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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
RFP 25 (2022-06)
Design-Build Services for Greenhouse Retrofit Project**

Proposals are invited from qualified Proponents that are capable of providing the services to assess, design, supply and construct the Greenhouse Retrofit Project and all other work defined in this RFP.

The Proposal package includes Instructions, Background, Project Description, Proposal requirements, and Forms. Quoted prices shall remain in effect for a period of ninety (90) days from the Proposal due date.

Proponent's Site Meeting:

All Proponent's are encouraged to attend a site meeting to familiarize themselves with the Project and ascertain the full extent of the Work required. The site meeting will take place on 2022-06-07, at 9:30 a.m. local standard time at
Administrative Building
361A Old Finch Ave,
Toronto, ON M1B 5K7.

Proponent's should acknowledge by email their intent to attend the site meeting, no later than (2022-06-06 at 12:00 p.m. local standard time). Complete the Envoy online COVID Screening questionnaire on the day of the prescribed site meeting. The screening online iPad equipment is located in the Administrative building. Proponent's attending the site should follow current COVID guidelines such as masking and social distancing.

Due Date: Thursday, 2022-06-16 1200 hours (noon) local time

The Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or to accept any proposal, should it deem such an action to be in its interests.

For any questions concerning the contract terms and conditions of this RFP, please contact, Peter Vasilopoulos, Supervisor, Purchasing & Supply, at 416-392-5916, pvasilopoulos@torontozoo.ca.

Deadline for written questions is Thursday, 2022-06-09

Yours truly,

Shaneela Jivraj
Controller

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Review and complete the RFP requirements and enclosed FORMS and return by due date and time, **Thursday, 2022-06-16, 1200 hours (noon) local time**
2. Submission – Temporary process - In view of the current situation with COVID 19 and to limit personal interaction, on a temporary basis submissions for this Request for Proposal can be submitted

electronically by email in a PDF file, prior to the submission deadline to the following email address

bids@torontozoo.ca

and note the following:

- a. Subject of the file to be: RFP# - Title of RFP – Vendor name.
- b. Amendments to a Proposal may be submitted via the same methods, at any time prior to the Closing Time.
- c. It is the Supplier's sole responsibility to ensure its Bid is received by the Submission Deadline in accordance with the requirements of this RFP. The receipt of Bids can be delayed due to a number of factors including "internet traffic", file transfer size and transmission speed. The Supplier should allow sufficient time to download, complete and upload, as applicable, the submission forms comprising its Bid and any attachments.

A Bid will only be considered to be submitted once it has been received by the Toronto Zoo. The time of such receipt is reflected by the time received stamped by the Toronto Zoo's email application

3. The person(s) authorized to sign on behalf of the Proponent and to bind the Proponent to statements made in response to this Request for Proposal must sign the proposal.
4. All copies of all pages of the Proposal should be printed in duplex (i.e. on both sides of the pages) where possible and 11 point font.
5. All proposals will be irrevocable for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the proposal deadline.
6. Pricing should be in Canadian dollars.
7. Quote discounts or quantity price breaks separately on FORMS.

8. **Joint Venture Bids**

A Supplier may be a private legal entity or any combination of such entities in the form of a joint venture (Joint Venture) under an existing agreement or with the intent to enter into such an agreement as supported by a letter of intent. In the case of a Joint Venture, all members shall be jointly and severally liable for the execution of the entire contract if selected by the Toronto Zoo. The Joint Venture shall nominate a representative who shall have the authority

to conduct all business on behalf of all members of the Joint Venture during the procurement process and for the execution and performance of any resulting contract.

9. Award

Where an agreement in principle has been reached, Toronto Zoo will prepare a Form of Contract for execution by the party's containing the mutually acceptable terms of agreement.

Upon fully executing an Agreement the City will provide in writing a notice of Award along with a copy of the executed contract for the Proponents records.

10. The Toronto Zoo and the successful Proponent will enter into a services agreement based on the CCDC 14 – 2013 Design-Build Stipulated Price Contract with Supplementary Conditions as required, together which will be provided to the successful Proponent / Contractor once the project contract has been awarded.

11. Provide references of at least three (3) clients for whom your company has performed similar work. References must include client company name, contact name, address and e-mail address

Toronto Zoo, in its sole discretion, may confirm the Proponent's experience and or ability described in its Proposal by checking the Proponent's references. The provision of the references by the Proponent is deemed to be consent to such confirmation/contact with the references.

Toronto Zoo reserves the right to revisit the Proponent's scores in the rated requirements based on information learned during reference checks, should they reveal that there is inconsistency between the Proponent's answers to the rated requirements and the results of the reference checks.

12. For any questions concerning the contract terms and conditions of this RFP, please contact, Peter Vasilopoulos, Supervisor, Purchasing & Supply, at 416-392-5916, pvasilopoulos@torontozoo.ca.

1.0 DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 The following definitions will apply to this Request for Proposal and to any subsequent Contract:
- 1.1.1 “**Board**” means the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo;
 - 1.1.2 “**Consultant**” means the person, partnership or corporation contracting with the Board to provide the required Services;
 - 1.1.3 “**Contract Price**” means the price payable under the contract to the Consultant, being the Proposal Price eventually accepted by the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo subject to any changes pursuant to the Contract Requirements;
 - 1.1.4 “**Form of Contract**” is the CCDC 14 – 2013 contract modified by supplemental conditions, which will be signed by the Successful Proponent
 - 1.1.5 “**Preferred Respondent**”: means the respondent deemed by the Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo to have the highest ranked assessment of its response according to the process set out herein;
 - 1.1.6 “**Proponent**” means an individual or company that submits or intends to submit, a proposal in response to this Request for Proposal;
 - 1.1.7 “**Proposal Price**”, “**Contract**” and “**Contract Documents**” have the meanings set out therefore in clauses contained in these documents;
 - 1.1.8 “**Request for Proposal (RFP)**” means the RFP document in its entirety, inclusive of any addenda that may be issued by the Toronto Zoo;
 - 1.1.9 “**Services**” or “**Work**” means everything that is necessary to be performed, furnished delivered by the Consultant to meet the Consultant’s obligation under this Contract;
 - 1.1.10 “**Selection Committee**” means a committee of designated Toronto Zoo staff created to oversee the project.

2.0 BACKGROUND & PROJECT OVERVIEW

2.1 BACKGROUND

The Toronto Zoo opened August 15, 1974 Home to more than 4,000 animals and 300 exhibits representing the world's biomes, the Zoo is situated on over 500 acres of land in the picturesque Rouge Valley. The Zoo attracts approximately 1.3 million visitors annually.

The Toronto Zoo's mission is to connect people, animals and conservation science to fight extinction and our vision is a world where wildlife and wild spaces thrive. An iconic tourist attraction and Conservation organization, the Toronto Zoo boasts a number of leading programs for helping wildlife and their natural habitats – from species reintroduction to reproductive research. A world-class educational centre for people of all ages, the Toronto Zoo is accredited by Canada's Accredited Zoos and Aquariums (CAZA) and the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA). The Zoo has also achieved the Canadian Council on Animal Care (CCAC) Certificate of Good Animal Practice® and is inspected by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA).

2.2 OVERVIEW

The Greenhouse Retrofit project will revitalize the greenhouses to provide year-round access and viewing for Zoo guests. Currently, only 1 of the 3 greenhouses is available to guests, while the other 2 are not. The retrofit will provide Zoo guests with access to all 3 greenhouses including full accessibility, and significant guest/community engagement opportunities.

3.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION & SCOPE

The purpose of this R.F.P. is to retain qualified services specializing in greenhouse design and construction, in order to perform a complete review and assessment of the site including existing structures, mechanical, electrical and plumbing components, flooring and drainage as well as all supporting equipment, infrastructure and amenities required to support the design phase.

The successful Proponent should be supported by relevant professional disciplines such as, civil engineering, electrical, plumbing, HVAC etc., to undertake all aspects of assessment, design development, and construction of the Greenhouse Retrofit Project. Attachment 1 shows the proposed greenhouse retrofit area.

3.1 Design Considerations

The following design considerations should be considered and incorporated where appropriate:

- New barrier free, 4 season entrance/exit vestibules
- New concrete flooring with proper drainage
- Upgrades to mechanical, electrical and plumbing components
- New lighting
- New horticulture tables
- Hydroponic and water conservation technology
- Guest circulation enhancements and amenities (i.e. benches etc.)
- Controlled access in a portion of the greenhouse for rare plants
- Educational and interpretative signage

The total design-build budget for this project is not to exceed \$650,000 inclusive of HST. Upon successful selection of the Proponent, the assessment and design is expected to be undertaken immediately and proceed as fast as possible. Construction is anticipated to begin August (as this is when the majority of greenhouse plants are out on site). The greenhouse is broken into 3 sections and phased approach to construction should be considered. Construction must be completed by December 1, 2022.

The following background information is available and will be provided to the successful proponent upon award of the Contract:

- As-built drawings
- Site servicing and infrastructure mapping
- Preliminary conceptual plan

3.2 Obligation to Examine RFP and Investigate

- a. Each Proponent shall, before submitting its proposal: thoroughly examine all of the RFP Documents;
 - I. make independent judgment as to the circumstances and conditions affecting the business opportunity and its proposal;
 - II. thoroughly examine and assess the requirements and specifications set out in the RFP;
 - III. and inform itself of all relevant laws, rules, notices, directives, standards, orders and regulations, licensing and permit requirements and other circumstances that may affect its proposal.

- b. Failure on the part of a Proponent to examine and investigate thoroughly shall not be grounds for any claim that Proponent did not understand the conditions of the RFP. Submission of a proposal constitutes a representation by the Proponent that it is familiar with and accepts all of the foregoing.

4.0 SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

The successful Proponent will be required to complete all services and deliverables necessary for the Toronto Zoo to implement the Greenhouse Retrofit project. The successful Proponent will be responsible for delivering the following:

4.1 General Project Administration

- 4.1.1. Upon award of the contract, the selected firm will enter into an agreement for the provision of engineering and construction services generally in the form of contract using a Canadian Standard Construction Document CCDC 14-2013, for Design-Build Stipulated Price Contract and the Supplementary General Conditions incorporating the terms and conditions of the Request for Proposal and the proponent proposal.
- 4.1.2. The Design-Build Contractor is required to provide a schedule that clearly indicates the design, permitting process, construction and close-out timelines as well as other milestones that are indicated below:
 - Design Development;
 - Owner Approvals;
 - Permitting Submission;
 - Permitting Approvals;
 - Demolition;
 - Concrete Formwork and Finishing;
 - Building Envelope;
 - Building Finishes;
 - Owner Training;
 - Building Occupancy;
 - Health Inspection;
 - Owner's Occupancy / Substantial Completion; and
 - As-built submission and administration Close-Out.
- 4.1.3. Attend regular project meetings including providing meeting agendas and the recording of all meeting minutes. Meeting minutes are to be submitted within three (3) business days for review and approval. Upon approval minutes are to be distributed by the successful proponent to meeting participants, affected parties not in attendance, Consultants and the Zoo.
- 4.1.4. Successful proponent to ensure notification of sub-consultants, names and phone numbers etc. for site access security purposes during design. Successful proponent and sub-consultants to attend a project start up meeting with appropriate Zoo staff for site access security purposes.

4.2 Project Orientation and Initiation

- 4.2.1. Attend project initiation meeting with Zoo Staff for clarification of project objectives, scope of work, information transfer, timelines and process steps.

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- 4.2.2. Provide an updated detailed schedule of work for review that clearly indicates milestones along with schedule updates as required throughout the life of the Project.
 - 4.2.3. Review all relevant background information as available provided by the Zoo. This may include previous concepts or designs, project history, photos, as-built drawings, reports, etc.
 - 4.2.4. Verify and analyze all existing information related to the site and identify opportunities, constraints and issues that require clarification or assessment work before start of concept and detailed design.
 - 4.2.5. Identify and undertake all necessary site investigations required to support the design. The successful proponent will be required to obtain three (3) quotes for review by Zoo staff. The Zoo will cover the costs to undertake the required site investigations and should not be included in your fee proposal.
 - 4.2.6. Analyze and make recommendations for completed site investigations/studies. Submit all draft reports for review and approval prior to submitting final reports.
 - 4.2.7. Identify any permitting requirements for the successful completion of the project.

4.3 Conceptual Design

- 4.3.1. Develop program options appropriate for the service level, area context and inventory, and site parameters.
- 4.3.2. Provide all aspects of the conceptual design work including drawings, sketches, precedent photos, presentation materials and graphics.
- 4.3.3. Prepare a conceptual drawing of the site considering and incorporating all major project components and input from stakeholders.
- 4.3.4. Prepare information for preliminary cost estimates and materials list for conceptual designs.
- 4.3.5. Revise the conceptual design and generate preliminary cost estimate based on feedback and guidance received from the Zoo and other stakeholders.
- 4.3.6. Meet to update Zoo and other stakeholders to refine preferred conceptual design, materials lists and construction cost estimate.
- 4.3.7. Prepare information as needed for reports to Zoo Management to seek endorsement/approval of the preferred conceptual design and to proceed to next phase of detail design.
- 4.3.8. Adjust and update conceptual design as required.
- 4.3.9. Obtain approval and sign-off of conceptual design from the Project Manager prior to proceeding to detailed design.

4.4 Detailed Design & Specifications

- 4.4.1. Prepare detailed design drawings and specifications from Zoo site drawings, typical specifications supplied by the Zoo, and from Project team meetings and workshop developments. The following authorities, guidelines and directives, among others, must be considered and developed into designs, as appropriate:
 - Ontario Ministry of Labour – Health & Safety Act
 - City of Toronto Energy Efficiency Guidelines
 - Toronto Green Standards
 - Ontario Building Code
 - Accessibility Design Guidelines – City of Toronto
 - Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)
- 4.4.2. Successful Proponent to attend design review meetings with Zoo staff at milestone drawing stages.
- 4.4.3. Prepare materials and quantities list for cost estimates at corresponding design milestones.
- 4.4.4. Prepare construction methodology including access routes and staging areas.
- 4.4.5. Revise the drawings and specifications as instructed, to meet the requirements of the Toronto Zoo.
- 4.4.6. Preparation of final Plans and Specifications including all drawings (Architectural, Structural, Mechanical, Electrical, etc.), renderings, models and photograph reference as necessary for permit and construction.
- 4.4.7. Seek all permits where applicable, and all other approvals from authorities having jurisdiction on behalf of the Zoo, and such work to be considered part of this Scope of Work and to be included in the proposal.
- 4.4.8. Any Building Permit Application fees, and other fees that may be required, will be paid by the Zoo and should not be included in your bid.
- 4.4.9. Review construction schedule for final approval with the Toronto Zoo.

4.5 Construction Services

- 4.5.1. Successful Proponent to supply all labour, tools, materials and equipment to complete the work for the Greenhouse Retrofit project as outlined in the approved construction drawings and specifications.
- 4.5.2. Attend pre-construction meeting. The pre-construction meeting date will be selected by the Project Manager based upon the Zoo's decision for the project to proceed in a timely manner.
- 4.5.3. The Successful Proponent shall ensure that all design and development for this project complies with all requirements of the City of Toronto's Zoning Bylaw and Building Bylaws as well as all other applicable Federal, Provincial and Municipal laws and bylaws.
- 4.5.4. The Successful Proponent will obtain all development and building permits, variances if required, and any other permits and approvals necessary by authorities having

jurisdictions prior to the preconstruction meeting, in order for the project to proceed in a timely manner at that time. Please note any Building Permit Application fees, and other associated fees that may be required, will be paid by the Zoo and should not be included in your fee proposal

- 4.5.5. The Successful Proponent will be responsible to attend all site meetings including all participating consultants, contractors and tradespersons.
- 4.5.6. The Successful Proponent shall record all meeting minutes, including significant proceedings and decisions, identifying 'action by' parties, and will reproduce and distribute copies of minutes within three (3) business days after each meeting and transmit to meeting participant, affected parties not in attendance, Consultants and the Zoo.
- 4.5.7. All work to be completed in accordance with applicable codes (e.g. Building Code, Electrical Code, Fire Code, etc.)
- 4.5.8. Any work must be carefully coordinated with the Zoo to ensure the safety of visitors, staff and the animals.
- 4.5.9. Overhead work shall be performed using appropriate barricades to prevent people from inadvertently walking below the work.
- 4.5.10. Any equipment parked on service roads or public pathways shall be completely surrounded by appropriate barricades to prevent unauthorized personnel from entering the area.
- 4.5.11. Any required barricades shall be supplied and installed by the successful bidder.
- 4.5.12. The successful Proponent shall supply the Zoo with copies of relevant certificates and licences for all workers prior to commencement of work.
- 4.5.13. All measurements to be site verified by successful Proponent
- 4.5.14. Provide proper ventilation for the duration of this work to ensure fumes are not transmitted into other areas of the building.
- 4.5.15. Excess material will be stored on the Toronto Zoo site for future use. Toronto Zoo staff will designate a suitable area for stockpiling of additional material.
- 4.5.16. Protect adjacent areas not included in the project. Any damage caused will be the responsibility of the successful Proponent to rectify at no additional cost to the Zoo.
- 4.5.17. Clean the work area and remove all debris from site on a daily basis and make good any damage caused as a result of the work.
- 4.5.18. Secure the work site and provide construction signs and barriers to prevent injury to Zoo personnel and the public who will require access to the surrounding space during the work.
- 4.5.19. All electric current required for the work shall be provided or furnished by the successful Proponent. All temporary connections for electricity shall be subject to the approval of the Owner. All temporary lines will be furnished, installed,

connected, and maintained by the successful Proponent in a professional manner satisfactory to the Owner and shall be removed by the successful Proponent in like manner upon completion of the work.

- 4.5.20. The Successful Proponent, in consultation with their Sub Consultants, shall review and interpret the results of all reports and testing conducted on this project.
- 4.5.21. The Successful Proponent is responsible for their own Quality Control (QC) and Quality Assurance (QS) and will not allow any features, materials or components to be supplied or, installation work to proceed, until positive test results on the features, materials or components are received, reviewed and accepted by the Zoo.
- 4.5.22. Provide the Zoo with a two (2) year warranty upon completion of the project.
- 4.5.23. Submit all shop drawings for review and approval prior to start of fabrication. Review of shop drawings shall not mean that the Toronto Zoo approves detail design inherent in shop drawings, responsibility for which shall remain with the Contractor submitting same, and such review shall not relieve the Contractor of his responsibility for errors or omissions in shop drawings or of his responsibility for meeting all requirements of the subcontract documents.

4.6 Project Close-out and Commissioning

- 4.8.1. Perform commissioning services for all systems to confirm they are operating as designed. Successful Proponent to attend commissioning and review of equipment with contractor and Toronto Zoo staff.
- 4.8.2. Deficiency review with Zoo staff and correction of deficiencies within one (1) month of total completion.
- 4.8.3. Ensure that all closeout documentation is provided including as-built drawings, maintenance manuals, operating manuals, warranty information etc. as per the contract documents.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The following is a tentative schedule for the Greenhouse Retrofit Project. The final schedule will be developed jointly with the successful proponent in the first week of project execution:

Pre-Award	
Release of RFP	2022-06-02
Site Meeting	2022-06-07, at 9:30 a.m. local standard time. Proponents should acknowledge by email their intent to attend the site meeting no later than 2022-06-06 at 12:00 p.m. local standard time Email: pvasilopoulos@torontozoo.ca ; adignard@torontozoo.ca ;
Proponents' Question Deadline	2022-06-09

Submission Due	2022-06-16
Interviews, if necessary	Week of 2022-06-20
Notification of Award By the Toronto Zoo	Week of 2022-06-20
Post-Award	
Conceptual Design Due	2022-07-11
100% Final Design Due	2022-08-19
Construction Start up	2022-09-12
Construction Completion	2022-12-31

The RFP process and project will be governed according to the above schedule or other schedule provided by the Consultant and approved by the CEO of the Toronto Zoo. Although every attempt will be made to meet all dates listed, the Toronto Zoo reserves the right to modify any or all dates at its sole discretion. Appropriate notice of change will be provided, in writing, as soon as is feasible so that each Proponent will be given the same non-preferential treatment.

6.0 FEE PROPOSAL

- 6.1 The proposal shall specify and state a firm not to exceed price using the attached form, Appendix A, including total fees and expenses (excluding taxes) in order to complete the assignment.
- 6.2 The Consultant shall not perform any Services or Work that would result in an increase in fee payable by the Toronto Zoo without the prior written approval of the Toronto Zoo.
- 6.3 The Consultant shall, even if the rate of payment set forth in the Proposal is based on an hourly rate, daily or other time based rate, perform all of the Services required to complete the deliverables, regardless of the fact that the time spent by the Consultant in performance may exceed the maximum specified therein, and that neither the rate nor any provision of the Proposal shall relieve the Consultant from performing all the Services or reduce its obligations to one of performing only some proportionate or other part of the Services.
- 6.4 The Toronto Zoo is a registered charitable organization (registration #BN 119216398RR0001) and accordingly may be eligible for preferred pricing which should be reflected in the Bid as submitted.

7.0 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORMAT

The following page format and sequence should be followed to provide consistency in the Proponent response and ensure each Proposal receives full consideration.

- 7.0 Title page, showing Request for Proposal number, Proponent's name, telephone number, authorized signature and contact name.
- 7.1 The page letter of introduction, signed by the person or persons authorized to sign on behalf of and bind the Proponent to the statements made on the Proposal.
- 7.2 Table of Contents.
- 7.3 Executive summary.
- 7.4 Duly executed Proposal Form.
- 7.5 Corporate Information.

- 7.6 Detailed experience, background and three (3) similar project opportunities completed within the past five (5) years.
- 7.7 Provide three (3) references including name, address contact person and telephone number from clients with similar projects as outlined in this RFP, do not list the Toronto Zoo as a reference.
- 7.8 Proposed staff team and resources including detailed biographies of team lead and key members outlining their intended roles in meeting the Requirements, and indicating the number of years of experience in the areas directly relating to the scope of works as outlined in section 4.0 and number of years' experience of the individual working within your organization.
- 7.9 Proposed schedule/work plan with key dates and milestones and the accompanying identification of staff and resources that will be assigned to this project and addresses the key deliverables as outlined in section 4.0 within this RFP.
- 7.10 Value Added
- 7.11 Identified conflict of interests in the event if the Proponent's representation of any of its clients could create a conflict of interest should the Proponent provide services to the Toronto Zoo.

8.0 PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

The Proponent is urged to ensure that its Proposal is submitted in the most favourable terms in order to reflect the best possible potential, since less than best potential could result in exclusion of the Proposal from further consideration.

The RFP will not be awarded to the Proposal with the lowest cost, but rather, award shall be based on an evaluation of the Consulting team's expertise, prior project experience, proposed methodology, and price. Additionally, the Zoo may accept or reject any part of the Proponent's bid.

An Evaluation Team comprised of representatives designated by the Zoo will evaluate responses to the RFP.

There are three steps to the pre-defined evaluation process:

- Step 1 – Initial Review of Responses
- Step 2 – Evaluation of Submitted Proposals
- Step 3 – Evaluation of Presentations

Step 1 – Initial Review of Responses

The Zoo will open only those Proposals received by the Proposal Deadline and time specified within this RFP. Immediately upon opening, the Zoo will review each Proposal for compliance with the instructions and conditions applicable to this RFP. The Zoo, at its option, may seek Proponent retraction and clarification of any discrepancy/contradiction found during its review of Proposals.

Step 2 – Detailed Review

Evaluation Point Rating [Threshold Requirements]

Proposals will be assessed on a point rating system, outlined below, with a maximum 80 technical and experience points and a maximum of 20 for proposal fee. This is

used to determine each proponent’s strategic and technical fit to the needs described in the proposal documents. The technical points will be added together with the reference and proposal fee points (outlined below) to determine a final point score out of 100.

Proposals scoring less than a total threshold of 56 (70%) technical and reference points will be considered technically unacceptable. Proposals that meet or exceed the 56 technical point threshold score will have their proposal fee scored.

TECHNICAL AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION	Maximum Points
Understanding of the project scope of work <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate the necessary resources required to successfully complete the project 	10
Relevant qualification and experience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience • Relevant experience is of similar scope and budget • Project team’s relevant qualifications and experience with similar scale and type of projects 	30
Detailed workplan and approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key deliverables are addressed with clear methodology and approach that proponent would take in performing the services outlined within the RFP • Proposed schedule identifying ability to meet project milestones according to schedule of events in section 5.0 within this RFP 	40
THRESHOLD – TECHNICAL AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION	56
TOTAL TECHNICAL AND EXPERIENCE EVALUATION	80

Proposal Fee Evaluation

	PROPOSAL FEE EVALUATION	Maximum Points
	The lowest cost proposal that is qualified to stage two and meets the technical point threshold will receive 20 points. The remaining proposals will be assigned points based upon the following formula: (lowest cost proposal <u>divided by</u> proponent's proposal cost x 20	20
	TOTAL FEE EVALUATION	20

Stage 3– Interview (if required)

Based on the paper submission proposal scoring, high-scoring Proponents may be asked to attend an interview.

Proponent's presentation of proposal and performance, including ability to answer questions	50
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The proposals submitted will be evaluated using the evaluation criteria and will be comprehensively reviewed by the Selection Team. It is the sole discretion of the Toronto Zoo to select its Selection Team and to retain additional members and advisors as deemed necessary.

The Selection Team will select one or more proposals which in its sole opinion:

- a) Meets or exceeds the evaluation criteria, including but not limited, as outlined above;
- b) Has a demonstrated track record of success with similar projects, and
- c) Provides the best value, but may not necessarily be the one(s) offering the lowest fees.

All proposal scores and rankings shall be the property of the Toronto Zoo and will not disclose any of the same during or after the evaluation process. Due to budget and time constraints, the Selection Team will not be able to provide debriefs for unsuccessful proponents. By responding to this RFP, the proponents will be deemed to have agreed that the decision of the Selection Team will be final and binding.

9.0 NEGOTIATIONS AND AWARD

- 9.1 The successful Proponent shall be retained through the issuance of a Purchase Order or a formal agreement in a form prescribed by the Toronto Zoo, which shall include the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal.
- 9.2 The award of any Agreement will be at the absolute discretion of the Toronto Zoo. The selection of the Preferred Proponent will not oblige the Toronto Zoo to negotiate or execute an Agreement with that Preferred Proponent.
- 9.3 The Toronto Zoo shall have the right to negotiate on such matter(s) as it chooses with the Preferred Proponent without obligation to communicate, negotiate or review similar modifications with other Proponents. The Toronto Zoo shall incur no liability to any other Proponent as a result of such negotiation or alternative arrangements.

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- 9.4 During negotiations, the scope of the services may be refined, issues may be prioritized, responsibilities among the Proponent, all staff and sub-consultants provided by it and the Board may be settled and the issues concerning implementation may be clarified.
- 9.5 If any Agreement cannot be negotiated within thirty (30) business days of notification to the Preferred Proponent, the Toronto Zoo may, at its sole discretion, choose to continue negotiations for a period of time, terminate negotiations with that Proponent and negotiate an Agreement with another Proponent or abort the RFP process and not enter into any Agreement with any of the Proponents.

10.0 PROPOSAL TERMS AND PROVISIONS

The successful Proponent shall be retained through a contractual agreement and/or a purchase order, which includes the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal.

10.1 Consultant's Liability and Indemnity

The Consultant will from time to time at all times hereafter well and truly save, defend and keep harmless and fully indemnify the Board, the City of Toronto, and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and each of their officers, employees and agents (hereinafter called the "Toronto Indemnities") of, from and against all manner of action, suits, claims, executions and demands which may be brought against or made upon the Toronto Indemnities or any of them and of, from and against all loss, costs, charges, damages, liens and expenses which may be sustained, incurred or paid by the Toronto Indemnities, their officers, employees and agents or any of them by reason of or on account of or in consequence of the execution of this agreement or provision of the business or any other work or matter to be carried out or performed by the Proponent with respect to the Request for Proposal or any agreement that may result from the request for proposal process, and/or the non-execution or imperfect or improper execution thereof and will pay to the Toronto Indemnities on demand any loss, costs, damages and expenses which may be sustained, incurred or paid by the Toronto Indemnities or any of them in consequence of any such action, suit, claim, lien, execution or demand and any monies paid or payable by the Toronto Indemnities or any of them in settlement or discharge on account thereof.

The Consultant shall be responsible for any and all damages, or claims for damages for injuries or accidents done or caused by his or her employees, or resulting from the prosecution of the Work, or any of their operations, or caused by reason of the existence of location or condition of the works, or of any materials, plant or machinery used thereon or therein, or which may happen by reason thereof, or arising from any failure, neglect or omission on their part, or on the part of any of their employees to do or perform any or all of the several acts or things required to be done by him or them under and by these General Conditions, and covenants and agrees to hold the Board, the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and the City of Toronto, their officers, agents, employees, Consultants and invitees harmless and indemnified for all such damages and claims for damage; and in case of the Consultant's failure, neglect or omission to observe and perform faithfully and strictly, all the provisions of the Work, the CEO may, either with or without notice (except where in these Contract Requirements, notice is specially provided for, and then upon giving the notice therein provided for), take such steps, procure such material, plant trucks and men, and do such work or things as he/she may deem advisable toward carrying out and enforcing the same and any such action by the CEO as he is herein empowered to take, shall not in any way relieve the Consultant or his/her surety from any liability under the Contract.

10.2 Insurance Requirements (at the discretion of the Toronto Zoo)

10.2.1 The Consultant shall effect, maintain and keep in force, at its sole cost and expense and satisfactory to the CEO as to form and substance the insurance described below:

10.2.2 The Consultant shall be required to arrange, pay for and maintain in force at all times at the Consultant's expense such comprehensive policies of insurance as applicable to persons undertaking the Work, including liability and professional liability (errors and omissions) coverage which are to be written in amounts, with

deductible limits and terms that shall be subject to the approval of the Toronto Zoo at all times.

The Consultant shall provide certified copies of such insurance or a certificate(s) of insurance as determined by, and upon request of, the Toronto Zoo. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the comprehensive general liability policy coverage required under the Contract will be Two Million (\$2,000,000) Dollars minimum and the policy shall name the Toronto Zoo and the City of Toronto as insured as if a separate policy had been issued to each and shall include a cross/liability-severability of interest clause.

Standard automobile liability insurance for all owned vehicles with limits of not less than Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence.

- 10.2.3 All policies of insurance required to be taken out by the Consultant shall be placed with insurers licensed to conduct business in the Province of Ontario and shall be subject to the approval of the CEO, acting reasonably.
- 10.2.4 The Consultant shall deliver to the Board evidence of the insurance required prior to the commencement of the agreement, in form and detail satisfactory to the CEO acting reasonably.
- 10.2.5 All insurance policies shall be endorsed to provide a minimum advance written notice of not less than thirty (30) days, in the event of cancellation, termination or reduction in coverage or limits, such notice to be made to the CEO.
- 10.2.6 The provisions of this section shall no way limit the requirements and obligations imposed on the Consultant elsewhere in the Contract, nor relieve the Consultant from compliance therewith and fulfillment thereof.
- 10.2.7 The parties agree that insurance policies may be subject to deductible amounts, which deductible amounts shall be borne by the Contract.

10.3 **Incurred costs**

The Proponent shall bear all costs and expenses with respect to the preparation and submission of its Proposal and the Proponent's participation in the proposal process (the "Proposal Costs"), including but not limited to: all information gathering processes, interviews, preparing responses to questions or requests for clarification from the Board and contract discussions and negotiations.

The Toronto Zoo shall not be responsible for or liable to pay any Proposal Costs of any Proponent regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Proposal Request, Purchase Order process, or Contract process.

- 10.4 The RFP does not constitute an offer or tender by the Toronto Zoo. Receipt of Proposals by the Toronto Zoo pursuant to this RFP or selection or notification confers no rights under any Proposal nor obligates the Toronto Zoo in any manner whatsoever.

10.5 **Liability of Errors**

While the Toronto Zoo has used considerable efforts to ensure an accurate representation of information in this Request for Proposal, the information contained in this Request for Proposal is supplied solely as a guideline for Proponents. The information is not guaranteed or warranted to be accurate by the Toronto Zoo, nor is it necessarily comprehensive or exhaustive. Nothing in this Request for Proposal is intended to relieve Proponents from forming their own opinions and conclusions with respect to the matters addressed in this Request for Proposal.

10.6 Toronto Zoo Rights and Options Reserved:

The Toronto Zoo reserves the right to award the contract to any proponent who will best serve the interest of the Toronto Zoo. The Toronto Zoo reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to exercise the following rights and options with respect to the proposal submission, evaluation and selection process under this RFP:

- (a) To reject any or all proposals.
- (b) To re-issue this RFP at any time prior to award of work.
- (c) To cancel this RFP with or without issuing another RFP.
- (d) To supplement, amend, substitute or otherwise modify this RFP at any time prior to the selection of one or more proponents for negotiation.
- (e) To accept or reject any or all of the items in any proposal and award the work in whole or in part.
- (f) To waive any informality, defect, non-responsiveness and/or deviation from this RFP and its requirements.
- (g) To permit or reject at the Toronto Zoo's sole discretion, amendments (including information inadvertently omitted), modifications, alterations and/or corrections of proposals by some or all of the proponents following proposal submission.
- (h) To request that some or all of the proponents modify proposals based upon the Toronto Zoo's review and evaluation.
- (i) To request additional or clarifying information or more detailed information from any Proponent at any time, before or after proposal submission, including information inadvertently omitted by the proponent.

10.7 Cancellation

Nothing herein shall be construed as giving the Proponent the right to perform the services contemplated under this agreement beyond the time when such services become unsatisfactory to the Toronto Zoo; and in the event that the Proponent shall be discharged before all the services contemplated hereunder have been completed or the services are for any reason terminated, stopped or discontinued because of the inability of the Proponent to serve under this agreement, the Proponent shall be paid only for the portion of the work which shall have been satisfactorily completed at the time of termination.

10.8 Ownership and Confidentiality of Board-Provided Data

All correspondence, documentation and information provided by the Toronto Zoo staff to any bidder or prospective Bidder in connection with, or arising out of this RFP, the services or acceptance of the RFP:

- 9.1.1 is and shall remain the property of the Board;
- 9.1.2 must be treated by Proponents and Prospective Proponents as confidential;
- 9.1.3 must not be used for any purpose other than for replying to this RFP, and for fulfillment of any related subsequent agreement.

10.9 Copyright:

The final product and related materials from the work is to be for the exclusive use of the Toronto Zoo. The Toronto Zoo shall be the only and sole owner of the product and related materials for the sole and unfettered use by the Toronto Zoo. Upon payment of the said product and related materials by the Toronto Zoo, the successful bidder shall have no hold, proprietary claim, ownership, use of any kind, intellectual or otherwise nor shall there be any restrictions placed on the final product and related products by the successful bidder. By submitting a Proposal in this response to this RFP, the Bidder shall thereby acknowledge and agrees that the Toronto Zoo has exclusive ownership and sole and unfettered use of this final product and related products.

10.10 Ownership and Disclosure of Proposal Documentation

The documentation composing any Proposal submitted in response to this RFP, along with all correspondence, documentation and information provided to the Toronto Zoo by any Bidder in connection with, or arising of this RFP, once received by the Toronto Zoo:

- 9.1.4 Shall become property of the Toronto Zoo and may be appended to purchase order issued to the successful Bidder;
- 9.1.5 Shall be come subject to the Municipal *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (“*MFIPPA*”) and may be released pursuant to that Act

Because of *MFIPPA*, prospective Bidders are advised to identify in their Proposal material any scientific, technical, commercial, proprietary or similar confidential information, the disclosure of which could cause them injury.

Each Bidder’s name shall be made public. Proposals will be made available to member of the Board on a confidential basis and may be released to members of the public pursuant to *MFIPPA*.

10.11 Conflict of Interest Statement

In its Proposal, the Proponent must disclose to the Toronto Zoo any potential conflict of interest that might comprise the performance of the Work. If such a conflict of interest does exist, the Toronto Zoo may, at its discretion, refuse to consider the Proposal.

The Proponent must also disclose whether it is aware of any Toronto Zoo employee, member of board, agency or commission or employee thereof having a financial interest in the Proponent and the nature of that interest. If such an interest exists or arises during the evaluation process or the negotiation of the Agreement, the Toronto Zoo may, at its discretion, refuse to consider the Proposal or withhold the awarding of any agreement to the Proponent until the matter is resolved to the Toronto Zoo’s sole satisfaction.

Proponents are cautioned that the acceptance of their Proposal may preclude them from participating as a Proponent in subsequent projects where a conflict of interest may arise. The Consultant(s) for this project may participate in subsequent/other Toronto Zoo projects provided the Consultant(s) has (have) satisfied pre-qualification requirement of the Toronto

Zoo, if any and in the opinion of the Toronto Zoo, no conflict of interest would adversely affect the performance and successful completion of an Agreement by the Consultant(s).

If, during the Proposal evaluation process or the negotiation of the Agreement, the Proponent is retained by another client giving rise to potential conflict of interest, then the Proponent will so inform the Toronto Zoo. If the Toronto Zoo requests, then the Proponent will refuse the new assignment or will take steps as are necessary to remove the conflict of interest concerned.

10.12 No Collusion

A proponent shall not discuss or communicate, directly or indirectly, with any other Proponent or their agent or representative about the preparation of the Proposals, each proponent shall attest by virtue of signing the Proposal Submission Form that its participation in the RFP process is conducted without any collusion or fraud. If the Toronto Zoo discovers there has been a breach of this requirement at any time, the Toronto Zoo reserves the right to disqualify the Proposal or terminate any ensuing Agreement.

10.13 Governing Law

This RFP and any quotation submitted in response to it and the process contemplated by this RFP including any ensuing Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario. Any dispute arising out of this RFP or this RFP process will be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction in the Province of Ontario

11.0 PROPOSAL FORM

The undersigned Proponent **having the authority to bind the Company** and having reviewed and fully understood the RFP and all terms and requirements of the RFP and all terms and conditions of the RFP and information provided, hereby submits the attached Proposal and supporting materials (“the Proposal”) in accordance.

I/We, hereby, have received, allowed for and included as part of our submission all issued Addendum numbered _____.

The Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals or to accept any Proposal, should it deem such action to be in its interests.

By submitting a Proposal the Proponent agrees to all of the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal.

By signing and submitting this proposal, you are agreeing to the release of your proposal information, as deemed necessary by the Board, in order to conduct business associated with this proposal or project.

COMPANY INFORMATION	
Company Name:	
Name of authorized Signing Officer	Title:
Signature:	Date:
Contact Name:	Title:
Address:	
Telephone #:	Fax #:
Email:	Web Site:
HST #:	

DISCOUNT	Discount	Days
Discount allowed for prompt payment and period within which invoice must be paid to qualify.	%	

NOTICE OF NO BID

INSTRUCTIONS:

It is important to the Toronto Zoo to receive a reply from all invited bidders. If you are unable, or do not wish to submit a bid, please complete the following portions of this form. State your reason for not bidding by checking the applicable box(es) or by explaining briefly in the space provided. It is not necessary to return any other Request for Proposal/Quotation/Tender documents or forms. Please complete this form and submit by email to purchasing@torontozoo.ca or by fax or **(416) 392-6711** prior to the official closing date.

A Proposal/Quotation/Tender is not submitted for the following reason(s):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Project/quantity too large.	<input type="checkbox"/> Project/quantity too small.
<input type="checkbox"/> We do not offer services or commodities to these requirements	<input type="checkbox"/> Cannot meet delivery or completion requirement
<input type="checkbox"/> We do not offer this service or commodity.	<input type="checkbox"/> Agreements with other company do not permit us to sell directly.
<input type="checkbox"/> Cannot handle due to present commitments.	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing restrictions
<input type="checkbox"/> Unable to bid competitively.	<input type="checkbox"/> We do not wish to bid on this service or commodity in the future.
<input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient information to prepare quote/proposal/tender	<input type="checkbox"/> Specifications are not sufficiently defined
<input type="checkbox"/> We are unable to meet bonding or insurance requirements.	

<u>Other reasons or additional comments (please explain):</u>

Company Name:	
Address	
Contact Person:	
Signature of Company Representative:	
Date:	
Phone Number:	
Email address	
Fax Number:	

SUBMISSION LABEL (N/A)**INTENTIONALLY BLANK**

APPENDIX A – SCHEDULE OF PRICES

Hourly rates are inclusive of the cost of services, mileage and equipment required to complete the work, including but not limited to applicable taxes, overhead, profit and all other associated bidder expenses, excluding HST.

The quantities provided are estimates only and the Toronto Zoo does NOT guarantee any volume. The Toronto Zoo reserves the right , at its sole discretion, to procure either more or less.

Schedule of Prices

Item No.	Description	Qty	UOM	Lump Price *	Extended Price
1.	Description of services as outlined in Section 4.1 – General Project Administration within this RFP	1	Upset Limit		
2.	Description of services as outlined in Section 4.2 – Project Orientation and Initiation within this RFP	1	Upset Limit		
3.	Description of services as outlined in Section 4.3 – Conceptual Design within this RFP	1	Upset Limit		
4.	Description of services as outlined in Section 4.4 – Detailed Design & Specifications	1	Upset Limit		
5.	Description of services as outlined in Section 4.7 – Construction Services within this RFP	1	Upset Limit		
6.	Description of services as outlined in Section 4.8 – Project Close-out and Commissioning within this RFP	1	Upset Limit		
7.	Disbursements	1	Upset Limit		
Subtotal:					

Supplementary Item Price Schedule

The following are prices for additional Work that may be required as part of the Contract. Such Work and amounts are NOT to be carried forward and therefore are not included in the Total Bid Amount. If used in this Contract as directed by the Contract Administrator, any items included in this Supplementary Unit Price Schedule shall be paid on an as required basis and shall be paid under a change work order.

The Consultant agrees that they are not entitled to any payment under any of these items except for additional Work carried out by the Consultant in accordance with the Contract and as directed by the Contract Administrator.

Item No.	Description of item	UOM	UNIT PRICE *
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1	Project Manager	HOUR		*
2	Project Lead	HOUR		*
3	Clerical Services	HOUR		*
4	Other- Specify	HOUR		

APPENDIX B – LIST OF SUB-CONTRACTOR

The Bidder proposes to sublet the following portions of the Work to the persons firms or corporations indicated. List only one Subcontractor name for each Type of Work category The Bidder is responsible for all pricing with all subcontractors.

The Bidder submits that in proposing the under mentioned subcontractors, the Bidder has consulted each and have ascertained to our completed satisfaction that those names are fully acquainted with the extent and nature of the work and that they will execute their work with the requirements of the contract documents. The employment of Subcontractors other than those listed below will not be permitted without prior authorization from the Toronto Zoo.

The use of “TBD” (To Be Determined) or “TBA” (To Be Announced) or similar wording is not acceptable and may result in the rejection of your Bid.

By clicking here I confirm that there are no Subcontractor(s) and the Bidder shall perform the project with their “**OWN FORCES**”.

Description	Subcontractor #1	Subcontractor #2	Subcontractor #3	Subcontractor #4	Subcontractor #5
Name of Subcontractor					
Discipline/Type of Work					
Contact Person Name					
Contact Person Number					
Contact Person email					

Name of Bidder:	
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APPENDIX C - REFERENCES

Bidders are required to provide at least three references listing Contracts similar to the project described in the Bid Document and undertaken and/or completed within the past five (5) years. The Toronto Zoo reserves the right to check additional references and sources to those supplied by the Bidder.

Company Profile

Category	Description	Specify *
Legal Structure	Year Company Established	
Legal Structure	Joint Venture Corporation Partnership Registered Sole Proprietor or Other	
Key Personnel	Names and Titles of Officers Partners Principal	
Key Personnel	Name and title of key project personnel (e.g. Project Manager Superintendent Foreman etc.)	

References

Project Reference One:			
Client / Company Name:			
Representative for the Client:		Phone No.	
		Email Address:	
Location of Work:			
Nature / Scope of Work:			
Contract Dollar Value:			

Date and Length of Contract:	
Provide the names of Assigned Staff:	

Project Reference Two:			
Client / Company Name:			
Representative for the Client:		Phone No.	
		Email Address:	
Location of Work:			
Nature / Scope of Work:			
Contract Dollar Value:			

Date and Length of Contract:	
Provide the names of Assigned Staff:	

Project Reference Three:			
Client / Company Name:			
Representative for the Client:		Phone No.	
		Email Address:	
Location of Work:			
Nature / Scope of Work:			
Contract Dollar Value:			
Date and Length of Contract:			
Provide the names of Assigned Staff:			

APPENDIX D – ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (AODA)

The Toronto Zoo supports the goals of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA), 2005 and is committed to providing equal treatment and equitable benefits of Toronto Zoo services, programs and facilities in a manner that respects the dignity and independence of people with disabilities.

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Requirements: "Pursuant to Section 6 of Ontario Regulation 429/07 ("Regulation"), Accessibility Standards for Customer Service made under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, the contractor, i.e. successful bidder/proponent, shall ensure that all of its employees, agents, volunteers, or others for whom it is at law responsible, receive training about the provision of the goods and services contemplated herein to persons with disabilities. Such training shall be provided in accordance with Section 6 of the Regulation and shall include, without limitation, a review of the purposes of the Act and the requirements of the Regulation, as well as instruction regarding all matters set out in Section 6 of the Regulation. This training will take approximately twenty minutes and is available on-line at <http://www.mcass.gov.on.ca/mcass/serve-ability/splash.html>

The contractor, i.e. successful bidder/ proponent where requested by the Toronto Zoo shall provide written proof that all employees, agents, volunteers, or others for whom it is at law responsible have been trained as required under the act as well as any documentation regarding training policies, practices and procedures."

APPENDIX E - COVID-19 Proof of Vaccination Requirements

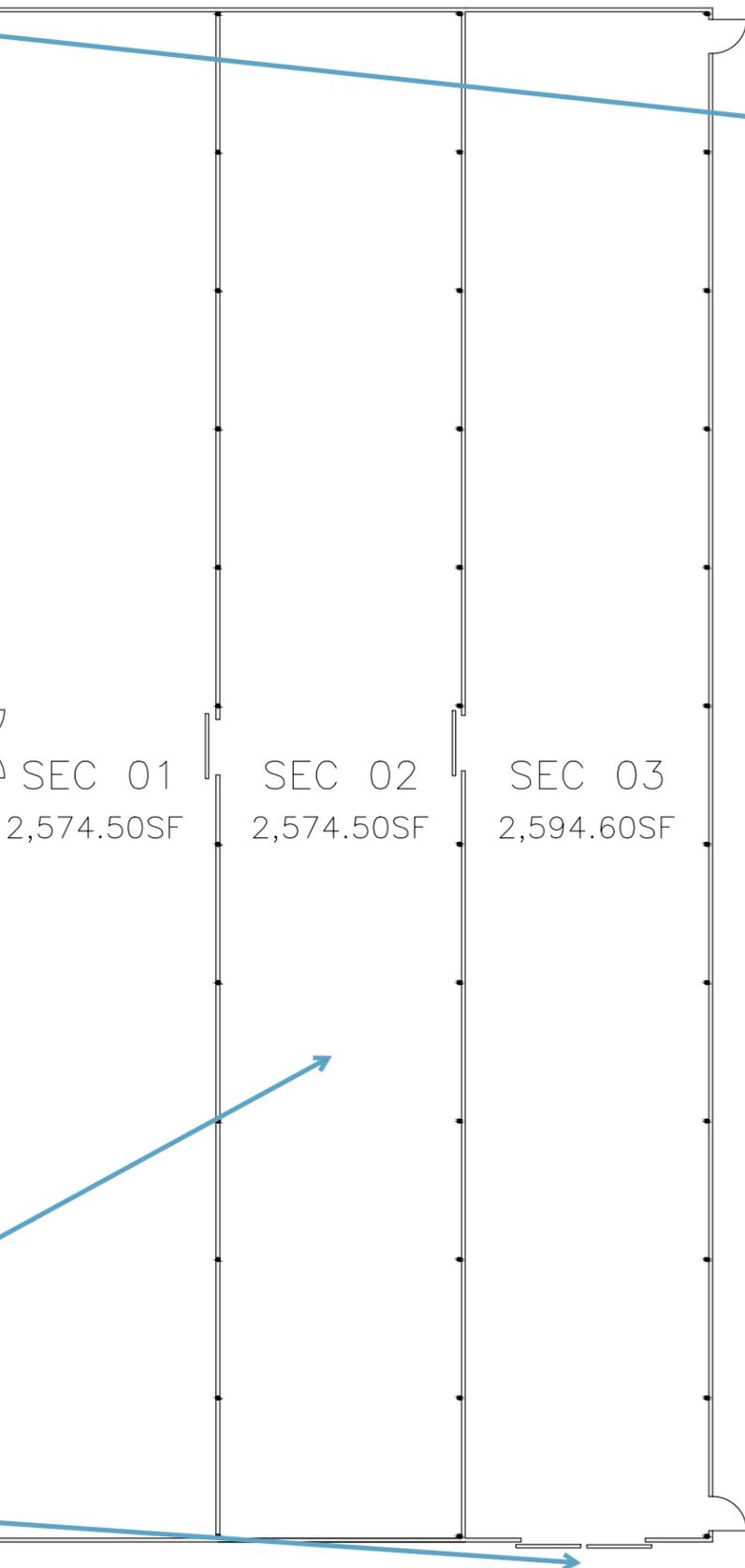
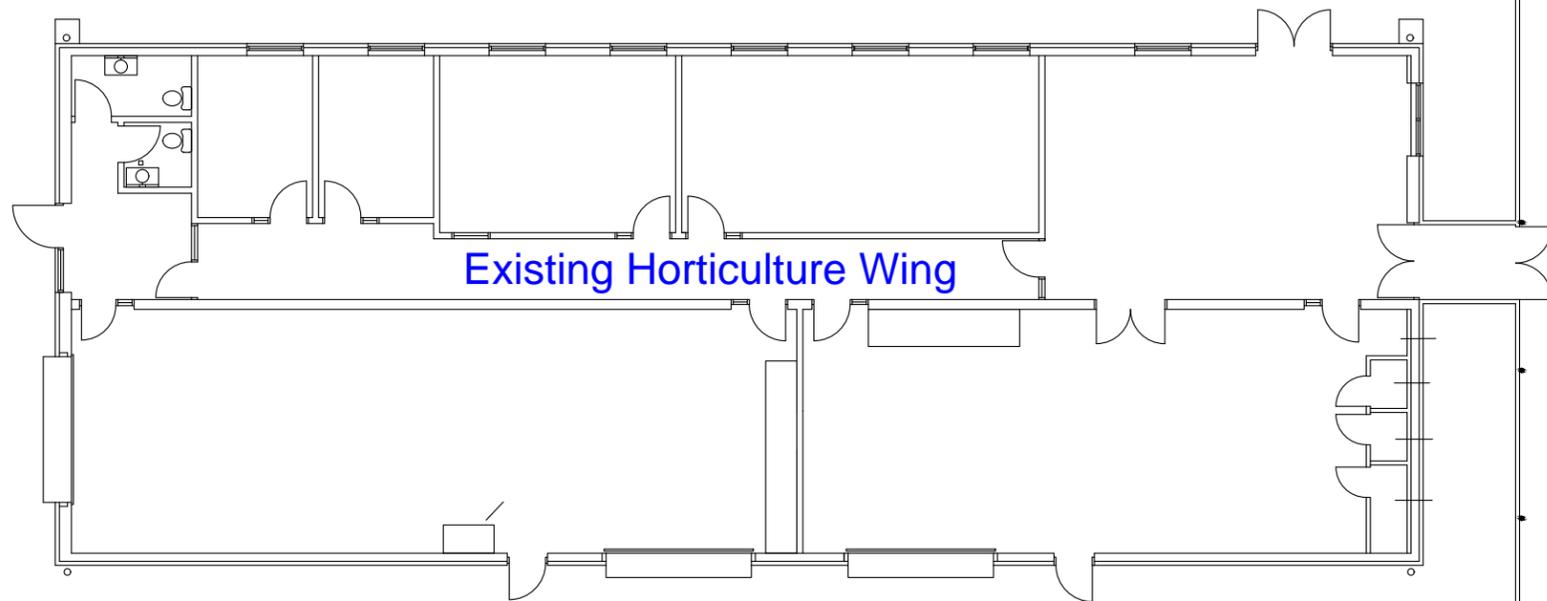
All business visitors, contractors, sub-contractors, service providers, consultants, deliverers and vendors, any of whom may require access to our Zoo property, must be fully vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine. This requirement shall be in addition to any other division-specific policies regarding COVID-19 vaccination or under regulations, legislation or guidelines applicable to them.

I acknowledge and confirm that I shall comply with the above direction, including providing proof of vaccine status as required by the Toronto Zoo.

Name:

I have authority to bind the Business Partner

Title:

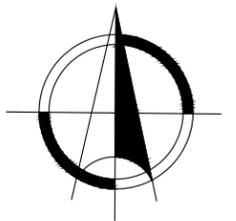


Proposed 4-Season
Entry Vestibule

Existing Horticulture Greenhouse
Proposed Retrofit Area (7,743.60SF)

Proposed 4-Season
Entry Vestibule

TOTAL AREA OF GREENHOUSE: 7,743.60SF



ZOO COMPLEX S.I.C.

HORTICULTURE CENTRE

DATE: 2022-04-05

SCALE: NTS

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