Request for Proposals

for

Traffic Study

Town of Springdale

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1. General Information

The Town of Springdale

The Town of Springdale (incorporated in 1955) has a population 2,636 as of the 2010 census. The Town offers sanitation and police services while contracting for other services. Springdale operates on a Council form of government with an elected Mayor and six Town Council members. The Town Council appoints the Town Administrator, Town Attorney, and Municipal Court Judge to carry out its policies and enforce its ordinances. The Town currently has 15 employees.

About the Request for Proposal

The Town Administrator for the Town of Springdale seeks proposals from institutions interested in conducting a Traffic Study for the Town. The purpose of this request is so that the Town may determine existing and future traffic volumes and pedestrian safety along the following corridors within the Town limits: Platt Springs Road, Wattling Road, and Lexington Drive. Additionally, the Town desires a study that will analyze the impact of renovating pedestrian crossings at two intersections in town along Platt Springs Road and adding Town entrance signage at those locations, as well as installing new lights and pedestrian crossings at two intersections that do not have them currently.

The Town of Springdale encourages proposals that are creative, informative, and straightforward in addressing the Town’s traffic needs. While the format must be consistent with the RFP’s requirements, we are certainly interested in learning about any services your firm offers that you feel will benefit us. The conditions of the proposal must remain valid for the contract term. Either party is permitted to cancel the contract for any reason by providing the Town with written notice 90 days prior to the cessation of services.

2. Proposal Process

In developing the RFP, the Town of Springdale has worked to ensure that it contains enough information for a firm to prepare an adequate proposal. The Town encourages all participating firms to submit the most complete and competitive proposal possible so that the Town may have an understanding of all services that you provide. If a firm requires additional information, the Town of Springdale is more than happy to answer any questions the company’s representatives have.

The timing of the proposal process is as follows:

a. Distribution of Requests for Proposals

This request for proposals will be made available on the town’s website (www.springdalesc.com) and by request.
b. Proposal Submission

Proposals must be delivered to the Town Administrator no later than 5 p.m. on April 15, 2016. Proposals postmarked prior to this deadline will be accepted. Fax transmitted proposals will not be accepted at any time.

Please provide one electronic copy to jstilwell@springdalesc.com and 4 paper copies to:

Jeff Stilwell, Town Administrator
Town of Springdale
2915 Platt Springs Rd.
West Columbia, SC 29170

c. Proposal Review and Selection

The review committee will evaluate each proposal submitted. We anticipate that the committee will complete the review process by April 29, 2016. We will then notify all applicants concerning the outcome by May 6, 2016.

d. Official Approval.

The Mayor and the Town Council, with the assistance of the Town Administrator, will consider the recommendation for the Traffic Study and authorize a final contract between the Town of Springdale and the firm.

e. Conversion Activities

The approved firm will be required to coordinate with the Town Administration all activities necessary to ensure a smooth transition. Activities will begin upon notification and should be completed by a time determined by the contract.

f. Contract Effectiveness

The Town will make every effort to administer the proposal process in accordance with the terms and dates discussed in the request for proposal. However, the Town of Springdale reserves the right to modify the proposal process and dates as deemed necessary.

3. Minimum Qualifications

For the Town of Springdale to consider your application, a proposal must include the following minimum requirements:

1. A summary of the firm’s qualifications and experience. Experience in multiple and varying municipalities is preferred.

2. The address of the firm that will be involved, websites for the firm (and the firm’s consultants), and the contact information (name, title, phone, email, mailing address if different from firm’s address) of the person responsible for the proposal.

3. A list of the firm’s personnel who will be assigned to the project, including their responsibilities on the project and their individual qualifications.

4. A statement of understanding of the scope of the work proposed with a list of deliverables and a conceptual plan for proceeding.

5. A schedule based on the scope of the work that includes a timetable for deliverables.
6. A statement with a total cost of the work to be performed as well as an itemized list of costs, including any applicable rates.

4. Services Required

The Town of Springdale requires the following services to meet its needs for a traffic study:

1. Collection of all necessary traffic volume data covering AM, noon, and PM peak traffic periods along Platt Springs Road, Wattling Road, and Lexington Drive within the limits of the Town of Springdale.

2. Evaluation of intersections along Platt Springs Road with a particular focus on Rainbow Drive, Springdale Road, Sightler Drive, and Wattling Road as well as the intersection of Wattling Road and Wilton Road. Evaluations should also be conducted with regard to current geometry, site, conditions, current and 20 year future traffic count volumes, turning movements, level of service, and pedestrian and bicycle use.

3. Evaluation of land use along Platt Springs Road, Wattling Road, and Lexington Drive.

4. Safety assessments of aforementioned roads and intersections for vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic.

5. Recommendations for traffic control measures along the aforementioned roads and intersections as well as a list of priorities and recommended implementation schedule for the Town to follow.

6. Cost estimates as well as recommendations and options for funding mechanisms for implementing traffic control measures.

5. Format and Content of Proposal

To ensure that each proposal receives careful consideration, the administration of the Town of Springdale requires that all proposals meet the format guidelines. This will enable the Town to compare and evaluate the proposals effectively and objectively. Proposals that do not meet the guidelines may not be considered. Each proposal should be clear and concise, presenting the information in such a manner as to be easily understood by the reader. The proposal sections and format should be organized as follows:

Title Page / Cover. One printed page maximum. Show the name of the proposing institution, its principal business address, and the branch address that would serve the Town, the name of the proposer, a contact for questions by the Town and the date that the proposal was submitted.

Transmittal Letter. Two printed pages maximum. The letter should briefly address the film’s willingness and commitment to provide the services, why it believes it should be selected, and any exceptions to the services requested by the Town.

Pricing. Three printed pages maximum. Describe the pricing for services and supplies that are proposed. Include a detailed billing statement as part of this section (not to be included as part of the page maximum for this section).

Authorization to Contract. Two printed pages maximum. Provide a Corporate Resolution, Certificate of Secretary, or correspondence from the Chief Executive Officer or Chairperson attesting that the individual signing the proposal has the authority to make binding representations on behalf of the institution.

Draft Contract. Provide a draft contract or agreement for Banking/Financial Services that is specific to the services, terms and conditions represented in this request for proposal.
Other Information. Three printed pages maximum. Briefly describe any other information not previously mentioned that the institution believes should be given consideration by the Town.

6. Evaluation of Proposals

A review committee will evaluate the proposals and submit the qualified candidates to the Town Council for the final determination. The Town, at its discretion, will determine whether to hold discussions with the Proposers who are in a “competitive range” or be awarded without discussion on the basis of the proposal submitted. The following are the evaluation criteria:

A. Proper Submission of Proposal. The proposal must be submitted, received by the Town Administrator, or postmarked by the due date outlined in this proposal. It is the responsibility of the firm to ensure proper and timely delivery of all required material. Late submissions will not be considered or evaluated.

B. Comprehensiveness of Services Provided. The Town’s evaluation of the overall capabilities of the firm to meet the required service levels described in this RFP.

C. Related Experience. The institution’s related experience in providing services comparable to the Town’s needs.

D. Assigned Individuals. The credentials and experience of the person(s) assigned to the Town’s accounts.

E. Charges for Services. The amount of the standard charges, proposed pricing increases in subsequent years and the concession pricing structure being proposed.

F. Other Factors. Any other factors the Town believes would be in the best interest of the Town to consider, which were not previously described.

7. Final Comments

The Town of Springdale reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, cancel all or part of this RFP, and waive any minor irregularities and to request additional information from proposing firms. By requesting proposals, the Town of Springdale is in no way required to award a contract or pay expenses of the proposing firms in connection with the preparation of the proposal.

The Town’s decision to award a contract will be based on many factors including but not limited to service, cost, proposal requirements met, etc. No single factor, such as cost, will determine the final decision to award.

The successful proposer will be required to secure and maintain appropriate insurance coverage. Proof of such coverage, in the form of a broker-issued certificate, must be received by the Town prior to the beginning contract date.

The Town truly appreciates the effort all the institutions and their respective staffs will have to put forth in responding to the Traffic Study Request for Proposal for the Town of Springdale.