Roy Wilkins Pre-Solicitation Event - Q&A

1. Will the presentation be emailed to everyone?

The presentation will be uploaded to the DDC Website here.

2. Will this be posted on Passport?

The presentation will not be posted on Passport.

3. Will this project be procuring professional services like communications/marketing, community outreach campaign, social media services, etc.?

No. These services usually fall under Parks with possibly some involvement of DDC OCON (Office of Community Outreach and Notification).

4. Will there be projects for uniforms and / or graphic design?

Graphic design related to wayfinding might be one of the subcontracting services identified by the DBE.

5. Are there opportunities for MWBE compliance consultants?

Subcontracting opportunities will be identified once the Design Builder has been selected.

6. Is there an M/WBE Participation goal?

Yes, there is a 30% disaggregated M/WBE goal requirement (10% Black American, 10% Hispanic American, and 10% Unspecified) for the Design phase and for the Construction phase.

7. Will the presentation slides be available to be emailed?

It will not be emailed. The presentation will be uploaded to the DDC Website here.

8. I am MBE certified by NYNJMSDC. Do you recognize this, and what can I do with you with this certificate?

Your firm will need to be certified with NYC Small Business Services, Empire State Development ("ESD") or the Division of Minority and Women's Business Development ("DMWBD") in order to be counted towards the MWBE participation goal established for this project. Only NYC and NYS certified M/WBE firms will count towards the M/WBE goal.

9. Are Teaming opportunities available to all MBEs who have very small offices?

Teaming opportunities or Joint Ventures are available to all MBE firms as long as the teams meet the requirements.

10. Will there be procurement opportunities around Signage & Wayfinding environmental design?

Yes. Those services are procured by the DB Entity.

11. Will mental health providers have an opportunity?

This would be a programmatic feature for Parks to determine.

12. We are currently working with DDC on the BBJ project through our project team of construction managers and engineers. Will you be working through hiring small businesses, WBEs, professional services or will we need to reach out to primes who are on your PQLs or awarded?

For subcontracting opportunities, please reach out to the Design Builder.

13. Will there be a public art component for this project?

This project is eligible for Percent for Art, which means that one percent of the budget for eligible city-funded projects can be spent on artwork for a facility. The Department of Cultural Affairs will determine artist eligibility.

14. Any chance there will be Yoga programs?

TBD by Parks.

15. Will there be a set aside for black MBEs given the demographics of this community?

Yes, there is a 30% disaggregated M/WBE goal requirement (10% Black American, 10% Hispanic American, and 10% Unspecified) for the Design phase and for the Construction phase.

16. Will there be areas design for Seniors and the Disabled?

The facility will be ADA compliant (adhere to accessible design standards).

17. Will there be Programs geared towards children with special needs?

TBD by Parks.

18. Will there be any opportunities for professional services: IT work, IT consulting, project management, software development, web development, etc?

TBD by Parks.

19. Any requirement for M/WBE participation?

There is a 30% disaggregated M/WBE goal requirement (10% Black American, 10% Hispanic American, and 10% Unspecified) for the Design phase and for the Construction phase.

20. How will the DDC ensure 30% MBE participation for professional design regardless of what design build team is selected?

During the RFP stage, it is required that the Design Builder provide an M/WBE utilization plan in meeting the required M/WBE goal. Also, there will be quarterly assessment meetings that focus on the Design Builder's efforts to meet the contractual M/WBE utilization goals.

21. Can you tell us more about the M/WBE plan as part of the RFQ?

At the RFQ stage, the Design Builder is required to submit records of their projects in meeting the M/WBE goal requirement. This is where the Design Builder demonstrates their capability and commitment of meeting the M/WBE goal.

22. Is there a stipend for this RFP?

Yes.

23. Can you explain about the conflict of interest and preclusion limits for the owner's rep (OR) consultants and their subs on the design-build program. Can a firm be a sub on an OR contract and participate in a DB contract as a sub, given they have not been involved on that particular project under their OR contract?

Teams that support Owner's Rep services on a specific project will not be eligible to participate with DB firms for the same project.

24. What does PLA stand for?

Project Labor Agreement.