

1. *If known, when is this project expected to go to bid for contractors and what is the expected start date for construction?*

As indicated in the RFQ, we intend to solicit a standard design for all future fire stations. We anticipate the RFP for the first fire station construction with the new plans will be posted in the first quarter of 2026.

2. *Tab 2, Section A.1 of the RFQ states that the Project Manager must have an "active certification in a project management related philosophy (e.g., PMP, ITIL)". In our experience as an architectural firm, these certifications are more commonly held by project managers from dedicated project management firms. Our architectural project managers typically hold certifications such as Registered Architect, LEED, or Fitwel. Could you please clarify if the certifications listed in the RFQ are a mandatory requirement for the architectural design project manager?*

We will accept Registered Architect, LEED, or Fitwel certifications in lieu of the Project Manager Certification outlined in Tab 2, Section A.1.

3. *The description for Tab 3, "Project Management Plan and Implementation Schedule," reads as a type of response typically provided to a Project Management Firm. We can provide our detailed design approach along with suggested durations for the design phases. Will this level of detail be sufficient to fulfill the requirements of this section?*

Yes, a detailed design approach along with the suggested durations for the design phase will be sufficient to fulfill the requirements of this section.

4. *Will WCSO directly contract with 911Consult, Inc for this project?*

Yes, Walton County is currently utilizing 911 Consult, Inc as a Consultant for this RFQ 2025-001 and the Fire Station construction project(s) that will result from the plans obtained from RFQ 2025-001.

- 5. While reviewing RFQ 2025-001, we noticed that the Submittal Checklist on page 21 references a bid opening date of September 18, 2025, whereas Section 3.2 of the Schedule of Events identifies the submittal deadline as September 25, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. CST. Could you please confirm the correct due date and time for submission?**

The correct date for the submittal deadline (and time of the Submitted Qualifications opening) is September 25, 2025, at 2:00 PM CST.