



PHENIX CITY
Alabama

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Request for Proposal

Riverfront Connectivity and Improvement Project

City of Phenix City, Alabama

PROJECT INFORMATION:

RFP Release Date:	January 5, 2022
Project Title:	Riverfront Connectivity and Improvements
Questions Due:	January 24, 2022
Proposals Due:	February 9, 2022
Finalist Selected:	February 18, 2022
Council Approval:	March 1, 2022
Contact:	Tracie H. Hadaway, Planning Director City of Phenix City 931 Broad Street Phenix City, AL 36867 thadaway@phenixcityal.us

Dates are subject to change based on City of Phenix City needs.

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Background

The City of Phenix City, Alabama is the 13th largest municipality in Alabama with a 2020 population of 38,816. The city is in the Columbus-Phenix City MSA and shares a border along the Chattahoochee River with the City of Columbus. Columbus, GA is the second largest city in the state.

The city has been involved with Riverwalk Development since the first construction in mid 1990's. Currently, the Riverwalk runs from the Amphitheater at Dillingham Bridge to City Mills Dam, approximately 1.2 miles.

The Chattahoochee River, between Phenix City, AL and Columbus, GA boasts the longest urban whitewater course in the nation. This feature opened in 2013 and many recreational features have been added since, to include the only dual-zip lines in America that connect two states, a multi-level aerial obstacle course, a treetop zip course, an 18-hole Disc Golf Course and a hydraulic-calibrated, world-class whitewater wave ideal for freestyle kayaking and surfing.

Phenix City and Columbus will be hosting the International Canoe Federation (ICF) Freestyle Kayaking World Cup and World Championship competitions in 2022 and 2023. We project these competitions will draw upwards of 1,850 athletes, trainers, coaches and family member and as many as 32,000 spectators over the 2 years of competitions and will lead to consistent Regional and National competitions in the immediate future.

Project Information

The City of Phenix City is seeking sealed proposals from qualified firms to include planners, architects, engineers, landscape architects and other related professionals to provide professional services to design connections from two existing city streets (11th and 12th streets) to the existing Riverwalk; to create a park-like entrance; to offer landscape enhancements; to provide an ADA compliant connection; to prevent further erosion; and to design engaging areas along this Riverwalk area.

Scope of Work

The City of Phenix City is requesting professional services, pricing information, and availability of a consultant to design improvements to the connectivity of the existing Riverwalk from Broad Street; design additional greenspace off of Broad Street, design PlaceMaking spaces and viewing areas along portions of the Riverwalk, and recommend erosion control measures for the existing Riverwalk. Cost estimates and project schedule shall be part of this project. The proposed improvements should be designed to offer phased alternatives if necessary. Portions of the construction project may utilize Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) grant funds (Transportation Alternative Program) and will be required to meet ALDOT specifications.

Project Contacts

Any questions regarding this Request for Proposals should be submitted in writing to Tracie H. Hadaway, Planning Director at thadaway@phenixcityal.us. Questions must be received January 26th at 5:00 PM EST. No phone calls.

Deliverables

The deliverables for this project are:

1. Design/construction plans, specifications, bid documents, and cost estimates for the connectivity to the Riverwalk.
2. Professional-looking graphics for the greenspace areas off of Broad Street with specific task to be accomplished and cost estimates.
3. Erosion control recommendations and cost estimates.
4. Professional renderings of PlaceMaking spaces and viewing areas along the Riverwalk and cost estimates.

Submission Requirements

The items listed below shall be submitted in the order shown and shall be clearly labeled and separated by tabs. Pages are to be standard letter size.

- Cover letter identifying all firms proposed for the team , including contact information, such as mailing address, email address and phone number;
- Project understanding
- State of Qualifications: Team organization, including professional resumes and identification of the lead consultant; key personnel, and the roles and responsibilities;
- State of Relevant Work/Experience with referral contact information;
- Project approach
- Proposed timeline
- Proposed deliverables
- Proposed project budget

Selection Criteria

The potential consultant will be evaluated by the following criteria:

- Professional and technical expertise, and experience
- Ability to produce high quality documents and graphics
- Experience with similar communities and projects
- Availability of team members and ability to complete project in a reasonable timeframe.
- Review of references and past work products.

Interviews may be requested after initial evaluation. The City may request additional information from consultants during the selection process. Upon selection, the City will negotiate an agreement with the selected consultant. If negotiations with the most qualified consultant are unsuccessful for any reason, the City will terminate negotiations and proceed to negotiate with the next most qualified firm until an agreement is reached.

Miscellaneous

- Any existing or potential conflicts of interests should be disclosed
- The City will not be responsible for any costs incurred by anyone in the preparation or submittal of qualifications or information
- This request is not to be construed as a contract or commitment of any kind
- All information submitted is public information
- All materials submitted in response to this RFP shall become the property of the City and will not be returned unless specifically requested at the time of the submittal.

Conditions of RFP

The City of Phenix City (City) reserves the right to withdraw this solicitation of a proposal at any time without prior notice. Further, the City makes no representations that any agreement will be awarded to any firm submitting a qualification.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all qualifications submitted in response to this request.

In any event, the City shall not be liable for any pre-contractual expenses incurred by any Consultant. This shall include pre-contractual expenses such as preparing the Proposal, submitting the Proposal to the City, negotiating with the City on any matter related to the Proposal or other expenses incurred prior to the date of award for any agreement related to the services herein described.

No prior, current or post award verbal agreement(s) with any officer, agent or employees of the City shall affect or modify any terms or modifications of this RFP or any contract or option resulting from this process.

The City reserves the right to waive any minor irregularities, informalities, or oversights at its sole discretion. The term "minor" as used herein means any proposer or City irregularities or oversights that does not materially affect or alter the intent and purpose of this RFP, and is not in violation of any State of Alabama or Federal Government rules, laws and regulations that may apply to this request.

Submission Format and Submission Deadline

- Submit four hard copies sized 8.5 x 11 with consecutively numbered pages.
- One electronic copy on USB flash drive as a PDF document that is PC readable, labeled, and not password protected. The electronic copy will be one single document for main submittal.
- RFP shall be submitted in a sealed envelope labeled "RFP City of Phenix City Riverfront Connectivity and Improvement project".

- The deadline for RFP submittal is no later than 5:00 PM EST February 9th. Late proposals will not be accepted nor considered. Proposers must allow sufficient lead-time to ensure receipt of their proposals by the time specified. The City of Phenix City will not be responsible for a carrier's failure to deliver.
- Proposals shall be sent to the following address:

Tracie Hadaway
931 Broad Street
Phenix City, AL 36867



Eagle & Phenix Dam

Chattahoochee River

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Mill Creek

12th Street

11th Street