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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

This document serves as **Addendum1** for RFP 6529 – Request for Proposals. Please see questions below in response to questions asked by vendors and the responses that follow:

Q1. Section 2.0 Page 3 states the contract is monthly up to 6 months vs Section 1.0 states it is monthly till the end of the year – which is correct?

A1. It is monthly for up to 6 months with the option to extend.

Q2. Pg. 8, Section 6.0 states contract will be six (6) months with the option to extend, Pg. 10 section 12.0, #3 states price increase/decrease will be negotiated at each contract extension. Section 11.0 #6 states pricing must be held for one year - which is correct?

A2. It is monthly for up to 6 months with the option to extend. The contract could be re-negotiated at the 6-month mark based upon the needs of the district. At this point, services could be reduced or increased.

Q3. After the monthly renewal for 3 or 6 months what is the contract renewal after that date?

A3. The contract would be monthly up to 6 months with the option to extend for another period of up to 6 months.

Q4. How long can the renewals be continued? And for what period, 6-months, 1-year, 2-year options?

A4. Up to 6-month renewal periods.

Q5. What is the expectation of engagement for such a wide scope since most items are ongoing past the stated month to month contract term (for example what is number of hours the consultant is to be available)?

A5. The consultant would need to provide a fee based upon deliverables for this scope of services. GCS understands that the scope can be broad, however, the expectation is that the

scope of services provided will support the development of both a strategic action plan as well as support the needs of the HUB Director with organization of goals and deliverables for the state and evaluate capital projects for inclusion plans.

Q6. Will GCS be defining clear deliverables for a 1-month period since the Scope in Section 6 is too broad for 1 month period?

A6. Yes, for month one, deliverable would be a) an evaluation of GCS' current procurement practices and the opportunity gaps to support HUB vendors across all service lines. B) the foundational development of a strategic plan for HUB capital targeted participation.

Q7. What is the expectation percentage of time spent on strategic planning vs compliance?

A7. 60% Strategic plan vs. 40% compliance

Q8. What is the expectation percentage of time spent on compliance of good & services vs construction projects?

A8. The compliance of goods and services will need a targeted goal on what we can spend on to build awareness in a more concerted effort. Thus, the strategic plan for the district will be necessary to understand a) where we are in our spending and b) what we should be doing to support the goals of increased participation which can yield tangible outcomes.

Q9. What is the average # of RFPs for good and services in a month?

A9. It varies based on the need but on average between 3-5.

Q10. Is there a compliance reporting system in place or does it need to be created? If yes, is it HUBSCO?

A10. The district currently has a means of reporting for HUBSCO.

Q11. How many construction projects are active that need immediate compliance oversight?

A11. There will be several as the district takes on the bond projects. The number is ever growing.

Q12. How many will start in next 6 months?

A12. Several due to the bond projects.

Q13. We have been performing some background research and noted the Superintendent's Transitional Team 2016-7 Final Report and DEI. Has there been any relevant activity to implement those recommendations (page 30 of the report) pertaining to DEI?

A13.No, not tangible across all service lines.

Q14. What has been the outcome for DBE/HUB businesses doing work for GCS over the past 3 years? Is it increasing, staying the same or decreasing, in terms of % of dollars going to DBE/HUB firms from GCS? Can you provide this info for construction vs non construction contracts?

A14. This information will take time to gather from several databases and may not be available prior to bid closing.

Q15. We have not done any work with GCS. In fact, we have not done much public-school work within the past 5 years. Will that preclude our firm from submitting and perhaps conducting this work? Will that disqualify a submitting firm?

A15. No, this will not disqualify your firm from submitting a bid.

Q16. Is there weighting factor for selection criteria for the selection of this work?

A16. The award will be based on based value centered around the vendors response to the Districts scope of work requested.