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PROPOSED CONTRACT PROCESS

Department(s): Planning & Development

Vendor: Various

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves") to utilize

Good(s) or Service(s): Selection process for members of a pre-qualified construction pool (listed in the back-up materials) for construction projects within the Preserves

Contract Value: N/A

Contract period: Pre-Qualification will remain in effect until 12/31/2019 unless extended. The Preserves may elect to extend the pool for two (2) additional one-year periods.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: N/A

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): 17-80-62

Concurrences:
The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: This item is a request for the Preserves to bid construction projects to a pre-qualified contractor pool. Preserves' staff have solicited the submission of qualifications for a pre-qualified contractor pool that is qualified to bid on a list of projected 2017-2019 projects with an estimated total capital budget of $8-$10 million. The Preserves' project managers are seeking to familiarize pre-qualified contractors with the Preserves bid requirements and facilities, and to streamline the bid process. Construction bid opportunities over the next two (2) years will focus heavily on deferred maintenance and repairs where more familiarity with the Preserves' procedures and facilities is desirable.

Over 30 firms submitted qualifications by the initial response deadline in response to RFQ 17-80-62. An evaluation committee determined that twenty-seven (27) firms met the evaluation criteria included in the RFQ. Acceptance into the membership pool will continue on a rolling basis. Statements of Qualification for future candidates will be evaluated quarterly. Inclusion in the contractor pool does not guarantee contractor(s) will be awarded any contract. Assignments will be awarded via a competitive bid process amongst all eligible members of the pool.