**STATE OF MAINE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**RFP AMENDMENT # 1 AND**

**RFP SUBMITTED QUESTIONS & ANSWERS SUMMARY**

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| **RFP NUMBER AND TITLE:** | 202407129 – 2024 Exterior Painting of the Blaine House |
| **RFP ISSUED BY:** | DAFS, Bureau of General Services |
| **SUBMITTED QUESTIONS DUE DATE:** | July 17, 2024 |
| **AMENDMENT AND QUESTION & ANSWER SUMMARY ISSUED:** | July 22, 2024 |
| **PROPOSAL DUE DATE:** | August 5, 2024 no later than 11:59 p.m. local time ***(as amended)*** |
| **PROPOSALS DUE TO:** | [Proposals@maine.gov](mailto:Proposals@maine.gov) |
| **Unless specifically addressed below, all other provisions and clauses of the RFP remain unchanged.** | |
| **DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES IN RFP:**   1. A Bidder’s Conference will be held. 2. The proposal due date is amended. | |
| **REVISED LANGUAGE IN RFP:**   1. The Department will sponsor a Bidders’ Conference concerning the RFP on July 26, 2024 at 11:00 AM.   Bidders attending should park their vehicle and meet on foot at Chamberlain Street vehicle gate entrance to the Blaine House. Press the call button and Blaine House staff will meet those attending the walkthrough.  The purpose of the Bidders’ Conference is to answer and/or field questions, clarify for potential Bidders any aspect of the RFP requirements that may be necessary and provide supplemental information to assist potential Bidders in submitting responses to the RFP. Although attendance at the Bidders’ Conference is not mandatory, it is strongly encouraged that interested Bidders attend.   1. All references to the proposal submission deadline of July 30, 2024 no later than 11:59 p.m. local time are amended to **August 5, 2024 no later than 11:59 p.m. local time.** | |

**Provided below are submitted written questions received and the Department’s answer.**

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| **1** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| Part II – B – Page 7 | Under the Prime/repaint section it states - use of an oil-based topcoat – two coats. Sherwin-Williams Duration is not an oil-based product. Confirming that the specification is for 1 coat of oil-based primer and 2 coats of Duration Flat Superwhite. |
| **Answer** | |
| Correct. | |

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| **2** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| Part II – B – Page 7 | Under the Prime/repaint section it states – Use of an oil-based primer. Will we be applying a full coat of oil-based primer? Or is this calling to spot prime bare areas of the siding or trim where previous coatings have been removed. |
| **Answer** | |
| The application of a full coat of primer is required for this project. | |

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| **3** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
|  | What is the procedure for bidders to gain access to the job site during the bidding process to evaluate the scope of work in-person? |
| **Answer** | |
| Please see Amendment #1 above. | |

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| **4** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
|  | Are the Cupolas and Chimneys to be included in the scope of work? |
| **Answer** | |
| No. | |

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| **5** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| Part II (B)(1)(a)(iv) | Referring to the Official RFP, “Repair/ replace damaged wood siding and trim in kind (for bid purposes assume 100SF). Any nails used to install new trim or siding must be stainless steel.” There are several types of trims, siding, etc,, are we to assume 100 sq ft of each? Type of exiting trim? |
| **Answer** | |
| It is very important to match in kind. The 100 SF is for everything and just a base level for purposes of submitting the proposal in response to the RFP. | |

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| **6** | **RFP Section & Page Number** | **Question** |
| Part II (B)(1)(a)(iii) | Referring to the Official RFP, Part II (B)(1)(a)(iii) “(NOTE: there is the possibility of lead paint).” Is Lead paint testing part of this scope of work or should we assume all of the existing paint is lead-based. This will require more estimated time to properly and safety remediate with it being an occupied building. |
| **Answer** | |
| It will be the Contractor’s responsibility to verify lead paint. Estimated time for this should be included in the Bidder’s Work Plan submitted as part of the proposal (See Part IV, Section III, 2. of the RFP). | |