

RFP for Oakland/Alameda Bicycle-Pedestrian Bridge PID - Questions and Responses

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Question	Response
<p>Does ACTC accept Port of Oakland LBE certification? This is in reference to the requirement for the LBCE Program for Alameda County.</p>	<p>Proposers must be certified as a Local Business Enterprise (LBE) and/or Small-Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) under Alameda County Transportation Commission’s (Alameda CTC) Local Business Contract Equity Program by the time of proposal submission to be counted towards the 70% LBE and 30% SLBE goals. Certifications from other agencies do not meet the requirements set forth in this RFP. A current list of certified firms can be found on Alameda CTC’s website at www.alamedactc.org/app_pages/view/4543.</p>
<p>In Chapter II of the RFP, Very Small Local Business Enterprise (VSLBE) goal of 30.0% is listed under the LBCE Program requirement. Please confirm that VSLBE goal of 30.0% is not required.</p>	<p>Correct, there is no VSLBE goal for this contract, since this checkbox was not checked.</p>
<p>I am reaching out to you to clarify if this stage of bidding could benefit from Right of Way (ROW) services for determining the best routing for the Oakland/Alameda Bicycle/Pedestrian Bridge Project. Will you need ROW in this phase or future phases of the overall project?</p>	<p>ROW services may be useful for PID development. It will be up to the prime consultants to decide, based on their approach to the work. ROW services will be needed in future phases of the Bridge project.</p>
<p>Do you know where I can find the plans for this project?</p>	<p>This project is in the first phase of planning, so there are no plans yet, only concepts. You can find the latest concepts in the 2021 Estuary Crossing Study: https://www.alamedaca.gov/files/content/public/departments/planning-building-and-transportation/transportation/estuary-crossing-report_20210125.pdf</p>
<p>The following questions relate to §7 Budget on page 4 of the RFP, which notes that “a table of estimated hours by task and firm should be provided in both PDF and XLS/XLSX formats”:</p> <p>a. For the hardcopy submittal, can this be submitted in a separate envelope, or should it be bound into the proposal? If required to be bound into the proposal, can this section be printed single-sided on 11x17 sheets and excluded from the page limit?</p> <p>b. Are only hours requested, or should consultants also include staff rates, ODCs, and other items required to show a total cost?</p>	<p>a.) Please include the budget tables with the bound proposal. They may be printed on 11x17 single-sided sheets, if that will make them easier to read. The budget pages will count towards the page limit, however, each 11x17 sheet will only count as one page.</p> <p>b.) Please include staff rates, and all additional information needed to show the total cost.</p>
<p>Task 1, §C Project Communications: With respect to the project website, does the City intend to maintain the https://www.alamedaca.gov/Departments/Planning-Building-and-Transportation/Transportation/Alameda-Oakland-BicyclePedestrian-Bridge website with input from the consultant team, or is a new, separate project website desired that would be hosted and maintained by the consultant?</p>	<p>A new stand-alone web page that can serve both the cities of Alameda and Oakland should be created. It will be hosted and maintained by the consultant during the contract, and shall be easily transferable to another entity once the contract is complete. The City may continue to maintain its project web page, too.</p>
<p>Task 2, §D notes that the traffic study should include current and forecast volume information for vehicles. Since this project relates to a bicycle/pedestrian bridge, can the City please clarify the requirements for vehicle counts and vehicular traffic analyses?</p>	<p>The hope is that the Bridge will reduce the number of vehicles crossing the estuary. As noted in the RFP (Task 2) "The PID may include but is not limited to the following activities and deliverables identified below." The consultant should propose what is needed to implement their approach to the project.</p>

<p><i>Task 2, §M notes “outline near-immediate waterway clearance emergency action plan.” Based on our review of the prior project study, it appears that the Coast Guard was satisfied with the Estuary Crossing Bridge Emergency Action Plan dated November 17, 2020. Is the intent of this section of the RFP to define maintenance, operation, and implementation responsibilities for the Emergency Action Plan as part of the PID process, or to investigate alternative emergency action plans?</i></p>	<p>The intent is to solidify this emergency action plan and provide more detail. Alternative plans may be considered.</p>
<p><i>Will the selected team for the PID be excluded from the future final design phase?</i></p>	<p>No.</p>
<p><i>Is geotechnical consulting needed for this phase, or is existing geotechnical information available?</i></p>	<p>The consultant should propose what is needed to implement their approach to the project. Existing available information includes what is in Appendix C of the <i>Estuary Crossing Study: Detailed Feasibility and Travel Demand Analysis (2021)</i>, here: https://www.alamedaca.gov/files/content/public/departments/planning-building-and-transportation/transportation/estuary-crossing-report_20210125.pdf. As well, other agencies may have geotechnical information that can be shared with the City.</p>
<p><i>Is there an established budget for the PID?</i></p>	<p>There is no engineering estimate for the project. The two published documents that discuss available funds include the Alameda CTC Commission staff report on 01/28/21 (https://www.alamedactc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/7.6_COMM_OAAP_Estuary_Bridge_20210128_rev.pdf) and the Alameda City Council meeting staff report on 06/15/21 (https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4973943&GUID=EEAED1BE-ACEE-4712-9261-32469B0CF40C&Options=ID Text &Search=bridge).</p>
<p><i>Will printed graphics on 11 by 17-inch paper be counted as one or two pages?</i></p>	<p>They will count as one singled-sided page.</p>
<p><i>Should the RFQ package (4 hard copies) be delivered by mail, or can it be delivered in person?</i></p>	<p>Either by mail or by delivery. Either way, it must arrive by the deadline of April 13 at 3pm.</p>
<p><i>Please confirm that the Planning, Building, and Transportation Department will be open and someone in the office will be receiving proposal packages on April 13th.</i></p>	<p>Yes, the City Hall doors will be opened at 8am and a sign will be placed on the Room 120 door describing how to drop off the package.</p>
<p><i>Will there be someone accepting packages in the Planning, Building and Transportation Department office on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 or early?</i></p>	<p>Up until the 3pm, April 13th deadline, the City will accept the proposals anytime that City Hall is open, which is Monday through Thursday, between 8am and 5pm. A sign will be placed on the Room 120 door describing how to drop off the package starting on April 4th.</p>