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ADDENDUM #1

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Student Housing

The University of Maine

Q1. Would the University consider a low cost or no cost land loan to potential developers?

University of Maine at Augusta A1. The University of Maine Augusta sits on approximately 160 acres of land. The University would consider proposals presented with this requirement.

University of Maine at Farmington

Q2. Are students looking for 1yr housing or 4yr options?

University of Maine at Fort Kent

A2. There are students with varying housing requirements depending on where they are in their individual programs.

University of Maine at Machias

Q3. How much time are students spending OFF campus and would it make more sense putting housing closer to 2 larger programs rather than MAIN campus. (Downtown Augusta)?

University of Maine at Presque Isle

A3. The University will consider all proposals that are within reasonable commuting distance to the University campus.

University of Southern Maine

- Q4. Where would the students ideally be located if not on campus?
- A4. We are open to options on, close or commutable to campus.
- Q5. Have you done any estimates on market rent?
- A5. The information the University has supports approximately \$500-\$550 per bed; that estimate is using 2-4 beds and a shared kitchen and bath.
- Q6. You've listed 70 beds, would you entertain a proposal of more beds?
- A6. Absolutely. The University feels this is a very conservative number and the consultant led study places the demand at 200 beds.
- Q7. Do you have a sense of how many student have part time jobs vs. support from parents?
- A7. Most UMA students work full time and many others have part-time jobs, though we do not have specific numbers available. Within the anticipated target group for this projects, we expect that the majority of students working would be working part-time.

- Q8. Do any of the programs have summer or Internship requirements?
- A8. Many UMA students choose to take courses during the summer and many students do take internships, but no courses/internships are specifically required during the summer. However, Aviation students are required to remain current in their flying and will typically be involved in related activities during the summer. In addition, the University does have an interest in providing academically-related "summer camps" during the summer. UMA also has some international students who may require year-round housing options.
- Q9. What kind of assurance can you give a developer so they can apply for and get financing?
- A9. We are looking to identify the motivators and guaranty requirements from interested parties. However, the interested party is responsible for acquiring necessary financing.
- Q10. Would the university be open to sharing security of the housing unit?
- A10. The University prefers a model where the housing is managed independently.
- Q11. Is there a plan or would there be, that you would actively promote this housing to your students?
- A11. Yes. The University would consider options to promote the housing.
- Q12. Would the housing units also be offered to populations other than students?
- A12. Yes please refer to page 1, 2nd paragraph of the RFI.
- Q13. The RFI states a minimum of 150sf per student? Is that sleeping space or overall?
- A13. It is overall.
- Q14. Is the report on housing studies from the University's consultant report available?
- A14. Yes. Please email Rachel.piper@maine.edu for a copy of the report.
- Q15. Can students use federal grant money to pay for housing?
- A15. The average cost of room and board is included in a student's cost of attendance at the University. If a student qualifies for federal financial aid, any dollars above and beyond the cost of tuition, fees and books may be used by the student to meet other needs, including housing.
- Q16. Who do I talk to more about my ideas and the feasibility of this project with?
- A16. We ask you submit a letter of interested for consideration.
- Q17. Will this proposal need to get approval from the Board of Trustees?
- A17. Yes.

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