



Advertisement for Request for Qualifications

Project Name: Peach Knob Tower Engineering Services

Project Number: 298-FY26-ITS-RFQ-PKTES

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-64-31, and the Code of Federal Regulations 200.317-200.327, Statements of Qualifications for Professional Tower Design and Engineering Services will be received by the City of Asheville, 70 Court Plaza, Asheville NC 28801, until **Monday, October 6, 2025 at 4:00PM EDT** for the following:

Description of Work:

The City seeks a qualified firm for tower design and engineering services for the Peach Knob Tower Replacement project. The tower came down during Hurricane Helene. The City anticipates that this Contract may be financed in whole or in part with Federal and or State funding (ref: Incident #20240924 Tropical System Helene).

Based on the submittals - and potentially interviews if necessary - the highest-ranking firm will be selected for negotiations for a contract.

Qualifications Schedule:

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| Issuance of RFQ | Tuesday, September 2, 2025 |
| Site Walk, Optional but recommended. Limited broadcast of video in key areas https://meet.google.com/gje-knrw-zgv | Monday, September 15, 2025 @ 8-9:30am EDT @ 31 Peach Knob Drive - Enter at #38 driveway, turn right and drive around gravel/dirt road to water tank, turn right just before tank gate, park on gravel area by tower enclosure |
| Virtual SOQ Review Meeting, Optional https://meet.google.com/aru-fche-jhd | Monday, September 15, 2025 @ 10-11:30am EDT |
| Deadline to Submit Questions | Monday, September 22, 2025 at 4pm EDT |
| Final Addendum Posted By | Thursday, September 25, 2025 at 4pm EDT |
| Qualifications Due | Monday, October 6, 2025 at 4pm EDT |
| Anticipated Contract Award | Friday, October 31, 2025 |

Qualification Documents:

This Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is posted on the City procurement website at www.ashevillenc.gov/bids. This is *the official source* of this solicitation. RFQ documents and instructions may be obtained digitally at no cost from the City procurement website. All updates to this solicitation shall come in the form of published addenda and shall be published to the same location. **Neither the City nor the Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of RFQ Documents including any addendum obtained from any other source.**

All questions regarding this Request for Qualifications, along with Letters of Interest and Statements of Qualifications, may be submitted via email to the following email address. Please provide your Letter of Interest and Statement of Qualifications in a noneditable PDF format, without links to external attachments or files:

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| <p>Wayne Short, Project Manager wshort@ashevillenc.gov</p> |
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The City of Asheville reserves the right to reject any or all Letters of Interest and Statements of Qualifications.

Asheville Business Inclusion Policy:

The City of Asheville has adopted the Asheville Business Inclusion Policy to encourage women and minority businesses' participation in the public bidding and qualifications process. The purpose of this outreach effort is to increase the likelihood of availability and utilization of MWBEs in the award of contracts. Questions regarding the Asheville Business Inclusion Policy may be directed to the Office of Economic Development, City of Asheville, Post Office Box 7148, Asheville, NC 28802-7148 or by phone at (828)259-8050 or by email abi@ashevillenc.gov.

Submitters are invited to show proof of MWBE status, to include NC Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses or other MWBE certifications. If not already certified with the ABI Office at the City of Asheville, submitters are further invited to become certified with the City of Asheville as an MWBE vendor. Please use this link: [ABI Certifications](#).

It is the Policy of the City to (1) provide minorities and women an equal opportunity to participate in all aspects of its contracting and procurement programs and (2) to prohibit any and all discrimination against persons or businesses in pursuit of these opportunities.

Additionally, the submitters must comply with the Federal Affirmative Active Outreach process outlined in **2 CFR § 200.321 Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.**

Federal Terms and Conditions: Submitters shall acknowledge that this contract is intended to be funded in whole or in part through the use of federal relief funds. As such, the winning submitter shall abide by all of the mandatory Terms & Conditions that are attached hereto as Exhibit B: Federally Required Terms and Conditions – Hurricane Helene. To the extent there is any conflict between the terms set forth in this Contract and exhibits, Exhibit B shall govern over any other conflicting terms.

Drug Free Workplace: The City of Asheville is a drug-free workplace employer. By submitting a Letter of Interest and Statement of Qualifications, the prospective contractor certifies that if awarded the contract, they and their subcontractors shall comply with the following:

The City requires contractors/vendors entering into a contract with the City to provide a drug-free workplace in the performance of said contract. The contractor, upon execution of the contract, certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace during the performance of the work on this contract. The contractor agrees to do the following:

Notify employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specify the actions that will be taken for violations of such prohibitions. Responsive actions should be appropriate and sufficient to address and remediate any violations of this requirement.

Miscellaneous Requirements of the Submittals:

Prospective Consultants are notified of a City Policy that prohibits contracting with persons or firms who are delinquent in the payment of ad valorem taxes owed to the City of Asheville.

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