

## COUNTY OF DANE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION PURCHASING DIVISION

City County Building 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Room 425 Madison, WI 53703-3345

**GREG BROCKMEYER** Director of Administration CHUCK HICKLIN Controller

Date:May 16, 2022To:All ProposersSubject:Addendum #1 to RFP# 122044 – Broadband Infrastructure EngineeringAssessment

## The following questions were received and responses are provided:

- 1. Will this be a county owned asset? No
- 2. If so, will there be county facilities available to house associated networking gear? County facilities can be utilized (buildings, infrastructure, etc.)
- 3. Is there any existing network or infrastructure that needs to be considered for utilization? Poles/duct banks? All existing network/infrastructure should be considered.
- 4. Do you know what architecture you're looking to deploy? No
- 5. Should only residential addresses be considered or all available service locations? Residential + Businesses + empty parcels for potential services? Everything should be included, including Town and Village public infrastructure in addition to that of the county.
- 6. How and to what extent does Dane County expect the consultant to work with the ISP? The consultant is expected to work with ISPs especially in the broadband coordination role, in which ISPs are encouraged to work with unserved/unserved portions of the county.
- 7. Is it the intention of the County to incorporate the wireless study and implement wireless in conjunction with fiber or cable? Or is the included study for reference only. If wireless and cell towers are a recommended solution, then yes they can be recommended in conjunction with fiber or cable.
- 8. Is the County requesting the awardee, actually complete the implementation of the Study's outcomes and recommendations or just make the recommendations? There are two aspects to the job. One is the engineering study and the other is serving the role of broadband coordinator. The role of coordinator is assisting in the implementation of the study recommendations.
- 9. The RFP refers to the Broadband Survey that was completed by UW-Riverfalls, is this survey available for review? The survey is complete but the survey results are not yet available.
- 10. Is the County only interested in the unserved/underserved portion of the county or the entire county? Although the county is interested in the county as a whole, the focus is on the unserved/underserved portion.
- 11. In reference to sections: **3.6 Project Plan Provide** narrative regarding the firm's approach to facilitating a planning process for the Broadband Infrastructure Engineering Assessment. The proposer shall include in their approach to *this project their plan* for each of the report requirements described in section 2.2.3.7 Project Timeline Present a realistic timeline for this project's completion



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from the time a contract is awarded. Please provide range estimates for each designated activity in the project. The proposer shall include all key consultant and meeting benchmarks.

**First Inquiry**: is the word "Project" referring to the Plan and Timeline to complete the assessment and report as outlined or is that referring to the overall broadband project. We think is the former, and just the assessment and report but wanted confirmation.

You are correct. The word "Project" is referring to the Plan and Timeline to complete the assessment and report

12. **Second Inquiry:** Does the Dane Country Broadband Taskforce or Dane have any prioritization or seasonal considerations for any of the municipalities that will be surveyed? For example, would you rather have the school surveyed in the summer when they are less crowded, or would you rather have that done with all of the staff are present? If you do not have any preference, we will use our best judgements as we build out BTW detailed assessment project plan. There is no prioritization. The consultant must use their best judgement.

Please acknowledge receipt of this addendum by checking the "Addendum #1" box on **Attachment A – Vendor Information** of your bid submission. If you have any questions regarding this addendum, please contact me via phone or email as listed below.

Sincerely,

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