

Request for Consultant Qualifications  
**Vison and Master Plan for Lake Springfield**

The City of Springfield, Missouri seeks qualified professionals to prepare a vision and master plan for the redevelopment of Lake Springfield.

Lake Springfield was formed when the James River in southeast Springfield was impounded in conjunction with the construction of a coal-fired power plant for City Utilities of Springfield. Over its 65-year life, the power plant and approximately 1,000 acres around it have served the public well; with the plant being decommissioned, a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity exists for the community to reimagine its future.

The City has received a **one-time grant** (award number 05-79-06149) from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the US Department of Commerce, under the American Rescue Plan Act Economic Adjustment Assistance recovery and resilience program. This grant will fund hydrological and environmental evaluations of the James River and Lake Springfield, and develop, with public engagement conducted by City staff, a plan for the reuse of the power plant, lake, and surrounding acreage. The consultant team will be required to comply with any and all terms and conditions associated with the EDA Federal Assistance Award. The City seeks a highly qualified, comprehensive professional planning team to perform this work under one consultant contract within the grant period ending on or before August 10, 2024.

Highly qualified consultant Team(s) will consist of subject matter experts in areas including, but not limited to, hydrology, dam safety, water resource management, local transportation, brownfields redevelopment, economic vitality, community planning, community recreation, and public engagement. Teams shall demonstrate a track record of planning for innovation, environmental and financial sustainability/resiliency, social equity, and community support. The selected team will be led by a professional with exceptional project management and technical experience in undertaking and delivering studies and plans according to federal agency regulations, timeframes, and funding agreements.

Statements of qualifications (SOQs) will be received in .pdf format until 3:00 PM CDT, Friday, June 3, 2022. SOQs should be concise, yet include a broad overview of prior experience. Profiles of proposed team members with their specific expertise and recent experience should be included. Experience with similar projects is expected, and multiple examples completed by the proposed team members should be included with the submittal. Inquiries about the project, the RFQ and the consultant selection process shall be forwarded to [LakeSGFMasterPlan@springfieldmo.gov](mailto:LakeSGFMasterPlan@springfieldmo.gov), which will also be the address for receiving SOQs.

The City of Springfield affirmatively ensures that businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals will be afforded full opportunity to submit qualifications in response to this request for qualifications and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, ancestry, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The consultant selection team consists of City of Springfield and City Utilities of Springfield staff. The selection team expects to interview selected teams in Springfield. It is anticipated that consultant selection and a request for proposal will occur within 30 days following the SOQ submission deadline. Additional information about the project, the EDA grant, selection process FAQs, and other information can be found at the project website, [www.LakeSGFMasterPlan.com](http://www.LakeSGFMasterPlan.com).