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Request for Qualifications: Banking Services

Letters of Interest due by: August 23, 2019 at 5 p.m.

Inquiries and proposals should be directed to:
accounting@trinityparkconservancy.org



Organizational Overview & Introduction:

Trinity Park Conservancy (“Conservancy”) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the stewardship of Dallas’ largest public green space, the 10,000 acres of the Trinity River. Believing that the Trinity River is the natural gathering place for all Dallas residents, the Conservancy is committed to bringing people together to share their ideas, learn more about ecology, history, and the potential of the Trinity River, and to create a public space with equitable access for all Dallas residents to this natural treasure.

First organized as the Trinity Trust Foundation in 2004, the Conservancy has raised more than \$115 million in private philanthropy for projects that support the recreational use, community and economic development, and environmental stewardship of the Trinity River Corridor. The Conservancy reorganized in 2017, expanding its purpose to include the design and construction of public space along the river, and to support economic development in communities along the Corridor.

The Conservancy is overseen by its Board of Directors, many of whom have led transformative projects in Dallas. In May 2018, the Conservancy entered into a Development Agreement with the Trinity River Corridor Local Government Corporation (“LGC”) in a private-public partnership to design, construct, operate and maintain the Phase I Premises known as Harold Simmons Park (“Park”).

The Park is located between the Ronald Kirk Pedestrian Bridge and the Margaret McDermott Bridge and has been shaped by thousands of citizens who have participated in planning forums and conversations. Connecting Downtown, West Dallas, and Oak Cliff, the Park’s \$200 million investment will encompass 210 acres and almost one mile of river, with 3+ million visitors anticipated annually. Design is underway and the construction is slated to begin in late 2020 and opening in Summer 2022.

As such a transformative project takes shape, financial capacity and nimbleness must positively contribute to the project’s success, and thusly, the Conservancy is issuing this Banking Request for Letters of Interest and Qualifications (“RFQ”). The objective of the Banking RFQ is to solicit letters of interest and qualify potential banking partners to respond to a subsequent, robust Request for Proposals (“RFP”).

Invitation to respond to the RFP will be given to banking organizations who can meet the minimum qualifications as determined by submitting a letter of interest.

Minimum Qualifications:

Financial Institutions submitting letters of interest to this RFQ must meet the following minimum qualifications:



- Willing to demonstrate that the institution has been in good standing with its financial regulator;
- Must be insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC);
- Must be able to initiate and receive wire transfers;
- Must be able to initiate and receive Automated Clearing House (ACH) transactions;
- Must be sufficiently capitalized to accommodate the Conservancy's cash management needs;
- Must be able to demonstrate community impact projects either within a 2-mile radius of Harold Simmons Park or impactful projects benefiting Dallas communities through affordable housing initiatives, small business lending, and/or community / neighborhood initiatives.

Letter of Interest Submissions:

Letters of Interest should be no more than 3-pages and generally address the minimum qualifications. The letter should also include the following:

- Name of Financial Institution
- Contact Person
- Title
- Mailing Address
- Telephone Number
- E-mail Address

Email Letters of Interest to accounting@trinityparkconservancy.org by 5 p.m. on August 23, 2019.

Qualified respondents will be notified within one week and provided a copy of the Request for Proposals for response.



Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Statement

Submission of a Letter of Interest and Qualifications and/or Response to a Request for Proposals shall indicate acceptance by the Respondent of the following terms:

1. **Confidential Information.** In connection with this Agreement, Banking Respondent may be furnished with, or have access to, Confidential Information. For purposes of this Agreement, “Confidential Information” shall include but not be limited to, financial records and/or information for Trinity Park Conservancy (“Conservancy”), investment records and/or information for the Conservancy, business records and/or information for/about Conservancy. Unless the context requires otherwise, the term “Confidential Information” shall include the information as well as the originals of materials that include or embody information within the definition of Confidential Information, any copies thereof, compilations thereof, any notes derived from any such materials, and any derivative work of any such materials. Confidential Information includes information currently in the hands of Conservancy and all other information qualifying as Confidential Information hereunder that comes into Conservancy’s hands during the term that Banking Respondent is drafting a response and/or providing services for Conservancy. All terms of this Statement, including, without limitation, provisions relating to Submissions, are hereby designated as Confidential Information. “Confidential Information” does not include information that: (a) is generally available to the public when received by Respondent; or (b) becomes generally available to the public as authorized by the Conservancy.
2. **Non-Disclosure Obligations of Banking Respondent.** In consideration for the Banking RFQ/RFP by Conservancy to provide Banking Respondent with Confidential Information, Banking Respondent hereby agrees that it will hold and maintain the Confidential Information in strictest confidence for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Conservancy. Banking Respondent shall not, directly or indirectly, disclose Confidential Information to any third party or use Confidential Information for any purpose at any time other than for the direct benefit of the Conservancy. Banking Respondent shall not, without prior written approval of Conservancy, use for Banking Respondent’s own benefit, publish, copy, or otherwise disclose to others, or permit the use by others for their benefit or to the detriment of the Conservancy, any Confidential Information. Banking Respondent shall not transmit, transfer, share, or otherwise disclose any Confidential Information at any time in any format, including, but not limited to, hard copy or digital formats, or through photographs, video, texts, tweets, posts, shares, or uploads, without the prior written approval of the Conservancy.