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Contract

22096 2023 Archaeological Fieldwork Services for Cambridgeshire County Council

Cambridgeshire County Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKH - East of England

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/>

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

22096 2023 Archaeological Fieldwork Services for Cambridgeshire County Council

Reference number

DN638384

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71351914 - Archaeological services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

As a developer, the council and its agents have obligations towards mitigating the impact caused by its projects on the historic environment. This includes the need for archaeological investigations. This framework ensures the most productive and cost-effective suppliers of commercial fieldwork services are available to the council

It is anticipated the value of this framework will range between £2.5m and £3.5m, depending on the requirements of the County Council and the Greater Cambridge Partnership throughout the term of the framework.

This requirement is not split into Lots, as the Authorities require 3 individual providers to service this requirement, for ease of management and to drive efficiencies.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £2,500,000 / Highest offer: £3,500,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71351914 - Archaeological services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH - East of England

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Authority proposes to enter into a framework agreement with 3 providers for an initial period of 36 months with the preferred bidders, with an option to extend for 12 months, making 48 months in total.

All work under this framework shall be awarded via one of 2 routes:

by approaching the provider who finishes in 1st place in the initial framework evaluation, and then if they are unable to service the requirement approaching the 2nd placed bidder and so on, or

Running a further competition where all providers shall be invited to submit a project specific proposal for a discrete piece of work.

In the event such further competitions take place, the responses shall be evaluated 60% on the quality element and 40% on price.

The anticipated framework commencement date is mid-October 2023.

It is difficult to predict the exact value of this contract as it shall be extensively used by the Greater Cambridge Partnership (<https://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/>) and is open to all public bodies within Cambridgeshire, and Authorities' requirements are likely to vary over the contract term, but it is estimated that the total value will not be less than £2,500,000 or greater than £3,500,000.

The above figures are calculated by allocating the estimated (but not guaranteed) spends of Cambridgeshire County Council (or customers using the services of the Council) equating to approximately £625,000 pa, with an allowance of an additional £1,000,000 in total (also not guaranteed) from other bodies accessing this framework

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

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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 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

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 October 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cambridge Archaeological Unit

34A Storeys Way

Cambridge

CB3 0DZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MOLA (Museum of London Archaeology)

Mortimer Wheeler House 46 Eagle Wharf Road

London

N1 7ED

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Oxford Archaeology

janus house osney mead

Oxford

OX2 0ES

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £2,500,000 / Highest offer: £3,500,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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