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City Website Redesign and Replacement

Responses to Questions

1. Is there a budget range for the project?
The projected budget for this project is \$50,000.00; funds will not be spent until after January 2014, which is the beginning of the City's new fiscal year.

2. Is there a particular CMS you are interested in or are you open to suggestions?
The City has no preference as to what content management system (CMS) is proposed by the vendor. The City currently is using Sitefinity as its website CMS.

3. One of the requirements states: *The Website should be viable on mobile devices. (ex. iPhones, iPads, Android phones and tablets).* Does this imply only browsing content, or does this include the capability to administer the site from these devices/platforms?
The City requires that the website be accessible in a mobile layout on all mobile device operating platforms, IOS, Android, Windows, and Blackberry (if possible). If the vendor can provide a site that can be edited by City staff via a mobile device that is considered a plus, but is not a requirement that we have.

4. In the technical requirements section, it states: *Hosted by the vendor or within City's current Microsoft server environment on Microsoft Server 2012 server and Microsoft SQL Server 2008. If the City hosts the site it intends to remain with Microsoft IIS for web services.* If our agency were to host this, additional fees would apply on a month to month basis. Is this acceptable? The solution we are considering for the platform runs optimally in Linux/Apache environments, and while it is possible to have it function under MS IIS and MSSQL, there are additional technical complications that are best avoided by using Linux.
The City does not have a preference on whether it hosts the site or not. If the vendor is to host the site the platform it runs on is not important, but we do expect the vendor to provide SLAs as to what the expected uptime of the website will be. We are also fine with paying any fees that come with the vendor hosting the website as long as they are financially reasonable to the City's staff.

5. Can companies not in the US submit a proposal?
The City is only looking to select a vendor that is located in the US.