Request for Proposals – City of Clovis General Plan Update Questions and Answers

1 Does De Novo Planning Group conducting the audit provide them with an advantage, or is there a bias towards De Novo by the City?

Response 1 - No, De Novo's role in the audit does not give them an advantage nor does it influence the City's impartiality. The City is eager to consider a broad range of proposals from all interested firms.

2. Did Denovo create a scope of work for the second phase?

Response 2 – No.

3. How successful have traditional versus virtual meetings been?

Response 3 – Attendance at meetings usually varies based on the nature of the project and its level of controversy. Traditional in-person meetings generally see higher attendance compared to virtual ones, and the preference in Clovis leans towards in-person gatherings.

4. Are there any significant projects that the City plans to integrate into this EIR or use as a basis for development?

Response 4 – Yes, while the specifics are not yet fully defined, we are aware of master planned areas that may require updates. Additionally, there is an emerging project outside the Sphere of Influence (SOI) focusing on master planning that integrates land use patterns into the general plan update.

5. Are there any imminent projects like the Active Transportation Plan that relate to the General Plan Update?

Response 5 – The City's Active Transportation Plan was recently updated and adopted. Adjustments to the Parks Master Plan to align with the General Plan is a consideration, and the City will consult with the selected consultant about potentially updating current Specific Plans before finalizing the scope.

6. Will the scope of work include provisions for multilingual outreach?

Response 6 – The City is open to considering multilingual outreach as a scalable task of the project scope, which may be adjusted based on assessed needs and possibly outsourced.

7. Is annexation being considered in this planning process?

Response 7 – The City has a proactive approach to annexation within its sphere. While not currently defined within the scope of the General Plan update, establishing a land use plan that supports future annexation is a goal.

8. Who will the consultant be representing in preparing the Clovis Community Plan update?

Response 8 – The consultant will prepare the Clovis Community Plan update on behalf of the City, with the approval process overseen by the County.

9. Does the General Plan and EIR include the Clovis Community Plan? Who leads the EIR for this effort, and how will it be integrated with the Community Plan?

Response 9 – The City will serve as the lead agency for the EIR, with the County acting as a responsible agency. The EIR will encompass the Clovis Community Plan.

10. Will the County Community Plan area remain unincorporated for the foreseeable future?

Response 10 – The Community Plan aims to ensure alignment between City and County plans. The City has not decided on the timing for the incorporation of these areas.

11. Could you confirm the submission deadline?

Response – The deadline for submissions is April 22, 2024, at 4:00 PM PST.