



CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Department: Public Property

**RFP Title: DESIGN BUILD (D-B) SERVICES FOR PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX ROOF
INFRASTRUCTURE RENOVATIONS**

Opening Date: 09/23/2024

Addendum #: 4

Issue Date: 09/18/2024

The purpose of this addendum is:

to answer bidder questions. See attached word file.



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Public Safety Complex Roof Infrastructure Renovations – Addendum 3

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1. Part Two – Item 1 states, “An estimated Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) based upon the documents within this Request for Proposal.

Said Guaranteed Maximum Price shall be an estimate with value engineering performed by the Contractor and Rowse Architects to achieve the Owner’s budget.”

- Are bidders required to work with Rowse Architects on this solicitation?
- If not, then is Rowse Architects providing consultation services for the City of Providence such as scope narratives, feasibility reports, etc.?
- If the second item is true, then can these documents and findings (scope narratives, feasibility reports, etc.) be made available to the potential bidders?

A: The reference to Rowse Architects is a mistake, carried over from a different project. No architect has been hired on this job already, the only City consultant we are asking firms to work with is Solect Energy on the PV array.

2. Addendum 2, Question 1: Is Solect Energy including a Structural Engineer PE in the State of RI in their scope to confirm that the structural loads (gravity, uplift, seismic, etc - ALL applicable loads) of the PV solar array are acceptable within the original construction design of the structural system without modification, AND assuming increased insulation loads of this project? Further, are they designing any and all mounting and/or ballast systems for the PV array? We assume our team only needs to include structural engineering to the extent of understanding current wind load conditions for the proper roof attachment/fastening of the proposed system. Please confirm if otherwise.
 - a. From Solect: “Yes, Solect will be getting a stamped assessment letter from a Structural PE. The assessment will be restricted to evaluating the roof’s ability to support the PV system. The structural assessment will require a site visit by the structural engineer and plans for the existing roof build (and any proposed modifications) ahead of the site visit. Solect will also work with the PV system’s racking manufacturer for a mounting/ballast design that will be within load limits defined in the Structural PE’s assessment letter.”