                   | January 17, 2025             |
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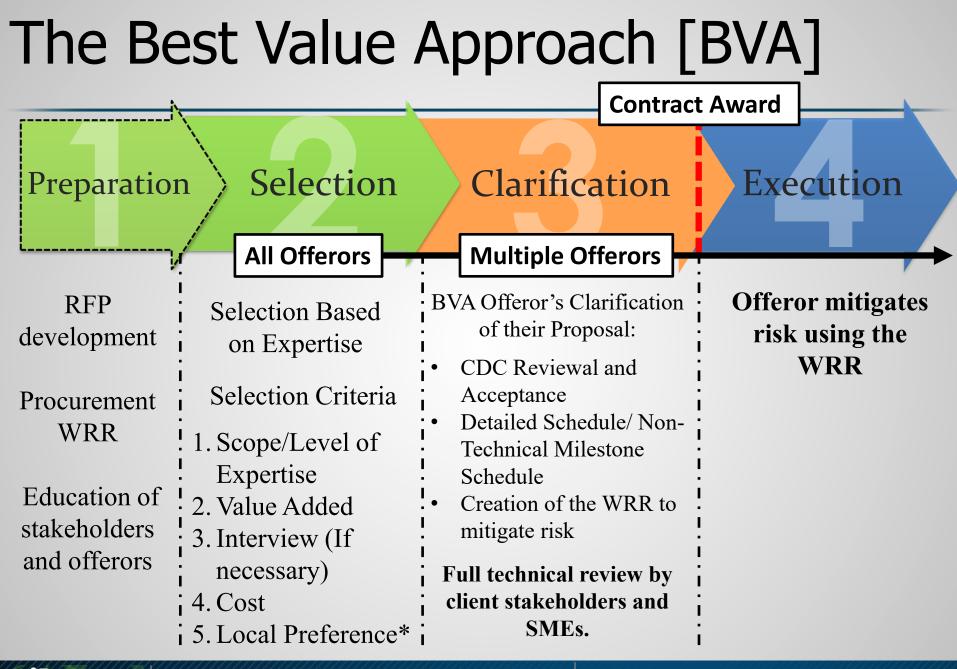
### **Project Schedule: Clarification Phase**

(Set by the Selected Offeror)

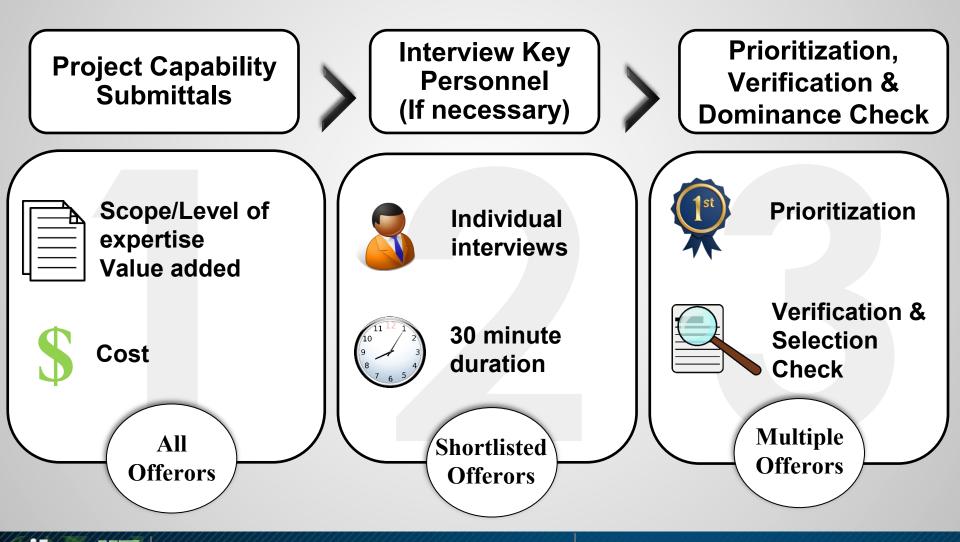
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|--|--------------------------|-------------------|
| BVA assistance to Prioritized Offeror                            | 38 days                  | February 24, 2025 |
| First Clarification Meeting                                      | 47 days                  | March 5, 2025     |
| Evaluation Committee finishes full technical and contract review | 70 days                  | March 19, 2025    |
| Final clarification meeting                                      | 70 days                  | March 19, 2025    |
| Best and Final Offers  | 79 days                  | March 28, 2025    |
| Governing Board Approval   | 121 days                 | April 30, 2025    |
| Awarding and signing of contract                                 | 182 days                 | May 28, 2025      |

### **Procurement Participants**

- Purchasing Officer Sees all information, including cost information, but does not participate in the ratings of contractors' submittals or interview
- Stakeholder Selection Board Comprised of key operational and technical City resources who will evaluate the two (2) written documents (Scope/Level of Expertise, Value Added) and interview for each contractor. This group will not see cost information and references until the dominance check
- **Best Value Experts** Will be available to assist the contractors to understand the BVA process and to meet the clarification requirements

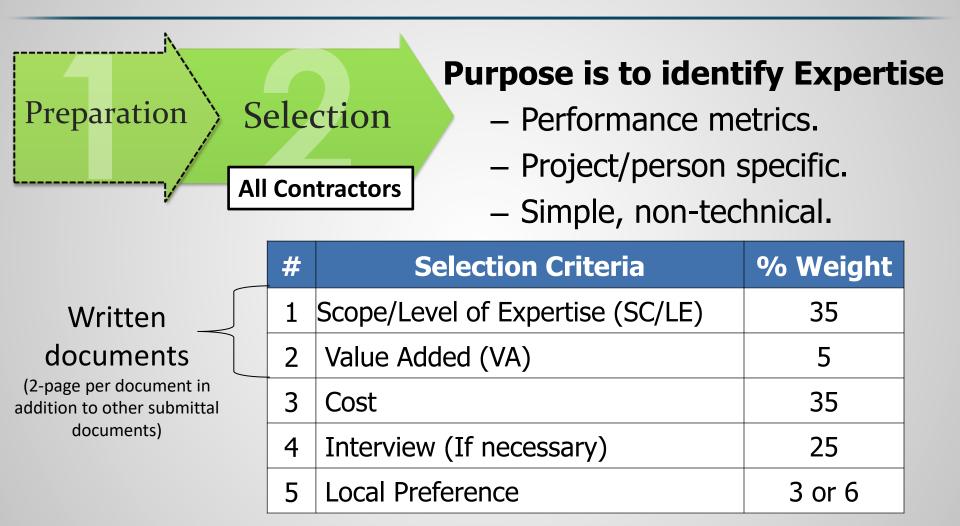


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### **Offeror Cost Proposal**

Provide a total cost to deliver the requested project

- Total cost of the project
- Does not include contingencies to cover risk
- <u>Does not include value added items</u>

The Total Cost should be broken out in two separate methods:

- 1. A cost breakout by ten project milestones.
- 2. A cost breakout by project area (Labor, Materials and Overhead)
  - 1. Equipment should be included in labor

### Project/Offeror Capability Submittals

- 2 Submitted Documents:
  - Scope/Level of Expertise (SC/LE)
  - Value Added (VA)
- Maximum 2 page per document [4 total pages]
- No names, or other information that can identify Offeror, should be included in these two documents
- Each table will have a reference for the performance metric that will be on a separate reference page that includes point of contact, phone number, project completion date, email address and project name

### Construction Project Described by Metrics

- New laboratory construction [250K SF]
- University campus, fast track project [1.5 year schedule]
- Intensive mechanical systems, clean room environment [200K SF wet laboratory area]
- Expected timeframe: 2 years
- Budget: \$45,000,000
- Full design specifications/drawings included

## SC/LE (Construction) – "10" Rating

The offeror is utilizing the most expert project manager not only in the company, but in the area, who specializes in wet laboratory construction. In the last ten years, he has constructed **five such facilities** with the following metrics:

- Average scope: \$52M
- Total area of wet lab floor space [200K SF].
- Facility is full environmentally controlled [2100K CF].
- Facility has a reinforced concrete structure.
- Time deviation: .1%
- Cost deviation: .1%
- Customer satisfaction: 10.0/10.0
- Average completion time: 2.1 year

## Simple Scope Description

 Make it simple and non-technical so anyone can understand the project

Example: Our organization will be buying a plot of land and developing it to help Low-Moderate Income (LMI) persons have housing. It will take one year to get everything built and for the people to be impacted.

#### **Example** of Metrics for Both Client and offerors

| #  | Requirement   | City of Santa<br>Fe | Offeror's Project<br>Performance | Ref # |
|----|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|-------|
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| 8  | Average members on staff                              | N/A                 | 5                                | 1-2   |
| 9  | Average customer satisfaction                         | 10/10               | 10/10                            | 1-2   |
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#### Rating System For Offeror SC/LE Submittal

**10** - Offeror uses verifiable performance metrics [VPM] to prove they can do subject project requirement with proposed scope.

Cannot determine if contractor has expertise or
 understands requirement. Vague, requires decision making to identify expertise

**1** - Level of Expertise/Scope Claim doesn't meet project requirements.

# Level of Expertise: "10" rating

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# Value Added

| # | Value Added   | Cost | Delay | Impact                | Reference<br># |
|---|---|------|-------|-----------------------|----------------|
| 1 | Expand Project to provide 30% more housing                            | 25%  | 0     | Increased cost by 25% | 1              |
| 2 | Include assistance for housing support to community                   | 2%   | 0     | Increased cost by 2%  | 2              |
| 3 | Add Additional Project to Acquire<br>land to provide 50% more housing | 30%  | 0     | Increased cost by 30% | 1-2            |
| 4 | + <u>(add new row if needed)</u>                                      | -    | -     | -                     | -              |

The Value-Added Plan should identify any value-added options or ideas beyond the proposed scope in support of the primary project for the project that may benefit the city.

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#### Rating System for Value Added Submittal

**10** - Offeror has offered increased value for city supported by performance metrics.

**5** - Offeror ability to add value is questionable.

Offeror decreases value to the city supported by
 performance metrics.

# Interviews (If necessary)

- 30 minutes
- Individual interview for the Project Team Expert
- Key Person Assigned to Project
- Looking for Expert who can tell the difference:
  - Between before and after the project
  - Between this project and other projects
  - Their solution and other's solutions
  - What are they going to do differently
  - Uses metrics and provides short answers

## **Interview Questions**

- 1. Why were you selected to lead this project?
- 2. Please explain the difference between this required scope of work and your previous similar projects?
- 3. What are the risks that you do not control, and how are you going to mitigate the risks?
- 4. What will you do differently on this project than previous projects?
- 5. What is the value of the clarification period?
- 6. What makes the BVA different?

### **Rating System For Interview**

- **10** Project Manager (PM) can tell the difference, can see into the future and simplify using metrics
  - **5** PM has questionable expert qualities.
    Requires decision making.
  - **1** PM does not have expert characteristics.

#### Prioritization, Verification and BV Check

- Prioritization based on 5 criteria:
  - Scope/Level of Expertise
  - Value Added
  - Interview (If necessary)
  - Cost
  - Local Preference\*
- Identification of the Best Value Offeror
- Ensure that the identified Best Value Offeror:
  - Metrics and references are accurate [have sources ready if selected as BV]
  - Submittals are in line with client requirement

**Average Raw Scores** 

| No | Summary Criteria           | Unit   | Offeror A | Offeror B | Offeror C |
|----|----------------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1  | Scope / Level of Expertise | (1-10) | 7.67      | 8.33      | 7.67      |
| 2  | Value Added Plan (VA)      | (1-10) | 5.33      | 5.33      | 5.33      |
| 3  | Interview (If necessary)   | (1-10) | 1.00      | 5.00      | 10.00     |
| 4  | Cost                       | \$     | 50,000    | 80,000    | 85,000    |
| 5  | Local Preference           | Yes/No | Yes       | No        | No        |

#### **Normalize Scores**

| No | Summary Criteria           | Best Score | Offeror A | Offeror B | Offeror C |
|----|----------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1  | Scope / Level of Expertise | 8.33       | 0.92      | 1.00      | 0.92      |
| 2  | Value Added Plan (VA)      | 5.33       | 1.00      | 1.00      | 1.00      |
| 3  | Interview (If necessary)   | 10         | 0.10      | 0.50      | 1.00      |
| 4  | Cost                       | \$50,000   | 1.00      | 0.63      | 0.59      |
| 5  | Local Preference           | 1          | 1.00      | 0.00      | 0.00      |

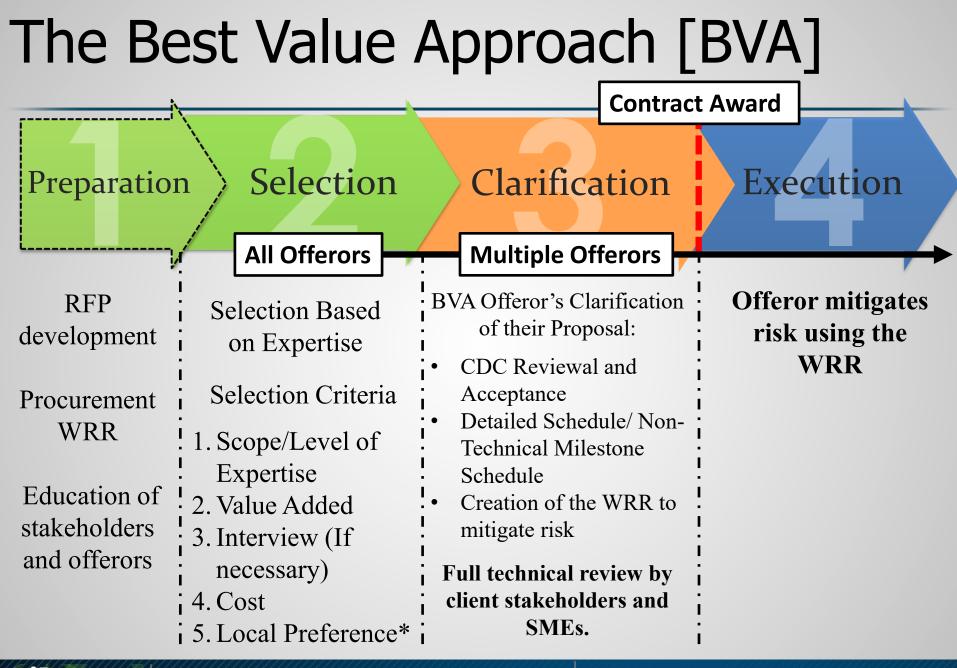
#### **Assign Points and Prioritize**

| No | Summary Criteria           | Weight        | Offeror A | Offeror B | Offeror C |
|----|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1  | Scope / Level of Expertise | 45            | 41.4      | 45.0      | 41.4      |
| 2  | Value Added Plan (VA)      | 10            | 10.0      | 10.0      | 10.0      |
| 3  | Interview (If necessary)   | 35            | 15.8      | 17.5      | 35.0      |
| 4  | Cost                       | 10            | 10.0      | 6.3       | 5.9       |
| 5  | Local Preference           | 3 or 6        | 6.0       | 0.0       | 0.0       |
|    |                            | Final Scoring | 83.2      | 78.8      | 92.3      |
|    |                            |               | 2nd       | 3rd       | 1st       |

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# **Selection Check**

- Occurs before entering the Clarification phase
- Client Selection Board will see all information, including offeror ratings and cost
- Ensures that the City is buying the best value
- Client Selection Board must agree on the selection and the offeror ratings must confirm the selection
- In most cases the selection check does not change the prioritization



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### **Offeror Q&A Session**



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