



INFORMAL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI) #4394

Safety Element Update - Fullerton General Plan

Purpose

The City of Fullerton (City) is seeking proposals from qualified consultants to perform professional services to update the Safety Element of the General Plan and comply with the State law. The purpose of the Safety Element is to establish a framework that anticipates these hazards and prepares the community to minimize exposure to these risks. The Safety Element conveys the City's goals, policies, and actions to minimize the hazards to safety in and around Fullerton. It identifies the natural and human-caused hazards that affect existing and future development, describes present and expected future conditions, and sets policies and standards for improved public safety. This includes efforts to minimize physical harm to the buildings and infrastructure in and around Fullerton to reduce damage to local economic systems, community services, and ecosystems. Some degree of risk is inevitable because the potential for many disasters cannot be eliminated completely, and the ability to predict such disasters is limited.

The Safety Element serves the following functions:

- Develops a framework by which safety considerations are introduced into the land use planning process.
- Facilitates the identification and mitigation of hazards for new development, and thus strengthens existing codes, project review, and permitting processes.
- Presents policies directed at identifying and reducing hazards in existing development.
- Strengthens earthquake, flood, dam inundation, and wildland fire preparedness planning and post-disaster reconstruction policies.
- Identifies how natural and climate-related hazards are likely to increase in frequency and intensity in the future and provides policies to increase community resilience through preparedness and adaptation.

The Safety Element addresses the topic of public health and safety following state requirements, as presented in Section 65302(g) of the California Government Code. State law requires that the Safety Element contains background information and policies to address multiple natural hazards, analyze the vulnerabilities from climate change and contain policies to improve climate change resilience, and assess residential areas with evacuation constraints. The public safety issues in Fullerton include emergency preparedness and response, flood and inundation hazards, seismic and geologic hazards, fire hazards, hazardous waste and materials, as well as other climate-related hazards, such as drought, extreme heat, and severe weather.

The Safety Element identifies goals and policies for each of these hazards. The policies in the Safety Element are intended to be specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal. These policies are carried out by corresponding implementation measures which are actions, procedures, programs, or techniques.

Procurement Process

The City would like to solicit and engage such services through an informal bid process. The informal bid process requires three written quotes from competitive providers for the services outlined above.

Technical Specifications and Requirements

The City seeks proposals which can demonstrate the following qualifications:

- Demonstrated ability of proposer to have adequate staff, equipment, technical, and financial resources for performance or can obtain such resources that are required.
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience of the proposer to meet work schedule time frames and deliverables.
- Demonstrated experience of the proposer with projects that are similar in nature with a satisfactory performance record.
- Be an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Proposals should demonstrate an implementation plan with the following:

- Proposer's understanding of the Project.
- Proposer's approach to Project implementation.
- Proposer's estimated implementation timeline.
- References of past experience with similar organizations.
- A total cost breakdown and reasonableness of fees.

Submission Process and Guidelines

Please submit all requested information **electronically by Wednesday, June 2, 2023 by 5:00 pm PST** to:

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Should you have any questions, please contact Chris Schaefer our Planning Manager, at Chris.Schaefer@cityoffullerton.com or at (714) 738-6884.

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