

REQUESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS/PROPOSALS

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, et seq., the Borough of Carteret is hereby requesting proposals through a fair and open process for the award of a contract for the following “Professional Services”:

Special Litigation Counsel

The Borough is seeking special legal counsel with extensive civil/criminal trial experience in successful, complex litigation to initiate legal action against the Township of Woodbridge and the Middlesex County Utilities Authority, and potential realted parties, regarding their intentional interference with the Borough’s contractual relations with current and future utility users, and other recommended causes and courses of action.

You are hereby requested to submit a proposal to provide the respective professional services which provides the Mayor and Council with information to evaluate your firm with regard to the following factors:

- A) Experience and reputation in the field.
- B) Knowledge of the subject matter.
- C) Availability to attend all required meetings.
- D) Availability of personnel, facilities, equipment and other resources to provide such services.
- E) Qualifications and experience of personnel and organization including a list and status of major projects.
- F) Any other factors your firm wishes the Mayor and Council to consider in evaluating the firm’s ability to perform the respective professional services requested by the Borough.

Please submit one (1) digital copy.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23c, addenda may be issued for proposals.

It is the sole responsibility of the person submitting the bid to be knowledgeable of all addenda related to this procurement. If bidders obtain a Bid/RFP/RFQ from the website, it is the responsibility of the person submitting the bid to check prior to the bid opening to see if addenda have been issued. Copies of addenda or notice of the same will be made available on the Borough website - www.carteret.net

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL TO THE BOROUGH’S LAW DIRECTOR AT BERGENR@CARTERET.NET ON OR BEFORE TUESDAY MAY 20, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M. AT WHICH TIME THEY WILL BE OPENED AND READ ALOUD BY THE LAW DIRECTOR OR HIS DESIGNEE. QUALIFICATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED AND DETERMINATION MADE THEREAFTER BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL FOR APPOINTMENT, AND/OR AWARD, OF A QUALIFIED CANDIDATE TO SERVE IN SAID CAPACITY FOR THE BOROUGH OF CARTERET.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27-1 et seq., Affirmative Action requirements, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51

Please be advised that all proposals shall be evaluated by the Borough Council on the basis of that which is the most advantageous to the Borough, taking into consideration the above factors. Please be further advised that the Borough reserves the right to reject all of the proposals submitted. The Borough Council reserves the right to reject any or all proposals in whole or in part and to waive such informalities as may be permitted by law.

Posted: May 9, 2025