

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

SAVALALO FLEA MARKET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT - SFMRP


Project Name:



TENDER FOR;


"DESIGN & BUILD SERVICES"

UPDATED REGISTER OF RFI's


SAVALALO FLEA MARKET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT – SAVALALO APIA SAMOA

RFI No.	Last update	Query OR Clarification	Date of receipt of Query or Clarification	Date of issue of Answer to the query or Clarification	Answer OR Clarification OR Addendum	Status of Query OR Clarification	Approved to issue RFI
			D M Y	D M Y		Closed / Pending?	
1	23-06-2023	<p>Difficulty experienced by some bidders in accessing the tender document for the Savalalo Market Project, Bidders having to sign in each time to access it and lose the home page when try to download the documents.</p> <p>Are you able to create a Dropbox to enable us to access the documents after registering?</p>	23-06-2023	23-06-2023	<p>Accessing the webpage has been updated to simplify downloading of documents.</p> <p>Interested bidders must register each time for accessing the documents for security. It takes only less than 10 seconds to re-register each time. If you still have difficulties, please advise by email immediately. See RFP ITB for contact for enquiries.</p>	pending	

2	23-06-2023	CAD Drawings to enable opening if bidders do not have the software for CAD and Revit.	23-06-2023	23-06-2023	<p>For bidders who do not have the software available to open the CAD they can download the Autodesk viewer from below:</p> <p>https://viewer.autodesk.com/</p> <p>It is expected that contractors and A&E consultants who are used to providing professional A&E services for large building projects such as this have access to Revit software.</p> <p>Bidders must have a minimum of IT skills to be able to navigate the bidding documents, this is very large budget project after all.</p>	Closed	
3	26-06-2023	A bidder emailed on 26-06-2023 asking for the link to join the prebid meeting	26-06-2023	26-06-2023	<p>The link will be issued no later than Wednesday 28 June 2023 Samoan time and can be downloaded from the webpage and can be found in the updated RFI's</p>	Closed	
4	26-06-2023	Alternative mode for conveying queries for clarification from bidders	n/a	n/a	<p>Use the following emails:</p> <p>ulugia.petelo@samoaland.gov.ws</p> <p>tom@tinaigordon.ws</p>	Closed	

5	05-07-2023	Prebid Meeting Agenda	05-07-2023	05-07-2023	<p>A prebid meeting agenda has been issued to all bidders via emails in the register list.</p> <p>Details below:</p> <p>Date: Monday 10th July 2023 at 11.00am Samoan time Venue: TATTE Building conference center building ground floor Link: virtual attendances through link, see message below already issued to bidders;</p> <p>Dear Bidder,</p> <p>This email serves to remind you of the upcoming pre bid meeting. Please refer to the AGENDA attached.</p> <p>The PRE BID CONFERENCE will take place at the following date, time and place:</p> <p>Date & Time: Monday 10 July 2023 at 11.00am (Samoa Time) Address: Tui Atua Tupua Tamasese Efi (TATTE) Building</p>	Closed	
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					<p>Conference Room, Ground Floor (beneath the main conference centre), Sogi, APIA, Samoa</p> <p>56CG+4WJ, Apia</p> <p>Link to participate in pre-bid conference via virtual meeting is below:</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84743627684?pwd=ZmNyaSsyQVNiSXU2TVFLWGpiSkq5UT09</p> <p>Meeting ID: 847 4362 7684 Passcode: 274066</p> <p>The SITE VISIT will take place immediately following the PRE BID CONFERENCE:</p> <p>Date: Same date as above (Monday 10 July 2023)</p> <p>Time: Following the completion of the pre-bid meeting</p>	
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					<p>Place: Savalalo (will be informed at the pre-bid meeting)</p> <p>Contact person/conference coordinator: Leiatua M. Tom Tinai, Project Manager; T: 685 - 22906; 685 - 7604589</p> <p>E-mail: tom@tinaigordon.ws</p>		
6	06-07-2023	<p>Queries from a bidder says</p> <p>1. Question: ".....The Market functional yield and area allocations are not clear?....."</p> <p>The scope of work documents cites: 80 Flea Market stalls, 55 food stalls & 50 retail shops = 185 units plus SLC managers office 36 m2 Total floor area = 1071 m2</p> <p>c.f.</p> <p>Employer's Requirements cites:</p>	06-07-2023	07-07-2023	<p>Answers & Clarifications</p> <p>1. Answer: The original scope of works for the initial concept design (Stage 1) was based on the initial scope as follows:</p> <p>..... 80 Flea Market stalls, 55 food stalls & 50 retail shops = 185 units plus SLC managers office 36 m2 Total floor area = 1071 m2</p>	Closed	


		<p>64 Flea Market stalls, 25 food units & 32 retail units & 32 services retail units = total 129 units plus SLC managers office 80 m2 Totyal floor area = 1546 m2</p> <p>Which is correct?</p>			<p>Following the client's review of the initial concept design of floor plans, it was discovered that minimum Building Code (NBC 2017) requirements for spaces including foot traffic, disability, services, etc, were not satisfied. The revised Employer's Requirements given in the Preliminary Concept Design floor plans (ground floor and mezzanine floor) yield the following floor areas:</p> <p>..... 64 Flea Market stalls, 25 food stall units & 32 retail shop units & 8 services retail units = total 129 units plus SLC managers office 80 m2 Total floor area = 1546 m2</p> <p>Clarification: The latter scope with less number of units is considered Code compliant for the minimum space required. However, it is the responsibility of the bidder to check and come up with a more efficient floor</p>		
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		<p>_____</p> <p>2. Question: The scope of daily waste storage, separation and transportation within the site and associated access for removal is not clear. Are there dedtails of collection frequencies and separation requirements.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>3. Question: How daily loading of goods will be managed and associated access requirements is not clear, particularly access to Flea Market stalls. Is there a draft operations plan to guide the bidders?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>4. Question: The scope and location of existing underground services within the site boundaries is not clear. Area you able to</p>		<p>yield areas as a benefit to the client.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>2. Answer: A services area is indicated on the site plan for storage of waste for collection and loading to transport to approved waste fill sites. Minimum frequency of daily collection by rubbish trucks</p> <p>_____</p> <p>3. Answer: Loading and unloading areas for goods including accesses will be part of the Design & Build to propose during the design stage for client review.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>4. Answer: Existing services underground and above ground are shown on the topo survey. Cold</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>Closed</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Closed</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Closed</p>	
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	<p>provide plans and specifications from relevant authorities to guide the bidders as to existing over and underground services.</p> <hr/> <p>5. Question: We also need information about the capacity and sizing of existing services to establish if available connections . need to be upgraded, or upstream alterations need to be costed.</p> <hr/> <p>6. Question: We have no information about existing ground conditions. Is a geotechnical</p>		<p>water supply and waste water services underground will be reconfirmed. It is the bidder's responsibility to check with local authorities to confirm.</p> <hr/> <p>5. Answer: Bidders are responsible to check with the local authorities. The existing services infrastructures are fixed and bidders will have to allow to connect to these infrastructure services.</p> <hr/> <p>6. Answer: A topo and cadastral survey in CAD has been issued as part of the tender documents.</p>	<p>Closed</p> <p>Closed</p>	
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		<p>survey and a topographical survey available to be issued. If not how do we evaluate in ground structures.</p>		<p>A geotechnical investigation has not been done and bidders shall allow in their bids to carry out their own full geotechnical investigations to assess subsoils for their foundation design.</p> <p>Bidders shall include in their methodologies how they propose to carry out this work including the number of boreholes and depths and methods field tests and lab tests. The general scope of works with floor plans and preliminary elevations in the concept design documents should give the bidders sufficient information to determine the extent of their own geotechnical investigation. Bidders shall allow to submit a detailed geotechnical investigation reports with recommended foundation options for client information prior to detailed design.</p> <p>Bidders are advised that there is only one Long Year model drilling rig in Samoa</p>		
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7	08-08-2023	<p>Questions:</p> <p>1) Question: The market functional yield and area allocations are not clear. The attached table is a comparison of information sourced from 4 different sections of the tender documents. Please advise what your preference is, as we are unable to proceed with setting out the floor plan, until we have this information.</p> <hr/> <p>2) Question:</p>	21-07-2023	08-08-2023	<p>Answers / Clarification:</p> <p>1) Answer: Area Schedule Bidders should refer to the Preliminary Floor Plan A-100 as endorsed by the Client. It is up to the bidder and their design team to further develop this plan to make it more efficient whilst referring to the Samoa National Building Code and PUMA requirements. Key features to be retained are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The general aesthetic of the façade from the concept design (modified for buildability etc.) • The gross floor plan area and layout • Car parking on west boundary • Service Yard on east boundary • Dry goods and craft stalls on West Pavilion • Food Retails in East Pavilion. <hr/> <p>2) Answer:</p>	Closed	

	<p>Pursuant to the many questions raised at the briefing on 10th July, we believe it would be in the interests of client and tenderers for some information to be provided about the ground conditions across the site. The provision of information will de-risk the tender from the bidders side and the client side</p> <hr/> <p>3) Question: There was a suggestion that the structure is lightweight. This assumption is not correct, because a large area of dead, live and wind load is concentrated onto the column of the portal frame. This makes the bearing capacity of the foundation critical</p> <hr/> <p>4) Question: The tender documents indicate a time allocation for the design period of 5</p>		<p>Bidders must allow in their bids to carry out their own geotechnical investigation themselves by engaging their own geotechnical consultant and field equipment. The client has no access to a drilling rig available to do any geotechnical investigation at this time.</p> <hr/> <p>3) Answer: This is not an assumption, it is reality. A combination of dead load and wind may give high column loads which can be uplift requiring mass footing to tie down the structure, or, large pad footings tied together to suit in-situ soil bearing. Alternatively, a raft system may also be considered. It is the designer's responsibility to check options.</p> <hr/> <p>4) Answer:</p>	<hr/> <p>Closed</p> <hr/> <p>Closed</p>	
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		<p>months. We do not believe it is possible to cover comply with the employers requirements within that time allocation. of significance, is the time required to;-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Mobilize equipment and undertake geotechnical investigation ii) Laboratory testing of samples iii) Design Manager consultation to settle the scheme iv) Investigation of underground services v) Documents for MWTI application for Development Consent vi) Documents for MWTI Building Permit vii) Water and Power Authority inputs viii) Design Development Documents ix) 100% Documentation, Budget adjustments SLC Approvals 			<p>Answers in same order of points:</p> <p>This is a Design & Build Project and it is up to the winning contractor to come up with a methodology and approach, for example, a staged design programme could have construction and design occurring concurrently. Bidders should reflect this approach in their proposed Work Plan or Gantt Chart with dates showing start and finish and critical path items.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Geotechnical investigation remains the responsibility of the winning contractor. The drilling rig may be available in mid September 2023. Bidders can liaise with the rig owner MNRE, alternatively they can allow to provide their own rig and any other equipment for geotechnical investigations. 	<p>_____</p> <p>Close</p> <p>Closed</p>	
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					<p>ii) LTA lab in Samoa can be used for the typical tests expected except rock samples that required testing off island. Lab testings of soil and rock samples are a standard requirement of all construction contracts, bidder shall check this out themselves to confirm what other tests LTA can do.</p>	Closed	
					<p>iii) Design Managers consultation with client and PM would be a continuance of the approved plans.</p>		
					<p>iv) The only existing u/g services are; cold water supply, pressure sewer system and stormwater, which have already been given to bidders. Power supply is above ground. Bidders shall be</p>	Closed	

					<p>responsible to check with Authorities such as BUT not limited to; SWA, LTA, EPC, FESA, MCIT.</p>		
					<p>v) The client is preparing and lodging the EIA Report and DC Application, based on the Concept Design. So bidders do not have to do EIA except during construction, where the contractor is required to prepare his own CEMP & TMP. (CEMP = Construction Environmental Management Plan; TMP = Traffic Management Plan)</p>	Closed	
					<p>vi) The design component is the responsibility of the contractor. Once you</p>	Closed	

					<p>complete 90% of the design, you can submit your application for a Building Permit, this can be included in your methodology for your bid submission as to how you approach the D&B contract.</p>		
					<p>vii) Suggest to use bidders local partner to expedite these works. Your water and waste and power engineers can prepare 50% and 90% design to allow you to liaise with the utilities Authorities. The client is here to help you, where possible upon request, to communicate with the Government Authorities to speed up process.</p>	Closed	

		<p>_____</p> <p>5) Question: The table provided on p15 of Section V, headed General Specifications, provides many options or alternatives, that would normally be addressed during a robust consultation period with all stakeholders, to, in effect create a reverse brief. The tenderers do not have to option to undertake this process and are therefor left without a clear and detailed specification to bid on. The following questions raise some of these issues and clear responses will assist us to prepare the bid.</p>			<p>viii) This is the bidder's responsibility</p> <p>ix) This is the bidder's responsibility</p> <p>x) SLC approvals will be on priority for this project</p> <p>_____</p> <p>5) Answer: Clarifications Section V pg. 15 Once successful bidder is engaged the design team will have an opportunity to meet and liaise and consult with the Client before the final confirmation of the design.</p> <p>All bidders are encouraged to refer to the Samoa National Building Code NBC 2017 and PUMA Apia Urban Design Standards while developing their proposals to ensure compliance.</p>	<p>Closed</p> <p>Closed</p>	
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		<p>holders, we need details of master keying, electronic security and any other form of access control.</p> <hr/> <p>13) Question: Section 5.12 - Access Compliance -Is there a requirement to provide DDA compliance to the first floor level. If compliance is required, a lift will be necessary. Please confirm.</p> <hr/> <p>14) Question: Section 5.9 There is no information about the mobile food stalls. In order to include this element we need some description of how these facilities will be operated, staffed, supplied with stock, serviced, cleaned and stored when not in use.</p> <hr/> <p>15) Question: There is a substantial inventory of furniture and equipment specified or indicated on the plan for the Food Court. Can you provide details of how this</p>			<p>estimated part of proposal with a preliminary cost sum appended.</p> <hr/> <p>13) Answer: Clarification Section 5.12 - Samoa NBC (<i>Table D1.1 Accessibility Requirements per Building Group</i>) does not require lift access for small commercial spaces (non-retail) under 350sqm</p> <hr/> <p>14) Answer: Clarification Section 5.9.5 - allow for waterproof floor boxes for electricity supply. Install capped water supply under floor finish with floor waste gully's to be included.</p> <hr/> <p>15) Answer: Clarification Security - Security of loose fittings such as furniture will</p>	<hr/> <p>Closed</p>	
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		<p>space will be secured and the furniture not removed from the building.</p> <hr/> <p>16) Question: There is an extensive schedule of requirements for food preparation areas. The requirements indicate that each of the 25 food preparation stalls is equipped with a full commercial fitout. As it is not possible to fit all the specified equipment into the 23 small stalls, please advise what the expectations are for these stalls</p> <hr/> <p>17) Question: Section 5.10 -The notes in section 5.10.1 refer to a different building. The space available for the office is approx. 30m x 6m wide. There is an opportunity to locate windows internally, overlooking</p>			<p>be the responsibility of the Client. In normal circumstances there are several security staff monitoring the premises at night. Consider specifying chairs and tables that are sufficiently robust to be chained together for added security.</p> <hr/> <p>16) Answer: Clarification Section 1.12 Food Retail Please refer to the above-mentioned specification which is a bare minimum to ensure public health and Building Code compliance and for ease of maintenance for the client. The specification does not include any appliances or storage. Please note that the smaller food retail units used by small usually family run businesses who do a lot of their food preparation at home. Most appliances used in these units will be domestic in scale.</p> <hr/> <p>17) Answer: Clarification Section 5.10 Office Planning Dimensions</p>	<hr/> <p>Closed</p> <hr/> <p>Closed</p> <hr/> <p>Closed</p>	
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	<p>the Food Hall and externally, shaded by the façade screen There is not information that would allow the designer to partition the office space.</p> <hr/> <p>18) Question: Section 5.11 - Please advise if there is any requirement for acoustic treatment at ground level or first floor level</p> <hr/> <p>19) Question: Section 7.2 It would not be practical to maintain a BMS/DDC control system in a facility such as this. We understand that public spaces, corridors etc., are accessible at all times and there is no central plant to operate. We, therefore, do not see a need for this type of system. Please advise.</p> <hr/> <p>20) Question: Section 7.6 If the design occupancy is set at 910 persons and consumption is averaged at 80litres per day, storage for</p>		<p>The above-mentioned specification refers only to the mezzanine office space in so far as the design manager has adapted the design, therefore some parts may be irrelevant following developed design task.</p> <hr/> <p>18) Answer: Clarification Section 5.11 Building Acoustics - the design team is encouraged to consider acoustics and reverberation when selecting materials and designing services and soft landscaping.</p> <hr/> <p>19) Answer: Clarification Section 7.2 Building Management Systems Specification of a BMS is the prerogative of the design team however the building manager will need to be able to monitor security cameras, electricity and water usage etc. from their office.</p> <hr/>	<hr/> <p>Closed</p> <hr/> <p>Closed</p> <hr/>	
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	<p>2 days would be 150 kl. Please confirm that this volume is adequate and if the expectation is that underground storage is required.</p> <hr/> <p>21) Question: Section 7.7 Please confirm that water treatment can be excluded at this stage.</p> <hr/> <p>22) Question: Sections 7.10, 7.11 Is there a fire engineers report from the Department available. As the tenderers are not able to put an application to the Department, we need information from SAL to evaluate the fire protection for the project</p>		<p>20) Answer: Clarification Section 7.6 Water Storage Please note the building is mainly occupied between the hours of 7am and 7pm each day and close every Sunday.</p> <hr/> <p>21) Answer: Clarification Section 7.7 Water Treatment The public Cold Water Supply is pretreated in the CBD.</p> <hr/> <p>22) Answer: Clarification Sections 7.10, 7.11 - the successful bidder and their design team are required to engage the services of a fire engineer as specified in the bidding documents and submit schematic to Samoa Fire and Emergency Services at the time of when apply to MWTI for Building Permit. The design shall comply with the FESA requirements as part of the Conformity Requirements for the Building Permit. Construction shall follow FESA requirement. Allow for FESA to carry out all tests on site and to be certified</p>	<hr/> <p>Closed</p> <hr/> <p>Closed</p>	
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		<p>28) Question: Section 8.6 The West Car park/loading area and the services yard can be controlled with fencing and gates, however the other car parks cannot be controlled</p>			<p>_____</p> <p>28) Answer: Clarification Section 8.6 Carparking This is correct. the Eastern services yard is to be fence and gated however all other car parks are accessible with a security chain to restrict access in the evening</p>	<p>Closed</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Closed</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Closed</p>	
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8	17-08-2023	This item shall be treated as "Addendum No.1" for the information of bidders to allow for in their bids	17-08-2023	17-08-2023	<u>Addendum No. 1</u> RL 2.800 initially assigned in the Employer's Requirements for the ground FFL of the new building shall be revised to RL 2.200		
9	17-08-2023	This item shall be treated as "Addendum No.2" for the information of bidders to allow for in their bids	17-08-2023	17-08-2023	<u>Addendum No.2</u> Bidders are advised that the final date of submission of RFI's or queries for clarifications will be 28 August 2023.		

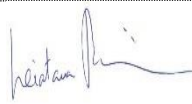
10	23-08-2023	<p>Request from one bidder received via email on 23-08-2023 to extend the closing date of bid submission for two (2) weeks.</p> <p>Reasons given were :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a comprehensive competitive bid to ensure quality and accuracy of submission with a more detailed and thought-out bid submission; and • Supplier pricing – finalizing negotiation with suppliers • To allow for geotech thorough analysis to develop a well-informed structural/design proposal for accurate assessment of foundation requirements. 	23-08-2023	23-08-2023	<p><u>ANSWER</u></p> <p>The closing date will remain on 4th September 2023 at 11.00am.</p> <p>Responding to the items raised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 months is considered adequate for preparing a detailed thought-out bid submission • 3 months of negotiation with suppliers is considered adequate • For the purpose of preparing a bid submission, a detailed geotechnical investigation at this stage is not required, since the geotechnical investigation is part of the scope of the design component which is the responsibility of the Design and Build contractor. 	CLOSED	
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					<p>This was also clarified in RFI No.6 item (6) dated 06-07-2023 and RFI No.7 item 4(i) dated 08-08-2023 and the minutes of the prebid meeting refer items; 7, 8, 9, 10, 16 on pages 12, 13, 14, 16.</p>	
11	23-08-2023	This item shall be treated as "Addendum No.3" for the information of bidders to allow for in their bids	23-08-2023	23-08-2023	<p><u>Addendum No.3</u></p> <p>The Commonwealth Heads of Governments Meeting No. xx (CHOGM) Event is hosted by the Samoan Government for 2 weeks starting 20th October 2024 ending 4th November 2024.</p> <p>The traffic flow is expected to be congested in the Apia CBD and the section of Beach Road surrounding the Flea Market Project Site is also located in the area assigned and allocated for the event.</p> <p>Transportation of construction material on Beach Road and</p>	


				<p>access to the site is envisaged to be a safety issue for the public.</p> <p>It is therefore recommended that the project site should be completely closed for a pause of 2 weeks from 20th October – 4th November 2024.</p> <p>Accordingly, bidders should allow in their bid submission for a 2 week pause for “No work on site”</p> <p>Bidders must allow in their programme and Work Plan to work closely with the Client through the Project Manager to provide all safety measures and keep the immediate outside areas of the site clean and free of any rubbish or loose construction material for the safety of pedestrians and visitors and the public.</p> <p>Any temporary formwork or covered walkways or crossings or accesses should be kept in absolute safe conditions. Allow for nightwatchmen on a 24/7 basis.</p> <p>Prepare Gantt chart for the full duration of the project</p>		
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					<p>and incorporate in the programme for the pause period of 2 weeks for the CHOGM event. Refer indicative Gantt chart uploaded online.</p> <p>Any cost associated with this event in coordination with the Client should be allowed for in the bidder's bid. The 2 week pause will not entitle the contractor for an Extension of Time.</p>		
<p>..... Anne, please insert your Gantt chart here</p>							
12	23-08-2023	<p>This item shall be treated as "Addendum No.4" for the information of bidders to allow for in their bids</p>	23-08-2023	23-08-2023	<p>Addendum No.4</p> <p>Each bidder must prepare and submit a sample payment schedule. This item will not be considered as part of the evaluation criteria but simply</p>		

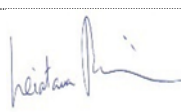
					for payment schedule during negotiation pre-contract signing. Refer sample Payment Schedule sample in attached. Bidders do not have to fill in their actual proposed payment.	
Payment Schedule sample but the bidder has liberty to propose his/her own for client review at negotiation stage.						
13	24-08-2023	<p>1) Question:</p> <p>Please confirm if key personnel such as the Architect must be registered in an Australian and/or New Zealand professional institution, or is it sufficient if the architect who holds all the necessary qualifications and experience required in the RFT, is registered in a relevant institution in Samoa only</p>	23-08-2023	24-08-2023	<p>1) Answer:</p> <p>The Architect must have the basic qualification of Bachelor of Architecture who has completed a minimum 4 years of undergraduate study course at a recognized university institution and such institution is also recognized by international institutions of architects eg AIA Australia, NZIA New Zealand, RAIA America, or other approved international equivalent. Registration with an internationally recognized</p>	

					<p>professional body outside of Samoa is preferred.</p> <p>The architect must have the minimum years of experience as stated in the RFP and Employers Requirements</p>	
14	24-08-2023	<p>Questions:</p> <p>1) Question:</p> <p>Who is responsible for obtaining the building permit</p> <p>2) Question:</p> <p>Is there an example of an existing façade system that has been used in other countries from which Sucon drew inspiration for the concept design?</p> <p>3) Question:</p> <p>Clarify the role of communication engineer and their deliverables?</p>	23-08-2023	24-08-2023	<p>Answers:</p> <p>1) Question:</p> <p>The Design & Build Contractor is responsible.</p> <p>2) Question:</p> <p>Sucon concept design is conceptual only and did not refer to any specific existing system or material. It is up to the bidder to select a façade system that will adequately replicate the concept design and its appearance></p> <p>3) Answer:</p> <p>The comms engineer is responsible for the PA system</p>	

		<p>4) Question:</p> <p>Is a sprinkler system required as part of the design?</p> <p>5) Question:</p> <p>With regards to nominated key personnel, is it possible for two individuals to occupy the same position in the project team?</p>		<p>and any communication system taking consideration of the acoustic effect.</p> <p>4) Question:</p> <p>It is up to the designer to come up with a fire compliant system to comply with the local FESA Authority and to meet the Samoa Building Code NBS 2017. Strongly suggest that all bidders to closely liaise with FESA during the design and during the construction stages. Also during construction, the contractor's fire engineer must be liaising with the FESA to certify and sign off on all fire related services.</p> <p>5) Answer:</p> <p>Yes and the bidder and his nominated individuals shall prove the individuals have the relevant qualifications and experience but must explain the two individuals' capacity and methodology of how he/she will handle the same position in concurrency with the other individual. In the case of one individual to perform more than one role, then proven qualifications and experience are required. Scoring for evaluation</p>	
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		<p>6) Question:</p> <p>Provide an indication of the type of food(s) to be served?</p> <p>7) Question:</p> <p>We note the layout plan and number of carparks provided in the concept designs and wish to clarify that this layout has been confirmed by SLC and that no new carpark configuration will be required in the design?</p> <p>8) Question:</p> <p>Confirm the concept designs provided been approved for release and approval obtained from relevant copyright holders(s) to be used?</p>		<p>purposes will be based on one individual. Bidder must state who is their preferred candidate(s) for the role(s).</p> <p>6) Answer:</p> <p>Typical Samoan food stall fare, hot meals, fried food, etc Bidders must allow in the design for adequate ventilation and exhaust system</p> <p>7) Answer:</p> <p>Bidders must allow to finalise the design for carparkings to maximize the number of parkings. Allow for disable parkings and access per Code.</p> <p>8) Answer:</p> <p>The Client owns the concept design. All drawings for the concept design including CAD files are owned by the Client SLC.</p>	
15	28/08/2023	<p>1) Question:</p> <p>ITB18.1. Due the very limited number of local Architects and Practicing Services</p>		<p>1) Answer: ITB18.1 The same key professionals can be engaged</p>	

	<p>engineers available on island, can the Architects and/or HVAC services engineers be allowed to be involved in two bids as a maximum.</p> <p>2) Question: ITB15.3 Electronic Bids Submission states; Bidders who submit electronically: (1) will still need to submit hard copies; Why doubling up? Would a hard copy submission be necessary if already submitted electronically. What if the hard copy is delivered late and electronic copy delivered earlier or vis a versa?</p> <p>3) Question: ITB15.3 Electronic Bids Submission - The New Flea Market Development project is currently NOT listed in the Ministry of Finance's Tender Link portal (https://portal.tenderlink.com/mof_samoa/) as stated.</p> <p>4) Question: ITB18.1 In the Work Plan Sub-Criteria lists as a key evaluation point the 'procurement of construction material ordered ahead of time,' We emphasise this specific requirement cannot be possible whilst cost proposals are based primarily on the limited concept design</p>			<p>in two bids as a maximum is acceptable.</p> <p>2) Answer: ITB15.3 Bidders must comply with the tender requirements.</p> <p>3) Answer: ITB15.3 The New Flea Market Development Project will uploaded onto Tenderlink in the next 24hrs</p> <p>4) Answer: ITB 18.1 The Work Plan referred to is the Gantt Chart that a bidder should submit in the bid submission to allow for material order ahead of time. No need to know at this point the actual material to be ordered , so long as your Gantt Chart allows a reasonable time slot for material order which can be from 2 months to 4 months for example</p>		
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		provided unapproved for the bidding phase until such time as final design data, approved design parameters and geotechnical investigations are confirmed and finalised.			and will be refined / finalised at contract negotiation stage.	
16	28/08/2023	Is there a bid security?			<p>1) Answer: Bid security of 0.5% of the total bid price is required. The bid security must be in a form of approved Commercial bank check only. Company or personal checks or insurance company letter are not acceptable.</p>	
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