

Town of Exeter, New Hampshire

Request for Proposals (RFP)

The Town of Exeter is requesting proposals to lease an area of land owned by the Town for the development of a solar array.

Proposal should be mailed in an envelope plainly marked “Proposal for the lease of Town of Exeter Property”, and addressed as follows:

**Town of Exeter
Attn: Dave Sharples, Town Planner
10 Front Street
Exeter, NH 03833**

Telephone, facsimile, or e-mail proposals will not be accepted in response to a Request for proposals.

The Town will be accepting proposals until Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 4:00PM.

The Town will hold a site walk on Friday, October 30, 2020 at 10AM. The site walk is optional. Those submitting proposals are encouraged but not required to attend. The site walk will commence at the entrance gate to the site off Cross Rd as shown on the attached map.

The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, or accept any proposal determined to be in the best interest of the Town. The Town may cancel this Request for Proposals at any time for any reason.

Introduction

The Town of Exeter NH currently has land it is interested in offering for long term lease, or other mutually agreeable arrangement, for the development of a solar array. The area consists of approximately eight (8) acres of land off Cross Rd and Kingston Rd (NH RT 111). A map showing the approximate location of the area is attached. The area for lease comes with restrictions as it is a closed landfill. Ideally, there will be minimal impact to land. The parcel containing the lease area is approximately 22.5 acres. The Town also owns the contiguous parcel to the south that is approximately 31.5 acres. The area outside of the landfill is actively used by the Town for activities that include composting, outside material storage, recycling, etc. The proposed solar array cannot interfere with these

Town operations.

Background

- Area –A portion of Tax Map 98 Lot 3 (see attached map). This lot is part of a former landfill that has been capped. The land can be accessed via Cross Rd. Three phase power is available at the south end of Cross Rd and along Kingston Rd. The existing tree line at the site shall not be disturbed.

The Town is offering up this land for a long term lease opportunity or other mutually agreeable arrangement that makes sense, given the restrictions and location.

Submission Requirements & Evaluation Criteria

Parties interested in this area are encouraged to submit proposals outlining the following;

- A description of the Person or Firm interested in the property.
- A list of any similar projects completed by the Person or Firm interested in the property and the outcome.
- Impact to the land - How will the proposed use impact the property and the adjacent Town operations?
- Proposed length of lease and proposed annual lease payment or other proposed arrangement.
- Other anticipated revenue(s) to the Town, if applicable.
- Anticipated schedule for operating on the site.
- Other pertinent information.

The Town will use the above information to evaluate the proposals and determine which proposals are in the best interest of the Town.

Questions - Site Inspections

Contact for questions and/or site inspection requests:

Dave Sharples
10 Front St
Exeter NH 03833
603-773-6114 phone
dsharples@exeternh.gov email

Answers to questions received on or before November 12, 2020 shall be posted on the Town website Bid/RFP's page that can be found at: <https://www.exeternh.gov/rfps>. No questions received November 13, 2020 or later will be answered.