

The City of La Feria (La Feria/City) requests the submission of qualification statements, which may lead to the possible award of a contract(s) to provide engineering services for projects involving various needs for La Feria, such as drought resiliency improvements, water supply improvements, water treatment and distribution improvements, wastewater treatment and collection improvements, stormwater drainage system improvements, and potential system studies and master planning.

Project(s) could potentially be funded through grant or loan funding obtained from various federal or state agencies, such as the Texas Water Development Board, US Bureau of Reclamation, US Department of Agriculture, or other alternative funding sources. There are a number of special provisions for this funding that engineers, by submitting a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ), acknowledge understanding, including the following: A contract could be contingent upon release of funds from a federal and/or state funding agencies. Contract or contracts awarded under this RFQ are expected to potentially be funded in part by financial assistance from the federal and/or state funding agency. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this RFQ or any resulting contract. RFQs are issued in accordance with Section 2254 of the Texas Government Code (Professional Services Act).

The contract(s) that may be awarded through this RFQ could potentially be subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program, which includes EPA-approved fair share goals toward procurement of Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) businesses.

Equal Opportunity in Employment – All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or handicap. The engineer shall carry out applicable requirements of 40 CFR Part 33 in the award and administration of contracts awarded as required under funding agreements specifics. Failure by the engineer to carry out these requirements is a material breach, which may result in the termination of the awarded financial assistance.

La Feria is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. Small, minority, and women-owned business enterprises are encouraged to submit RFQs.

The engineer is expected to negotiate an agreement for services that is acceptable to La Feria.

Submittal Deadline: Three (3) copies of the qualifications statement must be filed with the City by 4:00 p.m. on July 21, 2025, office located at address 115 E Commercial Ave, La Feria, Texas 78559, to the attention of Frank Rios, City Manager.

Minimum Qualifications and Selection Criteria: La Feria will evaluate the statements to determine which firm has the best qualifications for the City's needs. Applicants are preferred to have extensive experience with programs offered by relevant funding agencies. Applicants are preferred to have a substantial regional presence to ensure familiarity with the region.