

## COORDINATING COMMITTEE

# PUR-1570 ADDENDUM NO. 2 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### **BOND COUNSEL**

DATE: Thursday, September 1, 2022

BIDS DUE: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 4:00 P.M. (EDT/EST)

To Bidders:

This Addendum is hereby made a part of the Contract Documents on which all proposals will be based and is issued to correct and clarify the original documents.

Please acknowledge receipt of this Addendum at the appropriate space on the Proposal Form. This Addendum consists of two (2) pages.

NOTE: All Bidders must enter the Washington County Administration Complex through either the front door at the 100 West Washington Street entrance or through the rear entrance (w/blue canopy roof) which is handicap accessible and must use the elevator to access the Purchasing Department to submit their proposal and/or to attend the Pre-Proposal Conference. Alternate routes are controlled by a door access system. The general public will be subject to wand search and will be required to remove any unauthorized items from the building prior to entry. Prohibited items include but are not limited to: Weapons of any type; Firearms, ammunition and explosive devices; Cutting instruments of any type - including knives, scissors, box cutters, work tools, knitting needles, or anything with a cutting edge, etc.; Pepper spray, mace or any other chemical defense sprays; and Illegal substances.

ITEM NO. 1: <u>Inquiry</u>: With respect to Question 9 in Section 2 (Firm Qualifications) on page 5 of the RFP, is that question designed to elicit descriptions of any litigation or administrative proceeding that arose in the 5 years prior to the date of the RFP only if the same was STILL pending as of the date of the RFP, or ANY litigation or administrative proceeding that the Firm was a party to in such 5 year period, whether or not ongoing or resolved?

<u>Response</u>: This question relates to ANY litigation or administrative proceeding regardless of whether it has been resolved or is still pending.

ITEM NO. 2: <u>Inquiry</u>: Is it correct that the bond counsel fees to be quoted for each of FY 2023-2027 in the price proposal form (items A-E on pages 11 and 12 of the RFP) should be based on an assumed single series of new money general obligation bonds only, with fees for

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additional new money series (whether tax-exempt or taxable) issued at the same time or a general obligation refunding issue issued at the same time to be calculated separately pursuant to the schedule of professional fees for supplemental services?

<u>Response</u>: The annual fee is for our assumed single series of GOB. Any work performed in connection with additional series or refunding would be subject to the schedule of professional fees.

#### ITEM NO. 3:

- <u>Inquiry</u>: (a) With respect to attorney rates for supplemental services (page 12 of the RFP), may respondents propose different hourly rates for classifications of attorneys (e.g., partners, of counsel, associates) or does the County want one flat fee for all classifications of attorneys under the supplemental services schedule?
- (b) If the County allows different rates for classifications of attorneys, may respondents indicate an assumed number of hours for each classification that together total 100 hours in completing item F. on the price proposal form?

<u>Response</u>: Part 1 of Item No. 3 herein: The County requests a flat fee for all classifications of attorneys.

Response: Part 2 of Item No. 3 herein: Refer to Item No. 3, Part 1.

#### ITEM NO. 4:

<u>Inquiry</u>: With respect to attorney rates for supplemental services (page 12 of the RFP), may respondents propose different hourly rates based on whether the County will be paying bond counsel's fees/expenses or whether another party is responsible for payment of the same (whether or not through bond proceeds)—e.g., a conduit revenue bond issue, a tax increment financing issue or a special taxing district issue?

<u>Response</u>: The County allows bond counsel to draft contracts with outside parties where rates differ from County contract.

By Authority of:

Rick Curry, CPPO Director of Purchasing