



MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Board

From: Aimee Lee, Deputy of Transportation

Date: May 28, 2024

Subject: Authorization to enter into a contract with Nearmap US, Inc. as a result of RFP 300, for Aerial Imagery for a term up to 24-months with three, one-year optional renewals, in an amount not to exceed \$223,300

Action Requested: Approval

Purpose

Through this solicitation, CMAP is seeking one (1) vendor from which to license online web-based software and associated high-resolution aerial photography to support urban planning initiatives.

Background

The selected vendor will be responsible for providing both up-to-date imagery, collected throughout the contract period, and archival aerial imagery covering the Chicago Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA), consisting of the Illinois Counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will, the DeKalb County Townships of Somonauk and Sandwich, and the Grundy County Township of Aux Sable.

Procurement process

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was circulated and posted on the CMAP website, CMAP hosted a non-mandatory virtual pre-bid meeting to provide an overview of and answer vendor questions.

The key dates were as follows:

RFP Advertisement/Release	May 8, 2024
Pre-bid Meeting (optional)	May 15, 2024 at 9:00 AM Central Time
Deadline for Questions	May 17, 2024, by 3:00 PM Central Time
Submittal deadline	May 22, 2024, by 3:00 PM Central Time
Anticipated Award Recommendation	May 29, 2024

There were five (5) attendees that joined the pre-bid meeting, representing three (3) unique vendors and CMAP received two (2) proposals.

Proposals were reviewed by CMAP staff, who scored each proposal independently based on the evaluation criteria included in **Attachment 1**.

Following consideration of the proposals, the review panel determined that interviews were not necessary.

Evaluation

The evaluation panel used the information from the process above to assess and score the submittals. The evaluation scores are included in **Attachment 2** and the assessment of the proposers was as follows:

Eagleview Technologies. The submission from this proposer exhibited several weaknesses, most notably the lack of full archive images for the region. The vendor also noted that its process left gaps in imagery, though “egregious” gaps would be reflowed. The vendor requested to change the terms of extending the contract terms to local government, effectively gutting the proposal.

Nearmap US, Inc. The submission from this proposer represents a superior approach, with fewer contingencies, full image archives going back several years, and high-quality data. The vendor was amenable to extending the availability of the images to local governments and select non-profit organizations representing Councils of Mayors.

Recommendation for contractor selection

Following consideration of the proposals, the evaluation panel determined that Nearmap US, Inc. represented the strongest overall submittal based on the evaluation criteria.

The evaluation panel recommends entering into a contract with Nearmap US, Inc. for a term of up to 24-months, with three one-year renewal options in an amount not to exceed \$203,000, being the price proposal rounded to the nearest thousand. The board authorization request includes an additional 10% increase for a total authorization of \$223,300.

Attachment 1: Evaluation criteria

Attachment 2: Evaluation scores

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