

RFP No. 22-51

for

Ecology Center Renovation

ADDENDUM No. 1

<u>July 26, 2022</u>

Any and all changes to the Request for Proposal are valid only if they are included by written addendum to all potential respondents, which will be emailed prior to the proposal due date. Each respondent must acknowledge receipt of any addenda by indicating in its proposal. Each respondent, by acknowledging receipt of any addenda, is responsible for the contents of the addenda and any changes to the RFP therein. Failure to acknowledge receipt of any addenda may cause the proposal to be rejected. If any language or figures contained in this addendum are in conflict with the original document, this addendum shall prevail.

This addendum consists of the following:

1. Addendum Number One (1) is attached and consists of a total of thirteen (13) pages including this cover sheet.

Please feel free to call (847-448-2935) or email (<u>purchasing@cityofevanston.org</u>) with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Linda Thomas Purchasing Specialist

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This addendum forms a part of the Specifications and Bid Documents and modifies these documents.

Clarifications to Questions Received:

- 1. Question: Does the scope include an automatic sprinkler system?
- Response: An automatic sprinkler system for fire suppression is not to be included in the scope of work. There is a fire alarm system that needs to be adjusted to incorporate any of the changes to the building.
- Question: Can you provide a floor plan of the existing building?
 Response: Please find a drawing of the existing Ecology Center attached.
- 3. Question: Can you please provide some photos of the crawl space? Response: Please find photos attached.
- Question: Can you distribute the pre-proposal meeting attendee list? Response: Please find the list of attendees for the pre-proposal meeting attached.
- 5. Question: What is the scope of the structural analysis? Is there an expectation for a whole building structural analysis?
 - Response: The structural engineering scope of this project is to evaluate the existing structure as necessary to complete the proposed adjustments. For instance, if a rooftop unit is to be installed, a structural analysis must be performed to evaluate the existing structure to support this unit. If new walls are proposed, the existing structure needs to be evaluated to determine if work is required to accommodate the new work. A whole building analysis of the existing structure is not a requirement.
- 6. Question: The RFP mentions the need for presentations to committees. How many of these presentations are expected and what committees?
 Response: Please disregard this request. Upon further consideration, the process for design will not have a public engagement component. There will not be a need for the consultant to provide presentations

to committees nor the council. There will be regular project meetings (every 2 weeks at the minimum). Please expect these to be done virtually. Periodically through the course of the project the project meetings will be expanded to include additional staff as necessary to provide feedback and decisions.

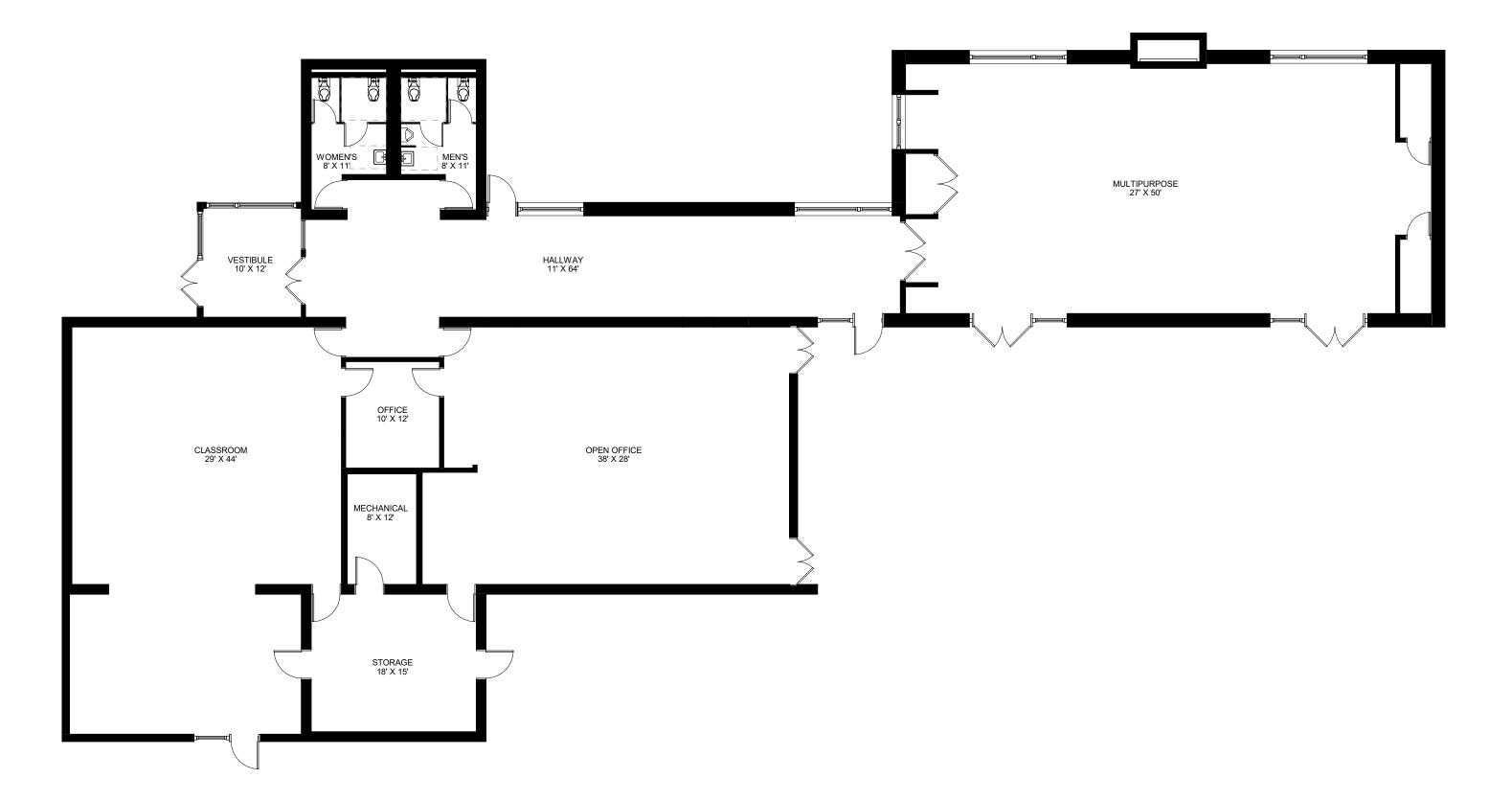
- Question: What is the expected construction schedule for the renovation?
 Response: The goal of this project is to construct the renovation in the fall of 2023. The bidding will occur over the course of the summer.
- Question: Is there a desire to excavate the crawlspace.
 Response: Although there is a desire to excavate the crawlspace, it is expected that this will not work with the city's budgetary constraints.
- 9. Question: What is the expected budget?
 A budget has not been set for this project. The nature and extent of the remediation required to mitigate the moisture issues within the crawlspace are too variable at this time and a budget has not been set. Therefore, the selected consulting team will have to work with the City to set a budget as the costs of recommended solutions become clear.
- 10. Question: The City of Evanston recently released the Capital Improvement Plan which identifies \$450,000 allocated to the Ecology Center. Is this the budget?
 - Response: A budget has not been set for this project. Funding allocations for the project will span multiple years.
- 11. Question: Response: The RFP mentions commissioning. What is this referring to? The consultant needs to provide HVAC commissioning of the new equipment. This does not need to be performed by a third party, but can be. The scope of the commissioning should be similar to the LEED HVAC commissioning. Please indicate the methodology for HVAC commissioning in the Project Approach section of the proposal.
- 12. Question: Does this project include LEED certification? Response: This project is not going to go through LEED certification.
- 13. Question: Do we have to provide insurance requirements when we submit the proposal, or once if the team gets selected?
 - Response: The selected consultant will have to provide information regarding insurance after the team is selected. Please review the insurance

requirements to make sure that meeting the insurance requirements is not prohibitive.

- 14. Question: Section 4.0 Submittal Requirements C. Qualifications and Experience o Firm and/or Team: Did you want that to be Exhibit K? Or, do we include both Exhibit K and our company letterhead experience sheets?
 - Response: Please provide both experience sheets with the relevant information about the project that you believe is important for the selection committee to know, and Exhibit K. Exhibit K is a blunt tool which is easily referenced and indicates that a consultant team is minimally qualified. The experience sheets provide much greater context and nuance which allows the selection committee to identify whether the consultant team is a good fit for this particular project.
- 15. Question: Response: Can the Prime firm prepare the cost estimates in-house? Yes, the prime firm can prepare the cost estimates in-house. The Project Approach is an excellent place to indicate how the cost estimates are to be completed, the sequence of when you expect to prepare these cost estimates, and why this is your suggested approach. The other elements of the scope should also be discussed in the Project Approach similarly.

ATTACHMENTS: Drawing/Photos Pre-Proposal Sign-In-Sheet

Note: Acknowledgment of this Addendum is required in the Bid Response.



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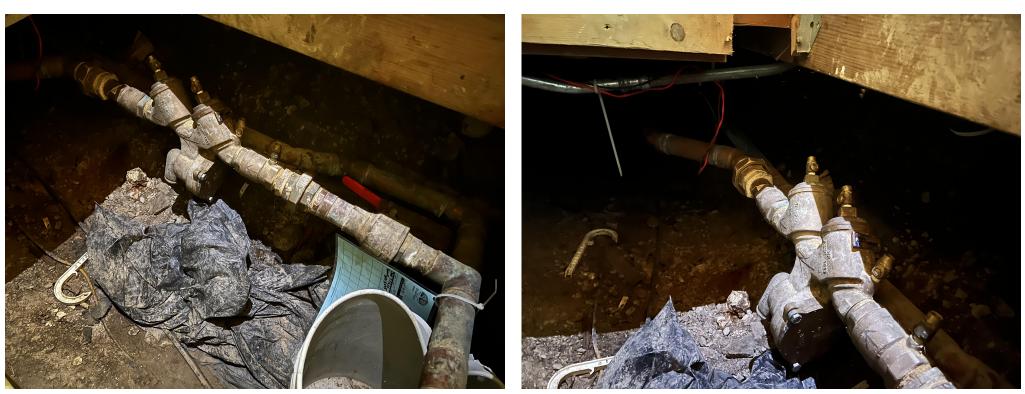


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Crawl Space Photos

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