

**CITY OF RANCHO MIRAGE  
69825 HIGHWAY 111  
RANCHO MIRAGE, CA 92270  
(760) 324-4511**

**ADDENDUM TO  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS  
FOR  
FIRE STATION 50 – SEISMIC AND BUILDING IMPROVEMENT  
PROJECT DESIGN SERVICES**

**ISSUED:  
NOVEMBER 14, 2019**

## **PURPOSE:**

This Addendum (“Addendum”) is being issued to provide answers to questions about the City of Rancho Mirage Request for Proposals for Fire Station 50 – Seismic and Building Improvement Project Design Services, dated October 21, 2019 (“RFP”), which questions prospective bidders submitted requesting further details regarding the RFP. Included below are said questions and answers thereto, all of which shall be made part of the RFP by inclusion into this Addendum.

## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

This Addendum constitutes an integral part of the RFP and shall be read in conjunction with the RFP. Where inconsistent with the RFP, this Addendum shall govern. It is the responsibility of all respondents to the RFP to conform to this Addendum. Unless specifically changed herein, all other requirements, terms and conditions of the RFP remain unchanged. All respondents must acknowledge receipt of this Addendum by signing and submitting the form that is attached to this Addendum as Exhibit “A.”

## **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:**

**Question 1:** During construction, is the fire station going to remain in operation (particularly work affecting the apparatus bay)?

**Answer 1:** Fire Station #50 is to remain operational during construction, however, it is understood that there will be an impact to the station. The intent is to stage construction in a manner that minimizes the overall impact to the station.

**Question 2:** Please describe the conditioning/temperature challenge in the apparatus bay and the desired outcome.

**Answer 2:** Currently there is no control of temperature or air flow in the apparatus bay. The desired outcome is to have an economical mechanism or system which allows the firefighters to have some type of control that would make the bay more comfortable. Fire Station #69 in Rancho Mirage has evaporative coolers which cool the bays in the summer months. Fire Station #50 has no evaporative coolers or overhead fans and no ability to control the temperature. We are asking the architect to include a cost-effective improvement that would allow the firefighters to have some type of ability to affect the temperature within the bays.

**Question 3:** Per 2.5 Other Considerations (p 9 of 50) of Tier 1 report, please confirm that the existing overhead coiling doors at the apparatus bay are not a part of the scope of this project.

**Answer 3:** The overhead coil doors are not to be part of this project. However, this may be considered at later date.

**Question 4:** Please clarify meaning of the term/intent of “*FIELD FEE*” on p. 6 section ‘G’ [Design Fee].

**Answer 4:** All fees associated with field investigation and work to include but not limited to, transportation, reproduction, postage, data processing, photography, etc.

**Question 5:** What is the intended construction window for the improvements to the fire station?

**Answer 5:** A 90-day construction time period is preferred.

**Question 6:** Please confirm that this project will be subject to prevailing wage.

**Answer 6:** Project will be subject to all applicable prevailing wage requirements and laws.

**Question 7:** Please share the construction budget allocated for the project improvements

**Answer 7:** Project is Budgeted for \$465,000.00, which includes both design fees and construction costs.

**Question 8:** Deliverables page 5, item B [Final Construction Drawings]: Please confirm that City fees are not to be included within Design Professionals fee. If an outside agency does have an applicable review may the plan check fee for that agency be billed as a reimbursable expense?

**Answer 8:** The Design Professional will, as part of this process, take construction drawings through all appropriate plan checks and pay any and all required plan check fees with required agencies outside the City. The City will not charge fees to the applicant for plan check or permits within the City’s process; however, if there are any fees from other agencies the City will not reimburse those fees.

**Question 9:** Deliverables page 5, item B [Final Construction Drawings]: Is the City aware of any outside Agency that would be required to review the project?

**Answer 9:** City is unaware of any outside agency requiring review of the project.

**Question 10:** Deliverables page 6, item G [Design Fee]: Please define “Field Fee”?

**Answer 10:** All fees associated with field investigation and work to include but not limited to transportation, reproduction, postage, data processing, photography, etc.

**Question 11:** Deliverables page 6, item G [Design Fee]: Are all additional expenses to be included within the Design Professionals fee?

**Answer 11:** Please include all additional fees in design professional fees.

**Question 12:** Project Phases, page 6: 45 days to complete tasks 1 & 2 is an aggressive schedule. Given the project being awarded on December 12th and the ensuing Holiday season, will the City be open to discussing a revised project schedule for tasks 1 & 2 with the design team?

**Answer 12:** City anticipates to kick-off the 45-day process beginning January 2nd. Revision of timeline discussion can be requested after award of Design Service; however, it is the City's intent to be very responsive and streamline the project to meet the 45-day target.

**Question 13:** Please confirm that the City of Rancho Mirage is the AHJ and this project will not be submitted to DSA?

**Answer 13:** City of Rancho Mirage is the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

**Question 14:** Will ADA site improvements include property within City ROW?

**Answer 14:** ADA considerations within the ROW can be included if it makes for a more practical or economical design or if it decreases the construction timeframe. The City is not looking at one specific area for ADA improvements. The entire site can be taken into consideration.

**Question 15:** Has an ASCE 41-17 Material Testing and Condition Assessment program been completed? If so, can the result be shared?

**Answer 15:** ASCE 41-17 Material Testing and Condition Assessment program has not been completed.

**Question 16:** Please confirm the team is to include a Geotechnical Engineer as part of the team. If not, has a geotechnical investigation been completed to confirm soil type and can the report be shared?

**Answer 16:** Please exclude Geotechnical Engineer from design team. Geotechnical service will be provided by the City of Rancho Mirage. A current Geotechnical report will be available after award of Design Service.

**Question 17:** Please confirm a Risk Category IV designation for the project. Previous evaluation lists III, but IV seems more appropriate for an Essential Facility that wants to be operational after a design earthquake.

**Answer 17:** The project is to be considered a Risk Category IV Essential Facility.

**Question 18:** What is the requested Seismic Performance Objective per ASCE 41-17? For a Risk Category IV facility, IO is recommended at the BSE-1E hazard level and Life Safety performance at the BSE-2E hazard level.

**Answer 18:** Immediate Occupancy (IO) for a Risk Category IV hazard level (CBC 2016 ch.16) is desired.

**Question 19:** Please confirm a licensed California Structural Engineer is being requested to complete the design project.

**Answer 19:** Please ensure a California Structural Engineer is part of your team to approve and design structural design and requirements.

**Question 20:** In a closed-door condition what are the environmental space requirements within the apparatus bay? Temperature & Humidity?

**Answer 20:** Currently there is no control of temperature or air flow in the apparatus bay. The desired outcome is to have an economical mechanism or system which allows the firefighters to have some type of control that would make the bay more comfortable. Fire Station #69 in Rancho Mirage has evaporative coolers which cool the bays in the summer months. Fire Station #50 has no evaporative coolers or overhead fans and no ability to control the temperature. We are asking the architect to include a cost-effective improvement that would allow the firefighters to have some type of ability to affect the temperature within the bays.

**EXHIBIT "A"**

**ADDENDUM RECEIPT  
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**

By signing this form, I hereby acknowledge receipt of the Addendum dated November 14, 2019 ("Addendum") to the City of Rancho Mirage Request for Proposals for Fire Station 50 – Seismic and Building Improvement Project Design Services, dated October 21, 2019 ("RFP"). I agree to include this signed instrument as part of any proposal package submitted in response to the RFP and Addendum.

\_\_\_\_\_  
By:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2019