

# Event # 8-2

Name: Water Meter Boxes (Co-Op)

Description: The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (City) is seeking bids from qualified, experienced, and licensed

firm(s), hereinafter referred to as the Contractor or Bidder, to provide to provide Water Meter Boxes and Parts for the City's Public Works Department, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Invitation To Bid (IFB). This is a cooperative IFB issued by the City of Fort Lauderdale on behalf of the Southeast Florida Governmental Cooperative Purchasing

Group and the participating agencies referenced herein.

**Buyer:** Mohammed, Stefan Status: Pending Award

Event Type: IFB Currency: USD

Sealed Bid: Yes Respond To All Lines: No

**Q & A Allowed:** Yes **Number Of Amendments:** 2

Display Bid Tabulation: Display When Event Closed For Bidding Or Canceled

# **Event Dates**

**Preview: Q & A Open:** 02/28/2023 05:00:00 PM

**Open:** 02/28/2023 04:00:00 PM **Q & A Close:** 03/20/2023 05:00:00 PM

# **Questions**

Question Response Type Attachment

Did you complete all the required forms? Yes No Text Event 8- Water Meter Boxes questions.pdf

# **Attachments**

Name Attachment

1. General Conditions - Rev 10-2022.pdf

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# **Contacts**

Name Email Address

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# **Commodity Codes**

Commodity Code Description

210-45 Meter Boxes and Concrete Pull Boxes

890-40 Meter Boxes, Meter Vaults, and Valve Boxes (See 210-45 for C

# **Line Details**

# Line 1: Concrete/polymer & fiber reinforced meter boxes

**Description:** Concrete/polymer & fiber reinforced meter boxes, including covers and components. See attached technical specifications. Bidder will quote a firm, fixed percentage discount from an established manufacturer price list for the types of items described therein.

Item: GROUP 1 Concrete/polymer & fiber reinforced meter boxes

Commodity 890-40 Meter Boxes, Meter Vaults, and Valve Boxes (See 210-45 for C

Code:

Quantity: 1.0000 Unit of EA Measure:

Require No Price Breaks No Allow Alternate Yes Response: Allowed: Responses:

Add On No Charges Allowed:

# **Line 2: Group 2 - Concrete Meter Boxes**

**Description:** Concrete meter boxes, including steel covers. See attached technical specifications. Bidder will quote a firm, fixed percentage discount from an established manufacturer price list for the types of items described therein.

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Item: GROUP 2 Group 2 - Concrete Meter Boxes

Long Item Group 2 - Concrete Meter Boxes

**Description:** 

Commodity 890-40 Meter Boxes, Meter Vaults, and Valve Boxes (See 210-45 for C

Code:

Quantity: 1.0000 Unit of EA

Measure:

Require No Price Breaks No Allow Alternate Yes Response: Allowed: Responses:

Add On No Charges Allowed:

# Line 3: Group III (3) - Polyethylene meter boxes

**Description:** 

Polyethylene meter boxes, including covers and components. See attached technical specifications. Bidder will quote a firm, fixed percentage discount from an established manufacturer price list for the types of items described therein.

Item: GROUP 3 Group III (3) - Polyethylene meter boxes

Long Item Group III (3) - Polyethylene meter boxes

**Description:** 

Commodity 890-40 Meter Boxes, Meter Vaults, and Valve Boxes (See 210-45 for C

Code:

Quantity: 1.0000 Unit of EA Measure:

Require No Price Breaks No Allow Alternate Yes Response: Allowed: Responses:

Add On No Charges Allowed:

# **Line 4: Group IV (4) Polymer Concrete Meter Boxes**

**Description:** Polymer Concrete Meter Boxes, including covers and components. See attached technical specifications. Bidder will quote a firm, fixed percentage discount from an established manufacturer price list for the types of items described therein.

Item: GROUP IV (4) Group IV (4) Polymer Concrete Meter Boxes

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Long Item Group IV (4) Polymer Concrete Meter Boxes

**Description:** 

Commodity 890-40 Meter Boxes, Meter Vaults, and Valve Boxes (See 210-45 for C

Code:

Quantity: 1.0000 Unit of EA Measure:

Require No Price Breaks No Allow Alternate Yes Response: Allowed: Responses:

Add On No Charges Allowed:

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#### **SECTION I – INTRODUCTION AND INFORMATION**

#### 1.1 Purpose

The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (City) is seeking bids from qualified, experienced, and licensed firm(s), hereinafter referred to as the Contractor or Bidder, to provide to provide Water Meter Boxes and Parts for the City's Public Works Department, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Invitation To Bid (IFB). This is a cooperative IFB issued by the City of Fort Lauderdale on behalf of the Southeast Florida Governmental Cooperative Purchasing Group and the participating agencies referenced below.

#### 1.2 Point of Contact

For information concerning <u>procedures for responding to this solicitation</u>, contact Procurement Specialist, Stefan Mohammed, at (954) 828-5351 or email at <u>Smohammed@fortlauderdale.gov</u>. Such contact shall be for clarification purposes only.

For information concerning technical specifications, please utilize the question / answer feature provided by the <a href="City's on-line strategic sourcing platform">City's on-line strategic sourcing platform</a>. Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date specified in the ITB schedule. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or bidding procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum. Bidders please note: No part of your bid can be submitted via FAX. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a bid will be considered evidence that the Bidder has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, and the equipment, materials, and labor required. The entire bid response must be submitted in accordance with all specifications contained in this solicitation. The questions and answers submitted in the <a href="City's on-line strategic sourcing platform">City's on-line strategic sourcing platform</a> shall become part of any contract that is created from this ITB.

#### 1.3 Pre-bid Conference and/or Site Visit

There will not be a pre-bid conference or site visit for this ITB.

It will be the sole responsibility of the Bidder to become familiar with the scope of the City's requirements and systems prior to submitting a bid. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a bid will be considered evidence that the Bidder has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, equipment, materials, and labor required.

#### 1.4 CITY'S ON-LINE STRATEGIC SOURCING PLATFORM

The City of Fort Lauderdale uses its own on-line strategic sourcing platform to administer the competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to soliciting bids, issuing addenda, posting results, and issuing notification of an intended decision. There is no charge to register and download the ITB from the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform. Bidders are strongly encouraged to read the supplier tutorials available in the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform well in advance of their intention of submitting a bid to ensure familiarity with the use of the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform. The City shall not be responsible for a Bidder's inability to submit a Bid by the end date and time for any reason, including issues arising from the use of the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform.

It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to ensure that their bid is submitted electronically through the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform no later than the time and date specified in

this solicitation. PAPER BID SUBMITTALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY VIA the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform.

# 1.5 Electronic Bid Openings

Please be advised that effective immediately, and until further notice, all Invitation to Bids, Request for Proposals, Request for Qualifications, and other solicitations led by the City of Fort Lauderdale will be opened electronically via the <u>City's on-line strategic sourcing platform</u> at the date and time indicated on the solicitation. All openings will be held on the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform.

Anyone requesting assistance or having further inquiry in this matter must contact the Procurement Specialist indicated on the solicitation, via the Question-and-Answer forum on the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform before the Last Day for Questions indicated in the Solicitation.

**END OF SECTION** 

#### **SECTION II - SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### 2.1 General Conditions

ITB General Conditions (Form G-107, Rev. 09/22) are included and made a part of this ITB.

# 2.2 Addenda, Changes, and Interpretations

It is the sole responsibility of each firm to notify the Procurement Specialist utilizing the question / answer feature provided by the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform 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 the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform 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 the City's on-line strategic sourcing platform as a separate addendum to the ITB. 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.

# 2.3 Changes and Alterations

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

# 2.4 Bidder's Costs

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

# 2.5 Pricing/Delivery

Bidder will quote a firm, fixed percentage discount from an established price list for the types of items described herein and on the Bid Proposal pages. This will eliminate the need to list each of the different items required by the agencies represented in the bid. Pricing shall include all costs and charges incurred by the bidder. Delivery will be FOB, destination, freight included to the participating agencies listed below, as well as any co-op member agencies that wish to participate at a later date.

One copy of the applicable price list covering those groups you are bidding should be submitted with you bid, however must be submitted within five business days from request of the City. Failure to provide applicable price list(s) may result in the rejection of your bid. Successful bidder(s) will provide additional copies to participating agencies without charge when requested.

The percentage discount shall remain firm for the initial term of the contract and any extension terms.

Failure to provide the percentage discount as requested in this ITB may deem your bid non-responsive.

#### 2.6 Price Validity

Prices provided in this Invitation to bid (ITB) shall be valid for at least One-Hundred and Twenty

(120) days from time of ITB opening unless otherwise extended and agreed upon by the City and Bidder. The City shall award contract within this time period or shall request to the recommended awarded vendor an extension to hold pricing, until products/services have been awarded.

# 2.7 Invoices/Payment

Payment terms will be considered to be net 45 days after the date of satisfactory delivery at the place of acceptance and receipt of correct invoice at the office specified, whichever occurs last, in accordance with the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act. Bidder may offer cash discounts for prompt payment, but they will not be considered in determination of award.

# 2.8 Related Expenses/Travel Expenses

All costs including travel are to be included in your bid. The City will not accept any additional costs.

# 2.9 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. See Contract Payment Method form attached.

#### 2.10 Mistakes

The Bidder shall examine this ITB carefully. The submission of a bid shall be prima facie evidence that the Bidder 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 Bidder from liability and obligations under the Contract.

#### 2.11 Acceptance of Bids / Minor Irregularities

- 2.11.1 The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, part of bids, and to waive minor irregularities or variances to specifications contained in bids which do not make the bid 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 bidder an advantage or benefit not enjoyed by other bidders, 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 an ITB.
- **2.11.2** The City reserves the right to disqualify Bidder 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 Bidder.

#### 2.12 Modification of Services

2.12.1 While this contract is for services provided to the department referenced in this ITB, the City may require similar work for other City departments. Successful Bidder agrees to take on such work unless such work would not be considered reasonable or become an undue burden to the Successful Bidder.

- 2.12.2 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 ITB, the Successful Bidder shall be paid for the work completed on the basis of the estimated percentage of completion of such portion to the total project cost.
- 2.12.3 The City may require additional items or services of a similar nature, but not specifically listed in the contract. The Successful Bidder 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 Bidder thirty (30) days written notice.
- **2.12.4** If the Successful Bidder 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 Bidder will submit a revised budget to the City for approval prior to proceeding with the work.

#### 2.13 Non-Exclusive Contract

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

# 2.14 Sample Contract Agreement

A sample of the formal agreement template, which may be required to be executed by the awarded vendor can be found at our website:

https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=1212

#### 2.15 Responsiveness

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

#### 2.16 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.

# 2.17 Minimum Qualifications

To be eligible for award of a contract in response to this solicitation, the Bidder must demonstrate that they have successfully completed services, as specified in the Technical Specifications / Scope of Services section of this solicitation, are normally and routinely engaged in performing such services, and are properly and legally licensed to perform such work. In addition, the Bidder must have no conflict of interest with regard to any other work performed by the Bidder for the City of Fort Lauderdale.

- **2.17.1** Firm or principals shall have no record of judgments, pending lawsuits against the City or criminal activities involving moral turpitude and not have any conflicts of interest that have not been waived by the City Commission.
- 2.17.2 Neither firm nor any principal, officer, or stockholder shall be in arrears or in default of any debt or contract involving the City, (as a party to a contract, or otherwise); nor have failed to perform faithfully on any previous contract with the City.

#### 2.18 Lobbying Activities

ALL CONTRACTORS 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 <a href="http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036">http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036</a>.

- 2.19 Local Business Preference N/A
- 2.20 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Preference N/A
- 2.21 Protest Procedure
  - 2.21.1 Any Bidder 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="https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/departments-a-h/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award">https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/departments-a-h/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award</a>
  - 2.21.2 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\_of\_ordinances?nodeId=COORCH2AD\_ARTVFI\_DIV2PR\_S2-182DIREPRAWINAW</a>

### 2.22 Public Entity Crimes

Bidder, by submitting a bid, certifies that neither the Bidder nor any of the Bidder's principals has been placed on the convicted vendor list as defined in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes (2018), as may be amended or revised. 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 bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies 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 s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

#### 2.23 Subcontractors

2.23.1 If the Contractor proposes to use subcontractors in the course of providing these services to the City, this information shall be a part of the bid/proposal response. Such information shall be subject to review, acceptance, and approval of the City, prior to any contract award. The City reserves the right to approve or disapprove of any subcontractor candidate in its best interest and to require Contractor to replace subcontractor with one that meets City approval.

- 2.23.2 Contractor shall ensure that all of Contractor's subcontractors perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract. Contractor shall be fully responsible for all of Contractor's subcontractors' performance, and liable for any of Contractor's subcontractors' non-performance and all of Contractor's subcontractors' acts and omissions. Contractor shall defend, at Contractor's expense, counsel being subject to the City's approval or disapproval, and indemnify and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agents from and against any claim, lawsuit, third-party action, or judgment, including any award of attorney fees and any award of costs, by or in favor of any Contractor's subcontractors for payment for work performed for the City.
- 2.23.3 Contractor shall require all its subcontractors to provide the required insurance coverage as well as any other coverage that the contractor may consider necessary, and any deficiency in the coverage or policy limits of said subcontractors will be the sole responsibility of the contractor.
- 2.24 Bid Security N/A
- 2.25 Payment and Performance Bond N/A

#### 2.26 Insurance Requirements

- 2.26.1 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 its 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 through insurers authorized or eligible to write policies in the State of Florida and possess an A.M. Best rating of A-, VII or better, subject to approval by the City's Risk Manager.
- 2.26.2 The coverages, limits, and endorsements required herein protect the interests of the City, and these coverages, limits, and/or endorsements shall in no way 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 exposures, 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.
- **2.26.3** 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, a Florida municipal corporation, its officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as an additional insured 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, its officials, 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, its officials, 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.

#### **2.26.4** Insurance Certificate Requirements

- **a.** The Contractor shall provide the City with valid Certificates of Insurance (binders are unacceptable) no later than ten (10) 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 or any surviving obligation of the Contractor following expiration or early termination of the Agreement 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 all liability policies, with the exception of Workers' Compensation.
- **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/Proposal/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, Suite 619
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

- 2.26.5 The Contractor has the sole responsibility for all insurance premiums and shall be fully and solely responsible for any costs or expenses as a result of a coverage deductible, coinsurance 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.
- **2.26.6** 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.
- **2.26.7** The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects to the City, a Florida municipal corporation, its officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, a Florida municipal corporation, its officials, employees, or volunteers shall be non-contributory.
- **2.26.8** Any exclusion or provision in any insurance policy maintained by the Contractor that excludes coverage required in this Agreement shall be deemed unacceptable and shall be considered breach of contract.
- **2.26.9** 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.
- **2.26.10** 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.
- 2.26.11 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.

#### 2.27 Insurance - Sub-Contractors

Contractor shall require all its Sub-Contractors to provide the aforementioned coverage as well as any other coverage that the Contractor may consider necessary, and any deficiency in the coverage or policy limits of said Sub-Contractors will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

# 2.28 Insurance for Collection of Credit Card Payments - N/A

#### 2.29 Award of Contract

Award may be in the aggregate, or by line Item, or by group, whichever is determined to be in the best interest of the City. Award will be made to the responsive and responsible bidder, quoting the lowest price, for that product/service that will best serve the needs of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

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

# 2.30 Damage to Public or Private Property

Extreme care shall be taken to safeguard all existing facilities, site amenities, irrigation systems, vehicles, etc. on or around the job site. Damage to public and/or private property shall be the responsibility of the Contractor and shall be repaired and/or replaced at no additional cost to the City.

# 2.31 Safety

The Contractor(s) shall adhere to the Florida Department of Transportation's Uniform manual on Traffic Control for construction and maintenance work zones when working on or near a roadway. It will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor to make themselves and their employees fully aware of these provisions, especially those applicable to safety.

# 2.32 Uncontrollable Circumstances ("Force Majeure")

The City and Contractor will be excused from the performance of their respective obligations under this agreement when and to the extent that their performance is delayed or prevented by any circumstances beyond their control including, fire, flood, explosion, strikes or other labor disputes, act of God or public emergency, war, riot, civil commotion, malicious damage, act or omission of any governmental authority, delay or failure or shortage of any type of transportation, equipment, or service from a public utility needed for their performance, provided that:

- 2.32.1 The non-performing party gives the other party prompt written notice describing the particulars of the Force Majeure including, but not limited to, the nature of the occurrence and its expected duration, and continues to furnish timely reports with respect thereto during the period of the Force Majeure;
- **2.32.2** The excuse of performance is of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is required by the Force Majeure;
- **2.32.3** No obligations of either party that arose before the Force Majeure causing the excuse of performance are excused as a result of the Force Majeure; and
- **2.32.4** The non-performing party uses its best efforts to remedy its inability to perform. Notwithstanding the above, performance shall not be excused under this Section for a period in excess of two (2) months, provided that in extenuating circumstances, the City may

excuse performance for a longer term. Economic hardship of the Contractor will not constitute Force Majeure. The term of the agreement shall be extended by a period equal to that during which either party's performance is suspended under this Section.

#### 2.33 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.

# 2.34 News Releases/Publicity

News releases, publicity releases, or advertisements relating to this contract, or the tasks or projects associated with the project shall not be made without prior City approval.

# 2.35 Approved Equal or Alternative Product Bids

The Technical Specifications contained in this solicitation are to be used as a reference only and are not to be considered of a proprietary nature. These specifications represent a level of quality and features that are desired by the City of Fort Lauderdale. The City is receptive to any product that would be considered by qualified City personnel as an approved equal.

The Contractor must state clearly in their bid pages any variance to the specifications. If proposing an approved equal or alternate product, it will be the Contractor's responsibility to provide adequate information in their bid to enable the City to ensure that the Contractor meets the required criteria. If adequate information is not submitted with the bid, it may be rejected.

The City of Fort Lauderdale will be the sole judge in determining if the product proposed qualifies as approved equal. The City reserves the right to award to that Contractor which will best serve the interest of the City as determined by the City. The City further reserves the right to waive minor variations to specifications and in the bidding process.

#### 2.36 Contract Period

The initial contract term shall commence upon date of award by the City and shall expire two years from that date. The City reserves the right to extend the contract for two, additional one 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 270 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.

# 2.37 Cost Adjustments

Prices quoted shall be firm for the initial contract term of two years. No cost increases shall be accepted in this initial contract term. Please consider this when providing pricing for this Invitation to Bid.

Thereafter, any extensions which may be approved by the City shall be subject to the following: costs for any extension terms shall be subject to an adjustment only if increases or decreases occur in the industry. Such adjustment shall be based on the latest yearly percentage increase in the All Urban Consumers Price Index (CPI-U) as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department. of Labor and shall not exceed five percent (5%).

The yearly increase or decrease in the CPI shall be that latest Index published and available for the calendar year ending 12/31, prior to the end of the contract year then in effect, as compared to the index for the comparable month, one-year prior.

Any requested adjustment shall be fully documented and submitted to the City at least ninety (90) days prior to the contract anniversary date. Any approved cost adjustments shall become effective on the beginning date of the approved contract extension.

The City may, after examination, refuse to accept the adjusted costs if they are not properly documented, or considered to be excessive, or if decreases are considered to be insufficient. In the event the City does not wish to accept the adjusted costs and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the Contract will be considered cancelled on the scheduled expiration date.

#### 2.38 Service Test Period

If the Contractor has not previously performed the services to the city, the City reserves the right to require a test period to determine if the Contractor can perform in accordance with the requirements of the contact, and to the City's satisfaction. Such test period can be from thirty to ninety days, and will be conducted under all specifications, terms and conditions contained in the contract. This trial period will then become part of the initial contract period.

A performance evaluation will be conducted prior to the end of the test period and that evaluation will be the basis for the City's decision to continue with the Contractor or to select another Contractor (if applicable).

#### 2.39 Contract Coordinator

The City may designate a Contract Coordinator whose principal duties shall be:

- Liaison with Contractor.
- Coordinate and approve all work under the contract.
- Resolve any disputes.
- Assure consistency and quality of Contractor's performance.
- Schedule and conduct Contractor performance evaluations and document findings.
- Review and approve for payment all invoices for work performed or items delivered.

# 2.40 Contractor Performance Reviews and Ratings

The City Contract Coordinator may develop a Contractor performance evaluation report. This report shall be used to periodically review and rate the Contractor's performance under the contract with performance rating as follows:

Excellent Far exceeds requirements.
Good Exceeds requirements
Fair Just meets requirements.

Poor Does not meet all requirements and contractor is subject to penalty

provisions under the contact.

Non-compliance Either continued poor performance after notice or a performance level that

does not meet a significant portion of the requirements.

This rating makes the Contractor subject to the default or cancellation for

cause provisions of the contract.

The report shall also list all discrepancies found during the review period. The Contractor shall be provided with a copy of the report and may respond in writing if he takes exception to the report or wishes to comment on the report. Contractor performance reviews and subsequent reports will be used in determining the suitability of contract extension.

#### 2.41 Substitution of Personnel - N/A

#### 2.42 Ownership of Work - N/A

# 2.43 Condition of Trade-In Equipment – N/A

# 2.44 Conditions of Trade-In Shipment and Purchase Payment - N/A

#### 2.45 Verification of Employment Status

Any Contractor/Consultant assigned to perform responsibilities under its contract with a State agency is required to utilize the US Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system (per Executive Order Number 11-02) to verify the employment eligibility of: (a) all persons employed during the contract term by the Contractor to perform employment duties within Florida; and (b) all persons (including subcontractors) assigned by the Contractor to perform work pursuant to the contract with the State agency.

E-VERIFY Affirmation Statement must be completed and submitted with Bidder's response to this ITB.

# 2.46 Service Organization Controls - N/A

# 2.47 Warranties of Usage

Any estimated quantities listed are for information and tabulation purposes only. No warranty or guarantee of quantities needed is given or implied. It is understood that the Contractor will furnish the City's needs as they arise.

#### 2.48 Rules and Submittals of Bids

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

# 2.49 Bid Tabulations/Intent to Award

Notice of Intent to Award Contract/Bid, resulting from the City's Formal solicitation process may be found at: <a href="https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/departments-a-h/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award">https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/departments-a-h/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award</a>. Tabulations of receipt of those parties responding to a formal solicitation may be found at: <a href="https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/departments-a-h/finance/procurement-departments-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurements-a-h/finance/procurem

h/finance/procurement-services/bid-results, or any interested party may call the Procurement Services Division at 954-828-5933.

#### 2.50 Public Records

All bids will become the property of the City. The Bidder's response to the ITB 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 ITB and any resulting Contract to be executed for this ITB, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes. Any language contained in the Bidder's response to the ITB purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Bidder's response to the ITB, 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 Bidder submits any documents or other information to the City which the Bidder claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Bidder shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Bidder 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 Bidder's response to the ITB constitutes a Trade Secret. The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the Bidder 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 TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT <a href="mailto:precontract@fortlauderdale.gov">PRRCONTRACT@fortlauderdale.gov</a>, 954-828-5002, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301.

#### Contractor shall:

- 1. Keep and maintain public records 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 (2022), 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.

# 2.51 PCI (Payment Card Industry) Compliance

Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable state, federal and international laws, as well as industry best practices, governing the collection, access, use, disclosure, safeguarding and destruction of protected information.

Contractor and/or any subcontractor that handles credit card data must be, and remain, PCI compliant under the current standards and will provide documentation confirming compliance upon request by the City of Fort Lauderdale, failure to produce documentation could result in termination of the contract.

**END OF SECTION** 

#### SECTION III - TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS/SCOPE OF SERVICES

#### 3.01 GENERAL INFORMATION/INTENT

The City of Fort Lauderdale and the participating members of the Southeast Florida Governmental Cooperative Purchasing Group use water meter boxes and component parts in various configurations. There are primarily four groups of items covered in this ITB and they are described below.

# 3.02. Group I (1)- Concrete/polymer & fiber reinforced, including covers and components

- A. All covers shall meet the requirements for incidental traffic H-20 loading as established by A.A.S.H.T.O. All boxes shall meet H-20 traffic rating.
- B. All boxes and component parts shall meet the requirements of Section A-8 of ASTM C-857 (or latest revision) on the minimum structural design loading for underground pre-cast concrete utility structures.
- C. All covers shall be designed to fit and interchange with standard boxes of similar sizes.
- D. All covers shall be solid or be fitted with meter reader lids, hinged with brass or stainless steel pivot pins.
- E. All meter boxes and component parts should have compression strength of at least 10,000 psi. Meter boxes are to be made available as straight and flared wall type.
- F. Meter boxes and component parts shall meet the requirements of ASTM D570 (or latest revision) standards for water absorption. Gaining no more than one half of one percent in weight after exposure to moisture as established by the specification procedure. Meter boxes and component parts shall be unaffected by UV light and subsoil chemicals.
- G. All dimensions of meter boxes and component parts shall meet the US Standards of Measurement in feet and inches.
- H. All meter boxes, covers, and component parts shall be manufactured and/or assembled in the United States. Where space permits, raised lettering on the cover shall identify the manufacturer, foundry, county of origin, and city logo.
- I. All meter boxes and component parts are to be available as bolted and/or with touch-read holes.
- J. All meter reader lids must open less than 90° so that the reader lids are self-closing.
- K. All boxes are to be footed.
- L. All meter boxes and component parts shall be warranted against materials and workmanship for a period of at least one year.
- M. Estimated annual usage of participating co-op members is \$89,000.

#### 3.03. Group II (2)- Concrete, including steel covers

# A. All meter boxes, covers, and component parts shall be manufactured and/or assembled in the United States.

- B. All boxes and covers shall meet the requirements for H-20 and/or H-20-S616 (or latest revision) per A.A.S.H.T.O. standard specifications for highway bridges.
- C. All forms used in placing concrete are to be of sufficient design and bracing to maintain alignment under pressure during pouring and vibrating of concrete.
- D. All aggregates, fine and coarse, must conform to the requirements of ASTM C-33 (or latest revision). The aggregates are to be free of all deleterious substances that would cause reactivity with oxidized hydrogen sulfide.
- E. Meter boxes and component parts are to be manufactured with Portland cement that conforms to ASTM C-150, Type II. The cement content must be adequate to produce a minimum strength of 5,000 psi or other specified strengths as might be needed.
- F. All reinforcing steel, including welded wire fabric, is to be of the size and in the location as specified. All reinforcing is to be sufficiently tied to withstand displacement during the pouring operation. All bars are to be intermediate or hard grade billet steel conforming to ASTM A615 Grade 60 (or latest revision).
- G. Estimated annual usage of participating co-op members is \$62,000.

# 3.04. Group III (3) - Polyethylene, including covers and components

- A. The meter box shall be made from 100% homogenous polyethylene material. Exterior wall shall be of smooth finish, and have ultraviolet degradation protection properties for above ground storage. Interior wall shall be smooth finish. Wall thickness shall be a minimum of 0.550 inches with wall core interior area of rigid foam construction offering insulation and tensile strength. Vertical crush to exceed 20,000 pounds and sidewall loading to exceed 180 pounds per square inch. A flange shall encircle the top area for installation in concrete. Meter boxes are to be made available as straight wall type.
- B. Meter box lids shall be cast of ductile iron conforming to ASTM A-536-84, grade 60-40-18. The meter box lid shall meet or exceed Federal specification RR-F-621D for a minimum proof load of 25,000 pounds on a 9" x 9" area. An independent third party laboratory shall verify this testing.
- C. All meter boxes, covers, and component parts shall be manufactured and/or assembled in the United States. Where space permits, raised lettering on the cover shall identify the manufacturer, foundry, county of origin, and city logo.
- D. Submittal information with each shipment shall include certification from the foundry and third party laboratory that the above requirements have been met.
- E. All covers shall be designed to fit and interchange with standard boxes of similar sizes.

- F. All covers shall be solid or fitted with meter reader lids, hinged with brass or stainless steel pivot pins.
- G. All meter box lids shall offer a 10-year limited warranty.
- H. Estimated annual usage of participating co-op members is \$640,000.

# 3.05. Group IV (4) Polymer Concrete, including covers and components

- A. Polymer concrete box and cover assemblies shall be manufactured of polymer concrete material consisting of calcareous and siliceous stone, glass fibers and thermoset polyester resin. Boxes shall be manufactured to the following dimensions: 12"x20"x12" deep, 13"x24"x12"deep, & 17"x30" x12" deep. Covers shall be manufactured to the following dimensions: 12"x20"x 13/4" deep, 13"x24"x2"deep, & 17"x30" x2" deep.
- B. Material used to produce meter boxes and covers shall be resistant to chemicals commonly found in the soil or in the operating environment, and shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D-543. The polymer concrete (RPC) material shall be resistant to sunlight and any climatic conditioned shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D-756, procedure "E".
- C. Polymer concrete box and cover assembly shall withstand a vertical test load of 20,800 lbs (H-20) (16,000 lb plus 30% impact factor) load over 10"x20"x1"thick steel plate centered on the cover area and backed with 10"x20"x1/2" rubber plate. The test loading shall not cause any failure to the box or cover
- D. All covers shall be solid or fitted with meter reader lids, hinged with brass or stainless steel pivot pins.
- E. All meter boxes, covers, and component parts shall be manufactured and/or assembled in the United States. Where space permits, raised lettering on the cover shall identify the manufacturer, foundry, county of origin, and city logo.
- F. Estimated annual usage of participating co-op members is \$85,000.

# 3.06. Delivery

Material shall be delivered to the designated locations as specified below. Contractor shall make arrangements with the respective participating agencies regarding the acceptable hours for deliveries. All shipments are to be FOB to the ordering agency's location. Only personnel designated by the respective participating agencies may place orders with the Contractor. The Contractor shall not unload material at any delivery location prior to inspection and acceptance by a designated representative of the ordering agency. Delivery requirements, delivery locations and dates will be finalized with the Contractor by each individual participating agency. Contractor shall await release by the authorized contact person at each for agency for all shipments.

#### 3.07. Participating Agencies

A. City of Fort Lauderdale

Hector Pulgarin, 954-828-7877 E-Mail: Hpulgarin@fortlauderdale.gov Delivery Address: 949 NW 38th Street, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33309

Annual Usage: \$2,000 (Group I) \$2,000 (Group II) \$600,000 (Group III)

B. City of Tamarac Michael Christopher, 954-597-3750

E-Mail: Michael.Christopher@tamarac.org

Delivery Address: 10101 State St, Tamarac, FL 33321

Annual Usage: \$45,000 (Group IV)

C. City of Plantation Traci Shulenburg; 954-452-2544

E-Mail: tshulenburg@plantation.org

Delivery Address: 700 NW 91st Avenue, Plantation, FL 33324

Annual Usage: \$27,000 (Group I)

D. City of North Lauderdale Ken Thomas, 954-448-5244

E-Mail: Kthomas@nlauderdale.org

Delivery Address: 2100 S SR 7

Annual Usage: \$60,000 (Group I)

\$60,000 (Group II) \$40,000 (Group III) \$40,000 (Group IV)

**END OF SECTION** 

#### 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>			
n 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.				
Authorized Signature	Title			
lame (Printed)	 Date			

# 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		

# **CONTRACT 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 credit card payments via MasterCard or Visa as part of this program.

This allows you as a vendor of the City of Fort Lauderdale to receive your payments fast and safely. No more waiting for checks to be printed and mailed.

In accordance with the contract, payments on this contract will be made utilizing the City's P-Card (MasterCard or Visa). Accordingly, bidders must presently have the ability to accept the credit card or take whatever steps necessary to implement acceptance of a card before the start of the contract term, or contract award by the City.

All costs associated with the Contractor's participation in this purchasing program shall be borne by the Contractor. The City reserves the right to revise this program as necessary.

By signing below, you agree with these terms.

Please indicate which credit card payment you prefer:		
MasterCard		
Visa		
Company Name		
Name (Printed)	Signature	
Title	Date	

Solicitation/Bid /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> </ul>
B. all persons (including subcontractors/vendors) assigned by Contractor/Proposer/Bidder to perform work pursuant to the Contract.
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:

# **REFERENCES**

A minimum of three (3) references shall be provided. It is the responsibility of the Bidder/ Proposer to ensure that the information provided is accurate and current. The City may find your firm non-responsive for providing wrong and or outdated information. Additional references may be provided on a separate page.

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#### CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE BID/PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION

<u>Please Note</u>: It is the sole responsibility of the bidder/proposer to ensure that their response is submitted electronically through the <u>City's on-line strategic sourcing platform</u> prior to the bid opening date and time listed. Paper bid submittals will not be accepted. 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 http://www.dos.state.fl.us/). Company: (Legal Registration) \_\_\_\_\_EIN (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_ City: State: Zip: Telephone No.: FAX No.: Email: Delivery: Calendar days after receipt of Purchase Order (section 1.02 of General Conditions): Total Bid Discount (section 1.05 of General Conditions): Check box if your firm qualifies for DBE (section 1.09 of General Conditions): ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - Proposer acknowledges that the following addenda have been received and are included in the proposal: Addendum No. Date Issued Addendum No. Date Issued Addendum No. Date Issued Addendum No. Date Issued VARIANCES: If you take exception or have variances to any term, condition, specification, scope of service, or requirement in this competitive solicitation you must specify such exception or variance in the space provided below or reference in the space provided below all variances contained on other pages within your response. Additional pages may be attached if necessary. No exceptions or variances will be deemed to be part of the response submitted unless such is listed and contained in the space provided below. The City does not, by virtue of submitting a variance, necessarily accept any variances. If no statement is contained in the below space, it is hereby implied that your response is in full compliance with this competitive solicitation. If you do not have variances, simply mark N/A. The below signatory hereby agrees to furnish the following article(s) or services at the price(s) and terms stated subject to all instructions, conditions, specifications addenda, legal advertisement, and conditions contained in the bid/proposal. I have read all attachments including the specifications and fully understand what is required. By submitting this signed proposal, I will accept a contract if approved by the City and such acceptance covers all terms, conditions, and specifications of this bid/proposal. The below signatory also hereby agrees, by virtue of submitting or attempting to submit a response, that in no event shall the City's liability for respondent's direct, indirect, incidental, consequential, special or exemplary damages, expenses, or lost profits arising out of this competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to public advertisement, bid conferences, site visits, evaluations, oral presentations, or award proceedings exceed the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). This limitation shall not apply to claims arising under any provision of indemnification or the City's protest ordinance contained in this competitive solicitation. Submitted by: Name (printed) Signature

Title

Date