## Solicitation 12355-106

## **General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services**

**Bid Designation: Public** 



**City of Fort Lauderdale** 

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Question &

Answer End Jan 20, 2020 5:00:00 PM EST

Date

Bid Contact Fausto Vargas

**Procurement Specialist** 

Finance - Procurement Division fvargas@fortlauderdale.gov

#### Addendum #1

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#### Changes were made to the following items:

General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services

#### Description

The City of Fort Lauderdale, FL (City) is actively seeking qualified, experienced, and licensed firm(s) to provide General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services (as further described in Section III – Scope of Services). Those firms who are interested in submitting Statements of Qualification (SOQ) in response to this RFQ shall comply with Section IV– Submittal Requirements.

#### Added on Jan 17, 2020:

Addendum 1)

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#### Addendum #1

### Request for Qualifications

RFQ # 12355-106

#### General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services

Pursuant to Section 287.055
Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA)

## **City of Fort Lauderdale**



Procurement Services Division
Fausto Vargas, Procurement Specialist
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100 N. Andrews Avenue, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

Web Site Address: www.fortlauderdale.gov/purchasing

#### Section I – Introduction and Information

#### 1.1 Purpose

The City of Fort Lauderdale, FL (City) is actively seeking qualified, experienced, and licensed firm(s) to provide specific General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services, as further described in Section III – Scope of Services. Those firms who are interested in submitting Statements of Qualification (SOQ) in response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) shall comply with Section IV– Submittal Requirements.

#### 1.2 Submission Deadline

Sealed responses shall be delivered during the City's normal business hours in a sealed envelope and addressed to the City of Fort Lauderdale Procurement Services Division, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, #619, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 (City Hall) no later than **January 28, 2020**, at **2:00 p.m EST** (the deadline), at which time and place the responses will be publicly opened and the names of the firms will be read. After the deadline, responses will not be accepted. Firms are responsible for making certain that their proposal is received at the location specified by the due date and time. The City of Fort Lauderdale is not responsible for delays caused by any mail, package or courier service, including the U.S. mail, or caused by any other occurrence or condition. The City's normal business hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. excluding holidays observed by the City.

#### 1.3 Pre-Proposal Meeting

A Pre-proposal meeting is not currently scheduled for this solicitation.

#### 1.4 BIDSYNC

The City of Fort Lauderdale uses BIDSYNC (www.bidsync.com) to administer the competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to soliciting responses, issuing addenda, posting results and issuing notification of an intended decision. There is no charge to register and download the RFQ from BIDSYNC. Offerors are strongly encouraged to read the various vendor Guides and Tutorials available in BIDSNYC well in advance of their intention of submitting a response to ensure familiarity with the use of BIDSYNC. The City shall not be responsible for an Offeror's inability to submit a response by the end date and time for any reason, including issues arising from the use of BIDSYNC.

#### 1.5 Point of Contact

All inquiries concerning this RFQ, questions, and requests for additional information shall be sent via the BIDSNYC question and answer feature to:

City of Fort Lauderdale, Procurement Services Division Attn: Fausto Vargas, Procurement Specialist 100 N. Andrews Avenue, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Fax: (954) 828-6167

E-mail: fvargas@fortlauderdale.gov

For information concerning technical specifications, please utilize the question / answer feature provided by BidSync at <a href="www.bidsync.com">www.bidsync.com</a>. Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date specified in the RFP Schedule. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or bidding procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum. (See addendum section of BidSync Site). Consultants please note: Proposals shall be submitted as stated in PART IV – Submittal Requirements. 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 Consultant has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, and the equipment, materials, and labor required. The entire proposal must be submitted in accordance with all specifications contained in this solicitation. The questions and answers submitted in BidSync shall become part of any contract that is created from this RFP.

#### 1.6 Debarred or Suspended Bidders or Proposers

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

#### 1.7 Scrutinized Companies List

Subject to Odebrecht Construction, Inc., v. Prasad, 876 F.Supp.2d 1305 (S.D. Fla. 2012), affirmed, Odebrecht Construction, Inc., v. Secretary, Florida Department of Transportation, 715 F.3d 1268 (11th Cir. 2013), with regard to the "Cuba Amendment," the Contractor 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 or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), that it is not engaged in a boycott of Israel, and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria, as provided in section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised. The City may terminate this Agreement at the City's option if the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under subsection (5) of section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), 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 the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), or is engaged in a boycott of Israel or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised.

By submitting a bid, SOQ or response, the company, principals, or owners certify that they are not listed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or listed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

**END OF SECTION** 

#### Section II - General Terms and Conditions

#### 2.1 Addenda, Changes, and Interpretations

It is the sole responsibility of each firm to notify the point of contact utilizing the question / answer feature provided by BIDSYNC 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 / answer feature provided by BIDSNYC 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 official written addendum issued by the City and uploaded to BIDSYNC as a separate addendum to the RFQ. 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.

#### 2.2 Changes and Alterations

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

#### 2.3 Consultants' Costs

The City shall not be liable for any costs incurred by consultants in responding to this RFQ, including costs incurred in connection with evaluation and award proceedings.

#### 2.4 Mistakes

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.

#### 2.5 Acceptance of Responses / Minor Irregularities

- 2.5.1 The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all responses, part of responses, and to waive minor irregularities or variances to specifications contained in responses which do not make the response conditional in nature, and minor irregularities in the solicitation process. A minor irregularity shall be a variation from the solicitation that does not affect the price of the contract or does not give a respondent an advantage or benefit not enjoyed by other respondents, does not adversely impact the interests of other firms or, does not affect the fundamental fairness of the solicitation process. The City also reserves the right to reissue a Request for Qualifications.
- **2.5.2** The City reserves the right to disqualify Consultant during any phase of the competitive solicitation process and terminate for cause any resulting contract upon evidence of collusion with intent to defraud or other illegal practices on the part of the Consultant.

#### 2.6 Responsiveness

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

#### 2.7 Responsibility

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.

#### 2.8 Minimum Qualifications

Firms shall be registered engineering firms licensed with the state of Florida and must possess sufficient financial support, equipment and organizational resources, to ensure that it can satisfactorily perform the services if awarded a Contract. Firms must demonstrate that they, or the principals assigned to the project, have successfully provided services with similar magnitude to those specified in the scope of services to at least one City similar in size and complexity to the City of Fort Lauderdale or can demonstrate they have the experience with large scale private sector clients and the managerial and financial ability to successfully perform the work.

Firms shall satisfy each of the following requirements cited below. Failure to do so may result in the SOQ being deemed non-responsive.

- 2.8.1 Proposer or principals must have a minimum of five (5) years relevant experience providing General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services. Individual(s) assigned to the work must have a minimum of five (5) years' experience. Project manager assigned to the work must have at least a minimum of five (5) years' experience in General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services and have served as project manager on at least three (3) previous projects of similar size and scope.
- **2.8.2** Before awarding a contract, the City reserves the right to require that a firm submit such evidence of his/her qualifications as the City may deem necessary. Further, the City may consider any evidence of the financial, technical, and other qualifications and abilities of a firm or principals, including previous experiences of same with the City and performance evaluation for services, in making the award in the best interest of the City.
- **2.8.3** 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.
- **2.8.4** 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.
- **2.8.5** Consultant(s) must be appropriately licensed and registered in the State of Florida in the required field of service.

#### 2.9 Lobbying Activities

ALL CONSULTANTS PLEASE NOTE: Any contractor submitting a response to this solicitation must comply, if applicable, with City of Fort Lauderdale Ordinance No. C-11-42 & Resolution No. 07-101, Lobbying Activities. Copies of Ordinance No. C-11-42 and Resolution No. 07-101 may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office on the 7th Floor of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort

Lauderdale, Florida. The ordinance may also be viewed on the City's website at https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036.

#### 2.10 Protest Procedure

- 2.10.1 Any Proposer who is not recommended for award of a contract and who alleges a failure by the city to follow the city's procurement ordinance or any applicable law, may follow the protest procedure as found in the city's procurement ordinance within five (5) days after a notice of intent to award is posted on the city's web site at the following link: <a href="http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award">http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award</a>.
- 2.10.2 The complete protest ordinance may be found on the city's web site at the following link: <a href="https://library.municode.com/fl/fort\_lauderdale/codes/code">https://library.municode.com/fl/fort\_lauderdale/codes/code</a> of ordinances?nodeld=C OOR CH2AD ARTVFI DIV2PR S2-182DIREPR

#### 2.11. Public Entity Crimes

Consultant, by submitting a proposal attests she/he/it has not been placed on the convicted vendor list. 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 proposals on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, 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 Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for Category Two for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

#### 2.12 Sub-Consultants

- 2.12.1 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.
- 2.12.2 Consultants shall include in their responses the requested Sub-Consultant information and include all relevant information required of the Consultant. In addition, within five (5) working days after the identification of the award to the successful Consultant(s), the Consultant shall provide a list confirming the Sub-Consultant(s) that the successful Consultant intends to utilize in the Contract, if applicable. The list shall include, at a minimum, the name, and location of the place of business for each Sub-Consultant, the

services Sub-Consultant will provide relative to any contract that may result from this RFQ, Sub-consultants hourly rates or fees, any applicable licenses, insurance, references, ownership, and other information required of Consultant.

#### 2.13 Insurance Requirements

- 2.13.1 As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, during the term of this Agreement and during any renewal or extension term of this Agreement, the Contractor, at the Contractor's sole expense, shall provide insurance of such types and with such terms and limits as noted below. Providing proof of and maintaining adequate insurance coverage are material obligations of the Contractor. The Contractor shall provide the City a certificate of insurance evidencing such coverage. The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance for all applicable policies. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting the Contractor's liability and obligations under this Agreement. All insurance policies shall be from insurers authorized to write insurance policies in the State of Florida and that possess an A.M. Best rating of "A-" VII or better. All insurance policies are subject to approval by the City's Risk Manager.
- 2.13.2 The coverages, limits, and endorsements required herein protect the interests of the City, and these coverages, limits, and endorsements may not be relied upon by the Contractor for assessing the extent or determining appropriate types and limits of coverage to protect the Contractor against any loss exposure, whether as a result of this Agreement or otherwise. The requirements contained herein, as well as the City's review or acknowledgement, are not intended to and shall not in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Contractor under this Agreement.
- **2.13.3** The following insurance policies and coverages are required:

#### Commercial General Liability

Coverage must be afforded under a Commercial General Liability policy with limits not less than:

- \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for Bodily Injury, Property Damage, and Personal and Advertising Injury
- \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for Products and Completed Operations

Policy must include coverage for Contractual Liability and Independent Contractors.

The City and the City's officers, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with a CG 20 26 04 13 Additional Insured – Designated Person or Organization Endorsement or similar endorsement providing equal or broader Additional Insured Coverage with respect to liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of the Contractor. The coverage shall contain no special limitation on the scope of protection afforded to the City or the City's officers, employees, and volunteers.

#### **Business Automobile Liability**

Coverage must be afforded for all Owned, Hired, Scheduled, and Non-Owned vehicles for Bodily Injury and Property Damage in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit each accident.

If the Contractor does not own vehicles, the Contractor shall maintain coverage for Hired and Non-Owned Auto Liability, which may be satisfied by way of endorsement to the Commercial General Liability policy or separate Business Auto Liability policy.

#### Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

Coverage must be afforded per Chapter 440, Florida Statutes. Any person or entity performing work for or on behalf of the City must provide Workers' Compensation insurance. Exceptions and exemptions will be allowed by the City's Risk Manager, if they are in accordance with Florida Statute.

The Contractor waives, and the Contractor shall ensure that the Contractor's insurance carrier waives, all subrogation rights against the City and the City's officers, employees, and volunteers for all losses or damages. The City requires the policy to be endorsed with WC 00 03 13 Waiver of our Right to Recover from Others or equivalent.

The Contractor must be in compliance with all applicable State and federal workers' compensation laws, including the U.S. Longshore Harbor Workers' Act and the Jones Act, if applicable.

<u>Umbrella/Excess Liability:</u> The Contractor shall provide umbrella/excess coverage with limits of no less than \$2,000,000 excess of Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability and Employer's Liability.

#### 2.13.4 Insurance Certificate Requirements

- **a.** The Contractor shall provide the City with valid Certificates of Insurance (binders are unacceptable) no later than thirty (30) days prior to the start of work contemplated in this Agreement.
- **b.** The Contractor shall provide to the City a Certificate of Insurance having a thirty (30) day notice of cancellation; ten (10) days' notice if cancellation is for nonpayment of premium.
- c. In the event that the insurer is unable to accommodate the cancellation notice requirement, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to provide the proper notice. Such notification will be in writing by registered mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the certificate holder.
- **d.** In the event the Agreement term goes beyond the expiration date of the insurance policy, the Contractor shall provide the City with an updated Certificate of Insurance no later than ten (10) days prior to the expiration of the insurance currently in effect. The City reserves the right to suspend the Agreement until this requirement is met.
- **e.** The Certificate of Insurance shall indicate whether coverage is provided under a claims-made or occurrence form. If any coverage is provided on a claims-made form, the Certificate of Insurance must show a retroactive date, which shall be the effective date of the initial contract or prior.
- f. The City shall be named as an Additional Insured on the general liability policy.
- **g.** The City shall be granted a Waiver of Subrogation on the Contractor's Workers' Compensation insurance policy.
- **h.** The title of the Agreement, Bid/Contract number, event dates, or other identifying reference must be listed on the Certificate of Insurance.

The Certificate Holder should read as follows:
City of Fort Lauderdale
Procurement Services Division
100 N. Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale. FL 33301

- 2.13.5 The Contractor has the sole responsibility for the payment of all insurance premiums and shall be fully and solely responsible for any costs or expenses as a result of a coverage deductible, co-insurance penalty, or self-insured retention; including any loss not covered because of the operation of such deductible, co-insurance penalty, self-insured retention, or coverage exclusion or limitation. Any costs for adding the City as an Additional Insured shall be at the Contractor's expense.
- **2.13.6** If the Contractor's primary insurance policy/policies do not meet the minimum requirements, as set forth in this Agreement, the Contractor may provide evidence of an Umbrella/Excess insurance policy to comply with this requirement.
- 2.13.7 The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as applied to the City and the City's officers, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City covering the City, the City's officers, employees, or volunteers shall be non-contributory.
- **2.13.8** Any exclusion or provision in the insurance maintained by the Contractor that excludes coverage for work contemplated in this Agreement shall be unacceptable and shall be considered breach of contract.
- 2.13.9 All required insurance policies must be maintained until the contract work has been accepted by the City, or until this Agreement is terminated, whichever is later. Any lapse in coverage shall be considered breach of contract. In addition, Contractor must provide to the City confirmation of coverage renewal via an updated certificate should any policies expire prior to the expiration of this Agreement. The City reserves the right to review, at any time, coverage forms and limits of Contractor's insurance policies.
- 2.13.10 The Contractor shall provide notice of any and all claims, accidents, and any other occurrences associated with this Agreement shall be provided to the Contractor's insurance company or companies and the City's Risk Management office as soon as practical.
- 2.13.11 It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that any and all of the Contractor's independent contractors and subcontractors comply with these insurance requirements. All coverages for independent contractors and subcontractors shall be subject to all of the applicable requirements stated herein. Any and all deficiencies are the responsibility of the Contractor.
- **2.13.12** OPTIONAL COVERAGES (for specialty contracts as determined by Risk Management)

Professional Liability and/or Errors and Omissions

Coverage must be afforded for Wrongful Acts in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 each claim and \$2,000,000 aggregate.

Contractor must keep insurance in force until the third anniversary of expiration of this Agreement or the third anniversary of acceptance of work by the City.

#### 2.14 Contract Agreement

Any subsequent contract will be subject to the Agreement included as an attachment and made a part of this Request for Qualifications.

#### 2.15 Contract Term

The initial contract term shall commence upon final execution of the contract by the City and shall expire Two (2) years from that date or the day after the current contract expires, whichever is later. The City reserves the right to extend the contract for three (3) additional one (1) year terms providing all terms conditions and specifications remain the same, both parties agree to the extension, and such extension is approved by the City.

In the event services are scheduled to end because of the expiration of this contract, the Contractor shall continue the service upon the request of the City as authorized by the awarding authority. The extension period shall not extend for more than ninety (90) days beyond the expiration date of the existing contract. The Contractor shall be compensated for the service at the rate in effect when this extension clause is invoked by the City.

By submitting a SOQ each firm is confirming that the firm has not been placed on the convicted vendors list as described in Florida Statue §287.133 (2) (a).

#### 2.16 Award of Contract

A Contract (the "Agreement") will be awarded in accordance with Florida Statues, by the City Commission. The City reserves the right to execute or not execute, as applicable, a contract with the Consultant(s) that is determined to be in the City's best interests. The draft agreement is provided herein as an attachment to this RFQ. The City reserves the right to award a contract to more than one Consultant as is in the City's best interest.

#### 2.17 Unauthorized Work

The Successful Consultant(s) shall not begin work until a Contract has been awarded by the City Commission and a notice to proceed has been issued. Consultant(s) agree and understand that the issuance of a Purchase Order and/or Task Order shall be issued and provided to the Consultant(s) following Commission award; however, receipt of a purchase order and/or task order shall not prevent the Consultant(s) from commencing the work once the City Commission has awarded the contract and notice to proceed is issued.

#### 2.18 Payment Method

The City of Fort Lauderdale has implemented a Procurement Card (P-Card) program which changes how payments are remitted to its vendors. The City has transitioned from traditional paper checks to payment by credit card via MasterCard or Visa. This allows you as a vendor of the City of Fort Lauderdale to receive your payment fast and safely. No more waiting for checks to be printed and mailed.

Payments will be made utilizing the City's P-Card (MasterCard or Visa). Accordingly, firms must presently have the ability to accept credit card payment or take whatever steps necessary to implement acceptance of a credit card before the commencement of a contract.

#### 2.19 Prohibition Against Contingent Fees

The architect (or registered surveyor and mapper or professional engineer, as applicable) warrants that he or she has not and will not employ or retain any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the architect (or registered surveyor and mapper, or professional engineer, as applicable) to solicit or secure an agreement pursuant to this competitive solicitation and that he or she has not and will not pay or agree to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the architect (or registered surveyor and mapper or professional engineer, as applicable) any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from an award or making of an agreement pursuant to this competitive solicitation.

#### 2.20 Substitution of Personnel

It is the intention of the City that the Contractor's personnel proposed for the contract will be available for the contract term. In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute personnel, he shall propose personnel of equal or higher qualifications and all replacement personnel are subject to City approval. In the event substitute personnel are not satisfactory to the City and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the City reserves the right to cancel the Contract for cause. See Section 5.09 General Conditions.

#### 2.21 Ownership of Work

The City shall have full ownership and the right to copyright, otherwise limit, reproduce, modify, sell, or use all of the work or product produced under this contract without payment of any royalties or fees to the Contractor above the agreed hourly rates and related costs.

#### 2.22 Canadian Companies

In the event Contractor is a corporation organized under the laws of any province of Canada or is a Canadian federal corporation, the City may enforce in the United States of America or in Canada or in both countries a judgment entered against the Contractor. The Contractor waives any and all defenses to the City's enforcement in Canada, of a judgment entered by a court in the United States of America. All monetary amounts set forth in this Contract are in United States dollars.

#### 2.23 Modification of Services

- **2.23.1** While this contract is for services provided to the department referenced in this Request for Proposals, the City may require similar work for other City departments. Successful Proposer agrees to take on such work unless such work would not be considered reasonable or become an undue burden to the Successful Proposer.
- 2.23.2 The City reserves the right to delete any portion of the work at any time without cause, and if such right is exercised by the City, the total fee shall be reduced in the same ratio as the estimated cost of the work deleted bears to the estimated cost of the work originally planned. If work has already been accomplished and approved by the City on any portion of a contract resulting from this RFP, the Successful Proposer shall be paid for the work completed on the basis of the estimated percentage of completion of such portion to the total project cost.

- 2.23.3 The City may require additional items or services of a similar nature, but not specifically listed in the contract. The Successful Proposer agrees to provide such items or services, and shall provide the City prices on such additional items or services. If the price(s) offered are not acceptable to the City, and the situation cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the City reserves the right to procure those items or services from other vendors, or to cancel the contract upon giving the Successful Proposer thirty (30) days written notice.
- **2.23.4** If the Successful Proposer and the City agree on modifications or revisions to the task elements, after the City has approved work to begin on a particular task or project, and a budget has been established for that task or project, the Successful Proposer will submit a revised budget to the City for approval prior to proceeding with the work.

#### 2.24 Invoices/Payment

Each invoice shall fully detail the related costs and shall specify the status of the particular task or project as of the date of the invoice with regard to the accepted schedule for that task or project. Payment will be made within forty-five (45) days after receipt of an invoice acceptable to the City, in accordance with the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act. If, at any time during the contract, the City shall not approve or accept the Contractor's work product, and agreement cannot be reached between the City and the Contractor to resolve the problem to the City's satisfaction, the City shall negotiate with the Contractor on a payment for the work completed and usable to the City.

#### Section III - Scope of Services

SECTION II - SCOPE OF SERVICES The City of Fort Lauderdale is seeking the services of a qualified consulting firm or firms to provide professional services related to a continuing contract for general environmental engineering consultant services and shall include, but not be limited to, the following services as authorized by individual task orders for individual projects:

The following is a list of services that may be required on an as-needed basis as requested by the City. This list shall not be construed as an exclusive list of activities that successful firm(s) may be engaged in. City shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to require additional services that are consistent with the scope of services and those activities typically performed by environmental engineering consultants, and for which the firm(s) are experiences, qualified, able to perform, in the City's sole opinion:

- 1. Prepare permit applications and attend meetings with various permitting agencies.
- 2. Make written or verbal reports to the City Commission, County Commission and State regulatory agencies.
- Assist in applying for and obtaining grants, including preparation of grant applications, meeting with public officials, and performing other services in connection with grant applications.
- 4. Review existing ordinances and guidelines and assist in developing new ordinances and guidelines or amendments to existing ordinances and guidelines.
- 5. Assist the City in implementing and maintaining compliance with Federal, State, County, and municipal laws, rules, regulations and ordinances.
- 6. Provide testing or monitoring services with respect to environmental measurements.
- 7. Asbestos, lead-based paint and radon site testing, assessment and remediation plans.
- 8. Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments.
- 9. Ground water contamination testing, assessment and remediation plans.
- 10. Dewatering plume calculations for drawdown effects.
- 11. Soil contamination testing, assessment and remediation plan.
- 12. Sediment contamination testing, assessment and remediation plan.
- 13. Atmospheric contamination testing, assessment and remediation plans.
- 14. Mold contamination testing, assessment and remediation plans.
- 15. Miscellaneous contamination testing, assessment and remediation plans.
- 16. Indoor air quality standards studies, assessment and remediation plans.
- 17. Brownfield compatibility legislation studies.
- 18. Above ground and below ground petroleum storage tank contamination testing and evaluation.
- 19. Endangered and/or threatened species evaluation and relocation above ground or below ground.
- 20. Inspection services to monitor possible, threatened or actual contamination and remediation activities.
- 21. Design remediation systems related to contamination found at City sites.
- 22. Carbon Foot Print audits for select facilities or infrastructure.
- 23. Sustainability evaluation reports.
- 24. Wetland delineations.
- 25. Environmental / social justice evaluations

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- 26. Water Quality evaluations.
- 27. Historical and archeological reviews.
- 28. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) / National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) environmental assessments and remediation plans.
- 29. Conduct benthic surveys for City waterways, canals and the Intracoastal Waterway system.
- 30. Assist City to prepare environmental permits applications, respond to Request for Additional Information (RAI), and obtain environmental permits associated with seawall work, canal maintenance dredging or any dredging work for marine facilities.
- 31. Design, install and monitor groundwater wells.
- 32. Design, install and monitor tide gauges.
- 33. Wetland and wetlands landscape design.
- 34. Pond design.
- 35. Nutrient removal calculations for stormwater systems.
- 36. Low impact stormwater system design.
- 37. Conduct greenhouse gas inventories.
- 38. Similar services not specifically listed.

#### Section IV - Submittal Requirements

#### 4.1 Instructions

- 4.1.1 Although proposals are accepted 'hard copy' The City of Fort Lauderdale uses BIDSYNC (www.bidsync.com) to administer the competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to soliciting responses, issuing addenda, posting results and issuing notification of an intended decision. There is no charge to register and download the RFQ from BIDSYNC. Offerors are strongly encouraged to read the various vendor Guides and Tutorials available in BIDSNYC well in advance of their intention of submitting a response to ensure familiarity with the use of BIDSYNC. The City shall not be responsible for an Offeror's inability to submit a response by the end date and time for any reason, including issues arising from the use of BIDSYNC.
- 4.1.2 Careful attention must be given to all requested items contained in this RFQ. Consultants are invited to submit responses in accordance with the requirements of this RFQ. Please read entire solicitation before submitting a SOQ. Consultants must provide a response to each requirement of the RFQ. Responses should be prepared in a concise manner with an emphasis on completeness and clarity. Consultant's notes, exceptions, and comments may be rendered on an attachment, provided the same format of this RFQ text is followed.
- **4.1.3** All information submitted by Offeror shall be typewritten or provided as otherwise instructed to in the RFQ. Offerors shall use and submit any applicable or required forms provided by the City and attach such to their response. Failure to use the forms may cause the response to be rejected and deemed non-responsive.
- **4.1.4** 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.
- 4.1.5 All responses will become the property of the City. In the event of Contract award, all documentation produced as part of the Contract shall become the exclusive property of the City. All proposals will become the property of the City. The Proposer's response to the RFP 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 RFP and the Contract to be executed for this RFP, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes. Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the RFP purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the RFP, 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 Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a 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 RFP constitutes a Trade Secret. 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.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO CONTRACT. TO THIS CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT: (954-828-5002, PRRCONTRACT@FORTLAUDERDALE.GOV, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301)

#### Contractor shall:

- 1. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the City in order to perform the service.
- 2. Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (2018), as may be amended or revised, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of this contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City.
- 4. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the City upon completion of this Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City.
- **4.1.6** One (1) original and two (3) copy plus three (5) electronic (soft) copies (Flash Drive) of your SOQ, shall be delivered by the due date and time (deadline) to the address specified in Section I, 1.2 – Submission Deadline. It is the sole responsibility of the respondent to ensure

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their SOQs are received on or before the date and time stated, in the specified number of copies and in the format stated herein.

#### 4.2 Contents of the Statement of Qualification

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. The City prefers that responses be no more than fifty (50) pages double-sided, be bound in a soft cover binder, and utilize recyclable and recycled-content materials as much as practical. Elaborate binders are neither necessary nor desired. Please place the labeled thumb drives in an envelope. The responses shall be organized and divided into the sections indicated herein. 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.

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

#### 4.2.1 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.

#### 4.2.2 Executive Summary

Each Offeror 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.

#### 4.2.3 Firm Qualifications and Experience

Respondents must submit a complete Standard Form 330 or facsimile and provide any other documentation that demonstrates their ability to satisfy all of the minimum qualification requirements. Indicate the firm's number of years of experience in providing the professional services as it relates the work contemplated. Indicate the firm's initiatives towards its own sustainable business practices that demonstrate a commitment to conservation. Indicate business structure, Corp., Partnership, LLC. Firm should be registered as a legal entity in the State of Florida; Minority or Woman owned Business (if applicable); 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.

#### 4.2.4 Organizational Profile and Project Team

This section shall include a detailed profile of the organization and identify the project team (on Standard Form 330). Providing this information on an organizational chart is recommended. This section shall also include resumes of the project team. Lastly this section shall include details of how each project team member will contribute to the project, in what capacity, and the level of involvement they will have. Provide a

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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.

#### 4.2.6 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, and your overall approach to accomplishing the project. Give an overview on your proposed vision, ideas and methodology. Describe your proposed approach to the project. As part of the project approach, the firm shall propose a scheduling methodology (time line) for effectively managing and executing the work in the optimum time. Also provide information on your firm's current workload and how this project will fit into your workload. Describe available facilities, technological capabilities and other available resources you offer for the project.

#### 4.2.7 References

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

- Client Name, address, contact person telephone and FAX numbers and e-mail addresses.
- Description of work.
- Year the project was completed.
- Total cost of the construction; estimated and actual.
- Value engineering or value-added efforts.

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

#### 4.2.8 Required Forms (See Section 6)

#### a. Statement of Qualification Certification

Complete and attach the Statement of Qualification Certification provided herein in Section 6 - Required Forms

#### b. Non-Collusion Statement

This form is to be completed, if applicable, and inserted in this section.

#### c. Contract Payment Method

This form must be completed and returned with your SOQ. Proposers must presently have the ability to accept these credit cards or take whatever steps necessary to implement acceptance of a card before the start of the contract term, or contract award by the City.

#### d. Sample Insurance Certificate

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Demonstrate your firm's ability to comply with insurance requirements. Provide a previous certificate or other evidence listing the Insurance Companies names for both Professional Liability and General Liability and the dollar amounts of the coverage.

#### f. Non-Discrimination Certification Form

- 4.3 By submitting a SOQ, each firm is confirming that the firm has not been placed on the convicted vendors list as described in Section §287.133 (2) (a) Florida Statues.
- 4.4 Before awarding a contract, the City reserves the right to require that a firm submit such evidence of his/her qualifications as the City may deem necessary. Further, the City may consider any evidence of the financial, technical, and other qualifications and abilities of a firm or principals, including previous experiences of same with the City and performance evaluation for services, in making the award in the best interest of the City.

#### Section V - Evaluation and Award

#### 5.1 Evaluation Procedure

- 5.1.1 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 SOQ's as submitted. Evaluation procedures shall be regulated by F.S. § 287.055, referred to as Consultant's Competitive Negotiations Act (CCNA). Any firm(s) involved in a joint venture in its SOQ will be evaluated individually, as each firm of the joint venture would have to stand on its own merits.
- 5.1.2 The committee shall short list no less than three (3) submittals, assuming that three submittals have been received, that it deems best satisfy the weighted criteria set forth herein and attempt to select the best qualified firm(s) for the particular discipline. The committee shall then hold discussions, conduct interviews, and/or require oral presentations with all short-listed firms. The committee shall then re-rank the short-listed firms based upon the information provided in interviews and/or presentations, the materials presented, the firm's responses to the RFQ, and deliberations of the Evaluation Committee at publically advertised Evaluation Meetings. The City may request and the firm shall provide additional information deemed necessary by the evaluation committee to conduct evaluations.
- **5.1.3** The final 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 commence negotiations with the top ranked proposer(s).
- 5.1.4 If the city manager or his/her designee is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the first ranked firm, negotiations with that firm shall be formally terminated. Upon termination of said negotiations, negotiations shall then be undertaken with the second ranked firm, with this process being repeated until an agreement is reached which is then recommended and formally approved by the City Commission or until the short-list is exhausted in which case a new Request for Qualifications may be undertaken.

#### 5.2 Evaluation Criteria

- 5.2.1 Pre Florida Statute 287.055, in determining whether a firm is qualified, the agency shall consider such factors as the ability of professional personnel; whether a firm is a certified minority business enterprise; past performance; willingness to meet time and budget requirements; location; recent, current, and projected workloads of the firms; and the volume of work previously awarded to each firm by the agency, with the object of effecting an equitable distribution of contracts among qualified firms, provided such distribution does not violate the principle of selection of the most highly qualified firms. The agency may request, accept, and consider proposals for the compensation to be paid under the contract only during competitive negotiations.
- **5.2.2** The City uses a mathematical formula to determine the scoring for each individual responsive and responsible firm based on the weighted criteria stated herein. Each

evaluation committee member will rank each firm by criteria, giving their first ranked firm as

number 1, the second ranked firm a number 2, and so on. The City shall average the ranking for each criterion, for all evaluation committee members, and then multiply that average ranking by the weighted criteria identified herein. The lowest average final ranking score will determine the recommendation by the evaluation committee to the City Manager.

5.2.3 Weighted Criteria	Percentage
<b>Qualifications of firm</b> : To include years of experience, licenses, Insurance, other pertinent information.	25
<b>Qualification of Project Team</b> : To include personnel used for the project, project manager, Subconsultants, joint ventures.	25
Approach to Scope of Work (including planned M/WBE participation efforts)	25
Previous Similar Projects; References	25
TOTAL	100%

#### 5.3 Contract Award

- **5.3.1** The City reserves the right to award multiple contract(s) to more than one Consultant(s) who will best serve the interest of the City. The City reserves the right, based upon its deliberations and in its opinion, to accept or reject any or all submittals. The City also reserves the right to waive minor irregularities or variations of the submittal requirements and RFQ process.
- **5.3.2** Upon award of Contract(s) by the City Commission, the City Manager is authorized to execute the Contract(s) on behalf of the City.
- **5.3.3** The City Manager shall appoint a contract administrator or project manager for contract(s) to assure compliance with the contract and applicable law. The contract administrator or project manager shall review all pay requests or deny same as required prior to approval by the City Manager.

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# Section VI Required Forms

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#### STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATION

Please Note: All fields below must be completed. If the field does not apply to you, please note N/A in that field.

If you are a foreign corporation, you may be required to obtain a certificate of authority from the department of state, in accordance with Florida Statute §607.1501 (visit <a href="http://www.dos.state.fl.us/">http://www.dos.state.fl.us/</a> ).

Company: (Legal Regist	ration)				
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Does your firm qualify fo	r MBE or WBE status:	MBE	_WBE _	SMB	
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Name (printed)		Signature			
Date:		Title			

#### **NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT**

By signing this offer, the vendor/contractor certifies that this offer is made independently and *free* from collusion. Vendor shall disclose below any City of Fort Lauderdale, FL officer or employee, or any relative of any such officer or employee who is an officer or director of, or has a material interest in, the vendor's business, who is in a position to influence this procurement.

Any City of Fort Lauderdale, FL officer or employee who has any input into the writing of specifications or requirements, solicitation of offers, decision to award, evaluation of offers, or any other activity pertinent to this procurement is presumed, for purposes hereof, to be in a position to influence this procurement.

For purposes hereof, a person has a material interest if they directly or indirectly own more than 5 percent of the total assets or capital stock of any business entity, or if they otherwise stand to personally gain if the contract is awarded to this vendor.

In accordance with City of Fort Lauderdale, FL Policy and Standards Manual, 6.10.8.3,

- 3.3. City employees may not contract with the City through any corporation or business entity in which they or their immediate family members hold a controlling financial interest (e.g. ownership of five (5) percent or more).
- 3.4. Immediate family members (spouse, parents and children) are also prohibited from contracting with the City subject to the same general rules.

Failure of a vendor to disclose any relationship described herein shall be reason for debarment in accordance with the provisions of the City Procurement Code.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIPS</u>

In the event the vendor does not indicate any names, the City shall interpret this to mean that the vendor has indicated that no such relationships exist.

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#### **CONTRACT PAYMENT METHOD BY P-CARD**

The City of Fort Lauderdale has implemented a Procurement Card (P-Card) program which changes how payments are remitted to its vendors. The City has transitioned from traditional paper checks to payment by credit card via MasterCard or Visa. This allows you as a vendor of the City of Fort Lauderdale to receive your payment fast and safely. No more waiting for checks to be printed and mailed.

In accordance with Article 7, item 7.4.3 of the consultant agreement attached herein, payments for all services will be made utilizing the City's P-Card program (MasterCard or Visa). Accordingly, firms must presently have the ability to accept credit card payment or take whatever steps necessary to implement acceptance of a credit card before the commencement of the agreement.

Date:	Title	<del></del>
Name (printed)	Signature	
Company Name:		
Visa Card		
Master Card		
Please indicate with which credit card you prefer	o be paid:	

## CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH NON-DISCRIMINATION PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT

The completed and signed form should be returned with the Contractor's submittal. If not provided with submittal, the Contractor must submit within three business days of City's request. Contractor may be deemed non-responsive for failure to fully comply within stated timeframes.

Pursuant to City Ordinance Sec. 2-17(a)(i)(ii), bidders must certify compliance with the Non-Discrimination provision of the ordinance.

(a) Contractors doing business with the City shall not discriminate against their employees based on the employee's race, color, religion, gender (including identity or expression), marital status, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability or any other protected classification as defined by applicable law.

Contracts. Every Contract exceeding \$100,000, or otherwise exempt from this section shall contain language that obligates the Contractor to comply with the applicable provisions of this section.

The Contract shall include provisions for the following:

- (i) The Contractor certifies and represents that it will comply with this section during the entire term of the contract.
- (ii) The failure of the Contractor to comply with this section shall be deemed to be a material breach of the contract, entitling the City to pursue any remedy stated below or any remedy provided under applicable law.

Authorized Signature	Print Name and Title	
-		
Date		

**AGREEMENT** 

between

City of Fort Lauderdale and

for

General Environmental Enginnering Consulting Services

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#### **AGREEMENT**

THIS IS AN AGREEMENT made and entered into this, 2020, by and between:
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, a Florida municipality, (hereinafter referred to as "CITY")
and
WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida at its meeting of, authorized by motion the execution of this Agreement between CONSULTANT and CITY authorizing the performance of General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services, RFQ No. 12355-106, (the "Agreement"); and
WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT is willing and able to render professional services for such project for the compensation and on the terms hereinafter set forth;
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements, terms, and conditions contained herein, the parties hereto, do agree as follows:
ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS AND IDENTIFICATIONS
For the purposes of this Agreement and the various covenants, conditions, terms and provisions which follow, the DEFINITIONS and IDENTIFICATIONS set forth below are assumed to be true and correct and are therefore agreed upon by the parties.
1.1 <u>AGREEMENT</u> : Means this document between the CITY and CONSULTANT dated, and any duly authorized and executed Amendments to Agreement.
1.2 <u>BASIC SERVICES:</u> Services performed by the CONSULTANT for authorized scope of work for the Project phase described in this Agreement and listed in Exhibit "A", Scope of Services.
1.3 <u>CERTIFICATE FOR PAYMENT</u> : A statement by CONSULTANT based on observations at the site and on review of documentation submitted by the Contractor that by its issuance recommends that CITY pay identified amounts to the Contractor for services performed by the Contractor at the Project.

- 1.4 <u>CHANGE ORDER</u>: A written order to the CONSULTANT approved by the CITY authorizing a revision of this agreement between the CITY and the CONSULTANT that is directly related to the original scope of work or an adjustment in the original contract price or the contract time directly related to the original scope of work, issued on or after the effective date of this Agreement.
  - The CONSULTANT may review and make recommendations to the CITY on any proposed Change Orders, for approval or other appropriate action by the CITY.
- 1.5 <u>CITY</u>: The City of Fort Lauderdale, a Florida municipality.
- 1.6 <u>CITY MANAGER</u>: The City Manager of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.
- 1.7 <u>COMMISSION</u>: The City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, which is the governing body of the CITY government.
- 1.8 <u>CONSTRUCTION COST</u>: The total construction cost to CITY of all elements of the Project designed or specified by the CONSULTANT.
- 1.9 <u>CONSTRUCTION COST LIMIT</u>: A maximum construction cost limit established by the CITY defining the maximum budget amount to which the final construction documents should be designed so as not to exceed.
- 1.10 <u>CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS</u>: Those working drawings and specifications and other writings setting forth in detail and prescribing the work to be done, the materials, workmanship and other requirements for construction of the entire Project, including any bidding information.
- 1.11 <u>CONSULTANT</u>: \_\_\_\_, the CONSULTANT selected to perform professional services pursuant to this Agreement.
- 1.12 <u>CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR</u>: The Public Works Director of the City of Fort Lauderdale, or his designee. In the administration of this Agreement, as contrasted with matters of policy, all parties may rely upon instructions or determinations made by the Contract Administrator.
- 1.13 <u>CONTRACTOR</u>: One or more individuals, firms, corporations or other entities identified as such by a written agreement with CITY ("Contract for Construction") to perform the construction services required to complete the Project.
- 1.14 <u>DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR</u>: The director of the Transportation and Mobility Department for the City of Fort Lauderdale.
- 1.15 <u>ERROR</u>: A mistake in design, plans and/or specifications that incorporates into those documents an element that is incorrect and is deficient from the

standard of care that a professional engineer in similar circumstances, working on a similar project and location would have exercised. Also includes mistakes in design, plans, specifications and/or shop drawings review that lead to materials and/or equipment being ordered and/or delivered where additional costs are incurred.

- 1.16 <u>FINAL STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION COSTS</u>: A final cost estimate prepared by CONSULTANT during the Final Design Phase of the Project, based upon the final detailed Construction Documents of the Project.
- 1.17 <u>NOTICE TO PROCEED</u>: A written Notice to Proceed with the Project issued by the Contract Administrator.
- 1.18 OMISSION: A scope of work missed by the CONSULTANT that is necessary for the Project, including a quantity miscalculation, which was later discovered and added by Change Order and which is deficient from the standard of care that a professional engineer in similar circumstances, working on a similar project and location would have exercised. Also includes design that was wrong, but was corrected after award to the Contractor, but before the construction process was materially affected.
- 1.19 ORIGINAL CONTRACT PRICE: The original bid and/or contract price as awarded to a Contractor based upon the CONSULTANT'S final detailed Construction Documents of the Project.
- 1.20 <u>PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS</u>: The documents setting forth the final design plans and specifications of the Project, including architectural, civil, structural, mechanical, electrical, communications and security systems, materials, lighting equipment, site and landscape design, and other essentials as may be appropriate, all as approved by CITY as provided in this Agreement.
- 1.21 <u>PRELIMINARY PLANS</u>: The documents prepared by the CONSULTANT consisting of preliminary design drawings, renderings and other documents to fix and describe the size and character of the entire Project, and the relationship of Project components to one another and existing features.
- 1.22 PROJECT: An agreed scope of work for accomplishing a specific plan or development. This may include, but is not limited to, planning, architectural, engineering, and construction support services. The services to be provided by the CONSULTANT shall be as defined in this Agreement and further detailed in Task Orders for individual projects or combinations of projects. The Project planning, design and construction may occur in separate phases and Task Orders at the CITY's discretion.
- 1.23 <u>RESIDENT PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE</u>: Individuals or entities selected,

- employed, compensated by and directed to perform services on behalf of CITY, in monitoring the Construction Phase of the Project to completion.
- 1.24 <u>TASK ORDER</u>: A document setting forth a negotiated detailed scope of services to be performed by the CONSULTANT at fixed contract prices in accordance with this Agreement between the CITY and the CONSULTANT.
- 1.25 <u>TIME OF COMPLETION</u>: Time in which the entire work shall be completed for each Task Order.

#### ARTICLE 2 PREAMBLE

In order to establish the background, context and frame of reference for this Agreement and to generally express the objectives and intentions of the respective parties hereto, the following statements, representations and explanations shall be accepted as predicates for the undertakings and commitments included within the provisions of this Agreement which follow and may be relied upon by the parties as essential elements of the mutual considerations upon which this Agreement is based.

2.1 Pursuant to Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, CITY has formed a Committee to evaluate the CONSULTANT's statement of qualifications and performance data to ensure that the CONSULTANT has met the requirements of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, as set forth in Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, and has selected CONSULTANT to perform services hereunder.

# ARTICLE 3 SCOPE OF SERVICES

3.1 The CONSULTANT shall perform the following professional services: <u>Cost Estimate Consulting Services</u>, Continuing Contract as more specifically described in Exhibit "A," Scope of Services, attached hereto and incorporated herein, and shall include, but not be limited to, services as applicable and authorized by individual Task Orders for the individual projects in accordance with Article 5 herein. CONSULTANT shall provide all services set forth in Exhibit "A" including all necessary, incidental and related activities and services required by the Scope of Services and contemplated in CONSULTANT's level of effort.

CITY and CONSULTANT acknowledge that the Scope of Services does not delineate every detail and minor work tasks required to be performed by CONSULTANT to complete the Project. If, during the course of the performance of the services included in this Agreement, CONSULTANT determines that work should be performed to complete the Project which is in the CONSULTANT's opinion, outside the level of effort originally anticipated, whether or not the Scope of Services identifies the work items,

CONSULTANT shall notify Contract Administrator and obtain written approval by the CITY in a timely manner before proceeding with the work. If CONSULTANT proceeds with said work without notifying the Contract Administrator, said work shall be deemed to be within the original level of effort, whether or not specifically addressed in the Scope of Services. Notice to Contract Administrator does not constitute authorization or approval by CITY to perform the work. Performance of work by CONSULTANT outside the originally anticipated level of effort without prior written CITY approval is at CONSULTANT's sole risk.

## ARTICLE 4 GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 4.1 Negotiations pertaining to the Cost Estimating and project management services to be performed by the CONSULTANT have been undertaken between CONSULTANT and a committee of CITY representatives pursuant to Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, and this Agreement incorporates the results of such negotiation.
- 4.2 CONSULTANT shall include CITY's specific Task Order number as part of the heading on all correspondence, invoices and drawings. All correspondence shall be directed specifically to the Contract Administrator.

#### ARTICLE <u>5</u> TASK ORDERS

- 5.1 The Project will be divided into "Tasks."
- 5.2 Task Orders shall be jointly prepared by the CITY and CONSULTANT defining the detailed scope of services to be provided for the particular Project. Each Task Order shall be separately numbered and approved in accordance with this Agreement and all applicable CITY code requirements.
- 5.3 Under all Task Orders and Projects, CITY may require the CONSULTANT, by specific written authorization, and for mutually agreed upon additional compensation, to provide or assist in obtaining one or more of the following special services. These services may include, at the discretion of the CITY, the following items:
  - ■5.3.1 Providing additional copies of reports, contract drawings and documents; and
    - 5.3.2 Assisting CITY with litigation support services arising from the planning, development, or construction.
- 5.4 Prior to initiating the performance of any services under this Agreement, CONSULTANT must receive a written Notice to Proceed / Purchase Order

from the CITY. The CONSULTANT must receive the approval of the Contract Administrator or his designee in writing prior to beginning the performance of services in any subsequent Task Order under this Agreement.

If, in the opinion of the CITY, the CONSULTANT is improperly performing 5.5 the services under a specific Task Order, or if at any time the CITY shall be of the opinion that said Task Order is being unnecessarily delayed and will not be completed within the agreed upon time, the CITY shall notify the CONSULTANT in writing. The CONSULTANT has within ten (10) working days thereafter to take such measures as will, in the judgment of the CITY, ensure satisfactory performance and completion of the work. CONSULTANT fails to cure within the ten (10) working days, the CITY may notify the CONSULTANT to discontinue all work under the specified Task Order. The CONSULTANT shall immediately respect said notice and stop said work and cease to have any rights in the possession of the work and shall forfeit the Task Order and any remaining monies. The CITY may then decide, after City Commission approval, to issue a new Task Order for the uncompleted work to another consultant using the remaining funds. Any excess costs arising therefrom over and above the original Task Order price shall be charged against CONSULTANT, as the original CONSULTANT.

# ARTICLE 6 TERM OF AGREEMENT; TIME FOR PERFORMANCE

- 6.1 The initial term of this Agreement shall be for TWO (2) years from the date of this Agreement. The CITY shall have the option to renew this Agreement for TWO (2) successive ONE (1) year terms under the same terms, conditions, and compensation as set forth herein.
- 6.2 CONSULTANT shall perform the services described in Task Orders within the time periods specified in the Task Order. Said time periods shall commence from the date of the Notice to Proceed for such services.
  - 6.2.1 Any work pursuant to a Task Order that commences prior to and will extend beyond the expiration date of the term of this Agreement shall continue until completion at the same prices, terms and conditions of this Agreement. All licenses and required insurance shall remain active and in place through completion of work under the Task Order.

Prior to beginning the performance of any services under this Agreement, CONSULTANT must receive a Notice to Proceed. CONSULTANT must receive written approval from the Contract Administrator prior to beginning the performance of services in any subsequent phases of the Agreement. Prior to granting approval for CONSULTANT to proceed to a subsequent phase, the Contract Administrator may, at his or her sole option, require CONSULTANT to submit itemized deliverables/documents for the Contract Administrator's review.

- In the event CONSULTANT is unable to complete any services because of delays resulting from untimely review by CITY or other governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the Project, and such delays are not the fault of CONSULTANT, or because of delays which were caused by factors outside the control of CONSULTANT, CITY shall grant a reasonable extension of time for completion of the services. It shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT to notify CITY promptly in writing whenever a delay in approval by a governmental agency is anticipated or experienced, and to inform CITY of all facts and details related to the delay.
- 6.4 The time for the performance of services described in assigned Task Orders shall be negotiated by the CITY and the CONSULTANT as the services are requested and authorized by the CITY.

## ARTICLE 7 COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

#### 7.1 <u>AMOUNT AND METHOD OF COMPENSATION</u>

#### Not To Exceed Amount Compensation

The method of compensation for each Task Order shall be not to exceed as agreed upon per Task Order and described in Section 7.1.1 below.

#### 7.1.1 Not To Exceed Amount Compensation

CITY agrees to pay CONSULTANT as compensation for performance of all services as related to each Task Order under the terms of this Agreement a Not to Exceed Amount as agreed upon per Task Order. This compensation does not include Reimbursables as described in Section 7.2. It is agreed that the method of compensation is that of "Not to Exceed Amount" which means that CONSULTANT shall perform all services set forth in each Task Order for total compensation in the amount of or less than that stated total. The hourly rate-billing schedule to be used in negotiating each Task Order is attached as Exhibit "B" to this Agreement. As described in Section 8.1, no modification, amendment, or alteration to Exhibit "B" shall be effective unless contained in a written document prepared with the same formality as this Agreement and executed by the CITY and CONSULTANT.

A not to exceed proposal shall be accompanied by the CONSULTANT's estimate. The estimate shall detail the direct labor costs by categories of employees, work hours, and hourly rate; overhead; direct non-salary expenses including Reimbursables; and profit, or as required by individual Task Order.

#### 7.2 REIMBURSABLES

- 7.2.1 Direct non-salary expenses, entitled Reimbursables, attributable to the Project will be charged at actual cost. Reimbursable expenses are in addition to the compensation for basic services and include actual expenditures made by the CONSULTANT and the CONSULTANT'S employees directly attributable to the Project and will be charged at actual cost, without reference to the professional service fees above. CITY shall not withhold retainage from payments for Reimbursable Expenses. CONSULTANT shall be compensated for Reimbursables associated with a particular Task Order only up to the amount allocated for such Task Order. Any reimbursable or portion thereof which, when added to the Reimbursables related to a particular Task Order previously billed, exceeds the amount allocated for such Task Order shall be the responsibility of the CONSULTANT unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Contract Administrator. Travel and subsistence expenses for the CONSULTANT, his staff and subconsultants and communication expenses, long distance telephone, courier and express mail between CONSULTANT's and subconsultants' various offices are not reimbursable under this Agreement. Reimbursables shall include only the following listed expenses unless authorized in writing by the Contract Administrator:
  - A. Cost of reproduction, postage and handling of drawings and specifications which are required to deliver services set forth in this Agreement, excluding reproductions for the office use of the CONSULTANT. Reimbursable printing and photocopying expenses shall include only those prints or photocopies of original documents which are (i) exchanged among CONSULTANT, CITY and other third parties retained or employed by any of them or (ii) submitted to CITY for review, approval or further distribution. Documents, which are reproduced for CONSULTANT's internal drafts, reviews, or other purposes, are not eligible for reimbursement.
  - B. Identifiable testing costs and special inspections approved by Contract Administrator.
  - C. All permit fees paid to regulatory agencies for approvals directly attributable to the Project. These permit fees do not include those permits required for the construction Contractor.
  - D. Overnight Delivery/Courier Charges (when CITY requires/requests this service).
- 7.2.2 Reimbursable sub-consultant expenses are limited to the items described above when the sub-consultant agreement provides for reimbursable expenses. A detailed statement of expenses must accompany any request for reimbursement. Travel to and from the Project site or within the Tri-County Area will not be reimbursed.

7.2.3 It is acknowledged and agreed to by CONSULTANT that the dollar limitation set forth in each Task Order is a limitation upon, and describes the maximum extent of CITY's obligation to reimburse CONSULTANT for direct, non-salary expenses, but does not constitute a limitation, of any sort, upon CONSULTANT's obligation to incur such expenses in the performance of services hereunder. If CITY or Contract Administrator requests CONSULTANT to incur expenses not contemplated in the amount for Reimbursables, CONSULTANT shall notify Contract Administrator in writing before incurring such expenses. Any such expenses shall be reviewed and approved by CITY prior to incurring such expenses.

# 7.3 METHOD OF BILLING

## 7.3.1 Not To Exceed Amount Compensation

CONSULTANT shall submit billings, which are identified by the specific project number on a monthly basis in a timely manner for all salary costs and Reimbursables attributable to the Project. These billings shall identify the nature of the work performed for each phase, subtask, deliverable and item identified in the Exhibit "A" Scope of Services or Task Order, the total hours of work performed and the employee category of the individuals performing same. The statement shall show a summary of salary costs with accrual of the total and credits for portions paid previously. Sub-consultant fees must be documented by copies of invoices or receipts, which describe the nature of the expenses and contain a project number or other identifier, which clearly indicates the expense, as identifiable to the Project. Except for meals and travel expenses, it shall be deemed unacceptable for the CONSULTANT to modify the invoice or receipt by adding a project number or other identifier. Internal expenses must be documented by appropriate CONSULTANT's cost accounting forms with a summary of charges by category. When requested, CONSULTANT shall provide backup for past and current invoices that records hours and salary costs by employee category and subconsultant fees on a task basis, so that total hours and costs by task may be determined.

# 7.4 <u>METHOD OF PAYMENT</u>

- 7.4.1 CITY shall pay CONSULTANT in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act. To be deemed proper, all invoices must comply with the requirements set forth in this Agreement and must be submitted on the form and pursuant to instructions prescribed by Contract Administrator.
- 7.4.2 CITY will review CONSULTANT's invoices and, if inaccuracies or

errors are discovered in said invoice, CITY will inform CONSULTANT within ten (10) working days by fax and/or by email of such inaccuracies or errors and request that revised copies of all such documents be re-submitted by CONSULTANT to CITY.

7.4.3 Payments are scheduled to be made by CITY to CONSULTANT using a credit card /CITY Procurement Card (P-Card).

# <u>ARTICLE 8</u> <u>AMENDMENTS AND CHANGES IN SCOPE OF SERVICES</u>

- 8.1 No modification, amendment or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written Amendment prepared with the same formality as this Agreement and executed by the CITY and CONSULTANT.
- 8.2 CITY or CONSULTANT may request changes that would increase, decrease, or otherwise modify the Scope of Services to be provided under a Task Order. Such changes must be contained in a written amendment, executed by the parties hereto, with the same formality and of equal dignity herewith, prior to any deviation from the terms of the Task Order including the initiation of any additional services. CITY shall compensate CONSULTANT for such additional services as provided in Article 7.
- 8.3 In the event a dispute between the Contract Administrator CONSULTANT arises over whether requested services constitute additional services and such dispute cannot be resolved by the Contract Administrator and CONSULTANT, such dispute shall be promptly presented to the City Manager for resolution. The City Manager's decision shall be final and binding on the parties for amounts in the aggregate under \$100,000 per project. In the event of a dispute in an amount over \$100,000, the parties agree to use their best efforts to settle such dispute. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other, in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests, attempt to reach a just and equitable solution satisfactory to both parties. If they do not reach such solution within a period of sixty (60) days, then upon notice to the other, either party may commence litigation to resolve the dispute in Broward County, Florida. Any resolution in favor of CONSULTANT shall be set forth in a written document in accordance with Section 8.2 above. During the pendency of any dispute, CONSULTANT shall promptly perform the disputed services.

# ARTICLE 9 CONSULTANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

9.1 The CONSULTANT, following the CITY's approval of the Construction Documents and of the Final Statement of Probable Construction Costs, shall, when so directed and authorized by the CITY, assist the CITY in estimating construction costs, reviewing proposals, and assist in awarding

- contracts for construction. If requested, the CONSULTANT shall review and analyze the proposals received by the CITY, and shall make a recommendation for any award based on CITY's Purchasing Ordinance.
- 92 Should the lowest responsible, responsive proposal exceed the Final Statement of Probable Construction Costs by less than 10%, CONSULTANT, at no additional cost to the CITY, shall meet with the CITY's representatives and work to reduce costs to bring the Original Contract Price within the Final Statement of Probable Construction Costs. Should the lowest responsible, responsive proposal exceed the Final Statement of Probable Construction Costs by 10% or more, CONSULTANT shall, at the CITY's direction, redesign each Project and/or work with the CITY to reduce the costs to within the Final Statement of Probable Construction Costs at no additional expense to the CITY. If negotiations between the CITY and the CONSULTANT have not commenced within three months after completion of the final design phase, or if industry-wide prices are changed because of unusual or unanticipated events affecting the general level of prices or times of delivery in the construction industry, the established Construction Cost Limit may be adjusted in accordance with the applicable change in the Construction Cost Index for Twenty Cities from the date of completion of the final design phase and the date on which proposals are sought, as published monthly in "Engineering News Record". If each Project scope and design is expanded by the CITY after the CONSULTANT renders the estimated Construction Cost of the Plans and Specifications, the CONSULTANT shall not be responsible for any redesign without compensation.
- 9.3 The CONSULTANT shall provide the CITY with a list of recommended, prospective proposers.
- 9.4 The CONSULTANT shall attend all pre-proposal conferences.
- 9.5 The CONSULTANT shall recommend any addenda, through the Contract Administrator, as appropriate to clarify, correct, or change proposal documents.
- 9.6 If pre-qualification of proposers is required as set forth in the request for proposal, CONSULTANT shall assist the CITY, if requested, in developing qualification criteria, review qualifications and recommend acceptance or rejection of the proposers. If requested, CONSULTANT shall evaluate proposals and proposers, and make recommendations regarding any award by the CITY.
- 9.7 The CITY shall make decisions on claims regarding interpretation of the Construction Documents, and on other matters relating to the execution and progress of the work after receiving a recommendation from the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT may also assist in approving progress payments to the Contractor based on each Project Schedule of Values and

the percentage of work completed.

- 9.8 The CITY shall maintain a record of all Change Orders which shall be categorized according to the various types, causes, etc. that it may be determined are useful or necessary for its purpose. Among those shall be Change Orders identified as architectural/engineering Errors or Omissions.
  - 9.8.1 Unless otherwise agreed by both parties in writing, it is specifically agreed that any change to the work identified as an Error on the part of the CONSULTANT shall be considered for purposes of this Agreement to be an additional cost to the CITY which would not be incurred without the Error.
  - 9.8.2 Unless otherwise agreed by both parties in writing, it is further specifically agreed for purposes of this Agreement that fifteen percent (15%) of the cost of Change Orders for any item categorized as an Omission shall be considered an additional cost to the CITY which would not be incurred without the Omission. So long as the total of those two numbers (Change Order costs of Errors plus fifteen percent (15%) of Omissions) remains less than two percent (2%) of the total Construction Cost of the Project, the CITY shall not look to the CONSULTANT for reimbursement for Errors and Omissions.
  - 9.8.3 Should the sum of the two as defined above (cost of Errors plus fifteen percent (15%) of the cost of Omissions) exceed two percent (2%) of the Construction Cost, the CITY shall recover the full and total additional cost to the CITY as a result of CONSULTANT's Errors and Omissions from the CONSULTANT, that being defined as the cost of Errors plus fifteen percent (15%) of the cost of Omissions above two percent (2%) of the Construction Cost.
  - 9.8.4 To obtain such recovery, the CITY shall deduct from the CONSULTANT's fee a sufficient amount to recover all such additional cost to the CITY.
  - 9.8.5 In executing this Agreement, the CONSULTANT acknowledges acceptance of these calculations and to the CITY's right to recover same as stated above. The recovery of additional costs to the CITY under this paragraph shall not limit or preclude recovery for other separate and/or additional damages which the CITY may otherwise incur.
  - 9.8.6 The Contract Administrator's decision as to whether a Change Order is caused by an Error or caused by an Omission, taking into consideration industry standards, shall be final and binding on both parties for amounts in the aggregate under \$100,000 per project, subject to Section 8.3. In the event of a dispute in an amount over

\$100,000, the parties agree to use their best efforts to settle such dispute. To this effect, they shall consult and negotiate with each other, in good faith and, recognizing their mutual interests, attempt to reach a just and equitable solution satisfactory to both parties. If they do not reach such solution within a period of sixty (60) days, then upon notice to the other, either party may commence litigation to resolve the dispute in Broward County, Florida.

# ARTICLE 10 CITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 10.1 CITY shall assist CONSULTANT by placing at CONSULTANT's disposal, all information CITY has available pertinent to the Project including previous reports and any other data relative to design or construction of the Project.
- 10.2 CITY shall arrange for access to, and make all provisions for, CONSULTANT to enter upon public and private property as required for CONSULTANT to perform its services.
- 10.3 CITY shall review the itemized deliverables/documents identified per Task Order
- 10.4 CITY shall give prompt written notice to CONSULTANT whenever CITY observes or otherwise becomes aware of any development that affects the scope or timing of CONSULTANT's services or any defect in the work of the Contractor.

# ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS

# 11.1 OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

All documents including, but not limited to, drawings, renderings, models, and specifications prepared or furnished by CONSULTANT, its dependent professional associates and consultants, pursuant to this Agreement shall be owned by the CITY.

Drawings, specifications, designs, models, photographs, reports, surveys and other data prepared in connection with this Agreement are and shall remain the property of the CITY whether the Project for which they are made is executed or not, and are subject to reuse by the CITY in accordance with Section 287.055(10) of the Florida Statutes. They are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by the CITY or others on extensions of this Project or on any other project without appropriate verification or adaptation. This does not, however, relieve the CONSULTANT of liability or legal exposure for errors, omissions, or negligent acts made on the part of the CONSULTANT in connection with the proper use of documents prepared under this Agreement. Any such verification or adaptation may entitle the

CONSULTANT to further compensation at rates to be agreed upon by the CITY and the CONSULTANT. This shall not limit the CITY's reuse of preliminary or developmental plans or ideas incorporated therein, should the Project be suspended or terminated prior to completion.

### 11.2 TERMINATION

11.2.1 Termination for Cause. It is expressly understood and agreed that the CITY may terminate this Agreement at any time for cause in the event that the CONSULTANT (1) violates any provisions of this Agreement or performs same in bad faith or (2) unreasonably delays the performance of the services or does not perform the services in a timely and satisfactory manner upon written notice to the CONSULTANT. Notice of termination shall be provided in accordance with Section 11.27. In the case of termination by the CITY for cause, the CONSULTANT shall be first granted a 10 working day cure period after receipt of written notice from the CITY. In the event that the Agreement is terminated, the CONSULTANT shall be entitled to be compensated for the services rendered from the date of execution of the Agreement up to the time of termination. Such compensation shall be based on the fee as set forth above, wherever possible. For those portions of services rendered to which the applicable fee cannot be applied, payment shall be based upon the appropriate rates for the actual time spent on the project. In the event that the CONSULTANT abandons this Agreement or through violation of any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement, causes it to be terminated, CONSULTANT shall indemnify the CITY against any loss pertaining to this termination.

All finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs and reports prepared by CONSULTANT shall become the property of CITY and shall be delivered by CONSULTANT to the CITY within five (5) days of CITY's request. Upon payment of such sum by CITY to CONSULTANT, CITY shall have no further duties or obligations pursuant to or arising from this Agreement.

- 11.2.2 This Agreement may also be terminated by CITY upon such notice as CITY deems appropriate in the event CITY or Contract Administrator determines that termination is necessary to protect the public health, safety, or welfare.
- 11.2.3 Notice of termination shall be provided in accordance with Section 11.27, NOTICES, except that Contract Administrator may provide a prior verbal stop work order if the Contract Administrator deems a stop work order of this Agreement in whole or in part is necessary to protect the public's health, safety, or welfare. A verbal stop work order shall be promptly confirmed in writing as set forth in Section

11.27, NOTICES.

- 11.2.4 <u>Termination for Convenience.</u> In the event this Agreement is terminated for convenience, CONSULTANT shall be paid for any services performed to the date the Agreement is terminated. Compensation shall be withheld until all documents specified in Section 11.3 of this Agreement are provided to the CITY. Upon being notified of CITY's election to terminate, CONSULTANT shall refrain from performing further services or incurring additional expenses under the terms of this Agreement. Under no circumstances shall CITY make payment for services which have <u>not</u> been performed.
- 11.2.5 <u>Termination by CONSULTANT</u>. CONSULTANT shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon substantial breach by the CITY of its obligation under this Agreement as to unreasonable delay in payment or non-payment of undisputed amounts. CONSULTANT shall have no right to terminate this Agreement for convenience of the CONSULTANT.

# 11.3 AUDIT RIGHT AND RETENTION OF RECORDS

CITY shall have the right to audit the books, records, and accounts of CONSULTANT that are related to this Project. CONSULTANT shall keep such books, records, and accounts as may be necessary in order to record complete and correct entries related to the Project.

CONSULTANT shall preserve and make available, at reasonable times for examination and audit by CITY all financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and any other documents pertinent to this Agreement for the required retention period of the Florida Public Records Act (Chapter 119, Florida Statutes), if applicable, or, if the Florida Public Records Act is not applicable, for a minimum of three (3) years after termination of this Agreement. If any audit has been initiated and audit findings have not been resolved at the end of the retention period or three (3) years, whichever is longer, the books, records, and accounts shall be retained until resolution of the audit findings. If the Florida Public Records Act is determined by CITY to be applicable to CONSULTANT's records, CONSULTANT shall comply with all requirements thereof; however, no confidentiality or non-disclosure requirement of either federal or state law shall be violated by CONSULTANT. Any incomplete or incorrect entry in such books, records, and accounts shall be a basis for CITY's disallowance and recovery of any payment upon such entry.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN

# OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 954-828-5002, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301, PRRCONTRACT@FORTLAUDERDALE.GOV.

## Contractor shall:

- 1. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the City in order to perform the service.
- 2. Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (2018), as may be amended or revised, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of this contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City.
- 4. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the City upon completion of this Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City.

# 11.4 NON DISCRIMINATION, EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY, AND AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

CONSULTANT shall not unlawfully discriminate against any person in its operations and activities in its use or expenditure of the funds or any portion of the funds provided by this Agreement and shall affirmatively comply with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in the course of providing any services funded in whole or in part by CITY, including Titles I and II of the ADA (regarding nondiscrimination or the basis of disability), and all applicable regulations, guidelines, and standards.

CONSULTANT's decisions regarding the delivery of services under this Agreement shall be made without regard to or consideration of race, age, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, physical or mental disability, political affiliation, or any other factor which cannot be lawfully or appropriately used as a basis for service delivery.

CONSULTANT shall comply with Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act regarding nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in employment and further shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, age, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, political affiliation, or physical or mental disability. In addition, CONSULTANT shall take affirmative steps to ensure nondiscrimination in employment against disabled persons. Such actions shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff, termination, rates of pay, other forms of compensation, terms and conditions of employment, training (including apprenticeship), and accessibility.

CONSULTANT shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and employees are treated without regard to race, age, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, political affiliation, or physical or mental disability during employment. Such actions shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff, termination, rates of pay, other forms of compensation, terms and conditions of employment, training (including apprenticeship), and accessibility.

# 11.5 MINORITY PARTICIPATION

Historically, the CITY has been able to achieve participation levels of approximately twelve percent (12%) by MBE/WBE firms in CITY projects, and in the purchase of goods and services. The CONSULTANT shall make a good faith effort to help the CITY maintain and encourage MBE/WBE participation levels consistent with such historical levels and market conditions. The CONSULTANT will be required to document all such efforts and supply the CITY with this documentation at the end of the Project, or in cases where projects are longer than one year, each CITY fiscal year.

# 11.6 PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES ACT

In accordance with the Public Crimes Act, Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a person or affiliate who is a contractor, consultant or other provider, who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to the City, may not submit a bid on a contract with the City for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to the City, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with the City, and may not transact

any business with the City in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for category two purchases for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list. Violation of this section by Contractor shall result in cancellation of the City purchase and may result in Contractor debarment.

# 11.7 <u>SUBCONSULTANTS</u>

- 11.7.1 CONSULTANT may subcontract certain items of work to sub-consultant. The parties expressly agree that the CONSULTANT shall submit pertinent information regarding the proposed sub-consultant, including sub-consultant's scope of work and fees, for review and approval by the CITY prior to sub-consultants proceeding with any work.
- 11.7.2 CONSULTANT shall utilize the subconsultants identified in the proposal that were a material part of the selection of CONSULTANT to provide the services for this Project. CONSULTANT shall obtain written approval of Contract Administrator prior to changing or modifying the list of sub-consultants submitted by CONSULTANT.

The list of sub-consultants	s submitted is as follows:
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# 11.8 ASSIGNMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein shall be assigned, transferred, or encumbered without the written consent of the other party, and CONSULTANT shall not subcontract any portion of the work required by this Agreement except as authorized pursuant to Section 11.7.

CONSULTANT represents that all persons delivering the services required by this Agreement have the knowledge and skills, either by training, experience, education, or a combination thereof, to adequately and competently perform the duties, obligations, and services set forth in the Scope of Services and to provide and perform such services to CITY's satisfaction for the agreed compensation.

CONSULTANT shall perform its duties, obligations, and services under this Agreement in a skillful and respectable manner. The quality of CONSULTANT's performance and all interim and final product(s) provided to or on behalf of CITY shall meet or exceed all professional standards of the State of Florida.

### 11.9 INDEMNIFICATION OF CITY

- 11.9.1 CONSULTANT shall indemnify and hold harmless CITY, its officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness or intentional misconduct of CONSULTANT and persons employed or utilized by CONSULTANT in the performance of this Agreement. These indemnifications shall survive the term of this Agreement. In the event that any action or proceeding is brought against CITY by reason of any such claim or demand, CONSULTANT, shall, upon written notice from CITY, resist and defend such action or proceeding by counsel approved by the CITY.
- 11.9.2 To the extent considered necessary by Contract Administrator and CITY, any sums due the CONSULTANT under this Agreement may be retained by CITY until all of the CITY's claims for indemnification pursuant to this Agreement have been settled or otherwise resolved, and any amount withheld shall not be subject to payment of interest by CITY.
- 11.9.3 The Indemnification provided above shall obligate CONSULTANT to defend at its own expense to and through appellate, supplemental or bankruptcy proceeding, or to provide for such defense, at CITY's option, any and all claims of liability and all suits and actions of every name and description covered by Section 11.9.1 above that may be brought against CITY whether performed by CONSULTANT, or persons employed or utilized by CONSULTANT.

# 11.10 LIMITATION OF CITY'S LIABILITY

The CITY desires to enter into this Agreement only if in so doing the CITY can place a limit on the CITY'S liability for any cause of action arising out of this Agreement, so that the CITY'S liability for any breach never exceeds the sum of \$100.00. For other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the CONSULTANT expresses its willingness to enter into this Agreement with the knowledge that the CONSULTANT'S recovery from the CITY to any action or claim arising from the Agreement is limited to a maximum amount of \$100.00 less the amount of all funds actually paid by the CITY to the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement. Accordingly, and notwithstanding any other term or condition of this Agreement that may suggest otherwise, the CONSULTANT agrees that the CITY shall not be liable to the CONSULTANT for damages in an amount in excess of \$100.00, which amount shall be reduced by the amount actually paid by the CITY to the CONSULTANT pursuant to this Agreement, for any action or claim arising out of this Agreement. Nothing contained in this paragraph or elsewhere in this Agreement is in any manner intended either

to be a waiver of the limitation placed upon the CITY'S liability as set forth in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, or to extend the CITY'S liability beyond the limits established in said Section 768.28; and no claim or award against the CITY shall include attorney's fees, investigative costs, extended damages, expert fees, suit costs or pre-judgment interest. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the parties agree and understand that the provisions of this Article 11.10 do not apply to monies owed, if any, for services rendered to CONSULTANT by the CITY under the provisions of this Agreement.

# 11.11 INSURANCE

- 11.11.1 CONSULTANT shall provide and shall require all of its subconsultants and sub-contractors to provide, pay for, and maintain in force at all times during the term of the Agreement, such insurance, including Commercial General Liability Insurance, Business Automobile Liability Insurance, Workers' Compensation Insurance, Employer's Liability Insurance, and Professional Liability Insurance, as stated below. Such policy or policies shall be issued by companies authorized to transact business and issue insurance policies in the State of Florida and having agents upon whom service of process may be made in the State of Florida.
- A. The Commercial General Liability insurance policy shall name the City of Fort Lauderdale, a Florida municipality, as additional insured. 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 this Agreement shall be deemed unacceptable, and shall be considered a breach of contract.
- B. The CONSULTANT shall provide the CITY an original Certificate of Insurance for policies required by Article 11. All certificates shall state that the CITY shall be given thirty (30) days' notice prior to expiration or cancellation of the policy. 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 Finance Department. 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, (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.

C. CONSULTANT shall as a condition precedent of this Agreement, furnish to the City of Fort Lauderdale, c/o Project Manager, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, Certificate(s) of Insurance upon execution of this Agreement, which indicate that insurance coverage has been obtained which meets the requirements as outlined below:

### 11.11.2 COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY

A. Limits of Liability:

Bodily Injury and Property Damage - Combined Single Limit

Each Occurrence \$1,000,000
Project Aggregate \$1,000,000
General Aggregate \$2,000,000
Personal Injury \$1,000,000
Products/Completed Operations \$1,000,000

B. Endorsements Required:

City of Fort Lauderdale included as an Additional Insured

Employees included as insured

**Broad Form Contractual Liability** 

Waiver of Subrogation

Premises/Operations Products/Completed

**Operations Independent Contractors** 

### 11.11.3 AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY

A. Limits of Liability:

Covering all owned, hired and non-owned automobile equipment.

Limits: Bodily injury \$250,000 each person; \$500,000 each occurrence

Property Damage - \$100,000 each occurrence

B. Endorsements Required:

Waiver of Subrogation

### 11.11.4 WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY

Limits: Workers' Compensation – Per Florida Statute 440 Employers' Liability - \$500,000

Any firm performing work on behalf of the City of Fort Lauderdale must provide Workers' Compensation insurance. Exceptions and exemptions can only be made if they are in accordance with Florida Statute. For additional information contact the Department of Financial Services, Workers' Compensation Division at (850) 413- 1601 or on the web at www.fldfs.com.

Consultant must be in compliance with all applicable State and Federal workers' compensation laws, including the U.S. Longshore Harbor Workers' Act or Jones Act.

11.11.5 PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY/ERRORS AND OMISSIONS COVERAGE

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

11.11.6 All insurance policies required above shall be issued by companies authorized to transact business and issue insurance policies under the laws of the State of Florida, with the following qualifications:

The Consultant's insurance must be provided by an A.M. Best's "A-" rated or better insurance company authorized to issue insurance policies in the State of Florida, subject to approval by the City's Risk Manager. Any exclusions or provisions in the insurance maintained by the Consultant that precludes coverage for work contemplated in this project shall be deemed unacceptable, and shall be considered breach of contract.

Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve the CONSULTANT of their liability and obligation under this section or under any other section of this Agreement.

The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for assuring that the insurance certificates required in conjunction with this Section remain in force for the duration of the Project. If insurance certificates are scheduled to expire during the contractual period, the CONSULTANT shall be responsible for submitting new or renewed

insurance certificates to the CITY at a minimum of thirty (30) calendar days in advance of such expiration. In the event that expired certificates are not replaced with new or renewed certificates that cover the contractual period, the CITY shall suspend the Agreement until such time as the new or renewed certificates are received by the CITY or terminate in accordance with Section 11.2.

### 11.12 REPRESENTATIVE OF CITY AND CONSULTANT

- 11.12.1 The parties recognize that questions in the day-to-day conduct of the Project will arise. The Contract Administrator, upon CONSULTANT's request, shall advise CONSULTANT in writing of one (1) or more CITY employees to whom all communications pertaining to the day-to-day conduct of the Project shall be addressed.
- 11.12.2 CONSULTANT shall inform the Contract Administrator in writing of CONSULTANT's representative to whom matters involving the conduct of the Project shall be addressed.

# 11.13 ALL PRIOR AGREEMENTS SUPERSEDED

This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements or understandings applicable to the matters contained herein; and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, the parties agree 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 no modification, amendment or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document executed with the same formality and of equal dignity herewith.

# 11.14 CONSULTANT'S STAFF

CONSULTANT will provide the key staff identified in their proposal for the Project as long as said key staff are in CONSULTANT's employment.

CONSULTANT will obtain prior written approval of Contract Administrator to change key staff. CONSULTANT shall provide Contract Administrator with such information as necessary to determine the suitability of any proposed new key staff. Contract Administrator will be reasonable in evaluating key staff qualifications.

If Contract Administrator desires to request removal of any of

CONSULTANT's staff, Contract Administrator shall first meet with CONSULTANT and provide reasonable justification for said removal.

## 11.15 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

CONSULTANT is an independent contractor under this Agreement. Services provided by CONSULTANT shall be subject to the supervision of CONSULTANT. In providing the services, CONSULTANT or its agents shall not be acting and shall not be deemed as acting as officers, employees, or agents of the CITY. Personnel policies, tax responsibilities, social security and health insurance, employee benefits, purchasing policies and other similar administrative procedures applicable to services rendered under this Agreement shall be those of CONSULTANT. The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create any rights or obligations in any third person or entity under this Agreement.

# 11.16 THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES

Neither CONSULTANT nor CITY intends to directly or substantially benefit a third party by this Agreement. Therefore, the parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against either of them based upon this Agreement.

# 11.17 CONFLICTS

Neither CONSULTANT nor its employees shall have or hold any continuing or frequently recurring employment or contractual relationship that is substantially antagonistic or incompatible with CONSULTANT's loyal and conscientious exercise of judgment related to its performance under this Agreement.

CONSULTANT agrees that none of its officers or employees shall, during the term of this Agreement, serve as expert witness against CITY in any legal or administrative proceeding in which he or she is not a party, unless compelled by court process, nor shall such persons give sworn testimony or issue a report or writing, as an expression of his or her expert opinion, which is adverse or prejudicial to the interests of CITY or in connection with any such pending or threatened legal or administrative proceeding. The limitations of this Section shall not preclude such persons from representing themselves in any action or in any administrative or legal proceeding. In the event CONSULTANT is permitted to utilize subconsultants to perform any services required by this Agreement, CONSULTANT agrees to prohibit such subconsultants, by written contract, from having any conflicts as within the meaning of this Section.

# 11.18 CONTINGENCY FEE

CONSULTANT warrants that it has not employed or retained any company

or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for CONSULTANT, to solicit or secure this Agreement and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for CONSULTANT, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. For a breach or violation of this provision, the CITY shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability at its discretion, or to deduct from the Agreement price or otherwise recover the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

# 11.19 WAIVER OF BREACH AND MATERIALITY

Failure by CITY to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or modification of this Agreement.

CITY and CONSULTANT agree that each requirement, duty, and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof.

# 11.20 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules, and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities, and obligations related to this Agreement.

### 11.21 SEVERANCE

In the event this Agreement or a portion of this Agreement is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue to be effective unless CITY or CONSULTANT elects to terminate this Agreement. The election to terminate this Agreement based upon this provision shall be made within seven (7) days after the findings by the court become final.

# 11.22 JOINT PREPARATION

Preparation of this Agreement has been a joint effort of CITY and CONSULTANT and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than any other.

### 11.23 PRIORITY OF PROVISIONS

If there is a conflict or inconsistency between any term, statement, requirement, or provision of any exhibit attached hereto, any document or events referred to herein, or any document incorporated into this Agreement by reference and a term, statement, requirement, or provision of this Agreement, the term, statement, requirement, or provision contained in

Articles 1-11 of this Agreement shall prevail and be given effect.

# 11.24 APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any lawsuit by either party against the other party or otherwise arising out of this Agreement and for any other legal proceeding shall be in Broward County, Florida, or in the event of federal jurisdiction, in the Southern District of Florida. BY ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT AND CITY EXPRESSLY WAIVE ANY RIGHTS EITHER PARTY MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY CIVIL LITIGATION RELATED TO, OR ARISING OUT OF, THIS AGREEMENT.

In the event Contractor is a corporation organized under the laws of any province of Canada or is a Canadian federal corporation, the City may enforce in the United States of America or in Canada or in both countries a judgment entered against the Contractor. The Contractor waives any and all defenses to the City's enforcement in Canada of a judgment entered by a court in the United States of America.

### 11.25 EXHIBITS

Each Exhibit referred to in this Agreement forms an essential part of this Agreement. The Exhibits, if not physically attached, should be treated as part of this Agreement, and are incorporated herein by reference.

# 11.26 THREE ORIGINAL AGREEMENTS

This Agreement shall be executed in three (3), signed Agreements, with each one treated as an original.

### 11.27 NOTICES

Whenever either party desires to give notice unto the other, it must be given by written notice, sent by certified United States mail, with return receipt requested, addressed to the party for whom it is intended, at the place last specified, and the place for giving of notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the parties designate the following as the respective places for giving of notice, to-wit:

CITY: City Engineer

City of Fort Lauderdale 100 North Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 Telephone: (954) 828-5772

With a copy to: City Manager

City of Fort Lauderdale

100 North Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301 Telephone: (954) 828-5364

City Attorney
City of Fort Lauderdale
100 North Andrews Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
Telephone: (954) 828-5037

CONSULTANT:	 	
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# 11.28 ATTORNEY FEES

If CITY or CONSULTANT incurs any expense in enforcing the terms of this Agreement through litigation, the prevailing party in that litigation shall be reimbursed for all such costs and expenses, including but not limited to court costs, and reasonable attorney fees incurred during litigation.

# 11.29 PERMITS, LICENSES AND TAXES

CONSULTANT shall, at its own expense, obtain all necessary permits and licenses, pay all applicable fees, and pay all applicable sales, consumer, use and other taxes required to comply with local ordinances, state and federal law. CONSULTANT is responsible for reviewing the pertinent state statutes regarding state taxes and for complying with all requirements therein. Any change in tax laws after the execution of this Agreement will be subject to further negotiation and CONSULTANT shall be responsible for complying with all state tax requirements.

# 11.30 TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE

Signature of this Agreement by CONSULTANT shall act as the execution of a Truth-in-Negotiation Certificate stating that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation of this Agreement are accurate, complete, and current at the time of contracting. The original contract price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums, by which the CITY determines that contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such contract adjustments must be made within 1 year following the end of the contract.

### 11.31 EVALUATION

The CITY maintains the right to periodically review the performance of the CONSULTANT. This review will take into account the timely execution of Task Orders, the quality of the work performed, the cost to the CITY and the good faith efforts made by the CONSULTANT to maintain MBE/WBE participation in CITY projects. Any deficiencies in performance will be described in writing and an opportunity afforded, where practicable, for the CONSULTANT to address and/or remedy such deficiencies.

# 11.32 SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES

Subject to Odebrecht Construction, Inc., v. Prasad, 876 F.Supp.2d 1305 (S.D. Fla. 2012), affirmed, Odebrecht Construction, Inc., v. Secretary, Florida Department of Transportation, 715 F.3d 1268 (11th Cir. 2013), with regard to the "Cuba Amendment," the Contractor 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 or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, and that it is not engaged in a boycott of Israel, and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria, as provided in section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised. The City may terminate this Agreement at the City's option if the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under subsection (5) of section 287.135. Florida Statutes (2020), 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 the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised.

### 11.33 Public Records

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, 33301, PHONE: 954-828-5002, EMAIL:

PRRCONTRACT@FORTLAUDERDALE.GOV.

### Contractor shall:

- 1. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the City in order to perform the service.
- Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (2018), as may be amended or revised, or as otherwise provided by law.
- Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of this contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City.
- 4. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the City upon completion of this Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City.

# 11.34 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

CONSULTANT shall protect and defend at CONSULTANT's expense, counsel being subject to the City's approval, and indemnify and hold harmless the City from and against any and all losses, penalties, fines, damages, settlements, judgments, claims, costs, charges, royalties, expenses, or liabilities, including any award of attorney fees and any award of costs, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of any infringement or allegation of infringement of any patent, copyright, or other intellectual property right in connection with the CONSULTANT's or the City's use of any copyrighted, patented or un-patented invention, process, article, material, or device that is manufactured, provided, or used pursuant to this Agreement. If the CONSULTANT uses any design, device, or materials covered by letters, patent or copyright, it is mutually agreed and understood without exception that the bid prices shall include all royalties or costs arising from the use of such design, device, or materials in any way involved in the work.

### 11.35 RIGHTS IN DOCUMENTS AND WORK

Any and all reports, photographs, surveys, and other data and documents provided or created in connection with this Agreement are and shall remain the property of City; and CONSULTANT disclaims any copyright in such materials. In the event of and upon termination of this Agreement, any reports, photographs, surveys, and other data and documents prepared by CONSULTANT, whether finished or unfinished, shall become the property of City and shall be delivered by CONSULTANT to the City's Contract Administrator within seven (7) days of termination of this Agreement by either party. Any compensation due to CONSULTANT shall be withheld until CONSULTANT delivers all documents to the City as provided herein.

### 11.36 REPRESENTATION OF AUTHORITY

Each individual executing this Agreement on behalf of a party hereto hereby represents and warrants that he or she is, on the date he or she signs this Agreement, duly authorized by all necessary and appropriate action to execute this Agreement on behalf of such party and does so with full legal authority.

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IN WITNESS OF THE FOREGOING, the parties have set their hands and seals the day and year first written above.

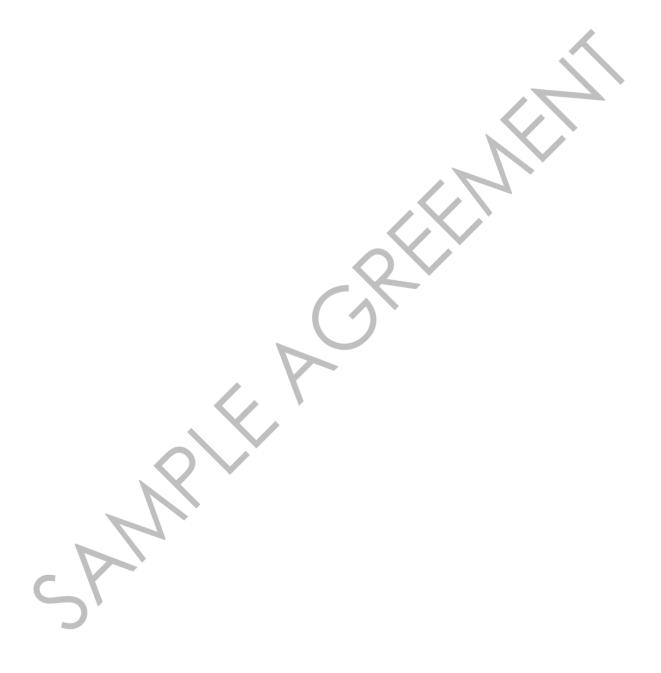
# **CITY**

ATTEST:	CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI City Clerk	By CHRISTOPHER J. LAGERBLOOM, City Manager
(CORPORATE SEAL)	Approved as to form:
	RHONDA MONTOYA HASAN Assistant City Attorney

WITNESSES:	, a Florida corporation,
	Ву
[Witness print/type name]	
	Attest:
[Witness print/type name]	By:Secretary
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STATE OF	- ( ^) `
The foregoing instrument v	was acknowledged before me thisday of , as, a Florida
corporation, who is □ persor as identi	nally known to me or $\square$ has produced
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	Notary Public, State of (Signature of Notary taking Acknowledgment)
51	Name of Notary Typed, Printed or Stamped
	My Commission Expires:

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# EXHIBIT "A" SCOPE OF SERVICES



# EXHIBIT "B" HOURLY BILLING RATES FOR TASK ORDERS



# **E-VERIFY AFFIRMATION STATEMENT**

RFP/Big /Contract No:
Project Description:
Contractor/Proposer/Bidder acknowledges and agrees to utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System to verify the employment eligibility of,
<ul><li>(a) all persons employed by Contractor/Proposer/Bidder to perform employment duties within Florida during the term of the Contract, and,</li><li>(b) all persons (including subcontractors/vendors) assigned by Contractor/Proposer/Bidder to perform work pursuant to the Contract.</li></ul>
The Contractor/Proposer/Bidder acknowledges and agrees that use of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System during the term of the Contract is a condition of the Contract.
Contractor/Proposer/ Bidder Company Name:
Authorized Company Person's Signature:
Authorized Company Person's Title:
Date:



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100 N. Andrews Avenue, 619 • Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301
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purchase@fortlauderdale.gov

RFQ No. 12355-106

# General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services ADDENDUM NO. 1

Issued: January 17, 2020

This addendum is being issued to make the following change(s):
REPLACE:  a. Bidsync page no. p.20
All other terms, conditions, and specifications remain unchanged.  *Fausto Vargas*  Procurement Specialist
Company Name: (please print)
Bidder's Signature:
Date:

# RFQ Number 12356-103

### 4.2.5 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, and your overall approach to accomplishing the project. Give an overview on your proposed vision, ideas and methodology. Describe your proposed approach to the project. As part of the project approach, the firm shall propose a scheduling methodology (time line) for effectively managing and executing the work in the optimum time. Also provide information on your firm's current workload and how this project will fit into your workload. Describe available facilities, technological capabilities and other available resources you offer for the project.

### 4.2.6 References

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

- Client Name, address, contact person telephone and FAX numbers and e-mail addresses.
- Description of work.
- Year the project was completed.
- Total cost of the construction; estimated and actual.
- Value engineering or value-added efforts.

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

### 4.2.7 Required Forms (See Section 6)

# a. Statement of Qualification Certification

Complete and attach the Statement of Qualification Certification provided herein in Section 6 - Required Forms

### b. Non-Collusion Statement

This form is to be completed, if applicable, and inserted in this section.

# c. Contract Payment Method

This form must be completed and returned with your SOQ. Proposers must presently have the ability to accept these credit cards or take whatever steps necessary to implement acceptance of a card before the start of the contract term, or contract award by the City.

### d. Sample Insurance Certificate

Demonstrate your firm's ability to comply with insurance requirements. Provide a previous certificate or other evidence listing the Insurance Companies names for both Professional Liability and General Liability and the dollar amounts of the coverage.

### e. Non-Discrimination Certification Form

# Question and Answers for Bid #12355-106 - General Environmental Engineering Consulting Services

### **Overall Bid Questions**

### **Question 1**

Are you looking for 1 company to provide all services listed in Section II - Scope of Services?

Can a Prime only submit for services they can provide, with compliant licensing and not hold a Florida Engineering License.

Can a Prime sub out a contractor that holds your Min. Requirement: Firms shall be a registered engineer in the State of FL?

If a prime can submit for services they can provide, these services do not require a Engineering License, is that acceptable?

Who are the current incumbents and how long have they held a contract?

for the 50 page limit, what is excluded, i.e. tabs, covers, resumes, licenses?

, which does not require a FL Engineering License?able (Submitted: Jan 6, 2020 12:30:20 PM EST)

#### **Answer**

- - The city intent to award to multiple firms.
- Firms shall comply with solicitation requirements.
- All firms shall comply with solicitation requirement.
- No.Firms shall comply with solicitation requirement.
- E Sciences, Incorporated, Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions, Inc. fka AMEC Foster Wheeler E & I Inc, Terracon Consultants, Inc., GHD Services Inc.
- -Tab, Yes

Covers, Yes

Resumes, No

Licenses, Yes (Answered: Jan 7, 2020 11:40:59 AM EST)

### **Question 2**

The RFP states that one (1) original and two (3) copies plus three (5) electronic (soft) copies (Flash Drive) should be delivered. Can you please clarify how many copies and soft copies you would like? (Submitted: Jan 7, 2020 5:38:13 PM EST)

### **Answer**

- (3) copies

(5) electronic (Flash Drive) (Answered: Jan 8, 2020 9:08:35 AM EST)

### **Question 3**

Are the required forms included in the 50 page limit? (Submitted: Jan 7, 2020 5:38:44 PM EST)

### **Answer**

- Yes. The 50 page is a preference. (Answered: Jan 8, 2020 9:08:35 AM EST)

### **Question 4**

- 1. Regarding the inclusion of the SF 330 Architect-Engineer Qualifications form, does the City want the form split between the following tabbed sections of our response?
- a. 4.2.3 Firm Qualifications and Experience to include: SF 330 Part I Sections A, B, C, and H and SF 330 Part II (these sections include general company/office information)
- b. 4.2.4 Organizational Profile and Project Team/Subconsultants: SF 330 Part I Sections D and E (these sections include the organizational chart and resumes)
- c. 4.2.6 References: SF 330 Part I Sections F and G (these sections include similar projects and a key staff matrix) (Submitted: Jan 8, 2020 9:43:42 AM EST)

### Answer

- a. Correct
- b. Correct
- c. You are correct SF 330 F and G include similar projects and a key staff matrix but section 4.2.6 Is your Approach to scope of work. (Answered: Jan 17, 2020 9:39:47 AM EST)

### **Question 5**

If a Prime bidder holds a current Professional Engineering License, but was recently purchased by another company and the license was not able to be transferred, but are in the process of obtaining a license for the firm that acquired us, will the City of Fort Lauderdale accept our RFQ response with a copy of our submitted application, understanding it is absolutely our intent and we are "in process" of the Professional Engineering license—as it takes time within the Licensing Division to complete? (Submitted: Jan 9, 2020 2:41:45 PM EST)

### Answer

- Firms shall comply with solicitation requirements. (Answered: Jan 17, 2020 9:00:50 AM EST)

### **Question 6**

Is the City only interested in responses from firms, or teams of firms, that are able cover every item listed in the Scope of Services? Or will you consider responses from firms that are able to provide a majority of the testing and consulting services? Thank you. (Submitted: Jan 14, 2020 8:52:18 AM EST)

### **Answer**

- Firms shall comply with solicitation requirements. (Answered: Jan 17, 2020 9:00:50 AM EST)

### **Question 7**

Several questions in Section 4.2:

- 1. For the Contents of the proposal, sections are listed 4.2.1 through 4.2.7 but 4.2.5 is missing. Is it a numbering error or is 4.2.5 missing?
- 2. In 4.2.8-Required Forms, it consists of A through F, but E is missing. is there a required form for E (maybe the Everify form?) or is it a numbering error? (Submitted: Jan 16, 2020 2:10:42 PM EST)

### Answer

- It most be an error in the system.

Please review addendum 1) (Answered: Jan 17, 2020 8:45:41 AM EST)

### **Question 8**

Understanding that the City prefers that responses be no more than 50 pages double-sided, do you consider a single sheet of paper one page or two pages?

Are tabs included in your preferred 50-page limitation? (Submitted: Jan 17, 2020 10:56:28 AM EST)

#### **Answer**

- No. (Answered: Jan 21, 2020 9:12:53 AM EST)

### **Question 9**

Can a firm pursue this RFQ as a prime and also be a sub-consultant on another team? (Submitted: Jan 19, 2020 7:37:31 PM EST)

### Answer

- Yes (Answered: Jan 21, 2020 9:12:53 AM EST)

### **Question 10**

In Q&A #2, the City stated that firms are to provide 3 copies. No originals are to be included as 1 of the 3 copies? (Submitted: Jan 19, 2020 7:40:32 PM EST)

### Answer

- This is question #2
- "Can you please clarify how many copies and soft copies you would like?"

Answer provide for this question was 3 copies and 5 flash drive

Yes you need to provide 1 Original. (Answered: Jan 21, 2020 9:12:53 AM EST)

### **Question 11**

Can firms submit a cover letter (aka letter of intent or letter of transmittal in front of the table of contents? Or does the City prefer that no letter is included? (Submitted: Jan 19, 2020 7:42:29 PM EST)

### Answer

- You can included a cover letter with the proposal. (Answered: Jan 21, 2020 9:12:53 AM EST)

### **Question 12**

Can organizational charts be provided on a 11x17 sheet of paper? (Submitted: Jan 19, 2020 7:43:22 PM EST)

### **Answer**

- Yes. (Answered: Jan 21, 2020 9:12:53 AM EST)

### **Question 13**

Is the E-Verify Affirmation Statement (page 64) a part of the Sample Agreement? Does it need to be submitted with each firm's response to this RFQ? (Submitted: Jan 19, 2020 7:48:55 PM EST)

### **Answer**

- Yes. (Answered: Jan 21, 2020 9:12:53 AM EST)

### **Question 14**

Could you please clarify on what section you would like to see SF 330 part F and G in? (Submitted: Jan 20, 2020 3:12:07 PM EST)

### **Answer**

- Section 4.2.3 (Answered: Jan 27, 2020 9:38:57 AM EST)