

Wahnapitae First Nation

259 Taighwenini Trail Road Capreol Ontario P0M 1H0 Phone: (705) 858-0610 Fax: (705) 858-5570 www.wahnapitaefirstnation.com

Request for Proposal: Economic Development Strategic Plan

Wahnapitae First Nation is seeking proposals from qualified firms to develop a comprehensive economic development strategic plan. The purpose of this plan is to provide a roadmap for enhancing economic growth, fostering innovation, and attracting investment in Wahnapitae First Nation.

Objectives:

The primary objectives of the economic development strategic plan are:

- Identify key opportunities and challenges for economic growth in Wahnapitae First Nation;
- Develop actionable strategies to support business development, job creation, and workforce development;
- Enhance the competitiveness and resiliency of the local community;
- Foster collaboration among government agencies, businesses, educational institutions, and community organizations.

Scope of Work:

The selected firm will be responsible for:

- Conducting a comprehensive analysis of the local economy, including industry sectors, demographic trends, and competitive advantages;
- Engaging through interviews, focus groups, and workshops to gather input and feedback;

- Conducting a SWOT analysis to identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats;
- Developing a strategic framework with clear goals, objectives, and performance metrics;
- Formulating actionable initiatives and implementation strategies;
- Providing guidance and support for the implementation of the strategic plan.

Evaluation Criteria:

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Demonstrated experience and expertise in economic development planning;
- Clarity and comprehensiveness of the proposed approach;
- Qualifications and experience of the project team;
- Cost-effectiveness and value for money;
- References and past performance on similar projects.

Submission Requirements:

Interested firms should submit their proposals electronically to Lilli.doughty@wahnapitaefn.com by August 23, 2024, 12pm. Proposals should include a cover letter, executive summary, detailed proposal narrative, project timeline, budget, and any relevant attachments.

Terms and Conditions:

Wahnapitae First Nation reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received, to negotiate changes to the scope of work, and to terminate the contract for convenience or cause. All materials submitted in response to this RFP become the property of Wahnapitae First Nation.

Questions and Clarifications:

Questions or requests for clarifications regarding this RFP should be submitted in writing to Lilli Doughty at Lilli.doughty@wahnapitaefn.com. Answers to all questions will be provided in writing to all prospective proposers.