Neighborhood Impact Study

Are you looking for single teams to combine to pitch together for all 3 parts of the RFP, or are you looking for individual companies (or teams) to pitch independently for EACH (one or 2, but not all 3) of the 3 deliverable components?

The firm or team awarded will have provided a proposal that includes the three distinct deliverables asked in the RFP. It is the respondent's responsibility in their response to the RFP to communicate how they will approach and complete the scope of work.

Can a BIPOC/WBE/LBE firm submit as both a Prime and subconsultant?

Yes. We welcome responses from a single firm or a team of firms that can accomplish the tasks outlined in the RFP.

Is there a page limit?

There is no page limit to the response.

Please confirm the 60-day deliverable turnaround time.

PIDC has received comments that the 60-day deliverable for the work product does not allow enough time for meaningful community engagement. Based on the respondents professional experience in these matters, we look for proposed project timelines. Proposals received with deliverable dates longer than 60 days will be accepted and no deductions will be made in the evaluation.

Are subconsultants required to acknowledge that the PIDC is permitted to share the work products and deliverables with governmental third parties?

Yes. The work completed by the selected firm will be shared with third parties.

Are subconsultants required to note if their firm has worked with any of the Sixers, Flyers, Comcast Spectacor, PREIT, or Macerich?

Yes. Please disclose all past work with the above-mentioned entities and their ownership.

If successful, are consultants, or subconsultants, precluded from participating in the design or construction phase of the project?

Being selected for this work will not preclude the firm from receiving any potential future work on the proposed arena project.

Deliverable 3: Can you confirm that transportation isn't included in the list of key environmental areas to be considered for this deliverable?

Transportation is a major component in the analysis of the proposed arena. There will be additional studies, independent of this study dedicated to transportation.

What is the budget for the work?

There is no set budget for this work.

When is the contract anticipated to begin?

The goal is to begin the work within 45 days of the proposal due date of May 12th.

Are you expecting for the scope to focus solely on Chinatown or should it include other impacted communities, namely Market East? If the latter, what is the study area?

Chinatown is a large and important part of the area surrounding the proposed arena. Given the City of Philadelphia's commitment to equitable approaches to development, the study should center the conditions and experiences of the most impacted neighborhood of this project, which is Chinatown. In addition, other neighboring residential and commercial communities such as the Fashion District, Jefferson, Midtown Village and Washington Square West are also stakeholders in the immediate area. The concluding study area will be determined in discussion with the consultant, PIDC, community representatives and the City of Philadelphia.

The scope and timeline require considerable local engagement support. Would PIDC consider creating and housing a budget for community-based organizations to provide such support?

We look for respondents to propose the most effective methods of meaningful community engagement. PIDC is open to creative solutions to achieve this goal.

Who is on the selection panel and has a reviewing/decision making role in regards to selection? Will PIDC consider including a community development representative?

The selection committee will include representatives from the City, PIDC and the community.

Will more information be provided about the proposed arena project with respect to target audience, uses, events, etc, or should the project team make assumptions based on what is publicly available?

PIDC will share all pertinent information with the awarded consultant to ensure the most comprehensive analysis.

Will the team have access to historical data around 76ers ticket holders and events, including demographics and form of transportation?

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Would PIDC consider authorizing the consultants to allocate a small portion of their fee to provide stipends to partially compensate local residents and other stakeholders, who would be selected through a process, for their time and effort in the public review of the arena? If providing a stipend through the consultant fee budget is not acceptable, is there another source of funds for this?

PIDC is open to proposals from respondents on how to best structure and pursue meaningful community engagement.