

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
CHIMNEY ROCK VILLAGE
FLOOD RECOVERY SUPPORT**

December 12, 2024

Between September 25th and 27th, 2024, Chimney Rock Village was severely impacted by flooding caused by Hurricane Helene, causing tremendous damage to municipal facilities, infrastructure, businesses, and residences. During that 3-day period over 16 inches of rainfall was recorded in Rutherford County, specifically the western areas of Lake Lure and Chimney Rock Village. As the community transitions from response to recovery, our aim is to build towards a stronger and more resilient future.

Chimney Rock Village is requesting proposals from qualified engineering firms to assist the Village with defining recovery activities and coordinate with State and Federal partners to prioritize recovery projects and maximize federal funding. The project will be divided into phases with Phase 1 including assessing municipal infrastructure and operations damages, determining necessary repairs and associated costs, and identifying mitigation opportunities. The selected firm may also be requested to assist the Village with the design of one or more of the identified recovery projects under Phase 2 which will include design, permitting, and construction administration services. It is anticipated that Phase 2 tasks will be more fully defined at the completion of Phase 1.

Interested firms should submit a Statement of Qualifications to:

Stephen G. Duncan
Village Administrator
Chimney Rock Village
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Chimney Rock, NC 28720
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828-777-5718

For consideration five copies of the response to this request must be submitted to the Village Administrator by the close of business at (5pm) on December 19, 2024.

At a minimum, all proposals should include the following information:

1. Firm experience on similar flood recovery projects. The proposal should include a description and contact person for projects similar in size and scope to this one.
2. Qualifications of the employees who will be assigned to the project. The project manager and other key team members should be clearly identified. If sub consultants are to be used for any portion of the work, they also should be identified, and their qualifications included.
3. Proof of licensure to provide engineering services in the State of NC.
4. A project schedule for the estimated duration of the engineering work with key dates for presentations and deliverables shown.
5. A brief description of the project approach to be used by the firm should be included.
6. Firms past work experience with State and Federal grants and any associated compliance and financial administration. ***Specific experience with dealing with federal procurement guidelines under 2 C.F.R. §200.317-326 is desired.***

Chimney Rock Village reserves the right to select the firm that best meets its needs for this project and to negotiate a final scope of work that reflects the work to be completed.

REQUIRED SCOPE OF WORK

A. MEETINGS WITH FEDERAL, STATE AND VILLAGE STAFF

The consultant shall attend a project kickoff meeting with federal, state and Village staff to discuss the overall approach to the design effort. Coordination with the FEMA and the North Carolina Department of Public Safety (NCDPS) will be crucial for this effort. The consultant shall attend meetings with federal and state agencies throughout the project, provide guidance to the Village on agency policy and procedures and advise on project development and mitigation opportunities. The consultant shall also coordinate with relevant agencies from whom approvals and permits are required to implement projects such as Pre-Construction Notification Permits, Erosion and Sediment Control Plans, etc.

PHASE 1

B. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Preparation of Site Inspection Reports including Damage Description and Dimensions, development of the Scope of Work, and collection of the necessary supporting documentation for each project, in compliance with FEMA requirements. Preparation of Hazard Mitigation Proposals and necessary supporting documentation for each identified project, when warranted, in compliance with FEMA requirements. Identification of alternate or additional funding opportunities outside of FEMA's Public Assistance Program, for establishing more resilient facilities.

PHASE 2

C. DESIGN SERVICES

Preparation of Preliminary Engineering Reports and Environmental Reports that may be required based on funding agencies determined above. Preparation of civil site design, construction plans, permit applications, specifications and bid documents, advertisements for bids, receipt and review of bids and bonds, consultation with Village leadership concerning the selection of contractor(s), and construction contract documents. Geotechnical, Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing, and Structural Engineering

and Architectural support services as required to support the projects determined above.

D. CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The consultant must include services for construction management of the project through final checklist and certification that the project is complete. This shall include monthly progress meetings and on-site inspection services to be provided by the consultant during the term of construction.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The successful firm, as selected by the Village will be expected to execute a contractual agreement with the Village to provide the herein described professional services. Statements received will be reviewed and further information may be solicited from the firms demonstrating the most-qualified credentials. For further information regarding this project, please contact Mr. Steve Duncan, Village Administrator, at tevierides@aol.com.

Questions regarding selection or submittal requirements may be directed to Mr. Stephen Duncan. Statements of Qualifications should be delivered to Chimney Rock Village, or mailed to same, attention Village Administrator.

The Deadline for submission is 5:00 pm on November 25, 2024.

The Village will negotiate with the firm that is determined to be most qualified to complete all phases of the project. Failure to reach a contract agreement will result in the termination of negotiations with the selected firm, and reopening negotiations with the second-ranking firm. Proposing firms are solely responsible for the cost of preparing qualifications and for the cost of negotiations. The Village will not reimburse for any cost incurred prior to execution of a professional services contract.