

RFQ-CHARGER CENTER Q&A

1. Does the college have a master plan?

Yes, Farnsworth Group prepared a master plan in 2024.

2. Has a site location been selected, or will this be part of the design process?

A preliminary site has been located. Please see the master plan.

3. Does the college have a construction manager?

Yes, River City Construction is the college's construction manager.

4. Are submitting AEs expected to include construction services and architectural/engineering services?

Submitting teams are not expected to include construction services.

5. Are you currently looking for only architectural qualifications at this time, or do you need the qualifications of a full consultant team?

Please provide team qualifications that apply to the scope of services listed in the RFQ.

6. What consultant are you anticipating in the RFQ? Basic assumptions would be structural, MEP, civil and landscape. But, are you interested in food service, AV/IT, lighting, etc.?

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7. Would the college retain a sports facilities consultant to assist with specifying sporting equipment, playing surfaces, and scoreboards and offering guidance on facilities operations?

The winning firm would subcontract these services if unable to complete them independently.

8. Should technology and A/V design be included in the AE team's design?

Yes, please include it in the design.

9. Is geotechnical engineering required by the AE team, or will the college contract that service separately?

Geotechnical engineering should be included in the RFQ.

10. Can you confirm more specifically what is required for environmental studies?

Please include environmental studies that are important to the successful completion of the Charger Center.



- 11. Please confirm if the owner will procure a full environmental impact assessment (if required), a property survey and a soil/geotechnical report separately from the RFQ.**

The winning firm would subcontract an environmental assessment if unable to complete it independently.

- 12. The RFQ references the AE team's efforts to use MBE, WBE, VBE and/or PBE sub-consultants. Does the college have any specific M/W/V/PBE percentage participation goals?**

In alignment with the state of Illinois' goal, Sandburg aims to award 20% of total contracts to businesses certified through the Business Enterprise Program (BEP). Contracts awarded during the construction of the Charger Center support meeting the total percentage goal.

- 13. What information related to professional affiliations? A list of affiliations for the firm or the project team member specifically?**

Primarily from the firm, a combination of firm and team members affiliations is preferred.

- 14. The AE team is asked to provide safety information such as EMR, TRIO and OSHA reports. Are these items required for the AE, and if so, are they just for the prime or the entire AE team?**

Sandburg would like safety documents from all firms. If the documents are unavailable, please explain in the RFQ.

- 15. The RFQ asks the AE to describe how we would engage local contractors and workers to maximize the use of labor forces from Sandburg's district. Please confirm the college's desire for the AE to respond to this request.**

Please include how you would engage local contractors or workers if you subcontracted parts of the work.

- 16. Is there an anticipated budget for the project?**

No.

- 17. Is there a funding process that needs to be accounted for?**

Sandburg must follow regulations set forth by the state of Illinois.

- 18. Are there budget details or previous programming documents for the Charger Center? For instance, is there a master site plan graphic drawing that can be shared to illustrate preliminary, preferred locations of project components?**

There are no budget details or previous programming documents for the Charger Center. Please see the master plan for the preliminary location.

- 19. Is the design team responsible for preparing of the full detailed cost estimate, or is it the responsibility of the construction manager or another third party?**



The design team is expected to prepare a detailed cost estimate for the proposal. The selected firm will work with the college and construction manager on the final budget costs.

20. Please clarify the scope of the 53,000 SF outdoor athletic space. Are the outdoor field spaces meant to be designed for competition level, or are they seen as being for recreation/practice?

The outdoor athletic space is to be designed for competition and practice.

21. What is the anticipated timeframe for this project from design to occupancy?

Ideally, Sandburg would like the project completed within two years.

22. The college's website link for the RFQ includes additional items like a bid form, non-collusion affidavit and vendor certification. Are these forms required to be completed in our response to the RFQ?

The forms were placed on the website in error and have been removed.

23. The college provides an electronic and hard copy option for responding to the RFQ. Does the college's desire to have both styles of submissions, or is one format sufficient?

Submission in one format is sufficient.