

LEGAL NOTICE

The City of Tuscaloosa requests Statements of Qualifications from Professional Planning, Design, and Economic Development and Related Services firms for the following project: Community and Area-Specific Blight Study (City file no.: A16-0585). The City of Tuscaloosa seeks the services of a professional firm which has the knowledge, experience and expertise to perform the scope of services as requested.

The project of interest consists of a community and area-specific blight study to be conducted in the City of Tuscaloosa in areas west of I-359. The study will analyze and provide recommendations regarding infrastructure improvements, land use, and economic development or incentive zones.

Expected tasks: 1. Infrastructure; a. Existing [Transportation (vehicular, pedestrian, bicycle, etc.); Utilities (Water, Sewer, etc.)]; b. Proposed/Current Capital Improvements; c. Recommended Future Improvements. 2. Land Use; a. Existing land uses, zoning, etc.; b. Blight/Property Maintenance Study; c. Proposed/Future land uses, zoning and design guidelines; d. Tie any proposed changes into Comprehensive plan. 3. Economic Development/Revitalization; a. Existing conditions and impediments; b. demographic analysis; c. Funding mechanisms for revitalization: state, federal, local (e.g., incentives, TIFs, etc.).

Services may include studies, investigations, evaluations and engineering services if required.

The firm must comply with all applicable state, local, and federal regulations related to the services provided to the City. The City reserves the right, subject to negotiation and agreement, in writing, with the selected firm, to either expand or limit the scope of services as needed.

The selected firm will be required to have sufficient personnel to complete the tasks required by this scope of services. The selected firm will complete the required tasks in a timely and efficient manner. The selected firm would be expected to enter into a contract for services based upon the firm's hourly rates and an agreed-upon not to exceed amount.

Qualifications statements are due by close of business Friday, September 9, 2016. Firms are required to follow the instructions contained in the City's RFQ document. To obtain a copy of the RFQ for these services, please contact the Office of the City Attorney at 205-248-5140 and reference file number A16-0585. Alternatively, the RFQ is available on the City of Tuscaloosa website at www.tuscaloosa.com.