Request for Proposal ADA Accessibility Audit Services

Granville Town Hall ADA Assessment Proposal Due: Monday; May 13, 2024

Overview

The Town of Granville is seeking the services of a qualified professional to identify and evaluate ADA accessibility needs at the Granville Town Hall.

The Town Hall building is two stories and was built in 1838. Known ADA concerns include:

- The heavy front doors are difficult to open.
- The ramp needs to be remodeled for wheelchair safety.
- The only access to the second floor is by stairs, and there is no emergency exit on the 2nd floor.
- The first floor back exit is unsafe (the stairs and handrail need to be repaired).
- Interior pathways and hardware on doors are not accessible.
- The accessible bathroom (located just outside the Town Hall in the Town Office, connected by a breezeway) may not meet current standards.

The Town recognizes that additional ADA accessibility concerns may exist, and expects responses to this Request for Proposals (RFP) to include a thorough audit of the entire building.

Scope of Services

Investigation and Documentation

- Applicant should conduct a thorough examination and documentation of existing conditions and ADA accessibility compliance needs in the Town Hall.
- Applicant should make recommendations for renovations that will bring the building into ADA compliance. These recommendations will inform future design work by architectural and engineering consultants.
- Applicant should document all of their findings and recommendations in a written report.
- All work under this contract must be completed by August 1, 2024.
- Two (2) copies of the final report must be submitted to the Town, one printed and one in pdf format.

Instructions

- 1. This Request for Proposals (RFP) is being released on April 4, 2024.
- 2. Any questions about this RFP or proposal packets must be received by the Town Clerk (gmavt.net; 802.767.4403) by 4:00 pm on May 6, 2024. Responses to questions will be posted on the Town's website so that they are available to all applicants.
- 3. Three printed copies of your proposal must be received at the Granville Town Clerk's Office by 4:00pm on May 13, 2024. Proposals must be addressed to the Selectboard Chair, Bruce Hyde, PO Box 88, Granville, VT 05747. A pdf version must also be emailed to the Town Clerk at granvilletown@gmavt.net, before the aforementioned deadline.
- 4. The outside of the envelope delivered to the Town Clerk's Office should be clearly marked:
 - a. "PROPOSAL FOR ADA ACCESSIBILITY EVALUATION SERVICES FOR GRANVILLE TOWN HALL"
- 5. Late proposals will not be considered.

Content of Proposals

The following content will be evaluated by a review committee including representatives of the Town of Granville and will be used as the basis for the final selection of a vendor. Proposals will be arranged in the following order and be organized for ease of understanding:

- 1. Cover sheet with organization name, contact information
- 2. Introductory letter
 - a. Prepare an executive summary stating your understanding of the project and why your firm should be chosen and any general information the submitter wishes the review committee to consider.
 - b. The proposal should clearly outline the background and experience of the firm, along with related information for any collaborating firms.
 - c. Describe your proposed approach for completing the scope of services, and explain how you will ensure that this project will be completed on time and within budget.
- 3. References: Describe at least 3 similar projects your firm has completed, and provide the contact information for at least 3 references who are familiar with your work on those projects.

- 4. Anticipated timeline for project
- 5. Project Cost
 - a. Project costs may be presented as a fixed price or time and materials. For time and materials proposals, costs must be broken down by direct labor, fringe, indirect/overhead, fees and markups, and unit costs.

Evaluation Criteria

- Experience with similar projects (10 points)
- Proposed approach / methods (10 points)
- Familiarity with design issues for historic structures (5 points)
- Demonstrated capacity to implement and complete the project (5 points)
- Proposed project schedule (10 points)
- Costs (10 points)

Note that firms may be required to interview with the review committee prior to award of contract.