Douglas Campus Expansion Grant- Questions received and answered.

<u>March 28, 2024</u>

- Did the Douglas Campus of EWC work with a preferred architect to prepare the EDA grant application? If so, are they permitted to submit on this RFP?
 Ayres Associates Inc prepared the grant application. Their architect is not eligible to apply.
- What is the anticipated total budget for this project? Is there additional funding above the \$2MM grant amount? If so, where will the funding come from?
 The grant application indicated an est. cost of \$3.7 Million. The balance of funds have been obligated by Converse County, EWC, City of Douglas and Town of Glenrock.
- We did not see any WY residency firm requirements in the solicitation. We have not pursued WY education projects recently due to this requirement. Is this project exempt from this requirement?
 Since federal funds are involved, there is no in-state preference.

April 5, 2024

- Has a budget been set for the project?
 The estimated budget submitted with the grant was \$3.7Million
- Do you have a target design/construction schedule?
 A late winter/early spring is the current construction start target, subject to feedback from the selected architect.
- Is the project fully funded or only design at this point?
 We have a \$2M EDA grant and \$2M of local match obligated.
- Does the funding source carry any particular requirements? **This project falls under all the requirements of the EDA.**
- Is there an opportunity to do a walkthrough of the existing building before the proposal is due?
 Yes, that can be arranged simply. It is also open to the public during school hours.
- To clarify, the deadline to submit the RFPs is May 15, correct? Is that also the date that responses to questions will be provided?
 All questions will be answered upon receipt. The deadline for submission is May 15th.
- Is a fee due with the SOQ or will that only be required for the shortlisted firms?
 The fee proposal is due with your proposal, but may be enclosed in a separate sealed envelope.

April 22, 2024

1: Do you have plans that you can share from your study?

Yes, The preliminary engineering report will be posted on the EWC web site shortly. https://ewc.wy.edu/admissions-financial-aid/business-office/request-for-proposals/

2: Do you have budget information that you can share?

A) Is the \$3.7 Million just for the construction of the project?

No, it includes more than just construction.

B) Does it include Architects and Engineering Design Fees? Construction Contingency? Furniture and equipment? Landscaping?

Budget details are in the preliminary engineering report that will be posted.

3: What firm did the planning for your project?

Ayres and Associates completed the grant application.

4: What role does Jim Willox have on the project?

Jim is the Converse County lead for the project and point of contact for this round of question/answers.

5: Is this a Davis| Bacon Wage project for the construction labor? The project is subject to all federal EDA requirements.

<u>April 30, 2024</u>

- Is the existing building on drilled piers or caissons?
 Sorry, We do not have that information where we can find it.
- 2) Are the A and E fees to include Structural Engineering too? It's not listed in the report. **Yes, it is included in architectural services.**
- 3) What happens if the project comes in over budget? Do you have other monies available? We have a little more than the \$3.7M available, but if we are way over budget, we will need to discuss options with our financial partners; Douglas, Glenrock, County and EWC. The \$2M from EDA is the max available from EDA.

<u>May 1, 2024</u>

- Project Approach is listed under the heading "Legal Proceedings". Is this a mistake? Should Project Approach be its own section?
 Yes, that is a mistake in formatting. Project Approach is a separate section.
- 2. Can you confirm that hard copies are not required, and an emailed PDF submission is sufficient?

Either format is acceptable to meet the deadline, but ideally we would prefer both electronic and hard copies of the proposal.