

SOQ No. 25-016

Provide Professional Traffic Engineering Services on an as Needed Basis

Submission Deadline: June 24, 2025 AT 3:30 PM

ATTENTION VENDORS!!!

Please review all pages and respond accordingly, complying with all provisions in the public notice and Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances Section 2-926 et seq. Conditions. All submissions must be received on the Purchasing Department's eProcurement site, www.jeffparishbids.gov by the SOQ submission deadline date and time. Late submissions will not be accepted.

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PUBLIC NOTICE SOQ 25-016

The Parish of Jefferson authorized by <u>Resolution No. 146214</u> is hereby soliciting a Statement of Qualifications (<u>Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC)</u> <u>Professional Services Questionnaire</u>) from <u>additional</u> persons or firms interested in providing professional traffic engineering services for the Department of Public Works on an as-needed basis for the remainder of the (2) year period who are not one of the fourteen (14) firms approved by Resolution No. 143868, dated March 27, 2024, with maximum allowable fees of \$500,000.00 per year.

Deadline for Submissions: 3:30 p.m., June 24, 2025

General

The firms submitting a Statement of Qualifications (<u>Jefferson Parish Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) Questionnaire</u>) must identify all sub-consultant firms which they expect to use to provide professional services, and submit a Statement of Qualifications (<u>Jefferson Parish TEC Questionnaire</u>) for each sub-consultant firm. (Refer to Jefferson Parish Code Ordinance, Section 2-928).

With regard to the questionnaire, <u>Principal</u> means the sole proprietor of the firm, or one who shares an ownership interest with other persons in the firm, including but not limited to, a partner in a partnership, a shareholder in a corporation, or a member of a limited liability corporation.

Compensation

The cost of these traffic engineering services will be negotiated by the Jefferson Parish Department of Engineering. As determined by the Engineering Department, services will be paid for on a lump sum fee basis or on the basis of the person or firm's certified and itemized salary costs plus a fee to cover overhead cost and profit in accordance with guidelines established in Attachment "A" to the Standard Professional Services Agreement for Jefferson Parish. Copy of Attachment "A" may be obtained by calling the Jefferson Parish Engineering Department at (504) 736-6505.

Minimum Requirements for Selection

- 1. one **principal** who is a professional civil engineer who shall be registered as such in Louisiana
- 2. a professional in charge of the project who is a professional civil engineer who shall be registered as such in Louisiana with a minimum of five (5) years' experience in the disciplines involved
- 3. one employee who is a professional civil engineer registered as such in Louisiana in the field or fields of expertise required for the project (A subconsultant may meet the requirement only if the advertised project involves more than one discipline.)

Evaluation Criteria

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the statement of the firms submitting:

- 1) Professional training and experience in relation to the type of work required for the traffic engineering services 35 points.
- 2) Size of firm, considering the number of professional and support personnel required to perform traffic engineering tasks, including project evaluation, traffic counting, project design, drafting of technical plans, development of technical specifications, and construction administration 10 points.
- 3) Capacity for timely completion of newly assigned work, considering the factors of type of engineering task, current unfinished workload, and person or firm's available professional and support personnel 20 points.

- 4) Past Performance by person or firm on projects of similar or comparable size, scope, and scale 10 points (Assertions of fault by a person or firm, which shall include time delays, cost over-runs, and or design inadequacies in prior work completed for the Parish shall be evidenced by substantiating documentation provided by the Director of Public Works for the requesting department or the Director of Engineering and received by the Chairman of the Evaluation Committee a minimum of two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled date of the Technical Evaluation Committee Meeting.).
- 5) Location of the principal office 15 points (Preference shall be given to persons or firms as follows: (A) Jefferson Parish, including municipalities located within Jefferson Parish (15 Points); (B) Neighboring Parishes of the Greater New Orleans Metropolitan Region, which includes Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles and St. Tammany Parishes (12 Points); (C) Parishes other than the foregoing (10 Points); (D) Outside the State of Louisiana (6 Points)).
- 6) Adversarial legal proceedings between the Parish and the person or firm performing professional services, in which the Parish prevailed or any ongoing adversarial legal proceedings between the Parish and the person or firm performing professional services, excluding those instances or cases where the person or firm was added as an indispensable party, or where the person or firm participated in or assisted the public entity in prosecution of its claim 15 points (In the event that the person or firm fails to provide accurate and detailed information regarding legal proceedings with the Parish, including the absence of legal proceedings, the person or firm shall be deemed unresponsive with regard to this category, and zero (0) points shall be awarded.).
- 7) Prior successful completion of projects of the type and nature of the traffic engineering services, as defined, for which firm has provided verifiable references 15 points.

The maximum cumulative fee that can be charged for all work on this contract shall not exceed \$500,000 per year unless increased by contract amendment approved by the Jefferson Parish Council. There is no limit to the number of assignments that can be awarded to a person or firm.

Each firm's lowest and highest score shall be dropped and not count towards the firm's score. Only those persons or firms receiving an overall cumulative score of at least seventy (70) percent or greater, of the total possible points for all categories to be assigned by the participating technical evaluation committee members shall be deemed qualified to perform professional traffic engineering services tasks.

All firms (including sub-consultants) must submit a Statement of Qualifications (Jefferson Parish TEC Questionnaire). Please obtain the latest questionnaire form by calling the Purchasing Department by telephone at (504) 364-2678 or using our web address: jeffparish.net. Submissions shall be submitted on the eProcurement site at www.jeffparishbids.net. These submissions will only be accepted electronically via the Parish's e-Procurement system, Central Bidding, Central Bidding can be accessed by visiting eitherwww.centralauctionhouse.com or www.jeffparishbids.net. All vendors will be required to register with Central Bidding. Jefferson Parish vendors are able to following link: register for free by accessing the www.centralauction.house.com/registration.

The person or firm submitting a Statement of Qualification (<u>Technical Evaluation</u> <u>Committee (TEC) Professional Services Questionnaire</u>) must identify all subcontractors who will assist in providing professional services for the project, in the professional services questionnaire. Each subcontractor shall be required to submit a (<u>Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) Professional Services Questionnaire</u>) and all documents and information included in the questionnaire. (Refer to Jefferson Parish Code Ordinance, Section 2-928)

All persons or firms (including subcontractors) must submit a Statement of Qualifications (Technical Evaluation Committee (TEC) Professional Services

Questionnaire) by the deadline. The latest professional services questionnaire may be obtained by contacting the Purchasing Department at (504) 364-2678 or via the Jefferson Parish website at https://www.jeffparish.gov/27/Government. This questionnaire can be accessed by clicking on the + next to "Doing Business in Jefferson Parish" on the website and clicking on "Professional Services Questionnaires".

Submissions will only be accepted electronically via Jefferson Parish's e-Procurement site, Central Bidding at www.centralauctionhouse.com or www.jeffparishbids.net. Registration is required and free for Jefferson Parish vendors by accessing the following link: www.centralauctionhouse.com/registration.php.

No submittals will be accepted after the deadline.

Affidavits are not required to be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications, but shall be submitted prior to contract approval.

Insurances are not required to be submitted with the Statement of Qualifications, but shall be submitted prior to contract approval.

Disputes/protests relating to the decisions by the evaluation committee or by the Jefferson Parish Council shall be brought before the 24th Judicial Court.

ADV: The New Orleans Advocate: May 21, 28 and June 04,2025

Statement of Qualifications Affidavit Instructions

- Affidavit is supplied as a courtesy to Affiants, but it is the responsibility of the affiant to insure the affidavit they submit to Jefferson Parish complies, in both form and content, with federal, state and parish laws.
- Affidavit must be signed by an authorized representative of the entity or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affidavit must be notarized or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Notary must sign name, print name, and include bar/notary number, or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affiant MUST select either A or B when required or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affiants who select choice A must include an attachment or the affidavit will not be accepted.
- If both choice A and B are selected, the affidavit will not be accepted.
- Affidavit marked N/A will not be accepted.
- It is the responsibility of the Affiant to submit a new affidavit if any additional campaign contributions are made after the affidavit is executed but prior to the time the council acts on the matter.

Instruction sheet may be omitted when submitting the affidavit

Statement of Qualifications

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF			
PARISH/COUNTY OF _			
BEFORE ME, the u	undersigned authority	, personally came and app	eared:
	Affiant) who after being	ng by me duly sworn, depo	osed and said that
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Affiant further said:

Debt Disclosures

(Choose A <u>or</u> B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all debts owed by the affiant to any elected or appointed official of the Parish of Jefferson, and any and all debts owed by any elected or appointed official of the Parish to the Affiant.

Choice B _____ There are NO debts which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Solicitation of Campaign Contribution Disclosures

(Choose A <u>or</u> B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A _____ Attached hereto is a list of all elected officials of the Parish of Jefferson, whether still holding office at the time of the affidavit or not, where the elected official, individually, either by telephone or by personal contact, solicited a campaign contribution or other monetary consideration from the Entity, including the Entity's officers, directors and owners, and employees owning twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the Entity, during the two-year period immediately preceding the date the affidavit is signed. Further, to the extent known to the Affiant, the date of any such solicitation is included on the attached list.

Choice B _____ there are <u>NO</u> solicitations for campaign contributions which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section.

Affiant further said:

Subcontractor Disclosures

(Choose A <u>or</u> B, if option A is indicated please include the required attachment):

Choice A	Affiant further said that attached is a listing of all subcontractors, excluding full time employees, who may assist in providing professional services for the aforementioned SOQ.	
Choice B	There are NO subcontractors which would require disclosure under Choice A of this section	

Affiant further said:

That Affiant has employed no person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization, either directly or indirectly, to secure the public contract under which he received payment, other than persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project or in securing the public contract were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant; and

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That no part of the contract price received by Affiant was paid or will be paid to any person, corporation, firm, association, or other organization for soliciting the contract, other than the payment of their normal compensation to persons regularly employed by the Affiant whose services in connection with the construction, alteration or demolition of the public building or project were in the regular course of their duties for Affiant.

	Signature of Affiant
	Printed Name of Affiant
SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED TO BEFORE	E ME
ON THE DAY OF,	20
Notary Public	_
Printed Name of Notary	_
Notary/Bar Roll Number	_
My commission expires	

ATTACHMENT "A" TO THE STANDARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR JEFFERSON PARISH

(Res. No. 76068, dated January 25, 1994; Amended per Ord, No. 21593. dated June 5,2002; Amended per Ord. No. 26578, dated March 15, 2023)

This attachment shall be a part of all professional service agreements for engineering and architectural services in Jefferson Parish.

The Statewide "DOTD Average Salary Rate" document [average rate plus one (1) standard deviation], hereinafter referred to as "DOTD Document", is to be used for establishing Maximum Direct Hourly Rate, Maximum Payable Hourly Rate, maximum overhead rate and, indirectly, the maximum multiplier for each new professional services agreement. The version of the "DOTD Document" to be used by Jefferson Parish will be that version of the document as designated by the Director of the Department of Public Works.

For all hourly rate services, including supplementary services, where payments are made on the basis of hourly rates, the **ENGINEER/ARCHITECT**, hereinafter **ENGINEER**, shall be paid on the basis of their certified and itemized direct salary costs (Direct Hourly Rates) times a **multiplier** to determine Payable Hourly Rates, which shall cover direct salary, overhead and 15% profit.

The **multiplier** shall be established from the overhead rate resulting from an audit of the **ENGINEER** performed by a Federal or State agency, or from an audit performed by a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) hired by the **ENGINEER**, provided the CPA certifies that their audit complies with the latest applicable FAR's and CFR's. In the event a satisfactory audit is not provided, the multiplier shall be **2.3**.

The **DIRECTOR** shall have the right to require the **ENGINEER** to provide sufficient documentation to support the approved multiplier.

In no case shall the overhead rate utilized to determine the multiplier be greater than the applicable overhead rate shown on the "DOTD Document" as designated by the Director of the Department of Public Works.

In no case shall the Direct Hourly Rate and Payable Hourly Rate used to pay for professional services exceed the Maximum Direct Hourly Rate and Maximum Payable Hourly Rate shown herein that have been derived from the "DOTD Document" as designated by the Director of the Department of Public Works.

For this agreement, the approved multiplier shall be established at the time the services are required.

The rates payable to sub-consultants shall be governed by the same regulations as those for the **ENGINEER**, with an overhead rate and multiplier established for each sub-consultant.

If a Personnel Classification required for a Parish project is not included in the "DOTD Document", the Parish Administration shall establish a new Personnel Classification and an appropriate maximum direct and payable hourly rate, which would be consistent with personnel categories of similar expertise found within the "DOTD Document", and include herein.

Once contract fees are negotiated, the "DOTD Document" as designated by the Director of the Department of Public Works and in effect at the time of negotiation shall be used. Those fees rates will be unaffected by subsequent versions of the "DOTD Document", except that the rates for Resident Inspection services will be those in the "DOTD Document" in effect at the time those inspection services begin. The rates in effect for this contract are included herein.

The **ENGINEER** shall be reimbursed for costs incurred by sub-consultants at the rate of 1.10 times the actual invoices of sub-consultants, up to a total amount of \$200,000.00. Thereafter, the rate shall be reduced to 1.05.

The **ENGINEER** shall be reimbursed for other direct costs charged to the project at a rate not to exceed 1.10 times the direct expenses. No reimbursement will be made without satisfactory documentation. The DIRECTOR reserves the right to have the **ENGINEER** provide proof that direct expenses charged to the project are not included in **ENGINEER'S** overhead.

The **ENGINEER** shall be reimbursed for actual mileage expenses incurred while performing work directly related to this contract; however, the reimbursement rate shall not exceed the Jefferson Parish mileage rate in effect at that time.

On all contracts for which the Council has selected two or more consultants to share the work, the Council shall specify the prime, or lead, consultant, and this consultant shall perform a larger percentage of the basic design services than any of the sub-consultants, but in no case shall the prime, or lead, consultant perform less than forty (40) percent of the basic design services.

The MAXIMUM DIRECT HOURLY RATE and MAXIMUM PAYABLE HOURLY RATE for each Personnel Classification shall not exceed the rates in the following chart, regardless of the audited overhead rate of the **ENGINEER**. These rates will also apply to firms incorporated out of State.

The MAXIMUM DIRECT HOURLY RATES shown below are equivalent to the Statewide DOTD Average Salary Rates, plus one (1) standard deviation, as designated by the Director of the Department of Public Works.

The MAXIMUM PAYABLE HOURLY RATES shown below are a product of the appropriate Maximum Multiplier (field or non-field) and the MAXIMUM DIRECT HOURLY RATE.

PERSONNEL	MAXIMUM DIRECT	MAXIMUM PAYABLE
CLASSIFICATION	HOURLY RATE (\$)	HOURLY RATE (\$)
	(*)	
Abstractor/Appraiser	72.95	241.81
Accountant/Business Mgr.	54.46	180.52
Administrative/Clerical	30.90	102.43
Archaeologist	36.83	122.08
Architect	58.91	195.27
Biologist/Wetland Ecologist	41.63	138.00
CADD Drafter	29.75	98.62
CADD Technician	42.09	139.52
Computer Analyst	62.12	205.92
Driller	33.59	98.00
Economist	81.53	270.26
Engineer (P.E.)	66.82	221.49
Engineer Intern (E.I.)	38.88	128.88
Environmental Manager	81.30	269.49
Environmental Pro	58.60	194.25
Geologist	69.79	231.34
GIS Analyst	45.57	151.06
Inspector	35.80	104.45
Instrument Man	22.43	65.44
Labor	25.13	73.32
Landscape Architect	50.52	167.46
Party Chief (Survey)	31.66	92.37
Planner	79.87	264.75
Pre-Professional	38.88	128.88
Principal	124.10	411.37
Program Manager	93.81	310.96
Rodman	17.66	51.52
Senior Architect	75.08	248.88
Senior Landscape Architect	65.87	218.35
Senior Technician	50.99	169.02
Supervisor – Engineer (P.E.)	93.81	310.96
Supervisor - Other	91.70	303.97
Surveyor (P.L.S.)	63.10	209.16
Technician	35.49	117.64

Office Overhead Rate (%) Field Overhead Rate (%)

^{(*) 188.24.....}Maximum Multiplier (Office) = 3.3148

^{(*) 153.70.....}Maximum Multiplier (Field) = 2.9176

^{(*) =} Statewide DOTD Average Salary/Overhead Rate plus one (1) standard deviation obtained from document dated February 1, 2022.