

## ADDENDUM #1

## **Question and Answer**

Coquitlam Public Library

IT Infrastructure Equipment and Installation Services

RFP #2021-02

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This addendum shall revise or clarify Coquitlam Public Library's Request for Proposal: IT Infrastructure Equipment and Installation Services. This addendum shall form part of the contract documents and is to be read, interpreted and coordinated with all other parts. The following information is provided to answer questions raised by Proponents for the above-named project, to the extent referenced and shall become a part thereof.

## Question with Responses:

- Q1) Will you accept a Hyperconverged infrastructure Proposal that is used by Public Sector across BC and Canada that has successfully replaced Vmware but delivers the High Availability and Automation, Security, and virtualized environment that will power all your workloads?
  - A) Yes. We are willing to consider a proposal with a hyperconverged infrastructure, provided the proposal explains how all requirements outlined in RFP #2021-02 are met.
- Q2) Is there a specific use case that requires AMD EPYC processors, or is this strictly a matter of preference?
  - A) The Library identified AMD EPYC processors as a matter of preference. There is no specific use case that requires this model.
- Q3) Has CPL run a Datacenter Assessment that you are willing to share out to the bidders, or are you willing to run a no-cost datacenter assessment of choice by each bidder?
  - A) CPL has not completed a formal Datacenter Assessment. We have, however, evaluated our current infrastructure and structured RFP #2021-02 with identified minimum requirements for critical infrastructure components and providing system redundancy. The Library would be open to providing additional information to bidders to support the assessment of our systems, however the Library would need to review assessment tools in order to confirm our ability to provide the requested information.



- Q4) Will Coquitlam Public Library accept an alternative to the Avaya equipment (ie. Cisco switches)?
  - *A)* As per the Request for Proposal (7.2 Hardware), Juniper switches and Lenovo servers are required.
- Q5) Is the library considering non-Lenovo hardware for your infrastructure refresh initiative?
  - *A)* As per the Request for Proposal (7.2 Hardware), Juniper switches and Lenovo servers are required.

