1) On May 15, 2015, FAMU requested that CM proposals be submitted for the Center for Access and Student Services project and still remains outstanding. Why is this project now appearing in the PPP package when it states “The CASS project does not require private funding.”

CM proposals for the CASS building are not outstanding. The proposals did not meet FAMU’s objectives. Accordingly, the University sent each of the Proposers a letter explaining why the proposal was being withdrawn.

The CASS project is now part of PPP package to provide FAMU with the option of using public funds to leverage private funds. We are exploring all opportunities to leverage non-public funds and to combine. For example, it may be possible to include retail or commercial space within the same structure as the CASS. The accounting and finance for CASS building would have to be maintained separately and there would have to be different ownership structure for the CASS and non-CASS space.

2) Will a demand study be released prior to the ITN?

A student housing demand study and additional information, including but not limited to, profiles of existing on-campus student housing, student enrollment trends/projections, will be issued prior to the release of the ITN for Phase 2 – Student Housing.

3) Will the University consider a phased delivery of beds to reach the 1,400 bed goal?

Yes, the phasing of the 1,400 units will depend upon a variety of factors, including the results of the demand study, availability of financing, et al.

4) The RFQ notes that four residence halls have been taken offline since the opening of FAMU village in 2014 (McGuinn Hall, Diamond Hall, Cropper Hall and Wheatley Hall). Where these closed to in response to a reduced demand for on campus housing, differed maintenance or other factors?

No, they were closed primarily because of their physical condition / functional obsolescence.

5) Would the University consider a first to fill or similar agreement that prioritizes the project’s occupancy?

We may consider such strategies based on the benefits to the University. They will be negotiated with potential private partner(s).
6) **Does FAMU have any budgeted dollars towards this project, or is it solely financing from the developer?**

Except for the CASS building, everything else will be financed by the potential private partner(s).

7) **What would be the benefit to the developer who incurs all costs relative to design, financing, and construction?**

The benefits that would accrue to the private partner include but are not limited to potential developer fees from project budget, return on investment from cash flow from the operation of the P-3 project, and possible income tax incentives from depreciation, etc.

8) **Will the University consider an extension of the deadline?**

Yes, the new deadline for the Statement of Qualifications is Monday, November 30th no later than 2:00 pm EST. All other submission requirements are the same.

9) **Will the University organize a site visit?**

Yes, the University will host an optional site visit for interested teams on Monday, November 16th beginning at 10:00 am EST.

Interested teams must register the number of participants with both contacts noted in “Section 7.3 – Contact Information” no later than Friday, November 13th at 2:00 pm EST. Additional details will be sent to registered teams.