



CITY OF BOULDER, COLORADO
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

RFQ NO. 35-2009
Valmont Bike Park Trail Contractor



REISSUE DATE: July 27, 2009

DUE DATE: 4:00 PM, August 7, 2009

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CONTRACTOR SERVICES
VALMONT BIKE PARK**

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The City of Boulder is seeking contractors to provide construction services for a new purpose built off-road cycling facility at Valmont City Park. The City will establish a list of pre-qualified contractors that best meet the City's objectives related to the specific topic of bike park and bike trail construction services. Pre-qualified general contractors wishing to bid on the overall park construction package will be required to select bike park specialists from the established pre-qualified list.

This RFQ is the second attempt to solicit qualified contractors. Previous submissions will be considered for this submittal unless otherwise directed.

In accordance with the specifications of the RFQ, sealed proposals will be received at the Parks and Recreation Department until 4 P.M. Mountain Time, August 7, 2009. Late proposals will not be considered.

A copy of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) may be obtained from the city's web site at: www.bouldercolorado.gov/purchasing

Sealed proposals shall be plainly marked 'RFQ No. 35-2009, Valmont Bike Park Contractor, 4 P.M., Aug. 7, 2009.

Please provide **three** printed copies along with a CD of the proposal. Proposals can be delivered to:

Mike Lamb- Project Manager
City of Boulder- Parks and Recreation
3198 Broadway, Boulder
Boulder, Colorado 80302

Qualifications shall be prepared at the bidder's expense and becomes a city record and therefore a public record.

The services upon which proposals are submitted shall equal or exceed the specifications outlined in the RFQ. Preference is hereby given to labor, materials, supplies or provisions produced, manufactured or grown in Colorado, quality and price being equal to articles or services offered by competitors outside the State of Colorado.

City of Boulder, Colorado
A Municipal Corporation

By: _____
For the Director of Finance and Record
Ex-officio City Clerk

PART I: General RFP Information

PROJECT SCOPE

The "Bike Park" is a key element of Valmont City Park Phase 1. The intent is to provide a purpose-built, innovative facility for multiple types of off-road bicycling. The design of the bike park is currently underway by a team that includes bike-park and trail experts, landscape architects, civil engineers and other relevant specialists. The design process is anticipated to be complete in late summer of 2009. Construction is projected to begin in fall of 2009.

The bike park project includes:

Trail System

The park will include an approximately 4-mile system of interconnected trails with a variety of styles and terrain. The trail system will include designated routes for beginner, intermediate, and expert riders and will be built to international guidelines for sustainability, as well as for cyclocross and mountain bike racing. A "Learning Loop" will provide a specific place for beginning skill development. Most or all the trails will require specified imported surfacing to improve durability and wet-weather performance. Final trail alignment, flow, and field-fitting will be required. Trails will be highly sculpted and shaped to provide excitement and challenge, with dramatic rollers, berms, turns, features, alternate lines, passing lanes, armoring, intersections, chokes, boulders and enhanced terrain.

Terrain Parks

There are several distinct terrain parks for technical gravity riding integrated into the larger park design. Each area includes natural and man-made features to provide progression for the participants. The man-made features will be built of concrete, wood, rock, metal (possibly combined) engineered structures and permanently affixing those structures with concrete footings. Fine grading/shaping, field fitting and test-riding of features will be required. Terrain park elements include: a beginner/intermediate pump track, an advanced pump track, a dirt jump zone, a dual slalom race course and several downhill "slope style" trails with berms, jumps and man-made obstacles. Most or all the trails will require specified imported surfacing.

Technical Trail Features

Technical features will be scattered along appropriate trails and in terrain parks throughout the park to add challenge and interest. These may take many different forms, ranging from existing natural features, to enhanced natural terrain, to innovative-engineered structures. Technical features will be provided for a range of skill levels and will be designed and fabricated for a high level of strength and durability. Examples include jumps, berms, armoring, boulder causeways, rock gardens, balance beams, log rides, wall rides, sand pits, cyclocross hurdles and staircases, and other skill features. The man-made features will be built of concrete, wood, rock, metal (possibly combined) engineered structures and permanently affixing those structures with concrete footings. Fine grading/shaping, field fitting and test-riding of features will be required.

Site Plans

Preliminary site plans, trail plans, trail details, and preliminary terrain features can be found on the city's web site at: www.valmontcitypark.org

RFQ REQUIREMENTS

Contractor Requirements

The prime bike trail contractor must meet the following requirements. Contractors not possessing the minimum qualifications will not be considered.

- 1) Contractor must have demonstrable, recent and relevant experience constructing large, destination-quality bike parks/trails.
- 2) Strong preference will be given to contractor(s) that are members of the Professional Trailbuilders Association (PTBA).
- 3) Contractors will be required to be licensed and bonded contractors. It is currently anticipated that work on the park will begin in October 2009.
- 4) Demonstrate positive experience working with a General Contractor. The bike trail contractor will be operating as a subcontractor to the General Contractor and must be able to coordinate their portion of the park project work with the overall park work.
- 5) The bike trail contractor may be a single firm or a contracting team. The bike trail contractor or team must be able to complete all aspects of the bike trails portion of the project including but not limited to the construction and installation of trails, terrain, features and structures. Construction teams' areas of responsibility must be clearly defined.

Evaluation Criteria

The City of Boulder is seeking successful, experienced trail and bike park contractors with a history of delivering on-time and on-budget products. The following criteria will be used to evaluate the applicants.

Understanding of project:	Up to 10 points
Project approach:	Up to 10 points
Previous experience on similar projects:	Up to 50 points
Skill level of team:	Up to 20 points
Capacity to execute project:	Up to 10 points

High scoring applicants will be considered qualified for the project.

RFQ SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Qualifications – Prime

- 1) A cover letter that introduces your contracting team, provides your contact information, confirms that all statements made within the application are true, and states that you have legal authority to represent your firm.
- 2) A statement of project understanding.
- 3) Your general approach to executing the work required of the project. Include a description of the specific bike park and trail construction services your company provides. Specifically describe how you intend to structure your work effort to deliver a quality product given the scope of the project and the integration necessary with other site development.
- 4) A description of how your previous experience prepares you to construct a project such as the Valmont Bike Park.
- 5) A list of key personnel, including yourself if applicable, who will be assigned to the project. For each person list their:
 - a) Position on the project;
 - b) Years in current position with your firm;
 - c) Years of experience building bike parks;
 - d) Years of experience building trails;
 - e) Relevant skills;
 - f) Applicable training; and, if applicable,
 - g) Types of equipment operated and approximate hours experience for each.
- 6) A list of owned/leased equipment with a value of over \$500.
- 7) Information for at least three (3) previous mountain bike park and/or trail construction projects your company has completed in the last five (5) years, including:
 - a) Project name
 - b) Location
 - c) Project description
 - d) Work performed
 - e) Methods employed to generate product (e.g. construction methods, materials, etc.)
 - f) Project duration (mo/yr)
 - g) Contract amount
 - h) Client (Name, organization, address, phone number, and email address)
 - i) Photos of construction and/or images of planning/design documents (optional)

Qualifications – Subcontractors

- 1) For each subcontractor proposed as part of your team, provide the following information:
 - a) Firm name;
 - b) Contact name and information (phone number and email address); and

- c) A one paragraph company description
 - d) Description of the area of responsibility on team of each team member
- 2) Information for at least three (3) previous mountain bike park and/or trail construction projects that each of your subcontractors has completed in the last five (5) years, including:
- a) Project name
 - b) Location
 - c) Project description
 - d) Work performed
 - e) Methods employed to generate product (e.g. construction methods, materials, etc.)
 - f) Project duration (mo/yr)
 - g) Contract amount
 - h) Client (Name, organization, address, phone number, and email address)
 - i) Photos of construction and/or images of planning/design documents (optional)
- 3) List projects, possibly including those noted above, that your company and the subcontractors on your team have successfully executed in the past.

PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE

TENTATIVE SELECTION SCHEDULE

RFQ issuedJuly 27, 2009
 RFQs due to city.....August 7, 2009
 Contractors notified.....August 14, 2009

PROJECT CONTACT INFORMATION

Upon release of this RFQ, all consultant communications concerning the overall RFQ should be directed to the contact listed below. Unauthorized contact regarding this RFQ with other city employees may result in disqualification. Any oral communications will be considered unofficial and non-binding on the city. Consultants should rely only on written statements issued by the Project Manager.

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