



September 18, 2019

**High Falls Overlook Feasibility Study
Response to Consultant Questions**

Q: Is there any chance that the submittal date could be extended by one week?

A: We would prefer not to change the due date in order to get the project started before winter.

Q: We would like to verify that the previous plans to build a pedestrian bridge across High Falls are not part of this RFP.

A: We are looking for potential ways to make pedestrian connections from High Falls Terrace Park, located northeast of the hydrostation. The scope of the High Falls Overlook Feasibility Study does not include a pedestrian bridge extending west from the hydrostation across High Falls. A pedestrian bridge is a distant future possibility, so alternatives should not preclude this option, but the bridge is not part of this study.

Q: Are the documents and materials listed on page 10 of the High Falls Overlook Feasibility Study available for our review now?

A: Some of the supporting documents, including the structural assessment, have been placed on the RFP page and are now available at <https://www.cityofrochester.gov/highfallsoverlook/>. The remaining materials listed in the RFP will not be provided in advance of the proposal deadline, but will be made available to the selected consultant team later.

Q: When looking through the Preliminary Structural Assessment completed in June of 2014 we saw that the images in the report were taken from CCTV video footage of the inside of the buildings. We would like to know if that video footage can be made available for us to review.

A: Greentopia commissioned the Preliminary Structural Assessment, and they have reached out to the engineering firm who prepared the assessment. At this point it is unknown whether the video footage still exists, so it will not be available for the purposes of preparing a proposal. If the video footage still exists, we will ask that it be made available to the selected consultant.

Q: Do you have a survey topo limits area that you could share?

A: A three-page pdf with survey information has been emailed to the distribution list and posted to the project page on the City's website. The first page is an aerial photo showing the proposed survey limits. Area A includes the hillside area east of the hydrostation, as well as the roof of the hydrostation. Area B refers to the area below the elevated rail line where Greentopia has an access easement. Area C includes the area between the Inner Loop ramp and the CSX rail line. The second and third pages of the pdf show the existing conditions survey from March 2015.



Q: Is the intent of the feasibility study to follow the various scenarios presented in the High Falls Pedestrian Access Study, all of which appear to avoid any work on CSX property?

A: The CSX property contains an active rail line. At this time, assume that access from City-owned property is preferred and using CSX-owned property is highly unlikely.

Q: Is the intent of the feasibility study to modify one or more of the scenarios presented in the High Falls Pedestrian Access Study to allow more direct access to the Station #4 Building?

A: The High Falls Pedestrian Access Study presents several bridge scenarios that span the entire river and are not the intent of this project. The intent of this study is to explore new scenarios that do not require a bridge across the entire river.

Q: There was a Greentopia presentation made about this area a couple of years ago. Do you have access to that presentation and if so could you share it with us?

A: A presentation from Greentopia has been emailed to the distribution list and posted to the project page on the City's website. Please note that this presentation from Greentopia shows a bridge over the falls, which is outside the scope of this project.

Q: Are we able to visit the site now in order to aid in our response preparation? Do we need permission?

A: Consultants are asked to view the site from publicly accessible places. Additional photos have been made available to provide more detail on existing conditions. Please visit the project page on the City's website after 9/18/19.