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TO: Potential Respondents

RE: **BOND COUNSEL POOL RFQ: Addendum No. 3**

DATE: September 16, 2019

Please find below Addendum No. 3 to the above-referenced Request for Qualifications, which is hereby incorporated to the above-referenced project.

ADDENDUM NO. 3

This Addendum No. 3 is incorporated into the Request for Qualifications as follows:

1. **ANSWERS** the following **question(s)**:

QUESTION:

- a) On page 1 of the RFQ it states: "All Law Firms wishing to participate in any capacity as approved Bond Counsel to the City of Atlanta must submit their written Qualification pursuant to this RFQ, for approval as set forth in this RFQ. Is there any specific information requested for firms who are submitting to serve as disclosure counsel in addition to Bond Counsel?"

RESPONSE:

The current RFQ is only for consideration as bond counsel.

QUESTION:

- b) Is the City currently bound by any contract that prevents the City from utilizing members of the Bond Counsel Pool, who are not a party to such contract, as disclosure counsel for an issuance?

RESPONSE:

No.

QUESTION:

- c) Does the discussion of “Engagement Letter” on page 1 of the RFQ mean that once a firm is approved to be part of the City’s Bond Counsel Pool, as a result of the firm’s submission in response to this RFQ, the firm will immediately be asked to execute an Engagement Letter.

RESPONSE:

No. An engagement letter will be issued by the City Attorney when a firm is selected as bond counsel for a specific transaction.

QUESTION:

- d) Do you anticipate hiring special tax counsel and tax counsel and special disclosure counsel and disclosure counsel for an issuance? If so, what will be the distinctions between special tax counsel and tax counsel as well as special disclosure counsel and disclosure counsel?

RESPONSE:

The City generally utilizes tax counsel from the firm that serves as bond counsel and plans to continue that process. The City uses disclosure counsel on an ongoing basis to manage primary and secondary market disclosures pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 and its internal processes related to such disclosures.

QUESTION:

- e) On page 6 of the RFQ, it states: “Each section must be separately paginated and no unused pages in one section can be used in another.” Does this mean that the proposal should not be numbered consecutively.

RESPONSE:

Yes.

QUESTION:

- f) On page 11 of the RFQ, there is a reference to a three page limit for an “Illegal Immigration Reform and Enforcement Act Affidavit”. Please advise on what is required to be responsive to this section, as there does not appear to be a form attached or question related to this topic in the “Organization of Proposal” section of the RFQ.

RESPONSE:

Please see Addendum 2.

All other pertinent information concerning the Request for Proposals, including the date, time and manner of submission, remains unchanged.