

### **COUNTY OF ALAMEDA**

**Questions & Answers #2** 

to

RFP #PLN2023-002

for

#### **Waste Hauler Negotiation Assistance Consultant Service**

Questions and Answers #2 from March 1, Second Addendum

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# County of Alameda, General Services Agency – Procurement RFP #PLN2023-002, Questions & Answers #2

This second Questions and Answers document is in response to questions from the Second Addendum issued March 1, 2023. The Questions and Answers are the final stances of the County. Please consider this document in preparation for your bid response.

#### **Questions and Answers:**

1. Q: In the SLEB Information Sheet, it is stated that, "Bidders that are not certified SLEBS are required to subcontract with a SLEB for at least 20% of the total estimated bid amount in order to be eligible for contract award." Please confirm that this is accurate as the remainder of the RFP does not mention this requirement.

A: This is correct. If a local bidder is not SLEB certified, the RFP requires that the bidder subcontract with a certified SLEB entity for at least 20% of the contract amount. Bidders may request an exception to meeting this requirement by completing the exceptions and clarification page (see page 13 of the RFP) and submitting it with your proposal. The County is under no obligation to accept any exceptions and clarifications exceptions. For additional details on the County SLEB program, see here: <a href="https://www.acgov.org/sleb/overview.htm">https://www.acgov.org/sleb/overview.htm</a>

2. Q: Please provide more information about the County's applicable procurement policies and legal requirements. Does the County anticipate releasing RFPs or otherwise requesting bids for service from multiple haulers?

A: The County is working to obtain hauler agreements that will provide services in the most efficient and expedient manner, while also complying with procurement requirements. Because of the geographical terrain and distances between some generators, the County anticipates that there will be a need for multiple hauler agreements. The County anticipates that the most likely hauler(s) to service these different areas of its Waste Program Jurisdiction will be those that already provide these services to cities that are contiguous to the different areas. At this time the County does not anticipate posting a full Request For Proposals as it may be possible to enter into contracts with haulers based on the agreements that are already in place with other jurisdictions.

3. Q: Is there a threshold for contract value that would prompt procurement requirement changes?

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A: We do not anticipate procurement requirement changes based on values of the contracts.

- 4. Q: Please confirm that different agreements are expected for each of the identified zones:
  - a. The unincorporated Livermore area
  - b. The unincorporated Pleasanton area (including Sunol)
  - c. Unincorporated areas outside the unincorporated Pleasanton and Livermore areas
  - d. Unincorporated Fremont area
  - e. Unincorporated Castro Valley and Eden General Plan areas

A: For clarification, the Unincorporated Fremont, Castro Valley and Eden areas are included in "c" above – areas outside of the Livermore and Pleasanton areas. The County needs compliance with SB 1383 for all the identified areas, however, how many total agreements is not known at this time. The initial focus will be amending our agreement for the Livermore area and negotiating a new agreement for the Pleasanton area. The consultant will also help us review generators in other areas of the Waste Program Jurisdiction and recommend ways for the County to be in compliance with SB1383 requirements. The Consultant's role will be to help provide strategy and recommendations and assist with compliance, including any generators on the margins, such as those on the Fremont border.