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Tender

SBC 0822 Framework agreement for the provision of Regeneration consultancy.

Stevenage Borough Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

www.supplyhertfordshire.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.supplyhertfordshire.uk

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

SBC 0822 Framework agreement for the provision of Regeneration consultancy.

Reference number

CCD01031

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Stevenage Borough Council are currently out to tender for the provision of a framework agreement for Regeneration Consultancy. The Council are leading a £1 billion regeneration programme. With over £600 million of private sector investment, £37.5 million in towns funding and a further £71 million of public funding already secured as examples of additional funding in place. The regeneration programme is well underway, with initial projects already completed and multiple other schemes programmed over the forthcoming years. It is anticipated there will be other associated works associated with these, such as enabling works and similar projects, whilst not explicitly outlined. This is a multi lot framework intended to run for four years, some individual call of contracts are likely to extend beyond the end of the framework. Any questions relating to this tender must be made via correspondence on the website, in accordance with the procurement documents

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £10,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Project Monitoring and or Management

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71500000 - Construction-related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Quantity Surveying / Cost Management

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71500000 - Construction-related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

M and E services / Structural Engineering/ Landscape Services

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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Duration in months

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Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Construction Design & Management (CDM) / Health and Safety role

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

General Property Services and Dilapidations

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

NEC Supervisor/ Project Clerk Of Works

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71520000 - Construction supervision services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Employers Agent Services

Lot No

7

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Contract Administration

Lot No

8

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Principal designer

Lot No

9

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Asbestos Management/Compliance

Lot No

10

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

General Advice/ Non defined

Lot No

11

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 71000000 - Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH23 - Hertfordshire

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Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As listed in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 60

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Duration will be four years

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

10 October 2022

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

10 October 2022

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.3) Additional information

To access this procurement opportunity please visit www.supplyhertfordshire.uk and follow the on-screen guidance. In accordance with Regulation 53 of The Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the Council's procurement documents are available within the e-Tendering system. This is a one stage procurement process. Therefore, if you wish to be considered as a tenderer you must complete and submit a tender by the specified closing date and time. Tender submissions cannot be uploaded after this return deadline. If you are experiencing problems In-Tend offer a help section which includes a dedicated UK support desk which can be contacted via email: support@in-tend.com or Telephone: +44 1144070065 for any website/technical questions, Monday to Friday, 8:30-17:30. The Council reserves the right at any time to cease the procurement process and not award a Framework Agreement or to award only part of the opportunity described in this notice. If the Council takes up this right, then they will not be responsible for or pay the expenses or losses, which may be incurred by any organisation or tenderer as a result. The Council undertakes to hold confidential any information provided in the proposal submitted, subject to the Council's obligations under the law including the Freedom of Information Act 2000. If the organisation considers that any of the information submitted in the proposal should not be disclosed because of its sensitivity then this should be stated with the reason for considering it sensitive. The Council will then endeavour to consult with the applicant about such sensitive information when considering any request received under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 before replying to such a request. The Council reserves the right to carry out additional financial checks on all organisations bidding for this opportunity at any time during the procurement process. This is to ensure that they continue to meet the Council's requirements and remain financially viable to fulfil the requirements under the Framework Agreement. The estimated total value of the Framework Agreement is £10,000,000 and is for the core period. For the avoidance of doubt, the estimated annual value of the Framework Agreement will be approximately [INSERT VALUE/RANGE]. The Framework Agreement will be awarded for a core period of four] years. Please note that the requirements of the Framework Agreement will be subject to available financial resources, supplier performance and flexibility to meet changing demands. In addition, there will be no form of exclusivity or volume that is guaranteed under the resultant Framework Agreement and the Council will be entitled to

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: The Contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day (when using electronic means) standstill period at the point information on the award of the [Contract/Framework Agreement] is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the decision to award a Framework Agreement before a contract is executed/signed (as appropriate). The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ('Regulations') provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought promptly and within the time limits as defined in the above regulations. Where a [Contract/Framework Agreement] has not been entered into the court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the contracting authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the Framework Agreement has been entered into the court has the options to award damages and/or to shorten or order the Framework Agreement ineffective.