

# REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION RFQ-327-25-WV CITY OF HOLLYWOOD - VARIOUS LOCATIONS / SHERIDAN PARK LAP PROJECT (RE-BID)

# PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA (CITY)

**RFQ Issue Date**: 6/10/2025

**Questions Due Date**: 7/3/2025

Submittal Due Date: 7/10/2025

THIS IS A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECT UNDER THE LOCAL AGENCY PROGRAM ("LAP"), SUBJECT TO ALL RELEVANT GUIDELINES

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# City of Hollywood - Various Locations / Sheridan Park LAP Project (Re-Bid)

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#### 1. SUMMARY

## 1.1. Summary

The City of Hollywood, FL (City) is actively seeking qualified, experienced, and licensed firm(s) to provide professional engineering services for the design of a sidewalk network in the area of the City of Hollywood known as Sheridan Park and Hollywood Acres neighborhood as further described in Section IV — Scope of Service in accordance with the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act (Section 287.055, Florida Statutes) and 23 Code of Federal Regulations 172. The qualifications based competitive negotiation selection process will be in accordance with the Federal Brooks Act and FDOT Procedure 375-030-002. Those firms who are interested in submitting their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ/proposal/bid) in response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) shall comply with Section V— Proposal Submittal Requirements. There is no guarantee that any firm included in the final ranking approved by the City Commission will be awarded any work. The respondent will need to clearly identify in their response which discipline(s) they are submitting for, by listing each on their cover page, and will need to provide discipline-specific project relevant experience for each discipline.

#### 1.2. <u>Project Manager</u>

#### **Victoria Ulysse**

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#### **Department:**

**Design and Construction Management** 

# 1.3. <u>Timeline</u>

EVENT	DATE/TIME	
Release of Request for Qualifications	6/10/2025	
(RFQ)/Issue Date		
Deadline for Questions/Inquiries	7/3/2025	
Response/Statement of Qualifications (SOQ)	7/10/2025	
Due Date and Time Deadline	at 3 p.m. Eastern Time (ET)	
Preliminary Scoring/Ranking of SQDs and	7/30/2025 (tentative)	
Shortlisting Ranking of Firms		
Shortlisted Firms Oral Presentations/Interviews	8/13/2025 (tentative)	
Final Scoring /Ranking	8/13/2025 (tentative)	
Anticipated Ranking Approval	TBD	
Posting of Recommended Firm	TBD	
Negotiations	Estimated – September 2025	
Award of Design Contract	TBD	
End of Design Agreement	TBD	

### 2. INTRODUCTION

#### 2.1. Purpose

The City of Hollywood, Florida (City) is seeking responses from qualified and experienced firms, hereinafter referred to as the Contractor or Proposer, to provide Engineering Consulting Services for the design of a sidewalk network in the area of the City of Hollywood known as Sheridan Park and Hollywood Acres neighborhood, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this solicitation. Responses to this solicitation are due by July 10, 2025 at 3pm EST, and will be opened in a virtual public setting on July 10, 2025.

Submittals shall be received electronically through <a>OpenGov Procurement</a>. Hard copy submittals will not be accepted.

The qualifications based competitive negotiation selection process will be in accordance with the Federal Brooks Act and FDOT Procedure 375-030-002. Those firms who are interested in submitting their Statement of Qualifications (SOQ/proposal/bid) in response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) shall comply with Section V—Submittal Requirements. There is no guarantee that any firm included in the final ranking approved by the City Commission will be awarded any work.

This project is funded through the Florida Department of Transportation Local Agency Program (LAP) which requires that the respondents to comply with their conditions. Familiarity with the LAP and its requirements is required. Consultant must be FDOT Prequalified in Work Types 3.1 and 8.2.

Submission of a bid/proposal shall serve as prima facie evidence that the Bidder/Proposer has examined this solicitation and is fully aware of all conditions affecting the provision of services and the evaluation criteria and scoring methodology as set forth in this solicitation document.

# 2.2. OpenGov

The City of Hollywood uses OpenGov, the e-Procurement Portal ("Portal") (<a href="https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/hollywoodfl/projects/117209">https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/hollywoodfl/projects/117209</a>) to administer the competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to soliciting proposals, issuing addenda, posting results and issuing notification of an intended decision.

The City shall not be responsible for a Proposer's inability to submit a proposal by the proposal end date and time for any reason, including issues arising from the use of OpenGov.

# 2.3. Point of Contact

For information concerning procedures for responding to this solicitation, contact the Point of Contact within the Office of Procurement Services, William Varandas, Senior Purchasing Agent at wvarandas@hollywoodfl.org or by phone at (954) 921-3345, or Otis Thomas, Chief Procurement Officer (CPO), at othomas@hollywoodfl.org or by phone at (954) 921-3224. Such contact is to be for clarification purposes only. All questions must be submitted via the Portal by July 3, 2025.

For information concerning technical specifications, please utilize the question and answer feature provided by the Portal at <a href="https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/hollywoodfl">https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/hollywoodfl</a>. Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date specified in the solicitation schedule. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or bidding procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum. (See addendum section of the Project Page).

**Proposers please note:** No part of your proposal can be submitted via FAX. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a proposal will be considered evidence that the Proposer has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, and the equipment, materials, and labor required. The entire proposal response must be submitted in accordance with all specifications contained in this solicitation. The questions and answers submitted in the Portal shall become part of any contract that is created from this solicitation.

It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer to ensure that their proposal is submitted electronically through the Portal.

# 2.4. Cone of Silence

The City of Hollywood City Commission adopted Ordinance No. O-2007-05, which created Section 30.15(F) imposing a Cone of Silence for certain City purchases of goods and Services.

The Cone of Silence refers to prohibition of any communications regarding this Formal Solicitation between vendors and vendor's representatives and City elected officials, management and staff during the period in which this Formal Solicitation is open.

The Ordinance does allow potential vendors or vendor's representatives to communicate with designated employees for the limited purpose of seeking clarification or additional information. The names and contact information of those employees that may be contacted for clarification or additional information are included in the solicitation.

The Cone of Silence does not prohibit a vendor or vendor's representative from communicating verbally, or in writing with the City Manager, the City Manager's designee, the City Attorney or the City Attorney's designee on those procurement items to be considered by the City Commission.

The Cone of Silence does not prohibit a vendor or vendor's representative from making public presentations at a duly noticed pre-proposal conference or duly noticed evaluation committee meeting or from communicating with the City Commission during a duly noticed public meeting.

The Cone of Silence shall be imposed when a formal competitive solicitation has been issued and shall remain in effect until an award is made, a contract is approved, or the City Commission takes any other action which ends the solicitation.

To view the Cone of Silence, go to the City of Hollywood Code of Ordinance online, and view Section 30.15F.

All communications regarding this solicitation should be sent in writing to the Procurement Services Division as identified in this solicitation.

#### 2.5. Contract Term

The Respondent recognizes that TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE in this RFQ and resulting contract. The Work shall commence within <u>14</u> calendar days of the date of the Notice to Proceed.

The Work shall be finally completed on the Final Completion Date and ready for final payment in accordance with the contract within <u>365</u> calendar days after the date when the contract time commences to run as provided in the Notice to Proceed.

The initial contract term shall commence upon final execution of the contract by the City, and shall expire upon the completion of the Project, as defined in the Notice to Proceed and Contract Documents.

In the event services are scheduled to end because of the expiration of the contract, the Respondent/Consultant shall continue the service upon the request of the City as authorized by the awarding authority. Extension should be completed prior to contract expiration via writing and, pre-approved by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The extension period shall not extend for more than one hundred and twenty (120) days beyond the expiration date of the existing contract. The Respondent shall be compensated for the service at the rate in effect when this extension clause is invoked by the City.

The above are the general terms for this project, upon award and execution of the contract, the terms and conditions of the contract will govern the project.

#### 3. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 3.1. Addenda, Changes, and Interpretations

It is the sole responsibility of each firm to notify the Point of Contact utilizing the question and answer feature provided by the Portal and request modification or clarification of any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error discovered in this competitive solicitation. Requests for clarification, modification, interpretation, or changes must be received prior to the Question and Answer (Q & A) Deadline. Requests received after this date may not be addressed. Questions and requests for information that would not materially affect the scope of services to be performed or the solicitation process will be answered within the question and answer feature provided by the Portal and shall be for clarification purposes only. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or the solicitation process will only be transmitted by an official written addendum issued by the City and uploaded to the Portal as a separate addendum to the solicitation. Under no circumstances shall an oral explanation given by any City official, officer, staff, or agent be binding upon the City and should be disregarded. All addenda are a part of the competitive solicitation documents and each firm will be bound by such addenda. It is the responsibility of each to read and comprehend all addenda issued.

## 3.2. Changes and Alterations

Proposer may change or withdraw a proposal at any time prior to proposal submission deadline; however, no oral modifications will be allowed. Modifications shall not be allowed following the proposal deadline.

#### 3.3. Proposer's Costs

The City shall not be liable for any costs incurred by Proposers in responding to this solicitation.

# 3.4. <u>Pricing/Delivery</u>

All pricing must include delivery and installation and be quoted FOB: Destination, unless specified otherwise in SCOPE OF SERVICE section.

# 3.5. No Exclusive Contract

Proposer agrees and understands that the contract shall not be construed as an exclusive arrangement and further agrees that the City may, at any time, secure similar or identical services from another vendor at the City's sole option.

# 3.6. Responsive

In order to be considered responsive to the solicitation, the firm's proposal shall fully conform in all material respects to the solicitation and all of its requirements, including all form and substance.

# 3.7. Responsible

In order to be considered as a responsible firm, firm shall be fully capable to meet all of the requirements of the solicitation and subsequent contract, must possess the full capability, including financial and technical, to perform as contractually required, and must be able to fully document the ability to provide good faith performance.

#### 3.8. Minimum Qualifications

To be eligible for award of a contract in response to this solicitation, the Proposer must demonstrate that they have successfully completed services, as specified in the <a href="SCOPE OF SERVICE">SCOPE OF SERVICE</a> section of this solicitation, are normally and routinely engaged in performing such services, and are properly and legally licensed (if required) to perform such work. In addition, the Proposer must have no conflict of interest with regard to any other work performed by the Proposer for the City.

#### 3.9. Award of Contract

Award may be in the aggregate, or by line Item, or by group, whichever is determined to be in the best interest of the City. Award will be made to the responsive and responsible Proposer, and the most qualified firm, for that product/service that will best serve the needs of the City.

The City also reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, part of proposals, and to waive minor irregularities or variations to specifications contained in proposals, and minor irregularities in the bidding process. The City also reserves the right to award the contract on a split order basis, lump sum basis, individual item basis, or such combination as shall best serve the interest of the City.

The City, in all solicitations or advertisements for purchasing of goods, supplies, materials, equipment and services, will receive consideration from qualified businesses without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

As applicable, the City shall comply with Section 287.05701, Florida Statutes, in not considering or giving preference for an award based on a vendor's social, political, or ideological interest.

# 3.10. <u>Truth in Negotiations</u>

For any lump-sum or cost-plus-a-fixed fee professional services contract over the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes for CATEGORY FOUR, the CITY requires the Consultant to execute a Truth in Negotiations Certificate #375-030-30 and include it with the submittal of the Technical Proposal.

# 3.11. Rules and Submittals of Proposals

The signer of the proposal must declare that the only person(s), company or parties interested in the proposal as principals are named therein; that the proposal is made without collusion with any other person(s), company or parties submitting a proposal; that it is in all respects fair and in good faith, without collusion or fraud; and that the signer of the proposal has full authority to bind the principal proposer.

# 3.12. Conflict of Interests Prohibited

Any respondent submitting a response to this solicitation is responsible for being aware of, and complying with <u>Section 34.02</u> of the City Code of Ordinances. If you have questions concerning whether you may or may not need to comply with the ordinance, please contact the City of Hollywood, City Clerk's Office at 954-921-3211.

Neither the Agency nor any of its contractors or their subcontractors shall enter into any contract, subcontract or arrangement in connection with the Project or any property included or planned to be included in the Project in which any member, officer or employee of the Agency or the locality during tenure or for 2 years thereafter has any interest, direct or indirect. If any such present or former member, officer or employee involuntarily acquires or had acquired prior to the beginning of tenure any such interest, and if such interest is immediately disclosed to the Agency, the Agency, with prior approval of the Department, may waive the prohibition contained in this paragraph provided that any such present member, officer or employee shall not participate in any action by the Agency or the locality relating to such contract, subcontract or arrangement. The Agency shall insert in all contracts entered into in connection with the Project or any property included or planned to be included in any Project, and shall require its contractors to insert in each of their subcontracts, the following provision:

"No member, officer or employee of the Agency or of the locality during his tenure or for 2 years thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, In this contract or the proceeds thereof."

The provisions of this paragraph shall not be applicable to any agreement between the Agency and its fiscal depositories or to any agreement for utility services the rates for which are fixed or controlled by a governmental agency.

#### 3.13. Sub- Consultants

A Sub-Consultant is an individual or firm contracted by the Consultant or Consultant's firm to assist in the performance of services required under this RFQ. A Sub-Consultant shall be paid through Consultant or Consultant's firm and not paid directly by the City. Sub-Consultants are permitted by the City in the performance of the services pursuant to the Agreement. Consultant must clearly reflect in its SOQ the major Sub-Consultant(s) to be utilized in the performance of required services. The City retains the right to accept or reject any Sub-Consultant proposed in the response of Successful Consultant(s) or prior to contract execution. Any and all liabilities regarding the use of a Sub-Consultant shall be borne solely by the successful consultant and insurance for each Sub-Consultant must be maintained in good standing and approved by the City throughout the duration of the Contract. Neither Successful Consultant nor any of its Sub-Consultants are considered to be employees or agents of the City. Failure to list all Sub-Consultants and provide the required information may disqualify any proposed Sub-Consultant from performing work under this RFQ.

Consultants shall include in their responses the requested Sub-Consultant information and include all relevant information required of the Consultant per Section IV- Proposal Submittal Requirements.

# 3.14. Insurance Requirements

Consultant will be required and shall require all of its Sub-Consultants and Sub-Contractors to provide, pay for, and maintain in force at all times during the term of an agreement, such insurance, including Professional Liability Insurance, Workers' Compensation Insurance, Comprehensive General or Commercial Liability Insurance, Business Automobile Liability Insurance, and Employer's Liability Insurance as stated below.

Companies authorized to do business in the State of Florida and having agents upon whom service of process may be made in the State of Florida shall issue such policy or policies. Consultant shall specifically protect City and the City Commission by naming City and the City Commission as additional insured under the Comprehensive Liability Insurance policy hereinafter described.

- **a.** Workers' Compensation Insurance to apply for all employees in compliance with the "Workers' Compensation Law" of the State of Florida and all applicable Federal laws, for the benefit of the Consultant's employees.
- b. Sub-Consultants not eligible for Professional Liability Coverage, by virtue of their trade, shall provide Commercial General Liability coverage acceptable to the Contract Administrator and City's Risk Manager. Sub-consultant and sub-contractors eligible for professional liability coverage shall be required to provide professional liability coverage acceptable to the contract administrator and City's Risk Manager on a task order by task order basis.
- c. The Consultant shall provide the Risk Manager of the City an original certificate of insurance for policies required by Article 11.10. All certificates shall state that the City shall be given ten (10) days prior to cancellation or modification of any stipulated insurance. The insurance provided shall be endorsed or amended to comply with this notice requirement. In the event that the insurer is unable to accommodate, it shall be the responsibility of the Consultant to provide the proper notice. Such notification will be in writing by registered mail, return receipt requested and addressed to the Procurement Services Division. Such policies shall: (1) name the insurance company or companies affording coverage acceptable to the City, (2) state the effective and expiration dates of the policies, and (3) include special endorsements where necessary. Such policies provided under Article 11 shall not be affected by any other policy of insurance, which the City may carry in its own name.
- d. Consultant shall as a condition precedent of this Agreement furnish to the City of Hollywood, c/o Office of Procurement Services, 2600 Hollywood Blvd, Room 303, Hollywood, FL 33020, certificate(s) of insurance upon execution of this Agreement which indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained which meets the requirements as outlined below:

Commercial General Liability i. Limits of Liability:

Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Combined Single Limit Each Claim \$1,000,000 General Aggregate Limit \$2,000,000 Personal Injury \$1,000,000 Products/Completed Operations \$1,000,000

#### ii. Endorsements Required:

City of Hollywood included as an Additional Insured Employees included as insured Broad Form Contractual Liability Waiver of Subrogation Premises/Operations Products/Completed Operations Independent Contractors

#### **Automobile business**

#### i. Limits of Liability:

Bodily Injury and Property Damage Liability Combined Single Limit \$1,000,000 Any Auto Including Hired, Borrowed or Non-Owned Autos

#### ii. Endorsements Required:

Waiver of Subrogation
City of Hollywood included as an Additional Insured

#### **Workers' Compensation**

Limits of Liability: Statutory-State of Florida Waiver of Subrogation

#### **Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions Coverage**

Combined Single Limit
Each Claim \$1,000,000
General Aggregate Limit \$2,000,000
Deductible not to exceed 10%
Must be in effect for at least five (5) years after Project completion

#### The City of Hollywood needs to be the certificate holder as per the following format:

City of Hollywood (nothing else on this line)

Design & Construction Management (Name of Department)

2600 Hollywood Blvd. (Address of Department)

Hollywood, FL 33020

The City of Hollywood and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) are required to be named as additional insured under the Commercial General Liability insurance policy. BINDERS ARE UNACCEPTABLE. The insurance coverage required shall include those classifications, as listed in standard liability insurance manuals, which most nearly reflect the operations of the Consultant. Any exclusions or provisions in the insurance maintained by the Consultant that precludes coverage for the work contemplated in an agreement shall be deemed unacceptable and shall be considered a breach of contract.

Coverage shall be provided by a company or companies authorized to transact business in the state of Florida and the company or companies must maintain a minimum rating of A-VII, as assigned by the A.M. Best Company.

Please Note: The Certificate shall contain a provision that coverage afforded under the policy will not be cancelled until at least thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to the City. Certificates of insurance, reflecting evidence of the required insurance, shall be provided to the City. In the event the Certificate of Insurance provided indicates that the insurance shall terminate and lapse during the period of this Agreement, the vendor shall furnish, at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the date of such insurance, a renewed Certificate of Insurance as proof that equal and like coverage for the balance of the period of the Agreement or extension thereunder is in effect.

The insurance policy shall not contain any exceptions that would exclude coverage for risks that can be directly or reasonably related to the scope of goods or services in this bid/proposal. A violation of this requirement at any time during the term, or any extension thereof shall be grounds for the immediate termination of any contract entered in to pursuant to this bid/proposal. In order to show that this requirement has been met, along with an insurance declaration sheet demonstrating the existence of a valid policy of insurance meeting the requirements of this bid/proposal, the successful proposer must submit a signed statement from insurance agency of record that the full policy contains no such exception.

The City reserves the right to require additional insurance in order to meet the full value of the contract.

The City reserves the right to require any other insurance coverage it deems necessary depending upon the exposures.

# 3.15. Supplier Portal (Oracle) Payment Method

The City has implemented software that contains a supplier portal allowing suppliers to submit and update their information via the supplier portal. New suppliers will be required to register; and current suppliers will need to confirm and update their information.

Firms are responsible for ensuring that all contact, payment, and general information is updated at all times, and will not hold the City liable for any inaccurate information.

# 3.16. <u>Debarred or Suspended Bidders or Proposers</u>

Firm(s) certifies, by submission of a response to this solicitation, that neither it nor its principals and subcontractors are presently debarred or suspended by any federal, state, county or municipal department or agency.

# 3.17. Public Records/Trade Secrets/Copyright

All responses will become the property of the City. The Consultant's response to the solicitation is a public record pursuant to Florida law and is subject to disclosure by the City pursuant to Chapter 119.07, Florida Statutes ("Public Records law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this solicitation and the Contract to be executed for this solicitation, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

Any language contained in the Consultant's response to the solicitation purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Consultant's response to the solicitation, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Consultant submits any documents or other information to the City that the Consultant claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Consultant shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Consultant must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Consultant's response to the solicitation constitutes a Trade Secret. The City's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the Consultant agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the City's treatment of records as public records. In the event of Contract award, all documentation produced as part of the Contract shall become the exclusive property of the City. Proposals purporting to be subject to copyright protection in full or in part will be rejected.

EXCEPT FOR CLEARLY MARKED PORTIONS THAT ARE BONA FIDE TRADE SECRETS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW, DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED.

#### 3.18. Contracting with Entities of Foreign Countries

By responding to this solicitation, your entity certifies and attests under penalty of perjury to not being a "foreign country of concern" as defined under Sections 287.138 and 692.202, Florida Statutes, and compliance with all regulations within the statutes.

# 3.19. Federal Procurement Standards

This solicitation shall be subject to Federal procurement standards as defined under Sections 200.317 through 200.327 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) if funded by a Federal award, including all contract provisions/clauses under Section 200.327 of the CFR.

# 3.20. <u>Indemnity/ Hold Harmless Agreement</u>

The Consultant agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Hollywood and its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all losses, penalties, damages, settlements, claims, costs, charges for other expenses, or liabilities of every and any kind including attorney's fees, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of the work agreed to or performed by Contractor under the terms of any agreement that may arise due to the bidding process.

Without limiting the foregoing, any and all such claims, suits, or other actions relating to personal injury, death, damage to property, defects in materials or workmanship, actual or alleged violations of any applicable Statute, ordinance, administrative order, rule or regulation, or decree of any court shall be included in the indemnity hereunder.

Consultant agrees to include the following indemnification in all contracts with contractors, subcontractors, consultants, or subconsultants (each referred to as "Entity" for the purposes of the below indemnification) who perform work in connection with this Agreement:

"To the extent provided by law, CONSULTANT shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the CITY and the State of Florida, Department of Transportation ("Departments"), including the City's and Department's officers, agents, and employees, against any actions, claims, or damages arising out of, relating to, or resulting from negligent or wrongful act(s) of CONSULTANT, or any of its officers, agents, or employees, acting within the scope of their office or employment, in connection with the rights granted to or exercised by CONSULTANT or in connection with this Agreement. The foregoing indemnification shall not constitute a waiver of the Department's or the CITY's sovereign immunity beyond the limits set forth in Florida Statutes, Section 768.28. Nor shall the same be construed to constitute agreement by CONSULTANT to indemnify CITY for the negligent acts or omissions of CITY, its officers, agents, or employees, or third parties. Nor shall the same be construed to constitute agreement by CONSULTANT to indemnify the negligent acts or omissions of the Department, its officers, agents, or employees, or third parties. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement."

#### 3.21. Records Retention

The records retention period for this project is 5 years after the final payment is issued.

# 3.22. Cooperation with the Office of the Inspector General

The City of Hollywood and its Consultants shall cooperate with the Office of the Inspector General per Florida Statute 20.055

# 3.23. <u>Mistakes, Discrepancies, Errors and Omissions</u>

The consultant shall examine this RFQ carefully. The submission of a SOQ shall be prima facie evidence that the consultant has full knowledge of the scope, nature, and quality of the work to be performed; the detailed requirements of the specifications; and the conditions under which the work is to be performed. Ignorance of the requirements will not relieve the consultant from liability and obligations under the Contract. Any discrepancies, errors, or ambiguities in the RFQ or addenda (if any) should be reported in writing to the City's Procurement Services Division. Should it be necessary, a written addendum will be incorporated into the RFQ. The City will not be responsible for any oral instructions, clarifications, or other communications.

3.28.1. The Consultant shall, at all times hereafter, indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the City, its agents, servants, and employees, from and against any claim, demand, judgment, decree, or cause of action of any kind or nature which may arise out of any error, or omission, when the Design Consultant, its agents, servants, or employees are working and submitting the plans.

- 3.28.2. The Consultant shall pay all costs, attorney's fees, expenses, and liabilities incurred in the investigation and defense of any claim, demand, judgment, decree, or cause of action of any kind or nature which may arise out of any error, omission, or activity of the Consultant, its agents, servants, or employees. The provisions of this Section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract.
- 3.28.3. Nothing in this solicitation shall be deemed to affect the rights, privileges, or immunities of the City under the doctrine of sovereign immunity or as set forth in Section 768.28 of the Florida Statutes.

## 3.24. Performance Evaluations

The Successful Proposer's work will be evaluated within 30 days of the completion of this Project by the City's Project Manager for this Project. The Successful Proposer's Performance Evaluation will be used for informational purposes only.

#### 4. SCOPE OF SERVICE

# 4.1. Purpose

The City of Hollywood, FL (City) is actively seeking qualified, experienced, and licensed firm(s) to provide professional Engineering Consulting services, as further described in Section IV – Scope of Services. Those firms who are interested in submitting Statement of Qualification (SOQ) in response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) shall comply with Section V– Proposal Submittal Requirements.

This project is funded through the Florida Department of Transportation Local Agency Program (LAP) which requires that the respondents to comply with their conditions. Familiarity with the LAP and its requirements is required. Consultant must be FDOT Prequalified in Work Types: 3.1 Minor Highway Design and 8.2 Design, Right-of Way, and Construction Surveying.

#### 4.2. Basic Services

On behalf of the City of Hollywood, Florida (herein may be referred to "City" or "COH"), the City of Hollywood Department of Design and Construction Management is requesting written technical Proposals from civil engineering firms provide engineering services for a Complete Streets and other Localized Initiatives Program (CSLIP) project serving the Sheridan Park and Hollywood Acres neighborhoods.

The project consists of the design and permitting of a new 5'-0" wide concrete sidewalk with curb ramps to fill-in and connect to existing sidewalks within the Sheridan Park and Hollywood Acres neighborhoods. The proposed sidewalks will be installed in the existing swale area. Scope of this project also includes design of a shared bike path on North 58 Avenue from Taft Street to Sheridan Street.

The Sheridan Park and Hollywood Acres neighborhood sidewalk network is within the limits of State Road 7 to the West, North 56th Avenue to the East, Sheridan Street to the North and Taft Street to the South. The project consists of the design and permitting of sidewalk construction documents at the following Locations within the Sheridan Park and Hollywood Acres neighborhood

Road	Limits of Sidewalk		
N 59 <sup>th</sup> CT	Taft St to Harding St		
N 59 <sup>th</sup> Ave	Taft St to Harding St		
Wilson St	Alley St to 58th Ave		
Moseley St	N 59 Ave to 58 <sup>th</sup> Ave		
Harding St	SR 7 to 56 <sup>th</sup> Ave		
N 58 Way	Harding St to W Park Road		
Lee St	SR 7 to 58 <sup>th</sup> Ave		
N 59 <sup>th</sup> Ter	Thomas St to Sheridan St		

58 <sup>th</sup> Ave	W Park Rd to Thomas St		
57 <sup>th</sup> Way	W Park Rd to Thomas St		
57 Ter	W Park Rd to Thomas St		
57 Ave	W Park Rd to Thomas St		
56 <sup>th</sup> Ter	W Park Rd to Thomas St		
W Park Road	58 <sup>th</sup> Ave to 56 <sup>th</sup> Ave		
Coolidge St	56 <sup>th</sup> Way to 56 <sup>th</sup> Ave		
57 <sup>th</sup> Ter	Harding St to W Park Road		
56 <sup>th</sup> Way	Harding St to W Park Road		

In order to submit a responsive Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ), the prospective consultant shall be prequalified by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) on the following work types: 3.1 Minor Highway Design and 8.2 Design, Right-of Way, and Construction Surveying.

This project is federally funded with assistance from the Florida Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration. By submitting a Letter of Response (or Statement of Qualifications), the consultant certifies that no principal (which includes officers, directors, or executives) is presently suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation on this transaction by any Federal Department or state Agency.

#### 4.3. Minimum Qualifications

The Consultant shall have previous design experience in the project's scope of work and relevant experience in similar projects including hardscaping such as; sidewalks, curbs, ramps, etc. Consultant shall submit proof of experience for a minimum of three (3) projects of similar scope and scale (or larger) and shall, for each project listed, identify location; dates of construction; project name and overall scope; scope of work that was self-performed by Consultant; and client's name, address, telephone number and e-mail address.

- 4.3.1. Firm or principals shall have no record of judgments, pending lawsuits against the City or criminal activities involving moral turpitude and not have any conflicts of interest that have not been waived by the City Commission.
- 4.3.2. Neither Firm nor any principal, officer, or stockholder shall be in arrears or in default of any debt or contract involving the City, (as a party to a contract, or otherwise); nor have failed to perform faithfully on any previous contract with the City.
- 4.3.3. As applicable for the selected Engineering Discipline(s), the Consultant and each member of its firm must have a valid Engineering License in the State of Florida and be registered with the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

In order to submit a responsive Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ), the prospective consultant shall be prequalified by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), 3.1 Minor Highway Design and 8.2 Design, Right-of Way, and Construction Surveying.

#### 4.4. <u>Deliverable and Objectives</u>

#### 4.4.1. TASK 1: INITIAL PHASE SUBMISSION

- A. Meetings: Consultant shall provide monthly project progress reports by email, letter, or fax to CITY personnel on a monthly basis. CONSULTANT shall attend (4) in person meetings and biweekly progress meetings with the CITY for project review and/or coordination as requested.
- B. Field Reviews: CONSULTANT shall conduct a visual reconnaissance of the project sites in order to identify typical, key, and anomalous site features. It is anticipated that two people from CONSULTANT will conduct the reviews in no more than one day.

#### 4.4.2. TASK 2: TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY

Under this task CONSULTANT or its qualified subconsultant will complete a topographic survey to meet FDOT design criteria. The sidewalks will follow existing topography with the alignment adjusting as necessary to maneuver around existing utility poles, storm drains, or other potential conflicts.

- a) Establish horizontal and vertical control to the extent necessary to meet the project objective for a "full-design" survey.
- b) Establish a paper Baseline of Survey, using all pertinent information. Begin and End survey points and at any change in direction, i.e., PC, PT and angle breaks.
- c) Topography-Locate all improvements within the Rights of Way along with driveways, curb cuts, ramps, sidewalks servicing adjacent properties, pavement markings, etc. Topography to extend along side streets beyond pavement returns for 50 feet.
- d) Acquire spot elevations to the extent necessary to create a Digital Terrain Model (DTM).
- e) Provide cross-sections at 100-foot intervals to extend 5 feet beyond the Right of Way lines.
- f) Locate trees 4 inches in caliper or larger.
- g) The survey deliverables will consist of the following:
  - i. Six certified hard copies of the Topographic Survey Map and Report.
  - ii. Electronic files of same.
  - iii. DTM.

# 4.4.3. TASK 3: NEPA EVALUATION AND CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Under this task, CONSULTANT will provide or subcontract the following environmental services for the following tasks in accordance to LP Manual Chapter 18:

A. Site Reconnaissance Review: a biologist will conduct a visual reconnaissance of the project sites in order to identify sensitive environmental features, such as wetlands or other federal, state or county protected habitats. It is anticipated that two people will conduct the reviews in no more than one day.

- B. Research and Data Collection: CONSULTANT will conduct a desktop search of all readily available databases to identify features such as Threatened & Endangered Species, listed species sightings, documented contamination, wetlands, well-fields, natural forested communities, and Florida managed areas.
- C. CONSULTANT will prepare a NEPA Type 1 Categorical Exclusion Checklist and supporting documentation for the project as consistent with Part 1, Chapter 2 of the Florida Department of Transportation Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Manual and FDOT's Local Agency Program (LAP) Guidelines. This assessment will include a desk- top review with limited/visual verification in the field and does not include any quantitative contamination testing/sampling activities, additional environmental assessments and documentation.
- D. Cultural Resource Assessment Survey (CRAS) to be sent to the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for approval.

#### 4.4.4. TASK 4- CONSTRUCTABILITY PHASE SUBMISSION

- A. Prepare design development level drawings: A design development level of plans for the proposed sidewalk will be prepared for review by City staff for the project area. These plans will reflect the combination of site constraints, County design regulations, FDOT standards, and sidewalk use objectives. CONSULTANT will attend three meetings with City staff to visit the site and discuss/review the plans. The sidewalks shall meet ADA requirements and shall be constructed at grade where possible.
- B.

  Data Collection CONSULTANT shall obtain available data pertinent to the project, such as, but not limited to: digital aerial photograph (provided by the CITY), roadway drawings, driveway drawings, sidewalk drawings, tax maps, subdivision plat maps, benchmark information, section corner reports, and utility as-built drawings. All information available at CITY offices shall be at no cost to CONSULTANT.
- C. Geotechnical Analysis (optional) All geotechnical data and analysis necessary for the project design will be supplied by a sub-consultant as requested by the CONSULTANT. See the attached scope.
- D. Right-of-Way (ROW). CONSULTANT to confirm compliance with FDOT ROW procedures based on LP Manual Chapter 19.
- E. All plans and designs furnished by CONSULTANT are to be prepared with English Units. The current editions, including updates, at the time this agreement is executed, of the following manuals and guidelines, shall be used as resources and reference materials in the performance of CONSULTANT's work:
  - i. Florida Greenbook Design Standards, current edition.

- ii. Manual of Uniform Minimum Standards for Design, Construction, and Maintenance of Streets and Highways, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), current edition.
- iii. South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), Environmental Resource Permit Applicants Handbook, current edition.
- iv. AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, current edition.
- v. FDOT Roadway Plan Preparation Manual.
- vi. FDOT Roadway and Traffic Design Standards, current edition.
- vii. FDOT Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, current edition.
- viii. FDOT Basis of Estimates Handbook, current edition.
- ix. MUTCD, current edition.
- x. FDOT Structures Design Guidelines, current edition.
- xi. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance, current edition.

#### 4.4.5. TASK 5- PRODUCTION PHASE SUBMISSION

Under this task, CONSULTANT will prepare the following documentation:

- A). Contract documents: Once the constructability development plans have been reviewed by the City, construction documents will be created to implement the approved design. Construction documents will also include details, notes and specifications necessary to complete construction. Final deliverables and meetings will be determined after Tasks 1, 2 and 3 are completed.
- B). The Production Phase (60%) plans submittal package shall include, but not be limited to:
  - 1. Production Design Phase (60%) Plans Services shall include, but are not limited to, the preparation of a key sheet, a plan horizontal control sheet, typical cross-sections and plans depicting the connection to existing access points for the proposed improvements. In addition, plan exhibits, details, and calculations to support an environmental permit exemption will be submitted. These exhibits will depict the proposed sidewalks alignment and width, proposed swale, at a scale of 1" = 100', but will not be intended for use as construction plans.
  - 2. 60% Deliverables:
    - a) Three (3) sets of Permit Phase (60%) construction plans (11" X 17") and permit exhibits at 1" = 100' scale.
    - b) 60% Construction Cost Estimate
    - c) Written responses to CITY comments no later than fourteen (14) calendar days from receiving the comments.
- C). FDEP Permit (if needed): National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit from Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). CONSULTANT will prepare the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPP), if needed. City/contractor will apply for the permit.

- D). City of Hollywood Permitting: CONSULTANT will prepare the City of Hollywood permit applications for submittal in support of the sidewalk design. These applications will be incorporated into the surface water management system permits as environmental impacts are not anticipated to be a major concern for this project. Permit applications will be submitted to the agencies when the sidewalk design plans are at 90% approval by the City. Responding to one round of requests for additional information from the permitting agencies is anticipated in this scope of work.
  - 1. The Pre-Bid Phase (90%) plans shall include modifications or revisions to the Permit Phase (60%) plans as a result of FDOT and CITY review and comment during the Permit Phase (60%) plans submittal. The Pre-Bid Phase (90%) plans submittal package shall include, but not be limited to:

#### 2. 90% Deliverables:

- A. Three (3) sets of Pre-Bid Phase (90%) construction plans (11"x17") plotted at 1"= 100' scale.
- B. Written responses to CITY comments;
- C. Quantity Take-off list. CITY shall furnish a template MS Excel Bid Form spreadsheet;
- D. CONSULTANT' Opinion of Probable Construction Costs at Pre-Bid Phase (90%). With CITY furnished bid forms.
- E. The Production Phase (100%) plans shall include modifications or revisions to the Constructability Phase (90%) construction plans as a result of FDOT and CITY review and comment during the 90% plans submittal. The 100% plans submittal package shall include, but not be limited to:
- F. Construction (100%) Plans CONSULTANT shall prepare and submit modifications or revisions to all Plans based on FDOT and CITY review of the 90% plans.
- G. Quantity Take-Offs CONSULTANT shall prepare final quantity take-off calculations for all items required to construct the proposed sidewalk improvements with revisions from CITY comments during the 90% submittal.

#### 3. 100% Deliverables:

- A. Three (3) sets of signed and sealed Construction Phase (100%) construction plans (11"x17")
- B. Written responses to CITY comments;
- C. Final Quantity Take-off list
- D. Letter of Quality Control;
- E. One (1) set of signed and sealed conformed construction plans (11" x 17") reflecting any addenda or changes in the plans after the Bid Phase submittal.

#### 4.4.6. TASK 6: SUPPORT DURING CONSTRUCTION

Once a construction contract is completed and a contractor is selected, CONSULTANT shall provide limited construction administration services to the CITY during the construction phase. Construction administration services may include, but are not limited to, plan updates and

revisions and engineering assistance, 10 (ten) coordination meeting as well as certification inspection and letter, review of as-built drawings.

### 5. PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

#### 5.1. Instructions

- A. All proposals must be submitted electronically via OpenGov. No hard copies will be accepted.
- B. Responses shall be submitted by an authorized representative of the firm. Responses must be submitted in the business entities name by the President, Partner, Officer or Representative authorized to contractually bind the business entity. Responses shall include an attachment evidencing that the individual submitting the response, does in fact have the required authority stated herein.
- C. All responses will become the property of the City. The Proposer's response to the solicitation is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this solicitation and the Contract to be executed for this solicitation, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes. Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the solicitation, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion Confidential / Proprietary / Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, will be exempt from public disclosure. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Confidential / Proprietary / Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is Confidential / Proprietary / Trade Secret, and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation constitutes Confidential / Proprietary / Trade Secret information. The City's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the City's treatment of records as public records. In the event of Contract award, all documentation produced as part of the Contract shall become the exclusive property of the City.

#### 5.2. Contents of the Statement of Qualifications

The following information and documents are required to be provided with Consultants response to this RFQ. Failure to do so may deem your SOQ non-responsive.

The City deems certain documentation and information important in the determination of responsiveness and for the purpose of evaluating responses. Responses should seek to avoid information in excess of that requested, must be concise, and must specifically address the issues of this RFQ.

These are not inclusive of all the information that may be necessary to properly evaluate the response and meet the requirements of the scope of work and/or specifications. Additional documents and information should be provided as deemed appropriate by the respondent in response to specific requirements stated herein or through the RFQ.

Proposal sections should be organized using the following sections format:

Tab A: Table of Contents

**Tab B: Executive Summary** 

Tab C: Firm Qualifications and Experience

Tab D: Organizational Profile and Project Team Qualifications

Tab E: Approach to Scope of Work

**Tab F: References** 

**Tab G: Financial Resources** 

Tab H: Legal Proceedings and Performance
Tab I: Required Forms/Exhibits (FDOT Forms)

Note: Do not include pricing - Compensation will be requested and considered only during the competitive negotiations process.

#### 5.2.1 Tab A: Table of Contents

The table of contents should outline in sequential order the major areas of the submittal, including enclosures. All pages should be consecutively numbered and correspond to the Table of Contents.

#### 5.2.2 Tab B: Executive Summary

Each Proposer must submit an executive summary that identifies the business entity, its background, main office(s), and office location that will service this contract. Identify the officers, principals, supervisory staff and key individuals who will be directly involved with the work and their office locations. The executive summary should also summarize the key elements of the SOQ.

#### 5.2.3 Tab C: Firm Qualifications and Experience

Respondents are to submit a complete information and documentation that demonstrates their ability to satisfy all of the minimum qualifications and scope of service requirements. Indicate the firm's number of years of experience in providing the professional services as it relates to the work contemplated. Provide details of past projects for agencies of similar size and scope, including information on your firm's ability to meet time requirements. Indicate business structure, IE: Corp., Partnership, and LLC. Firm should be registered as a legal entity in the State of Florida; Company address, phone number, fax number, E-Mail address, web site, contact person(s), etc. Relative size of the firm, including management, technical and support staff; licenses and any other pertinent information shall be submitted.

Consultant shall submit proof of experience for a minimum of three (3) projects of similar scope and scale (or larger) and shall, identify location; dates of construction; project name and overall scope; scope of work that was self-performed by Consultant; and client's name, address, telephone number and e-mail address.

#### 5.2.4 Tab D: Organizational Profile and Project Team Qualifications

This section shall include a detailed profile of the organization and identify the project team. Providing this information on an organizational chart is recommended. This section shall also include resumes of the project team. Lastly include details of how each project team member will contribute to the project, in what capacity, and the level of involvement and their expertise. Provide a comprehensive summary of the experience and qualifications of the individual(s) who will be selected to serve as the project manager(s) for the City on this project.

#### 5.2.5 Tab E: Approach to Scope of Work

Provide in concise narrative form your understanding of the City's needs, goals and objectives as they relate to the project as described in the scope of services, and your overall approach to accomplishing the project. Give an overview on your proposed vision, ideas and methodology. Describe your proposed approach to the scope of work. Also provide information on your firm's current workload and how this contract will fit into your workload. Describe available facilities, technological capabilities and other available resources you offer for the project.

#### 5.2.6 Tab F: References

Provide at least three (3) references, preferably government agencies, for projects with similar scope as listed in this RFQ. Information should include:

- Client Name, address, contact person telephone and <u>current</u> E-mail addresses (E-mail will be primary means of contact).
- Description of work.
- Date project began and completion date. (List whether it was on time and on budget)
- Beginning and ending project budget.
- Number of amendments and change orders.
- List any stop work orders and reasons.

**Note:** Do not include City of Hollywood work or staff as references to demonstrate your capabilities. The Committee is interested in work experience and references other than the City of Hollywood.

#### 5.2.7 Tab G: Financial Resources

Provide a financial summary statement in writing, signed by a duly authorized representative, stating the present financial condition of the Proposer, and disclosing information as to Proposer's involvement in any prior or current bankruptcy proceedings.

#### 5.2.8 Tab H: Legal Proceedings and Performance

Provide a letter on your firm's letterhead indicating if your firm has paid liquidated damages and/or if your firm has been terminated for default. Provide details of these occurrences and the associated projects. If your firm has not paid liquidated damages or been terminated for default include this on a letter with your firm's letterhead.

Provide a list of legal proceedings against your firm in the last five years. This shall include legal proceedings for the entire company.

- 1. Arbitrations; List all arbitration demands filed by or against your firm in the last five years, and identify the nature of the claim, the amount in dispute, the parties, and the ultimate resolution of the proceeding.
- 2. Lawsuits: List all lawsuits (other than labor or personal injury litigation) filed by or against your firm in the last five years, and identify the nature of the

claim, the amount in dispute, the parties, and the ultimate resolution of the lawsuit.

- 3. Other Proceedings: Identify any lawsuits, administrative proceedings, or hearings initiated by the National Labor Relations Board or similar state agency in the past five years concerning any labor practices by your firm. Identify the nature of any proceeding and its ultimate resolution. Identify any lawsuits, administrative proceedings, or hearings initiated by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration concerning the project safety practices of your company in the last five years. Identify the nature of any proceeding and its ultimate resolution.
- 4. Bankruptcies: Has your firm or its parents or any subsidiaries ever had a Bankruptcy Petition filed in its name, voluntarily or involuntarily? (If yes, specify date, circumstances, and resolution).
- 5. Has a contract to which you were a party even been terminated by the other party?
- 6. Have you ever had to use bonding moneys to complete a project or to pay a subconsultant or supplier?

#### 5.2.9 Tab I: Required Forms

Include all of the following required forms provided in Section 8.

- a. Drug-Free Workplace Program
- b. Non-Collusion Affidavit
- c. Vendor Reference Form
- d. Statement of Qualification Certification
- e. Sworn Statement Pursuant to Section 287.133(3)(a)
- f. Hold Harmless and Indemnity Clause
- g. Solicitation, Giving and Acceptance of Gifts Policy
- h. Exhibits (FDOT Forms)

#### 6. EVALUATION AND AWARD

#### 6.1. Evaluation Committee

- 6.1.1 Evaluation of the submittals will be conducted by an Evaluation Committee, consisting of a minimum of three members of City Staff, or other persons selected by the City Manager or designee. All committee members must be present at scheduled evaluation meetings. Submittals shall be evaluated based upon the information and references contained in the Statement of Qualifications (SOQs) as submitted. Evaluation procedures shall be regulated by F.S. § 287.055, referred to as Consultants' Competitive Negotiations Act (CCNA) and the Federal Brooks Act.
- 6.1.2 The committee shall short list no less than three (3) submittals, assuming that three submittals have been received, that it deems best satisfy the criteria set forth herein and attempt to select the best qualified firm(s) for the professional engineering discipline identified by the respondent. The committee shall review and evaluate proposals and will perform oral presentations as required with all short-listed firms. The committee shall then rank the short-listed firms based upon the information provided in the oral presentations, the materials presented, the firm's responses to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ), and deliberations of the Evaluation Committee at publicly advertised Evaluation Meetings. The City may request, and the firm shall provide additional information deemed necessary by the evaluation committee to conduct evaluations.
- 6.1.3 The ranking and the Evaluation Committee's recommendation shall be reported to the City Commission through and with the concurrence of the City Manager, who shall request the City Commission approve the final ranking and authorize staff to negotiate and execute a contract with the top ranked firm(s). If the City is unable to reach an agreement with the top ranked firm(s), negotiations will be cancelled at the sole discretion of the City. City staff will then begin negotiations with the next ranked firm(s) and so forth until an agreement is reached and a contract awarded.

#### 6.2. Evaluation Criteria

- A. Per Florida Statute 287.055, in determining whether a firm is qualified, the agency may consider such factors as the qualifications, approach to the project, and ability to furnish the required services. The City may request, accept, and consider proposals for the compensation to be paid under the contract only during competitive negotiations.
- B. Each member of the evaluation committee will first evaluate the Statement of Qualifications for each of the category items included in Section 5.2. Following their review, each selection committee member will score each firm by providing their score for each of the evaluation criteria items by using the maximum points established for each. Once all the selection committee scores are finalized, the gross total score for each firm will be calculated by adding all categories per each selection committee member. Then, all gross total scores from all the selection committee members per firm will be added and averaged by the number of selection committee members. The final average score will be used to determine the firm's ranking.

- C. Using the average scores each firm will be ranked as 1, 2, 3, etc. The highest average score will receive the highest ranking. This scoring methodology will be used for the Initial Evaluations. Scores from the initial evaluation will not carry towards the oral presentation or final award recommendation.
- D. A Selection Committee will review and evaluate submittals to determine if they meet all of the requirements in this solicitation to be deemed responsive and responsible.

# 6.3. <u>Initial Scoring Criteria</u>

The following evaluation criteria will be used to evaluate and score each submittal:

No.	Evaluation Criteria	Scoring Method	Weight (Points)
1.	Firms Qualification and Experience Overall approach, similar project experience and project management.	Points Based	25 (25% of Total)
2.	Organizational Profile and Project Team Qualifications Professional experience and qualifications of team members.	Points Based	30 (30% of Total)
3.	Approach to Scope of Work  Overview of proposed vision, ideas, and methodology, as it relates to meeting typical discipline project scope, construction budget and time-line for completion.	Points Based	30 (30% of Total)
4.	Past Performance and References Provide at least three references, preferably from government entities, for completed projects with similar scope contained in this RFQ.	Points Based	15 (15% of Total)

#### **Oral Presentation Scoring Criteria:**

Short-listed firms shall present an oral overview of their approach to perform work on this particular project and their ability to meet the City's required project needs. The short-listed firms will also answer any additional questions that the Committee may have. The oral presentation will be private, completed independently and limited to 20 minutes after which a question-and-answer period not exceeding 15 minutes will commence.

Short-listed firms will be scored on an ordinal basis (ie.1, 2, 3, etc.). A score of 1 will be given to the firm considered most qualified to provide the required services to the City, followed by a score of 2 being given to the next firm, considered most qualified, and so on and so forth. The firm with the fewest total points will be ranked number 1. Scores will be compiled by the Senior Purchasing Agent.

#### Tie Breaker

**Submitting Firm Ranking:** Evaluation Committee members shall rank the Submitting Firms based on the sum of points received from the initial screening completed by the Evaluation Committee and the final evaluation scoring. The Submitting Firm receiving the most combined points shall be considered to be the **most qualified or highest ranked** Submitting Firm ("**Firm 1**"). All remaining Submitting Firms shall be ranked in descending order based on total combined points received (**Firm 2, Firm 3, Firm 4**, and etc.). The Evaluation Committee will make a recommendation to award the highest ranked firm.

- 1. The first tie-breaker between identically scored Submitting Firms shall be the total number of times the applicable Submitting Firms are ranked as the **most qualified** ("**Firm 1**") by individual Evaluation Committee members.
- 2. The second tie-breaker between identically scored Submitting Firms shall be the total number of times the applicable Submitting Firms are ranked as the **second most qualified** ("Firm 2") by individual Evaluation Committee members.
- 3. The third tie-breaker between identically scored Submitting Firms shall be the total number of times the applicable Submitting Firms are ranked as the **third most qualified** ("**Firm 3**") by individual Evaluation Committee members.
- 4. The fourth tie-breaker shall be a coin flip, to be called in the air, by the tied Submitting Firm that held its discussions with Evaluation Committee first.

#### 7. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 7.1. INTENT

It is the policy of the City to encourage full and open competition among all available qualified vendors. All vendors regularly engaged in the type of Work specified in the Solicitation are encouraged to submit proposals. To receive notification and to be eligible to bid vendor should be registered with OpenGov. Vendors may register with the OpenGov (registration is free) to be included on a mailing list for selected categories of goods and Services. In order to be processed for payment, any awarded vendor must register with the City by completing and returning a Vendor Application and all supporting documents. For information and to apply as a vendor, please visit our website at <a href="https://hollywoodfl.org">hollywoodfl.org</a> to download an application and submit it to Procurement Services Division.

It is the intent of the City of Hollywood, FL ("the City"), through this solicitation and the contract conditions contained herein, to establish to the greatest possible extent complete clarity regarding the requirements of both parties to the agreement resulting from this solicitation.

Before submitting a bid/proposal, the Vendor shall be thoroughly familiarized with all contract conditions referred to in this document and any addenda issued before the bid/proposal submission date. Such addenda shall form a part of the SOLICITATION and shall be made a part of the contract. It shall be the Vendor's responsibility to ascertain that the bid/proposal includes all addenda issued prior to the bid/proposal submission date. Addenda will be posted on the <a href="City's Procurement Portal">City's Procurement Portal</a> along with the SOLICITATION.

The terms of the SOLICITATION and the selected Vendor's bid/proposal and any additional documentation (e.g. questions and answers) provided by the Vendor during the solicitation process will be integrated into the final contract for services entered into between the City and the selected Vendor. The Vendor shall determine, by personal examination and by such other means as may be preferred, the conditions and requirements under which the agreement must be performed.

#### 7.2. PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Proposers are required to submit their bids/proposals upon the following express conditions:

- A. Proposers shall thoroughly examine the drawings, specifications, schedules, instructions and all other contract documents.
- B. Proposers shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding delivery of material, equipment or services as required by the SOLICITATION conditions. No plea of ignorance, by the proposer, of conditions that exist or that may hereafter exist as a result of failure or omission on the part of the proposer to make the necessary examinations and investigations, or failure to fulfill in every detail the requirements of the contract documents, will be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of the City or the compensation due the proposer.

C. Proposers are advised that all City contracts are subject to all legal requirements provided for in the City of Hollywood Charter, Code of Ordinances and applicable County Ordinances, State Statutes and Federal Statutes.

#### 7.3. PREPARATION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

Bids/proposals will be prepared in accordance with the following:

- A. The City's enclosed bid/proposal Forms, in their entirety, are to be used in submitting your bid/proposal. NO OTHER FORM WILL BE ACCEPTED.
- B. All information required by the bid/proposal form shall be furnished. The proposer shall sign each continuation sheet (where indicated) on which an entry is made.
- C. Prices shall be shown and where there is an error in the extension of prices, the unit price shall govern.

The City of Hollywood is exempt from payment to its vendors of State of Florida sales tax and, therefore, such taxes should not be figured into the SOLICITATION. However, this exemption does not apply to suppliers to the City in their (supplier) purchases of goods or services, used in work or goods supplied to the City. Proposers are responsible for any taxes, sales or otherwise, levied on their purchases, subcontracts, employment, etc. An exemption certificate will be signed where applicable, upon request. The City will pay no sales tax.

#### 7.4. ADDENDA

The Procurement Services Division may issue an addendum in response to any inquiry received, prior to bid/proposal opening, which changes, adds to or clarifies the terms, provisions or requirements of the solicitation. The Proposer should not rely on any representation, statement or explanation, whether written or verbal, other than those made in this solicitation document or in any addenda issued. Where there appears to be a conflict between this solicitation and any addendum, the last addendum issued shall prevail. It is the proposer's responsibility to ensure receipt of all addenda and any accompanying documents. Proposer(s) shall acknowledge receipt of any formal Addenda by signing the addendum and including it with their bid/proposal. Failure to include signed formal addenda in its bid/proposal shall cause the City to deem the bid/proposal non-responsive provided, however, that the City may waive this requirement in its best interest.

#### 7.5. REJECTION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

The City may reject a bid/proposal if:

- A. The Proposer fails to acknowledge receipt of an addendum, or if
- B. The Proposer misstates or conceals any material fact in the bid/proposal, or if
- C. The bid/proposal does not strictly conform to the law or requirements of the SOLICITATION, or if
- D. The City is under a pre-lawsuit claim or current litigation with the proposer.

The City may reject all bids/proposals whenever it is deemed in the best interest of the City to do so, and may reject any part of a bid/proposal unless the bid/proposal has been qualified as provided in herein.

#### 7.6. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

- A. May not be withdrawn and shall be deemed enforceable for a period of 180 days after the time set for the SOLICITATION opening.
- B. Bids/proposals may be withdrawn prior to the time set for the SOLICITATION opening via the Portal.
- C. The City will permanently retain as liquidated damages the bid deposit furnished by any proposer who requests to withdraw a bid/proposal after the SOLICITATION opening.

#### 7.7. BIDS/PROPOSALS TO REMAIN OPEN

All bids/proposals shall remain open for 180 calendar days after the day of the bid/proposal opening, but the City may, at its sole discretion, release any bid/proposal and return the bid/proposal Security prior to that date.

Extensions of time when bids/proposals shall remain open beyond the 180 day period may be made only by mutual written agreement between the City, the successful Proposer and the surety, if any, for the successful Proposer.

#### 7.8. LATE BIDS/PROPOSALS OR MODIFICATIONS

Only bids/proposals received as of the opening date and time will be considered timely. Bids/proposals and modifications received after the time set for the opening will be returned unopened to the sender and rejected as late.

## 7.9. CONFLICTS WITHIN THE SOLICITATION

Where there appears to be a conflict between the General Terms and Conditions, Special Conditions, the Technical Specifications, the SOLICITATION Submittal Section, or any addendum issued, the order of precedence shall be the last addendum issued, the SOLICITATION Submittal Section, the Technical Specifications, the Special Conditions, and then the General Terms and Conditions.

# 7.10. <u>CLARIFICATION OR OBJECTION TO BID/PROPOSAL</u> <u>SPECIFICATIONS</u>

If any person contemplating submitting a bid/proposal for this contract is in doubt as to the true meaning of the specifications or other SOLICITATION documents or any part thereof, they may submit requests for clarification to the Procurement Services Division on or before the date specified for a request for clarification. All such requests for clarification shall be made in writing and the person submitting the request will be responsible for its prompt delivery. Any interpretation of the SOLICITATION, if made, will be made only by Addendum duly issued. A copy of such Addendum will be made available to each person receiving a Solicitation. The City will not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretation of the SOLICITATION given prior to the award of the contract. Any objection to the specifications and requirements as set forth in this

SOLICITATION must be filed in writing with the Chief Procurement Officer on or before the date specified for a request for clarification.

The City of Hollywood will determine costs in accordance with Federal cost principles meets the RFP/contract language requirement found in 23 CFR 172.9(c)(1)(ix).

#### 7.11. COMPETENCY OF PROPOSERS

Pre-award inspection of the Proposer's facility may be made prior to the award of a contract. Bids/proposals will be considered only from firms which are regularly engaged in the business of providing the goods and/or services as described in this SOLICITATION(s); have a record of performance for a reasonable period of time; and have sufficient financial support, equipment and organization to ensure that they can satisfactorily deliver the material and/or services if awarded a Contract under the terms and conditions herein stated. The terms "equipment and organization" as used herein shall be construed to mean a fully equipped and well established company in line with the best business practices in the industry and as determined by the proper authorities of the City.

The City may consider any evidence available to it of the financial, technical and other qualifications and abilities of a proposer, including past performance (experience) in making the award in the best interest of the City. In all cases the City of Hollywood shall have no liability to any proposer for any costs or expense incurred in connection with this SOLICITATION or otherwise.

#### 7.12. QUALIFICATIONS OF PROPOSERS

No Bid/proposal will be accepted from, nor will any contract be awarded to any person who is in arrears to the City upon any debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to City, or who is deemed responsible or unreliable by the City.

As part of the bid/proposal evaluation process, City may conduct a background investigation including a record check by the Hollywood Police Department. Proposer's submission of a bid/proposal constitutes acknowledgment of the process and consent to such investigation. City shall be the sole judge in determining a Proposer's qualifications.

# 7.13. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

In cases where an item requested is identified by a manufacturer's name, trade name, catalog number, or reference, it is understood that the Vendor proposes to furnish the item so identified and does not propose to furnish an "equal" unless the proposed "equal" is pre-approved by the City.

References to any of the above are intended to be descriptive but not restrictive and only indicate articles that will be satisfactory. A bid/proposal of an "equal" will be considered, provided that the Vendor states in his bid/proposal exactly what he proposes to furnish, including sample, illustration, or other descriptive matter which will clearly indicate the character of the article covered by such bid/proposal. The designated City representative hereby reserves the right to approve as an "equal", or to reject as not being an "equal", any article proposed which contains major or minor variations from specifications requirements.

#### 7.14. AWARD OF CONTRACT

If the Contract is to be awarded, it will be awarded, after evaluation by the City, to the responsible and responsive Proposer whom the City determines will be in the best interests of the City and not necessarily to the lowest cost Proposer. Proposers may be invited to an oral interview before the committee. A short list of finalists will be determined and presented to either the City Manager or his/her designee or to the City Commission, in accordance with the applicable City of Hollywood Code of Ordinances, and will make the final ranking for the purposes of negotiating a contract with the top ranked firm. The successful Proposer shall be required to sign a negotiated contract; the refusal or failure of a successful Proposer to execute a contract which contains the mandatory material terms and conditions contained in the SOLICITATION, shall be grounds for deeming the Proposer and/or the Proposer's bid/proposal non-responsive.

If applicable, the Proposer to whom award is made shall execute a written contract prior to award by the City Commission. If the Proposer to whom the first award is made fails to enter into a contract as herein provided, the Contract may be let to the next highest ranked Proposer who is responsible and responsive in the opinion of the City.

#### 7.15. BASIS FOR AWARD, EVALUATION CRITERIA AND QUESTIONS

The qualification of bid/proposal responders on this project will be considered in making the award. The City is not obligated to accept any bid/proposal if deemed not in the best interest of the City to do so. The City shall make award to a qualified proposer based on fees submitted and responses to this SOLICITATION.

Failure to include in the bid/proposal all information outlined herein may be cause for rejection of the bid/proposal.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids/proposals, in whole or in part, as determined to be in the best interest of the City in its sole discretion.

The City reserves the right to waive any informalities or irregularities in bids/proposals.

The City reserves the right to negotiate separately the terms and conditions or all or any part of the bids/proposals as deemed to be in the City's best interest in its sole discretion.

Information and/or factors gathered during interviews, negotiations and any reference checks, and any other information or factors deemed relevant by the City, shall be utilized in the final award. The final award of a contract is subject to approval by the City Commission.

## 7.16. AGREEMENT

An agreement shall be sent to the awarded proposer to be signed, witnessed, and returned to the City for execution. The City will provide a copy of the fully executed agreement to the awarded proposer.

# 7.17. NOTICE TO PROCEED

The Successful Consultant(s) shall not begin work until a Contract has been awarded by the City Commission and the contract has been executed. Consultant agrees and understands that

the issuance of a Notice to Proceed shall be issued and provided to the Consultant following execution of a contract.

## 7.18. BID PROTESTS

The City shall provide notice of its intent to award or reject to all proposers by posting such notice on the City's website.

After a notice of intent to award a contract is posted, any actual or prospective proposer who is aggrieved in connection with the pending award of the contract or any element of the process leading to the award of the contract may protest to the Director of Procurement Services. A protest must be filed within five business days after posting or any right to protest is forfeited. The protest must be in writing, must identify the name and address of the protester, and must include a factual summary of, and the basis for, the protest. Filing shall be considered complete when the protest, including a deposit, is received by the Procurement Services Division. Failure to file a protest within the time-frame specified herein shall constitute a full waiver of all rights to protest the City's decision regarding the award.

The written protest shall state in detail the specific facts and law or ordinance upon which the protest of the proposed award is based, and shall include all pertinent documents.

A written protest may not challenge the relative weight of evaluation criteria or a formula for assigning points.

Upon receipt of a formal written protest, the City shall stop award proceedings until resolution of the protest; unless it has been determined that the award of the contract without delay is necessary to protect substantial interests of the City.

Any and all costs incurred by a protesting party in connection with a bid protest shall be the sole responsibility of the protesting party.

Upon receipt of a protest of the pending award of a contract, a copy of the protest shall promptly be forwarded to the City Attorney. The City Attorney shall thereupon review the charge to determine its sufficiency, including whether the protest was timely filed. If upon review the City Attorney determines that the charge is insufficient, the City Attorney may issue a summary dismissal of the protest. If upon review the City Attorney determines that the charge is sufficient, a hearing of the protest committee shall be scheduled.

A protest committee shall have the authority to review, settle and resolve the protest. The committee shall consist of three members appointed by the City Manager. The committee's review shall be informal.

If the protest committee determines that the pending award of a contract or any element of the process leading to the award involved a significant violation of law or applicable rule or regulation, all steps necessary and proper to correct the violation shall be taken. If the committee determines that the protest is without merit,

The Director shall promptly issue a decision in writing stating the reason for the decision and furnish a copy to the protester and any other interested party, and the process leading to the award shall proceed.

## 7.19. PREPARATION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

Bids/proposals shall be prepared in accordance with the bid/proposal response format. Bids/proposals not complying with this format may be considered non-responsive and may be removed from consideration on this basis.

Requirements for Signing Bid/Proposal:

- A. Each proposer, by making a bid/proposal, represents that this document has been read and is fully understood.
- B. The bid/proposal must be signed in ink by an individual authorized to legally bind the person, partnership, company, or corporation submitting the bid/proposal.
- C. All manual signatures must have the name typed directly under the line of the signature.
- D. The above requirements apply to all SOLICITATION addenda.

#### 7.20. EXAMINATION OF BID/PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS

Before submitting a bid/proposal, each Proposer must: examine the bid/proposal Documents thoroughly; consider federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that may in any manner affect cost, progress, performance, or provision of the commodities and/or services; study and carefully correlate Proposer's observations with the bid/proposal Documents, and notify the City's agent of all conflicts, errors and discrepancies in the bid/proposal Documents.

The submission of a bid/proposal will constitute an incontrovertible representation by the Proposer, that the Proposer has complied with every requirement of this SOLICITATION, that without exception, the bid/proposal is premised upon performing the services and/or furnishing the commodities and materials in accordance with such means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures as may be indicated in or required by the bid/proposal Documents, and that the bid/proposal Documents are sufficient in scope and detail to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions of performance and furnishing of the goods and/or services.

# 7.21. PUBLIC RECORDS LAW

If applicable, for each public agency contract for services, the Proposer is required to comply with F.S. 119.0701, which includes the following:

- A. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the public agency in order to perform the service.
- B. Provide the public with access to public records on the same terms and conditions that the public agency would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in F.S. Chapter 119 or as otherwise provided by law.
- C. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law.
- D. Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer, at no cost, to the public agency, all public records in possession of the proposer upon termination of the contract and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt

from public records disclosure requirements. All records stored electronically must be provided to the public agency in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the public agency.

Public records may be inspected and examined by anyone desiring to do so, at a reasonable time, under reasonable conditions, and under supervision by the custodian of the public record. Sealed Bids/proposals become subject to the public records disclosure requirements of F.S. Chapter 119, notwithstanding a proposers' request to the contrary, at the time the City provides notice of a decision or intended decision, or 30 days after the bid/proposal opening, whichever is earlier.

Financial statements submitted in response to a request by the City may be confidential and exempt from disclosure.

Data processing software obtained under a licensing agreement which prohibits its disclosure may also exempt.

Proposers are hereby notified and agree that all information submitted as part of, or in support of SOLICITATION submittals will be available for public inspection after opening of SOLICITATION in compliance with Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes. The proposer shall not, unless required as part of this SOLICITATION, submit any information in response to this invitation which the proposer considers to be a trade secret, proprietary or confidential. The submission, not required as part of this this SOLICITATION, of any information to the City in connection with this invitation shall be deemed conclusively to be a waiver of any trade secret or other protection, which would otherwise be available to the proposer.

# 7.22. <u>INFORMATION</u>

For information concerning procedure for responding to this Solicitation (SOLICITATION), contact the Point of Contact in the <u>INTRODUCTION</u> section. Such contact shall be for clarification purposes only. <u>It is preferred that all other questions be submitted in writing via the Portal at least 10 calendar days prior to the bid/proposal due/opening date.</u>

# 7.23. BIDS/PROPOSALS

The bid/proposal must be signed by one duly authorized to do so and in cases where the bid/proposal is signed by a deputy or subordinate, the principal's proper written grant of authority to such deputy or subordinate must accompany the bid/proposal.

Bids/proposals by corporations must be executed in the corporate name by the President or other corporate officers accompanied by evidence of authority to sign. The corporate address and state of incorporation must be shown below the signature.

Bids/proposals by partnerships must be executed in the partnership name and signed by a general partner whose title must appear under the signature and the official address of the partnership must be shown below the signature.

# 7.24. MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

Bids/proposals must be modified or withdrawn electronically via the Portal. A request for withdrawal or a modification must be via the Portal by a person duly authorized to do so. Withdrawal of a bid/proposal will not prejudice the rights of a Proposer to submit a new

bid/proposal prior to the bid/proposal date and time. Except where provided in the following paragraph no bid/proposal may be withdrawn or modified after expiration of the period for receiving bids/proposals.

If, within twenty-four (24) hours after bids/proposals are opened, any Proposer files a duly signed written notice with the City and within five (5) calendar days thereafter demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the City by clear and convincing evidence that there was a material and substantial mistake in the preparation of its bid/proposal, or that the mistake is clearly evident on the face of the bid/proposal but the intended correct bid/proposal is not similarly evident, then the Proposer may withdraw its bid/proposal and the bid/proposal Security will be returned.

#### 7.25. REJECTION OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

To the extent permitted by applicable state and federal laws and regulations, the City reserves the right to reject any and all bids/proposals, to waive any and all informalities, irregularities and technicalities not involving price, time or changes in the commodities and/or services, and the right to disregard all nonconforming, non-responsive, unbalanced or conditional bids/proposals. Bids/proposals will be considered irregular and may be rejected if they show serious omissions, alterations in form, additions not called for, conditions or unauthorized alterations or irregularities of any kind.

The City also reserves the right to waive minor technical defects in a bid/proposal. The City reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether any aspect of a bid/proposal satisfies the criteria established in this Solicitation.

The City reserves the right to reject the bid/proposal of any Proposer if the City believes that it would not be in the best interest of the City to make an award to that Proposer, whether because the bid/proposal is not responsive or the Proposer is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criterion established by City.

The foregoing reasons for rejection of bids/proposals are not intended to be exhaustive.

#### 7.26. OPEN END CONTRACT

No guarantee is expressed or implied as to the total quantity of commodities/services to be purchased under any open-end contract. Estimated quantities will be used for bid/proposal comparison purposes only. The City reserves the right to issue purchase orders as and when required, or a blanket purchase order and release partial quantities as and when required or any combination of the preceding.

ORDERING: The CITY reserves the right to purchase commodities/services specified herein through Contracts established by other governmental agencies or through separate procurement actions due to unique or special needs. If an urgent delivery is required within a period shorter than the delivery time specified in the contract, and if the seller is unable to comply therewith, the City reserves the right to obtain such delivery from others without penalty or prejudice to the City or to the Proposer.

## 7.27. AUDIT RIGHTS

The City reserves the right to audit the records of the successful Proposer for the commodities and/or services provided under the Contract at any time during the performance and term of the

Contract and for a period of three (3) years after completion and acceptance by the City. If required by the City, the successful Proposer agrees to submit to an audit by an independent certified public accountant selected by the City. The successful Proposer shall allow the City to inspect, examine and review the records of the successful Proposer in relation to this contract at any and all times during normal business hours during the term of the Contract.

## 7.28. LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Proposer shall comply with all local, state and federal directives, orders and laws as applicable to this SOLICITATION and subsequent contract(s) including, but not limited to:

- A. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), in compliance with Executive Order 11246 as amended and applicable to this contract.
- B. All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall comply with applicable requirements of the Occupation Safety and Health Act of 1970 as amended, and be in compliance with Chapter 442, Florida Statutes. Any toxic substance listed in Section 38F-41.03 of the Florida Administrative Code delivered as a result of this order must be accompanied by a completed Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).
- C. The Immigration and Nationality Act prohibits (i) the employment of an unauthorized alien when the employer knows the individual is an unauthorized alien and (ii) the employment of an individual without complying with the requirements of the federal employment verification system. If a proposer commits either of these violations, such violation shall be cause for unilateral cancellation of the contract.
- D. This Section applies only to any contract for goods or services of \$1 million or more: The Proposer certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria as provided in section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised. The City may terminate this Contract at the City's option if the Proposer is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under subsection (5) of section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised, or been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or has engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2011), as may be amended or revised.

# 7.29. FRAUD AND MISREPRESENTATION

Any individual, corporation or other entity that attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the City through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement, may be debarred from doing business with the City. The City as further sanction may terminate or cancel any other contracts with such individual, corporation or entity. Such individual or entity shall be responsible for all direct or indirect costs associated with termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.

#### 7.30. DEBARRED OR SUSPENDED BIDDERS OR PROPOSERS

The proposer certifies, by submission of a response to this solicitation, that neither it nor its principals and subproposers are presently debarred or suspended by any Federal department or agency.

## 7.31. COLLUSION

More than one bid/proposal received for the same work from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation or association under the same or different names will not be considered. Reasonable grounds for believing that any Proposer is interested in more than one bid/proposal for the same work will cause the rejection of such bin which the Proposer is interested. If there are reasonable grounds for believing that collusion exists among the Proposers, the bids/proposals of participants in such collusion will not be considered.

#### 7.32. COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK"

The Proposer and all sub proposers will comply with the Copeland Anti-Kickback Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3).

## 7.33. FORCE MAJEURE

The Agreement which is awarded to the successful proposer may provide that the performance of any act by the City or Proposer hereunder may be delayed or suspended at any time while, but only so long as, either party is hindered in or prevented from performance by acts of God, the elements, war, rebellion, strikes, lockouts or any cause beyond the reasonable control of such party, provided however, the City shall have the right to provide substitute service from third parties or City forces and in such event the City shall withhold payment due the Proposer for such period of time. If the condition of force majeure exceeds a period of 14 days the City may, at its option and discretion, cancel or renegotiate this Agreement.

# 7.34. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a proposal on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a proposal on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a proposer, supplier, subproposer, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Florida Statutes, Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

# 7.35. SOLICITATION, GIVING, AND ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS POLICY

Proposer shall sign and submit the attached form indicating understanding and compliance with the City's and State's policies prohibiting solicitation and acceptance of gifts by public officers, employees and candidates. Failure to submit the signed form will result in your bid/proposal being declared non-responsive; provided, however, that a responsible proposer whose bid/proposal would be responsive but for the failure to submit the signed form in its bid/proposal may be given

the opportunity to submit the form to the City within five calendar days after notification by the City, if this is determined to be in the best interest of the City.

## 7.36. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Proposer represents that:

No officer, director, employee, agent, or other consultant of the City or a member of the immediate family or household of the aforesaid has directly or indirectly received or been promised any form of benefit, payment or compensation, whether tangible or intangible, in connection with the grant of this Agreement.

There are no undisclosed persons or entities interested with the Proposer in this Agreement. This Agreement is entered into by the Proposer without any connection with any other entity or person making a bid/proposal for the same purpose, and without collusion, fraud or conflict of interest. No elected or appointed officer or official, director, employee, agent or other consultant of the City, or of the State of Florida (including elected and appointed members of the legislative and executive branches of government), or member of the immediate family or household of any of the aforesaid:

- A. Is interested on behalf of or through the Proposer directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in the execution or the performance of this Agreement, or in the services, supplies or work, to which this Agreement relates or in any portion of the revenues; or
- B. Is an employee, agent, advisor, or consultant to the Proposer or to the best of the Proposer's knowledge, any subproposer or supplier to the Proposer.

Neither the Proposer nor any officer, director, employee, agent, parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the Proposer shall have an interest which is in conflict with the Proposer's faithful performance of its obligations under this Agreement; provided that the City, in its sole discretion, may consent in writing to such a relationship, and provided the Proposer provides the City with a written notice, in advance, which identifies all the individuals and entities involved and sets forth in detail the nature of the relationship and why it is in the City's best interest to consent to such relationship.

The provisions of this Article are supplemental to, not in lieu of, all applicable laws with respect to conflict of interest. In the event there is a difference between the standards applicable under this Agreement and those provided by statute, the stricter standard shall apply.

In the event the Proposer has no prior knowledge of a conflict of interest as set forth above and acquires information which may indicate that there may be an actual or apparent violation of any of the above, the Proposer shall promptly bring such information to the attention of the City's Project Manager. The Proposer shall thereafter cooperate with the City's review and investigation of such information, and comply with the instructions the Proposer receives from the Project Manager in regard to remedying the situation.

## 7.37. DISCRIMINATION

Any entity or affiliate who has been placed on the discriminatory vendor list may not submit a bid/proposal on a contract to provide goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid/proposal on a contract with a public entity for construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids/proposals on leases of real property to a public entity, may not

award or perform work as a proposer, supplier, subproposer, or consultant under contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity.

# 7.38. ADVICE OF OMISSION OR MISSTATEMENT

In the event it is evident to a Vendor responding to this SOLICITATION that the City has omitted or misstated a material requirement to this SOLICITATION and/or the services required by this SOLICITATION, the responding Vendor shall advise the contact identified in the SOLICITATION Clarifications and Questions section above of such omission or misstatement.

#### 7.39. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Information contained in the Vendor's bid/proposal that is company confidential must be clearly identified in the bid/proposal itself. The City will be free to use all information in the Vendor's bid/proposal for the City's purposes, in accordance with State Law. Vendor bids/proposals shall remain confidential for 30 days or until a notice of intent to award is posted, which is sooner. The Vendor understands that any material supplied to the City may be subject to public disclosure under the Public Records Law.

#### 7.40. GOVERNING LAW

This Contract, including appendices, and all matters relating to this Contract (whether in contract, statute, tort (such as negligence), or otherwise) shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Florida. This shall apply notwithstanding such factors which include, but are not limited to, the place where the contract is entered into, the place where the accident occurs and not withstanding application of conflicts of law principles.

# 7.41. <u>LITIGATION VENUE</u>

The parties waive the privilege of venue and agree that all litigation between them in the state courts shall take place in Broward County, Florida and that all litigation between them in the federal courts shall take place in the Southern District of Florida.

## 7.42. SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

Nothing in this agreement shall be interpreted or construed to mean that the city waives its common law sovereign immunity or the limits of liability set forth in Section 768.28, Florida Statute.

## 7.43. SURVIVAL

The parties acknowledge that any of the obligations in this Agreement will survive the term, termination and cancellation hereof. Accordingly, the respective obligations of the Proposer and the City under this Agreement, which by nature would continue beyond the termination, cancellation or expiration thereof, shall survive termination, cancellation or expiration hereof.

# 7.44. <u>INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT</u>

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the City of Hollywood and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages. In addition,

the City shall be entitled to attorney's fees and costs of defense, which the City of Hollywood, or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this project by the awarded proposer or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals or subcontractors. Furthermore, the awarded proposer shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind of nature in the name of the City of Hollywood, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. The awarded proposer expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by the resulting agreement or otherwise provided by the awarded proposer shall cover the City of Hollywood, its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities and shall include claims for damages resulting from and/or caused by the negligence, recklessness or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Contractor and persons employed by or utilized by the Contractor in the performance of the contract.

## 7.45. PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION

The Proposer warrants that all deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to: services, equipment programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any patent, copyrights, service marks, trade secret, or any other third party proprietary rights.

The Proposer shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the City for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with, the work, or the City's continued use of the deliverables furnished hereunder. Accordingly, the Proposer, at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the City and defend any action brought against the City with respect to any claim, demand, and cause of action, debt, or liability.

In the event any deliverable or anything provided to the City hereunder, or a portion thereof, is held to constitute an infringement and its use is or may be enjoined, the Proposer shall have the obligation, at the City's option, to (i) modify, or require that the applicable subproposer or supplier modify, the alleged infringing item(s) at the Proposer's expense, without impairing in any respect the functionality or performance of the item(s), or (ii) procure for the City, at the Proposer's expense, the rights provided under this Agreement to use the item(s).

The Proposer shall be solely responsible for determining and informing the City whether a prospective supplier or subproposer is a party to any litigation involving patent or copyright infringement, service mark, trademark, violation, or proprietary rights claims or is subject to any injunction which may prohibit it from providing any deliverable hereunder. The Proposer shall enter into agreements with all suppliers and subproposers at the Proposer's own risk. The City may reject any deliverable that it believes to be the subject of any such litigation or injunction, or if, in the City's judgment, use thereof would delay the work or be unlawful.

The Proposer shall not infringe any copyright, trademark, service mark, trade secrets, patent rights, or other intellectual property rights in the performance of the work.

#### 7.46. ADVERTISING

Vendor shall not advertise or publish the fact that the City has placed this order without prior written consent from the City, except as may be necessary to comply with a proper request for information from an authorized representative of a governmental unit or agency.

#### 7.47. DISCLAIMER

The Hollywood may, in its sole discretion, accept or reject, in whole or in part, for any reason whatsoever any or all bids/proposals; re-advertise this SOLICITATION, postpone or cancel at any time this SOLICITATION process; or, waive any formalities of or irregularities in the bid/proposal process. Bids/proposals that are not submitted on time and/or do not conform to the City of Hollywood's requirements will not be considered. After all bids/proposals are analyzed, organization(s) submitting bid/proposal that appear, solely in the opinion of the City of Hollywood, to be the most competitive, shall be submitted to the City of Hollywood's City Commission, and the final selection will be made shortly thereafter with a timetable set solely by the City of Hollywood. The selection by the City of Hollywood shall be based on the bid/proposal, which is, in the sole opinion of the City Commission of the City of Hollywood, in the best interest of the City of Hollywood. The issuance of this SOLICITATION constitutes only an invitation to make a bid/proposal to the City of Hollywood. The City of Hollywood reserves the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether any aspect of the bid/proposal satisfies the criteria established by the City. In all cases the City of Hollywood shall have no liability to any proposer for any costs or expense incurred in connection with this bid/proposal or otherwise.

## 7.48. TRADEMARKS

The City warrants that all trademarks the City requests the Vendor to affix to articles purchased are those owned by the City and it is understood that the Vendor shall not acquire or claim any rights, title, or interest therein, or use any of such trademarks on any articles produced for itself or anyone other than the City.

# 7.49. RIGHT TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The City reserves the right to request any additional information that might be deemed necessary during the evaluation process.

# 7.50. PROPOSAL PREPARATION COSTS

The Vendor is responsible for any and all costs incurred by the Vendor or his/her subproposers in responding to this solicitation.

# 7.51. RIGHTS TO PERTINENT MATERIALS

All responses, inquires, and correspondence relating to this SOLICITATION and all reports, charts, displays, schedules, exhibits and other documentation produced by the Vendor that are submitted as part of the bid/proposal shall become the property of the City upon receipt, a part of a public record upon opening, and will not be returned.

#### 7.52. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

See insurance requirements in Section 3.14 of the main solicitation document.

#### 7.53. NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT

The Agreement incorporates and includes all negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, and understandings applicable to the matters contained in the Agreement. The parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of the Agreement that are not contained in the Agreement, and that the Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties as to all matters contained herein. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written. It is further agreed that any oral representations or modifications concerning this Agreement shall be of no force or effect, and that the Agreement may be modified, altered or amended only by a written amendment duly executed by both parties hereto or their authorized representatives.

The Proposer shall provide the services set forth in the Scope of Services, and render full and prompt cooperation with the City in all aspects of the services performed hereunder.

The Proposer acknowledges that the Agreement requires the performance of all things necessary for or incidental to the effective and complete performance of all work and services under this Contract. All things not expressly mentioned in the Agreement but necessary to carrying out its intent are required by the Agreement, and the Proposer shall perform the same as though they were specifically mentioned, described and delineated.

The Proposer shall furnish all labor, materials, tools, supplies, and other items required to perform the work and services that are necessary for the completion of this Contract. All work and services shall be accomplished at the direction of and to the satisfaction of the City's Project Manager.

The Proposer acknowledges that the City shall be responsible for making all policy decisions regarding the Scope of Services. The Proposer agrees to provide input on policy issues in the form of recommendations.

The Proposer agrees to implement any and all changes in providing services hereunder as a result of a policy change implemented by the City. The Proposer agrees to act in an expeditious and fiscally sound manner in providing the City with input regarding the time and cost to implement said changes and in executing the activities required to implement said changes.

# 7.54. AUTHORITY OF THE CITY'S PROJECT MANAGER

The Proposer hereby acknowledges that the City's Project Manager will determine in the first instance all questions of any nature whatsoever arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of, this Agreement including without limitations: questions as to the value, acceptability and fitness of the services; questions as to either party's fulfillment of its obligations under the Contract; negligence, fraud or misrepresentation before or subsequent to acceptance of the Bid/proposal; questions as to the interpretation of the Scope of Services; and claims for damages, compensation and losses.

The Proposer shall be bound by all determinations or orders and shall promptly obey and follow every order of the Project Manager, including the withdrawal or modification of any previous order and regardless of whether the Proposer agrees with the Project Manager's determination or order. Where orders are given orally, they will be issued in writing by the Project Manager as soon thereafter as is practicable.

The Proposer must, in the final instance, seek to resolve every difference concerning the Agreement with the Project Manager. In the event that the Project Manager and the Proposer are unable to resolve their difference, the Proposer may initiate a dispute in accordance with the procedures set forth in the section below. Exhaustion of these procedures shall be a condition precedent to any lawsuit permitted hereunder.

In the event of such dispute, the parties to this Agreement authorize the City Manager or designee, who may not be the Project Manager or anyone associated with this Project, acting personally, to decide all questions arising out of, under, or in connection with, or in any way related to or on account of the Agreement (including but not limited to claims in the nature of breach of contract, fraud or misrepresentation arising either before or subsequent to execution hereof) and the decision of each with respect to matters within the City Manager's purview as set forth above shall be conclusive, final and binding on the parties. Any such dispute shall be brought, if at all, before the City Manager within 10 days of the occurrence, event or act out of which the dispute arises.

The City Manager may base this decision on such assistance as may be desirable, including advice of experts, but in any event shall base the decision on an independent and objective determination of whether the Proposer's performance or any deliverable meets the requirements of this Agreement and any specifications with respect thereto set forth herein. The effect of any decision shall not be impaired or waived by any negotiations or settlements or offers made in connection with the dispute, whether or not the City Manager participated therein, or by any prior decision of others, which prior decision shall be deemed subject to review, or by any termination or cancellation of the Agreement. All such disputes shall be submitted in writing by the Proposer to the City Manager for a decision, together with all pertinent information in regard to such questions, in order that a fair and impartial decision may be made. The parties agree that whenever the City Manager is entitled to exercise discretion or judgment or to make a determination or form an opinion pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such action shall be deemed fair and impartial when exercised or taken. The City Manager shall render a decision in writing and deliver a copy of the same to the Proposer. Except as such remedies may be limited or waived elsewhere in the Agreement, the Proposer reserves the right to pursue any remedies available under law after exhausting the provisions of this Article.

#### 7.55. MUTUAL OBLIGATIONS

This Agreement, including attachments and appendices to the Agreement, shall constitute the entire Agreement between the parties with respect hereto and supersedes all previous communications and representations or agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereof unless acknowledged in writing by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed for the benefit, intended or otherwise, of any third party that is not a parent or subsidiary of a party or otherwise related (by virtue of ownership control or statutory control) to a party.

In those situations where this Agreement imposes an indemnity or defense obligation on the Proposer, the City may, at its expense, elect to participate in the defense if the City should so choose. Furthermore, the City may at its own expense defend or settle any such claims if the Proposer fails to diligently defend such claims, and thereafter seek indemnity for costs and attorney's fees from the Proposer.

#### 7.56. SUBCONTRACTUAL RELATIONS

If the Proposer will cause any part of this Agreement to be performed by a subproposer, the provisions of this Contract will apply to such subproposer and its officers, agents and employees in all respects as if it and they were employees of the Proposer; and the Proposer will not be in any manner thereby discharged from its obligations and liabilities hereunder, but will be liable hereunder for all acts and negligence of the subproposer, its officers, agents, and employees, as if they were employees of the Proposer. The services performed by the subproposer will be subject to the provisions hereof as if performed directly by the Proposer.

The Proposer, before making any subcontract for any portion of the services, will state in writing to the City the name of the proposed subproposer, the portion of the services which the subproposer is to do, the place of business of such subproposer, and such other information as the City may require. The City will have the right to require the Proposer not to award any subcontract to a person, firm or corporation disapproved by the City.

Before entering into any subcontract hereunder, the Proposer will inform the subproposer fully and completely of all provisions and requirements of this Agreement relating either directly or indirectly to the services to be performed. Such services performed by such subproposer will strictly comply with the requirements of this Contract.

In order to qualify as a subproposer satisfactory to the City, in addition to the other requirements herein provided, the subproposer must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of the City that it has the necessary facilities, skill and experience, and ample financial resources to perform the services in a satisfactory manner. To be considered skilled and experienced, the subproposer must show to the satisfaction of the City that it has satisfactorily performed services of the same general type which are required to be performed under this Agreement.

The City shall have the right to withdraw its consent to a subcontract if it appears to the City that the subcontract will delay, prevent, or otherwise impair the performance of the Proposer's obligations under this Agreement. All subproposers are required to protect the confidentiality of the City and City's proprietary and confidential information. The Proposer shall furnish to the City copies of all subcontracts between the Proposer and subproposers and suppliers hereunder. Within each such subcontract, there shall be a clause for the benefit of the City permitting the City to request completion of performance by the subproposer of its obligations under the subcontract, in the event the City finds the Proposer in breach of its obligations, and the option to pay the subproposer directly for the performance by such subproposer. The foregoing shall neither convey nor imply any obligation or liability on the part of the City to any subproposer hereunder as more fully described herein.

# 7.57. PROMPT PAYMENT: LATE PAYMENTS BY PROPOSER TO SUBPROPOSER AND MATERIAL SUPPLIERS; PENALTY:

When a proposer receives from the City of Hollywood any payment for contractual services, commodities, materials, supplies, or construction contracts, the proposer shall pay such moneys received to each subproposer and material supplier in proportion to the percentage of work completed by each subproposer and material supplier at the time of receipt. If the proposer receives less than full payment, then the proposer shall be required to disburse only the funds received on a pro rata basis to the subproposers and materials Suppliers, each receiving a prorated portion based on the amount due on the payment. If the proposer without reasonable cause fails to make payments required by this section to subproposers and material suppliers within fifteen (15) working days after the receipt by the proposer of full or partial payment, the proposer shall pay to the subproposers and material suppliers a penalty in the amount of one percent (1%) of the amount due, per month, from the expiration of the period allowed herein for payment. Such penalty shall be in addition to actual payments owed. Retainage is also subject to the prompt payment requirement and must be returned to the subproposer or material supplier whose work has been completed, even if the prime contract has not been completed. The Proposer shall include the above obligation in each subcontract it signs with a subproposer or material suppler.

# 7.58. <u>TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE AND SUSPENSION OF WORK</u>

The City may terminate this Agreement if an individual or corporation or other entity attempts to meet its contractual obligation with the City through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement.

The City may, as a further sanction, terminate or cancel any other contract(s) that such individual or corporation or other entity has with the City. Such individual, corporation or other entity shall be responsible for all direct and indirect costs associated with such termination or cancellation, including attorney's fees.

The foregoing notwithstanding, any individual, corporation or other entity which attempts to meet its contractual obligations with the City through fraud, misrepresentation or material misstatement may be debarred from City contracting in accordance with the City debarment procedures. The Proposer may be subject to debarment for failure to perform and any other reasons related to the proposer's breach or failure of satisfactory performance.

In addition to cancellation or termination as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the City may at any time, in its sole discretion, with or without cause, terminate this Agreement by written notice to the Proposer and in such event:

The Proposer shall, upon receipt of such notice, unless otherwise directed by the City:

- A. Stop work on the date specified in the notice ("the Effective Termination Date");
- B. Take such action as may be necessary for the protection and preservation of the City's materials and property;
- C. Cancel orders:

- D. Assign to the City and deliver to any location designated by the City any non-cancelable orders for deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and which have been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement and not incorporated in the services;
- E. Take no action which will increase the amounts payable by the City under this Agreement.

In the event that the City exercises its right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Article, the Proposer will be compensated as stated in the payment articles herein, for the:

- A. Portion of the services completed in accordance with the Agreement up to the Effective Termination Date; and
- B. Non-cancelable deliverables that are not capable of use except in the performance of this Agreement and which have been specifically developed for the sole purpose of this Agreement but not incorporated in the services.

All compensation pursuant to this Article is subject to audit.

#### 7.59. EVENT OF DEFAULT

An Event of Default shall mean a breach of this Agreement by the Proposer. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing and in addition to those instances referred to herein as a breach, an Event of Default, shall include the following:

- A. The Proposer has not delivered deliverables on a timely basis;
- B. The Proposer has refused or failed, except in any case for which an extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled staff personnel;
- C. The Proposer has failed to make prompt payment to subproposers or suppliers for any services:
- D. The Proposer has become insolvent (other than as interdicted by the bankruptcy laws), or has assigned the proceeds received for the benefit of the Proposer's creditors, or the Proposer has taken advantage of any insolvency statute or debtor/creditor law or if the Proposer's affairs have been put in the hands of a receiver;
- E. The Proposer has failed to obtain the approval of the City where required by this Agreement;
- F. The Proposer has failed to provide "adequate assurances" as required under subsection "B" below; and
- G. The Proposer has failed in the representation of any warranties stated herein.

When, in the opinion of the City, reasonable grounds for uncertainty exist with respect to the Proposer's ability to perform the services or any portion thereof, the City may request that the Proposer, within the time frame set forth in the City's request, provide adequate assurances to the City, in writing, of the Proposer's ability to perform in accordance with terms of this Agreement.

Until the City receives such assurances the City may request an adjustment to the compensation received by the Proposer for portions of the services which the Proposer has not performed. In the event that the Proposer fails to provide to the City the requested assurances within the prescribed time frame, the City may:

- A. Treat such failure as a repudiation of this Agreement;
- B. Resort to any remedy for breach provided herein or at law, including but not limited to, taking over the performance of the services or any part thereof either by itself or through others.

In the event the City shall terminate this Agreement for default, the City or its designated representatives may immediately take possession of all applicable equipment, materials, products, documentation, reports and data.

#### 7.60. REMEDIES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT

If an Event of Default occurs, the Proposer shall be liable for all damages resulting from the default, including but not limited to:

- A. Lost revenues;
- B. The difference between the cost associated with procuring services hereunder and the amount actually expended by the City for procurement of services, including procurement and administrative costs; and,
- C. Such other damages that the City may suffer.

The Proposer shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Proposer's default. The City may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

#### 7.61. BANKRUPTCY

The City reserves the right to terminate this contract if, during the term of any contract the Proposer has with the City, the Proposer becomes involved as a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding, or becomes involved in a reorganization, dissolution, or liquidation proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Proposer under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law.

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# 7.63. CANCELLATION FOR UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS

The obligation of the City for payment to a Proposer is limited to the availability of funds appropriated in a current fiscal period, and continuation of the contract into a subsequent fiscal period is subject to appropriation of funds, **unless otherwise authorized by law.** 

# 7.64. <u>VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS PROCEDURE</u>

No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be initiated or executed by the Proposer as a result of any discussions with any City employee. Only those communications which are in writing from an authorized City representative may be considered. Only written communications from Proposers,

which are signed by a person designated as authorized to bind the Proposer, will be recognized by the City as duly authorized expressions on behalf of the Proposer.

## 7.65. E-VERIFY

Proposer acknowledges that the City may be utilizing the Proposer's services for a project that is funded in whole or in part by State funds pursuant to a contract between the City and a State agency. The Proposer shall be responsible for complying with the E-Verify requirements in the contract and using the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment of all new employees hired by the Proposer during the Agreement term. The Proposer is also responsible for e-verifying its subproposers, if any, pursuant to any agreement between the City and a State Agency, and reporting to the City any required information. The Proposer acknowledges that the terms of this paragraph are material terms, the breach of any of which shall constitute a default under this Agreement.