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## **RFQu No. 24-001 for Comprehensive Vulnerability Assessment Addendum #1**

### **Question 1.** Regarding 1.4 Qualifications of Proposers

b) The Consultants shall have been continuously engaged in the business of providing Professional Services of developing Comprehensive Vulnerability Assessments to local governments for at least five (5) years.

We understand that the Florida Resilient Program and VA's do not go as far back as 5-years, is the Town resolute on a Prime respondent being able to show VA experience that dates back to 2019?

**Response:** The prime must show experience in professional services related to the development of a Comprehensive Vulnerability Assessment. If a consultant's experience can illustrate the necessary level of expertise, the exception to the five-year minimum can be overlooked.

### **Question 2.** The Acquire Background Data task references the following:

"Sea level rise projection data shall include the 2017 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) intermediate-high and intermediate-low projections (or the projection(s) required by Section 380.093, F.S.) for 2040 and 2070 (or the planning horizons selected in consultation with the Department in the "Identify Vulnerability Assessment Data Standards" task) at a minimum."

However, the scope of work does not make any mention of the Identify Vulnerability Assessment Data Standards task. Please clarify.

**Response:** The task related to the identification of the Vulnerability Assessment Data Standards was performed by Town staff in conjunction with the established Vulnerability Assessment Steering Committee. The proposed data standards include the following:

- a. All analyses performed in North American Vertical Datum of 1988.
- b. Includes at least two (2) local sea level rise scenarios, which must include the 2017 NOAA intermediate-low and intermediate-low and intermediate-high sea level rise projections.
- c. Includes at least two planning horizons, which must include years 2040 and 2070.

- d. Utilizes local sea level data that has been interpolated between the two (2) closest NOAA tide gauges.
- e. Local, publicly available, sea level data was taken from one of the two closest NOAA tide gauges, which must be the gauge with the highest mean sea level.

**Question 3.** Is it mandatory to provide at least one **municipality** similar in complexity and vulnerability to the Town as a reference?

Response: Proposers can provide references from municipalities and counties with equal or more complexity and vulnerability but not less.

**Question 4.** Is it mandatory to have experience in providing professional services for developing comprehensive vulnerability assessments for **local governments**, or are we allowed to include experience with private sectors?

Response: Section 1.4 (a) of the RFQu addresses your question: *“have successfully provided services similar in magnitude to those specified in the Scope of Services section of this RFQu to at least one municipality...”* Proposers can also include additional private sector clients in responses.