

# REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL TOWNSHIP OF PLAINSBORO

Special Counsel, Tax Appeals

2019

Respond by: 11:00 a.m. – November 14, 2018

Respond to: Carol J. Torres

Township Clerk

Township of Plainsboro 641 Plainsboro Road Plainsboro, NJ 08536

This proposal is being solicited through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq.

#### I. Introduction

Plainsboro Township is seeking professional services to carry out the duties of Special Counsel, Tax Appeals.

## II. Scope of Work

The duties of Special Counsel, Tax Appeals include:

- 1. Prepare defense and handle negotiations of tax appeals.
- 2. Advise Township on ratio matters, including challenges to the state ratio and the usability or non-usability of certain sales.
- 3. Prepare appeals and counter appeals for municipality.
- 4. Advise assessor on assessment issues, including advisability of partial assessments and assessment maintenance.
- 5. Advise assessor on exemption issues, such as partial assessments on incomplete exempt properties.
- 6. Represent Township at County Tax Board.

## III. Contents of Proposal

Interested firms/professionals should provide the following information:

- Summary of general credentials of the firm (if applicable);
- Detailed information on the credentials and qualifications of the individual(s) to be assigned to Plainsboro Township;
- Demonstration of experience in carrying out the duties of Special Counsel, Tax Appeals or related experience;
- References from clients along with a list of past clients;
- Knowledge of and familiarity with Plainsboro Township; past professional experience in working with or for Plainsboro.

Each submittal shall include one (1) original and four (4) copies.

#### IV. Fees and Costs

Interested firms should provide a complete description and itemization of rates. Indicate all consulting titles and classifications and associated hourly billing rates.

#### V. Selection Process

Township staff will review the proposals and make a recommendation to the Township Committee as to the recommended firm/professional. These recommendations will be based on cost and other considerations. Specifically, the proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- A. The general experience and qualifications of the firm/professional;
- B. The experience/qualifications of the firm/professional in providing the services specified or similar services;
- C. The proposed cost of the services;
- D. Knowledge of and familiarity with Plainsboro Township; past professional experience in working with or for Plainsboro.

Interested firms/professionals shall be responsible for the cost of preparing the proposals.

# VI. RESPONSE/INQUIRIES

All submittals should be clearly labeled and forwarded to:

Carol J. Torres Township Clerk Township of Plainsboro 641 Plainsboro Road Plainsboro, NJ 08536

Submittals must be received no later than 11:00 a.m. on November 14, 2018.

All inquiries should be directed to Greg Mayers at (609) 799-0909, extension 1401.