

**Questions received on the MOHCD 967 Mission Street Request for Proposals (RFP) by
September 10, 2019.**

Questions received at pre-submission conference meeting on September 4, 2019:

1. Question: What uses does zoning permit? What are the utility and water hook ups?
Answer: The site is located in the C-3-S Downtown Support zoning district, which permits the variety of uses found on the blocks surrounding Yerba Buena Gardens. This includes special uses supporting functions such as wholesaling, printing, building services and secondary office spaces. Regarding utility and water hook ups, the selected interim user should assume they will have access to electric hook up but not access to water hook up.
2. Question: The RFP indicates a preference for an interim use that supports SOMA Pilipinas Cultural District goals. Is there a specific goal that the use will need to support?
Answer: No, the proposal will not need to align with a specific goal.
3. Question: When will MOHCD release the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for senior housing.
Answer: At this stage, MOHCD does not have a specific timeline for the RFQ, as MOHCD has not yet identified the funding.
4. Question: Is the City intending to use the site to generate rent revenue, and how does that factor into the selection process?
Answer: The amount of rent is not part of the selection criteria. Proposals should show a proposed rent, but generating revenue is not a goal of activating this site for interim use. MOHCD's goal is to lease the space to an interim user that will be successful.
5. Question: Will being awarded another City-owned site as interim use be a deterrent to an applicant's proposal?
Answer: An applicant interested in multiple sites for interim use would need to show a feasible proposal for each in terms of financial and staffing capacity to be considered for multiple sites.
6. Question: Has the City considered using this site as a navigation center?
Answer: All City-owned sites are considered for this use. 967 Mission Street is a small site so the site is not a high priority candidate for use as a navigation center.
7. Question: If the City receives only one application, does that application win by default?
Answer: No – the City always has the right to cancel an RFP if the City does not receive responses that meet the minimum qualifications or if the respondents do not show they can execute the interim use.
8. Question: Will the panelists reviewing the applications be similar in nature to the panelists of other interim use RFPs? Will there be panelists from other City departments such as the Office of Economic and Workforce Development, for example?

Answer: Yes. While MOHCD cannot identify the members of the panel, it will be similar in composition to selection panels for other interim use RFPs. Panel will include staff from MOHCD, staff from OEWD, a community member, plus other panelists with expertise in the community or the site.

9. Question: If one of the requirements is to align with the goals of SOMA Pilipinas, does that mean there might be a reader from the cultural district?

Answer: There cannot be conflicts of interest between applicants and panelists, so there cannot be a reader from the cultural district.

*Note: MOHCD did not receive questions before or after the pre-submission conference.