

## Event # 135-0

Name: Citywide U/Grounding - Prof. Eng. & Program & Support Serv.

Description: CITYWIDE UNDERGROUNDING OF OVERHEAD UTILITIES-PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND

PROGRAM SUPPORT SERVICES

The City of Fort Lauderdale, FL (City) is actively seeking the services of a qualified, experienced, and licensed consultant team to provide professional engineering and program support services, for the conversion of existing neighborhood overhead utility networks to an underground utility network for communities choosing this action, as further described in Section III – Scope of Services. Those Firms which are interested in submitting Statements of Qualification (SOQ) in response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) shall comply with Section IV– Submittal

Requirements.

**Buyer:** HEMMINGS TURNER, PAULETTE **Status:** Pending Award

Event Type: RFQ Currency: USD

Sealed Bid: Yes Respond To All Lines: Yes

**Q & A Allowed:** Yes **Number Of Amendments:** 0

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

### **Event Dates**

**Preview: Q & A Open:** 02/21/2024 02:00:00 PM

**Open:** 02/21/2024 02:00:00 PM **Q & A Close:** 03/15/2024 05:00:00 PM

## **Questions**

Question Response Type Attachment

Did you sign and attach all the required forms? Yes No Event 135 Required Forms.pdf

#### **Attachments**

Name Description Attachment

135 - Citywide Undergrounding of Overhead Utilities

CITYWIDE UNDERGROUNDING OF OVERHEAD UTILITIES-PROFESSIONAL

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Program.pdf

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Name	Description	Attachment
Overhead Utilities	OVERHEAD UTILITIES-PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND PROGRAM SUPPORT SERVICES	Program.pdf
Event 137 - Agreement	Event 137 - Agreement	EVENT 135 - AGREEMENT.pdf

#### **Contacts**

Name	Email Address	
PAULETTE HEMMINGS TURNER	pturner@fortlauderdale.gov	

## **Commodity Codes**

Commodity Code	Description
913-56	Construction, Utility/Underground Projects
925	ENGINEERING SERVICES, PROFESSIONAL
925-36	Engineering Services (Not Otherwise Classified)
925-46	Geotechnical Engineering
962-58	Professional Services (Not Otherwise Classified)

## **Line Details**

## Line 1: TBB P11714 Undergrounding of utilities

**Description:** The City of Fort Lauderdale, FL (City) is actively seeking the services of a qualified, experienced, and licensed consultant team to provide professional engineering and program support services, for the conversion of existing neighborhood overhead utility networks to an underground utility network for communities choosing this action, as further described in Section III – Scope of Services. Those Firms which are interested in submitting Statements of Qualification (SOQ) in response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) shall comply with Section IV– Submittal Requirements

Item: UNDERGROUNDING UTILITIES TBB P11714 Undergrounding of utilities

**Long Item** The City of Fort Lauderdale, FL (City) is actively seeking the services of a qualified, experienced, and licensed **Description:** consultant team to provide professional engineering and program support services, for the conversion of existing

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neighborhood overhead utility networks to an underground utility network for communities choosing this action.

Commodity 925 ENGINEERING SERVICES, PROFESSIONAL

Code:

Quantity: 1.0000 Unit of DO Measure:

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

Add On No Charges Allowed:

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## Request for Qualifications

## RFQ/EVENT# 135

## CITYWIDE UNDERGROUNDING OF OVERHEAD UTILITIES-PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND PROGRAM SUPPORT SERVICES

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

# **City of Fort Lauderdale**



Paulette Hemmings Turner SENIOR PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST

Telephone: (954) 828- 5139 E-mail: PTurner@fortlauderdale.gov

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

#### 1.1 Purpose

The City of Fort Lauderdale, FL (City) is actively seeking the services of a qualified, experienced, and licensed consultant team to provide professional engineering and program support services, for the conversion of existing neighborhood overhead utility networks to an underground utility network for communities choosing this action, as further described in Section III – Scope of Services. Those Firms which 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 ONLINE STRATEGIC SOURCING PLATFORM

The City uses an online strategic sourcing platform to administer the competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to soliciting proposals, issuing addenda, posting results and issuing notification of an intended decision. There is no charge to register and download the RFQ from the online strategic sourcing platform. Proposers are strongly encouraged to read the various supplier tutorials available in the City's online strategic sourcing platform well in advance of their intention to submit a response to ensure familiarity with the use of the City's online strategic sourcing platform. The City shall not be responsible for a proposer's inability to submit a response by the end date and time for any reason, including issues arising from the use of the City's online strategic sourcing platform. There is no charge to proposers to register and participate in the solicitation process, nor will any fees be charged to the awarded proposer.

It is the sole responsibility of the proposer to ensure that its proposal is submitted electronically through the City's online strategic sourcing platform no later than the time and date specified in this solicitation. PAPER PROPOSAL SUBMITTALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY VIA the City's online strategic sourcing platform.

#### 1.3 Electronic Proposal Openings

This solicitation will be opened electronically via the City's online strategic sourcing software at the date and time indicated in the solicitation. Once the Procurement Specialist opens the solicitation, the bid tabulations (where applicable) may be viewed immediately on a computer, laptop, cell phone, or any other device with WiFi access.

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

### 1.4 Pre-Proposal Meeting

A pre-proposal meeting will be held Virtually through Microsoft Teams on February 28, 2024 @10:00 am

## Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer, mobile app or room device

Click here to join the meeting Meeting ID: 239 152 313 473

Passcode: rFqzq3

Download Teams | Join on the web

Or call in (audio only)

+<u>1 954-686-7296,,423969286#</u> United States, Fort Lauderdale

Phone Conference ID: 423 969 286# Find a local number | Reset PIN



This meeting is facilitated by the City of Fort Lauderdale. Meeting content may be subject to Florida Statute Chapter 119 concerning public records and subject to disclosure.

Learn More | Meeting options

While attendance is not mandatory, it is strongly suggested that all proposers attend the preproposal conference. It will be the sole responsibility of the proposer to inspect the City's locations and become familiar with the scope of the City's requirements and systems prior to submitting a proposal.

#### 1.5 Point of Contact

City of Fort Lauderdale, Procurement Services Division Attn: Paulette Hemmings Turner, Senior Procurement Specialist 1E Broward Boulevard Suite 444 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Telephone: (954) 828-5139

E-mail: PTurner@fortlauderdale.gov

For all inquiries concerning this RFQ, questions, and requests for additional information, please utilize the Q&A forum provided by the City's online strategic sourcing platform.\_ Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date specified in the RFQ. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or proposal procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum. **Consultants please note:** Proposals shall be submitted as stated in PART IV – Submittal Requirements. No part of your proposal can be submitted via FAX. Submission of a proposal will be considered evidence that the Consultant has familiarized itself 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 requirements contained in this Solicitation. The questions and answers submitted on the City's strategic sourcing platform shall become part of any contract that is created from this RFQ.

#### 1.6 Debarred or Suspended Bidders or Proposers

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

#### 1.7 Prohibition Against Contracting with 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, and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria, as provided in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2022), as may be amended or revised. The Contractor certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2022), as may be amended or revised, and that it is not engaged in a boycott of Israel. 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 (2022), 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 (2022), 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 (2022), as may be amended or revised.

By submitting a proposal, or response, the company, principals, or owners certify that it is 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 Q&A forum provided by the City's online 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 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 Q&A forum provided by the City's online 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 online strategic sourcing platform 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 proposal at any time prior to the proposal submission deadline; however, no oral modifications will be allowed. Modifications shall not be allowed following the proposal 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 proposal 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 Agreement.

#### 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 in the business of Professional Engineering Services for at least **Five (5)** years, and must possess sufficient financial support, equipment, and organization to ensure that they 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 proposal being deemed non-responsive.

- Proposer or principals shall have relevant and recent experience in Professional 2.8.1 Engineering and Program Management Support Services of a nature like those listed in Section III Scope of Services. Professional Engineering and Program Management Support Services must be provided or led by Registered Professional Engineer(s) in the State of Florida with experience in management of similar programs, initiatives, and/or services, for undergrounding conversion projects. The consultant team should include, but not be limited to, electrical engineers, civil engineers, surveyors, landscape architects, communications professionals, and technical specialists. The consultant team must demonstrate experience in providing planning, design, and implementation of municipal underground utility conversions. Project Manager assigned to the work must have at least Five (5) years' experience as a Professional Engineer, including design expertise and/or construction project management experience when applicable, appropriate certifications, and has served as project manager on similar projects. Technical specialist should have relevant experience in special assessment and methodologies suitable for municipal bonding. Further, the consultant team firm shall demonstrate ability to provide property assessment analysis and reporting as it relates to establishing special assessment methodology as well as experience with community support outreach and public communication strategies.
- 2.8.2 Before awarding a contract, the City reserves the right to require that a firm submit such evidence of its 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 consultant 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 33301. The Ordinance may also be viewed on the City's website at <a href="https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036">https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036</a>.

#### 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="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>.
- 2.10.2 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?nodeId=C OOR CH2AD ARTVFI DIV2PR S2-182DIREPRAWINAW

#### 2.11. Public Entity Crimes

In accordance with the Public Crimes Act, Section 287.133, Florida Statutes (2022), as may be amended or revised, 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 proposal on a contract to provide any goods or services to the City, may not submit a on a contract with the City for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit proposals 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 (2022), as may be amended or revised, 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 Consultant shall result in cancellation of the City purchase and may result in Consultant debarment.

#### 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 proposal, 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 is 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 Local Business Preference

**2.13.1** Section 2-186, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, provides for a local business preference. In order to be considered for a local business preference, a proposer must include the Local Business Preference Certification Statement of this RFQ, as applicable to the local business preference class claimed at the time of proposal submittal:

Upon formal request of the City, based on the application of a Local Business Preference, the proposer shall, within ten (10) calendar days, submit the following documentation for the Local Business Preference Class claimed:

- **a.** Copy of City of Fort Lauderdale current year business tax receipt, or Broward County current year business tax receipt, and
- b. List of the names of all employees of the proposer and evidence of employees' residence within the geographic bounds of the City of Fort Lauderdale or Broward County, as the case may be, such as current Florida driver license, residential utility bill (water, electric, telephone, cable television), or other type of similar documentation acceptable to the City.

Failure to comply at time of proposal submittal shall result in the proposer being found ineligible for the local business preference.

#### 2.13.2 Definitions

- a. The term "Class A business" shall mean any business that has established and agrees to maintain a permanent place of business located in a non-residential zone, staffed with full-time employees within the limits of the city, and shall maintain a staffing level for the proposed work of at least fifty percent (50%) who are residents of the City of Fort Lauderdale.
- b. The term "Class B business" shall mean any business that has established and agrees to maintain a permanent place of business located in a non-residential zone, staffed with full-time employees within the limits of the city, or shall maintain a staffing level for the proposed work of at least fifty percent (50%) who are residents of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

- **c.** The term "Class C business" shall mean any business that has established and agrees to maintain a permanent place of business located in a non-residential zone, staffed with full-time employees within the limits of Broward County.
- **d.** The term "Class D business" shall mean any business that does not qualify as a Class A, Class B, or Class C business.

The complete Local Business Preference 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=COOR CH2AD ART VFI\_DIV2PR\_S2-186LOBUPR

#### 2.14 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Preference

2.14.1 Section 2-185, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, provides for a disadvantaged business preference. In order to be considered for a disadvantaged business preference, a proposer must include a certification from a government agency, as applicable to the disadvantaged business preference class claimed at the time of proposal submittal:

Upon formal request of the City, based on the application of a Disadvantaged Business Preference the proposer shall, within ten (10) calendar days, submit the following documentation for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Preference Class claimed:

- Copy of City of Fort Lauderdale current year business tax receipt, or the Tri-County (Broward, Dade, West Palm Beach) current year business tax receipt, or proof of active Sunbiz status and
- b. List of the names of all employees of the proposer and evidence of employees' residence within the geographic bounds of the City of Fort Lauderdale or the Tri-County, as the case may be, such as current Florida driver license, residential utility bill (water, electric, telephone, cable television), or other type of similar documentation acceptable to the City.

Failure to comply at time of proposal submittal shall result in the proposer being found ineligible for the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Preference business preference.

The complete Disadvantaged Business Preference ordinance may be found on the City's website at the following link: <a href="https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showpublisheddocument?id=56883">https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showpublisheddocument?id=56883</a>

#### 2.15 Insurance Requirements

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, 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 Contractor. Contractor shall provide the City a certificate of insurance evidencing such coverage. Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance for all applicable policies, in respect to the City's interests. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting 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.

The coverages, limits, and/or endorsements required herein protect the interests of the City, and these coverages, limits, and/or endorsements shall in no way be relied upon by Contractor for assessing the extent or determining appropriate types and limits of coverage to protect 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 Contractor under this Agreement.

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 municipality, 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 Contractor. The coverage shall contain no special limitation on the scope of protection afforded to the City, its officials, employees, and volunteers.

#### Professional Liability

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 the professional liability insurance in force until the third anniversary of expiration or early termination of this Agreement or the third anniversary of acceptance of work by the City, whichever is longer, which obligation shall survive expiration or early termination of this Agreement.

#### **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 Contractor does not own vehicles, 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.

Contractor waives, and Contractor shall ensure that 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.

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

#### **Insurance Certificate Requirements**

- a) 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) 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 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 Contractor following expiration or early termination of the Agreement goes beyond the expiration date of the insurance policy, 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 covered as an Additional Insured on all liability policies, with the exception of Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability.
- g) The City shall be granted a Waiver of Subrogation on 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 100 N. Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

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, co-insurance penalty, or self-insured retention; including any loss not covered because of the application 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 Contractor's expense.

If Contractor's primary insurance policy/policies do not meet the minimum requirements as set forth in this Agreement, Contractor may provide evidence of an Umbrella/Excess insurance policy to comply with this requirement.

Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance in respect to the City's interests, a Florida municipality, its officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City shall be non-contributory.

Any exclusion or provision in any insurance policy maintained by Contractor that excludes coverage required in this Agreement shall be deemed unacceptable and shall be considered breach of contract.

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 may be considered breach of contract. In addition, Contractor must provide to the City confirmation of coverage renewal via an updated certificate of insurance 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.

Contractor shall provide notice of any and all claims, accidents, and any other occurrences associated with this Agreement to Contractor's insurance company or companies and the City's Risk Management office as soon as practical.

It is Contractor's responsibility to ensure that any and all of 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 Contractor. The City reserves the right to adjust insurance limits from time to time at its discretion with notice to Contractor.

NOTE: CITY PROJECT NUMBER, PROJECT NAME AND PROPOSALNUMBER MUST APPEAR ON EACH CERTIFICATE, AND THE CITY OF FORTLAUDERDALE MUST BE NAMED ON THE CERTIFICATE AS AN "ADDITIONAL INSURED" ON REQUIRED LIABILITY POLICIES.

A <u>Sample Insurance Certificate</u> shall be included with the proposal to demonstrate the firm's ability to comply with insurance requirements. Provide a previous certificate or other evidence listing the insurance companies' names for all required coverage, and the dollar amounts of the coverage.

#### 2.16 Insurance – Sub-consultants

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

#### 2.17 Award of Contract

A total of two (2) Contracts (the "Agreement") will be awarded in accordance with Florida Statutes, 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/sample 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.

#### 2.18 Modification of Services

**2.18.1** While this contract is for services provided to the Department referenced in this RFQ, 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.

- 2.18.2 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 RFQ, 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.
- 2.18.3 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.
- **2.18.4** 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.

#### 2.19 No Exclusive Contract

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

#### 2.20 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.

#### 2.21 Contract Agreement

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

#### 2.22 Contract Term

The initial contract term shall commence upon date of award by the City and shall expire **Five (5) 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 **Two (2)** additional **Five (5) 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 Consultant 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 Consultant shall be compensated for the service at the rate in effect when this extension clause is invoked by the City.

#### 2.23 Payment Method

The City shall make payment to the Consultant through utilization of the City's P-Card Program. The City has implemented a Purchasing Card (P-Card) Program utilizing the MasterCard and Visa networks. Purchases from this contract will be made utilizing the City's Purchasing Card. Consultant will receive payment from the Purchasing Card in the same manner as other credit card purchases.

Accordingly, Consultant must presently have the ability to accept these credit cards or take whatever steps necessary to implement the ability before the start of the contract term, or contract award by the City. All costs associated with the Consultant's participation in this purchasing program shall be borne by the Consultant. The City reserves the right to revise this program as necessary.

### 2.24 Payment Card Industry (PCI) Compliance

Consultant 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.

Consultant and/or any subconsultant 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.

#### 2.25 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 Consultant's work product, and agreement cannot be reached between the City and the Consultant to resolve the problem to the City's satisfaction, the City shall negotiate with the Consultant on a payment for the work completed and usable to the City.

#### 2.26 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.

#### 2.27 Indemnity/Hold Harmless Agreement

The Consultant agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all losses, penalties, damages, settlements, claims, costs, charges for other expenses, or liabilities of every and any kind including attorney's fees, in connection with or arising directly or indirectly out of the work agreed to or performed by Consultant under the terms of any agreement that may arise due to the proposal process. Without limiting the foregoing, any and all such claims, suits, or other actions relating to personal injury, death, damage to property, defects in materials or workmanship, actual or alleged violations of any

applicable statute, ordinance, administrative order, rule or regulation, or decree of any court shall be included in the indemnity hereunder.

#### 2.28 Substitution of Personnel

It is the intention of the City that the Proposer's personnel proposed for the contract will be available for the contract term. In the event the Proposer 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 of the General Conditions.

#### 2.29 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 Consultant above the agreed hourly rates and related costs.

### 2.30 Canadian Companies

In the event Consultant 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 Consultant. The Consultant 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.

#### 2.31 Instructions

Careful attention must be given to all requested items contained in this RFQ. Proposers are invited to submit responses in accordance with the requirements of this RFQ. Please read the entire solicitation before submitting a proposal. Firms 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. Firm's notes and comments may be rendered on an attachment, provided the same format of this RFQ text is followed. All responses shall be submitted electronically through the City's online strategic sourcing platform as stated in Section 4.1.

#### 2.32 Discrepancies, Errors and Omissions

Any discrepancies, errors, or ambiguities in the RFQ or addenda should be reported in writing to the City's Procurement Services Division. Should it be necessary, a written addendum will be incorporated to the RFQ. The City will NOT be responsible for any oral instructions, clarifications, or other communications.

#### 2.33 Non-Discrimination

The Consultant shall not, in any of its activities, including employment, discriminate against any individual on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, gender, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, or any other protected classification as defined by applicable law.

1. The Consultant certifies and represents that it will comply with Section 2-187, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as may be amended or revised, ("Section 2-187").

- 2. The failure of the Consultant to comply with Section 2-187 shall be deemed to be a material breach of the Agreement, entitling the City to pursue any remedy stated below or any remedy provided under applicable law.
- 3. The City may terminate this Agreement if the Consultant fails to comply with Section 2-187.
- 4. The City may retain all monies due or to become due until the Consultant complies with Section 2-187.
- 5. The Consultant may be subject to debarment or suspension proceedings. Such proceedings will be consistent with the procedures in Section 2-183 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

#### 2.34 E-Verify

As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, pursuant to Section 448.095, Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, the Consultant and its subconsultants shall register with and use the E-Verify system to electronically verify the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

- The Consultant shall require each of its subconsultants, if any, to provide the Consultant with an affidavit stating that the subconsultant does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. The Consultant shall maintain a copy of the subconsultant's affidavit for the duration of this Agreement and in accordance with the public records requirements of this Agreement.
- The City, the Consultant, or any subconsultant who has a good faith belief that a person or entity with which it is contracting has knowingly violated Section 448.09(1), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, shall terminate the Agreement with the person or entity.
- 3. The City, upon good faith belief that a subconsultant knowingly violated the provisions of Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, but that the Consultant otherwise complied with Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, shall promptly notify Consultant and order the Consultant to immediately terminate the contract with the subconsultant, and the Consultant shall comply with such order.
- 4. An Agreement terminated under Sections 448.095(5)(c)1. or 2., Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, is not a breach of contract and may not be considered as such. If the City terminates this Agreement under Section448.095(5)(c), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, the Consultant may not be awarded a public contract for at least one year after the date on which the Agreement was terminated. The Consultant is liable for any additional costs incurred by the City as a result of termination of this Agreement.
- 5. Consultant shall include in each of its subcontracts, if any, the requirements set forth in this Section, including this subparagraph, requiring any and all subconsultants, as defined in Section 448.095(1)(e), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, to include all of the requirements of this Section in their subcontracts. Consultant shall be responsible for compliance by any and all subconsultants, as defined in Section 448.095(1)(e), Florida

Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, with the requirements of Section 448.095, Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised.

**END OF SECTION** 

#### **SECTION III - SCOPE OF SERVICES**

#### 3.1 Introduction/Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale is seeking the services of a comprehensive and multi-disciplined professional engineering consultant team to provide planning, appraisal, community outreach, engineering design, coordination, construction administration, and management services for the conversion of existing neighborhood overhead utility networks to an underground utility network, commonly referred to as "undergrounding," for communities choosing this action in the City.

#### **Background**

The City Commission in 2010 and 2012 enacted and updated Ordinance C-10-12 creating Chapter 25, Article IV, Division 2 – Undergrounding within the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale (Code) that established a process for communities to underground overhead utilities (power, telephone, cable TV, etc.) and created a mechanism for the benefited neighborhood to pay the associated costs through a special assessment.

The goal of the program was and remains a "turn-key" process with the City completing all required coordination with the utility companies to determine a project scope, design, and construction cost. In accordance with the City ordinance, following a design effort of 90% complete, the City presents the design, findings, and projected project costs and assessment impacts to the neighborhood. A community vote is then held and if 70% of the returned votes are in favor of the action, the City enters into a contract to complete the design and undergrounding construction. The entire cost for the project is the responsibility of the property owners in the neighborhood and paid as a special assessment over a period of typically 20-30 years.

Since the ordinance's inception, the City progressed with design plans for three neighborhoods, and proceeded to the balloting and construction with one neighborhood. Additional neighborhoods have shown interest in undergrounding, with approximately nine communities considering the program. Two of these communities that initiated the design plans, but stalled during the preliminary planning action, are now seeking to revisit the projects.

The City seeks professional services as described in this solicitation to partner with City staff as a result of increased interest in initiating additional utility undergrounding projects in several neighborhoods.

#### 3.2 Scope of Services

The consultant team will work closely with the City to provide civil engineering utility design, construction management, and community outreach consultant services for undergrounding of above ground utility line and overall coordination and management of undergrounding projects.

The following is a description of services that may be required on an as-needed basis, as requested by the City, which will be authorized by individual Task Orders. This description shall not be construed as an exclusive description of activities that successful firm(s) may be engaged in. The 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 design consultant and for which the firm(s) are experienced, quailed, and able to perform.

The services required will closely follow City Code Chapter 25, Article IV, Division 2 – "Undergrounding" and include the following services as needed: professional engineering design services and appropriate technical services including assisting the City with application reviews, pre-planning actions such as property records research, survey, mapping and topographic services, data gathering for initial assessment services, assembling of preliminary cost data, development of project cost estimates at various phases, project budgeting, engineering design services and plans preparation, coordination with franchise utilities (primarily Florida Power and Light, AT&T, Comcast), presentation and participation at project neighborhood meetings, public hearings, and City Commission meetings, development of assessment methodology, preparation of assessment roll, provision of engineering reports and project benefits analysis for public presentation and as support for municipal bonding documentation, participate in bid preparation and bid coordination, management of all construction phases, project close-out services and final assessment services.

The selected firm will be responsible for working in cooperation with City staff (e.g., engineers, project managers, officials) to supervise and administer the design and construction of undergrounding projects as they may become apparent through action by each City neighborhood association in accordance with Chapter 25 of the City Code.

The City may utilize the consultant in order to work with the residents and obtain the necessary easements. If legal issues should arise relating to the project after completion, the selected firm will provide records, depositions, and testimony about the project, if necessary, on a supplementary fee basis.

The consultant firm shall provide professional engineering design, overall coordination, and management assisting the City's project management team as needed, provide progress reports and status information on the assigned project to City officials, attend meetings with City officials, neighborhood groups, and residents concerning the projects. The selected firms will also assist the City and coordinate with our Strategic Communications representative to provide and manage community outreach, public information and attend public meetings. The consultant firm will be required to maintain conventional and electronic files (database) of all documentation and correspondence relating to the projects in an orderly system which may be accessible to the City and submitted upon completion of the projects.

Note that the services described in this section are provided to offer the consultant a guide as to the expected level and breadth of services. Specific needs will be further refined as the program develops and within each project.

#### 3.3 Tasks

The firm or team will be required to provide some or all of the following services on one or more projects:

- Community outreach to introduce the undergrounding process, project definition, expectations, benefits, and impacts.
- Provide public communication/relations to neighborhoods for program and/or projects. Handle resident inquiries as requested.
- Assist with project neighborhood meetings, including but not limited to project presentations, charts, discussions, project engineering design, public hearings.
- Review or verify neighborhood applications for approval recommendations.

- Coordinate the acquisition of any additional site and detailed survey data necessary to create conceptual designs, cost estimates, and detail data as necessary to general final construction designs.
- Preliminary project site review for feasibility, constraints, and challenges.
- Prepare cost estimating guidelines report for neighborhood undergrounding.
- Coordinate preliminary cost estimates from the utilities (FPL, Comcast, and AT&T), analyze the provided costs and prepare engineering estimates and assessment data.
- Prepare project schedule(s) as needed for project management life cycle, from planning and design through procurement and construction phases.
- Review detailed construction schedules provided by Contractor.
- Gather appropriate assessment and mapping data as needed. Provide assessment analysis, reporting and support to prepare preliminary special assessment costs and final assessment reporting.
- Prepare assessment roll and assessment plat if needed.
- Work in cooperation with City staff (e.g. engineers, project managers, officials) to conduct the design and supervise and administer the construction.
- Coordinate the individual designs of all utility companies involved, to include removal
  of above ground facilities and placement of new underground facilities.
- Coordinate all as-built drawings within the city right of way.
- Prepare design plans including preliminary 90% design plans and reports for presentation to City Commission to consider adoption of an underground utility assessment area.
- Facilitate the creation, acquisition, and recording of required easements upon request.
- Provide support documentation and services to support public hearings in accordance with amending the assessment role and supporting municipal bonding counsel with assessment support and technical engineering data.
- Develop a special assessment methodology satisfactory for municipal bonding.
   Prepare an assessment report detailing costs, benefits, and methodology for assessing involved properties to support the project cost estimate.
- At 90% plan, assist the City with balloting as described within Chapter 25 of the City Code.
- As directed, complete plans to 100%, provide bid documents, and final reporting, RFI assistance, bid review and assistance.
- Participate in negotiations with FPL, Comcast, and AT&T, and to the extent applicable, with other utility providers, with respect to facility design and layout, facility configuration, equipment location, equipment selections, costs, work to be performed by or through each respective utility company, work to be performed by or through each City-employed contractor, and schedules.
- Coordinate with all regulatory agencies that have jurisdictional authority and ensure that the designs meet and exceed their standards and criteria.
- Provide project and construction management, inspection, administration, and closeout services. The level of construction phase services for construction administration, management, and/or inspection services may vary with the number of ongoing active projects, City staffing levels, and future needs.
- Coordinate services for the acquisition of contract construction resources for any work that is to be done as part of the City's responsibility for construction and installation of the new underground facilities.
- Advise the City and participating parties about negotiations with contractors and subcontractors that may be engaged to perform work that is the City's responsibility.

- Participate in materials procurement activities, including advising the City, utility providers, and all contractors and subcontractors as to materials availability, suitability, and decisions; supporting bidding processes, negotiations, and procurement for materials to the extent necessary, particularly with respect to the procurement of materials for work to be performed by or through the City, its contractors, and their subcontractors; and maintaining satisfactory documents relative to the materials procurement activities.
- Provide programmatic services as requested, such as overall coordination, implementation assistance, strategic planning, preparing, and updating master schedules for programs including neighborhood undergrounding application process and implementation.
- Provide a program manager / advisor and technical specialist upon request.
- Provide technical support or attend meetings regarding policies, guidelines, or ordinances that would impact the Undergrounding program.

While the below is a list of the potential projects, applications and interest must be reviewed or verified during the community outreach and application review phases.

Item No.	Project / Item
1	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Idlewyld Area "A" neighborhood
2	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Riviera Isles Area "A"
3	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Seven Isles Area "C"
4	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Harbor Beach Area "D"
5	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Sunrise Key Area "E"
6	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Victoria Park
7	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Poinsettia Heights
8	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout Rio Vista
9	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout South Gordon Road Homeowners
10	Undergrounding of overhead utilities throughout any future areas based on new applications processed per City Ordinance Section 25-129

Note: The project areas are based on the special assessment map of the proposed Underground Utility Line Assessment (UULA) area submitted or to be submitted by the Association (as defined in the above referenced ordinance).

#### 3.4 Additional Scope Details:

Proposers are encouraged to develop solutions that minimize impacts to the neighborhood, surrounding community and infrastructure, reduce service interruption, and maximize the benefits to cost ratio. The Consultant may propose to the City for approval and retain multiple, qualified

sub-consultants for design and related program services. Other services and disciplines may be added by the City as needed during the course of the program work. Due to the extent of the undergrounding program, incidental work, and unknown issues/solutions, the Consultant must be able to provide services in the following disciplines.

- 1. Planning Services
- 2. Cost Estimating
- 3. Community Outreach and Relations
- 4. Resident Coordination
- 5. Public Information / Project Liaison
- 6. Easement Acquisition
- 7. Legal Services
- 8. Assessment Services
- 9. Surveying and Mapping
  - a. Land Surveying
  - b. Geographic Information Services (GIS)
- 10. Utility Designating, Locating, and Assessment
- 11. Utilities Engineering (Subsurface Engineering)
- 12. Utility Coordination
- 13. Surveying and Mapping
- 14. Civil Engineering (General)
- 15. Structural Engineering
- 16. Environmental Engineering
- 17. Transportation and Traffic Engineering
- 18. Electrical Engineering
- 19. Mechanical Engineering
- 20. Geotechnical Engineering and Testing
- 21. Landscape Architecture
- 22. Pre-Construction Services
  - a. Constructability Review
  - b. Quality Control/Quality Assurance
  - c. Cost Estimating
- 23. Construction Management Services
  - a. Resident Project Representation
  - b. Construction Inspections
  - c. Construction Management
  - d. Contract Administration
- 24. Program Management / Assistance Services
- 25. Project Management
- 26. Project Staff Extension
- 27. Grant Coordination, Including Preparation of Grant Applications and Deliverables
- 28. Graphic Design and Rendering
- 29. Value, Risk, and Benefit to Cost Business Case Analysis
- 30. Water and Wastewater
- 31. Stormwater Engineering and Modeling
- 32. Coastal Engineering
- 33. Historic Preservation
- 34. Cultural Resources (Historic Archeology History, Ethnography)
- 35. City shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to require additional services that are required and/or consistent with the scope of services and those activities typically

performed by utility design consultants and for which the firm(s) are experienced, qualified, and able to perform.

**END OF SECTION** 

#### **SECTION IV – SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS**

#### 4.1 Instructions

4.1.1 The City uses an online strategic sourcing platform to administer the competitive solicitation process, including but not limited to soliciting proposals, issuing addenda, responding to questions/requests for information. There is no charge to register and download the RFQ from an online strategic sourcing platform. Proposers are strongly encouraged to read the various supplier tutorial available in the City's online strategic sourcing platform well in advance of their intention of submitting a proposal to ensure familiarity with the use of the system. The City shall not be responsible for a proposer's inability to submit a proposal by the end date and time for any reason, including issues arising from the use of the online strategic sourcing platform.

All proposals must be submitted electronically.

- 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 proposer shall be typewritten or provided as otherwise instructed to in the RFQ. Proposers shall use and submit any applicable or required forms provided by the City and attach such to its response. Failure to use the forms may cause the response to be rejected and deemed non-responsive.

The proposer understands that the information contained in these proposal pages is to be relied upon by the City in awarding the proposed Agreement, and such information is warranted by the proposer to be true. The proposer agrees to furnish such additional information, prior to acceptance of any proposal, relating to the qualifications of the proposer, as may be required by the City.

- **4.1.4** Proposals shall be submitted by an authorized representative of the firm. Proposals must be submitted in the business entity's name by the President, Partner, Officer or Representative authorized to contractually bind the business entity. Proposals shall include an attachment evidencing that the individual submitting the proposal, does in fact have the required authority stated herein.
- 4.1.5 In the event of Contract award, all documentation produced as part of the Contract shall become the exclusive property of the City. The Proposer's response to the RFQ 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 RFQ and the Contract to be executed for this RFQ, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes.

Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the RFQ purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the RFQ, 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 RFQ 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 addition, the proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agents, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the City's treatment of records as exempt from disclosure or confidential. Proposals purporting to be subject to copyright protection in full or in part will be rejected. The proposer authorizes the City to publish, copy, and reproduce any and all documents submitted to the City bearing copyright symbols or otherwise purporting to be subject to copyright protection.

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

IF THE CONSULTANT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES (2022), TO THE CONSULTANT'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 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301.

#### Consultant shall:

- 1. Keep and maintain public records 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 (2023), 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 Consultant does not transfer
  the records to the City.
- 4. Upon completion of the Agreement, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Consultant or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Consultant transfers all public records to the City upon completion of this Agreement, the Consultant shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Consultant keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Agreement, the Consultant 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** By submitting a response, Proposer is confirming that the firm has not been placed on the convicted vendors list as described in Section §287.133 (2) (a) Florida Statutes; that the only person(s), company or parties interested in the proposal as principals are named therein; that the proposal is made without collusion with any other person(s), company or parties submitting a proposal; that it is in all respects fair and in good faith, without collusion or fraud; and that the signer of the proposal has full authority to bind the firm.

### 4.2 Contents of the Proposal

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 100 pages in one complete pdf document. The proposals should be organized, divided, and indexed 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

Proposer or Principal shall have relevant and recent experience in Professional Engineering and Program Support Services such as those described in Section III for projects of similar nature and scope. Professional Engineering and Program Management Support Services must be provided or led by Registered Professional Engineer(s) in the State of Florida with experience in management of similar programs, initiatives, and/or services, for undergrounding conversion projects. Project Manager assigned to the work must have relevant experience, including design expertise and/or construction project management experience when applicable, appropriate certifications, and have served as project manager on similar projects. Technical specialists should have relevant experience in special assessments and methodologies suitable for municipal bonding. Surveyor should be a Registered Professional Surveyor and Mapper in the State of Florida.

Respondents must provide documentation that demonstrates their ability to satisfy all of the minimum qualification requirements. A Standard Form 330 may be used to provide this information. Interested firms must show relevant and recent experience for projects of similar nature and scope, design expertise and construction project management based on the successful completion of several projects of size and complexity for other governmental and/or private entities. Indicate the firm's number of years of experience in providing the professional services as it relates to the work contemplated. Provide details of past projects for agencies of similar size and scope, including information on your firm's ability to meet time and budget requirements. Indicate the firm's initiatives towards its own sustainable business practices that demonstrate a commitment to conservation. Indicate business structure, i.e. 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.

Provide a comprehensive summary of the experience and qualifications of the individual(s) who will be selected to serve as the project manager(s) for the City.

#### 4.2.4 Organization Profile and Project Team Qualifications

Provide a comprehensive summary in accordance with Section II, Sub-Section 2.8 Minimum Qualification, detailing the experience and qualifications of the individual(s) who will be selected to provide the requested services, including the project manager(s), support services representative, and technical specialist for the City. Professional Engineering and Program Management Support Services must be provided or led by Registered Professional Engineer(s) in the State of Florida. Engineering firm should submit a project team with design experience on projects similar in nature. The design team should include, but not be limited to, electrical engineers, landscape architecture, surveyors, civil engineers, and communications professionals. The design team firm must demonstrate experience in providing planning, design, and implementation of municipal underground utility conversions. Further, the consultant team firm shall demonstrate ability to provide property assessment analysis and reporting as it relates to establishing special assessment methodology and community support outreach and communications specialists. Please refer to the services listed in Section III Scope of Services, including Section 3.1 Additional Scope Details. List the members of the project team (may be on a Standard Form 330 if you choose).

Provide a list of the personnel to be used on each type of work or project and their qualifications. Providing this information on an organizational chart is recommended. A brief resume including education, experience, licenses and any other pertinent information shall be included for each team member, including subconsultants to be assigned to each project. Show relevant and recent experience for projects of similar nature and scope. Explain how each project team member will contribute to the project, in what capacity, and the level of involvement they will have. Each resume should not exceed two (2) pages in length.

#### 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 work, and your overall approach to meeting the undergrounding initiatives, including assessment services, outreach, implementation, and project execution. The proposer must give an overview emphasizing the proposed vision, ideas and methodology. Describe the proposed approach to the programmatic

needs and anticipated projects. As part of the approach, the firm shall propose a scheduling methodology (timeline) for effectively managing and executing the work in the optimum time while meeting the deadlines of the program. Also provide information on your firm's current workload and how this project will fit into your workload. Describe the availability of staff that are a part of your team. Describe available capabilities and other available resources you offer for the project. Describe if and how you propose to work with sub-consultants, especially on efforts that are time intensive with limited durations to accomplish the project and result in a high-quality deliverable that meet the requirements of the program and addresses City needs.

#### 4.2.6 References and Past Performance

Provide at least three references, preferably government agencies, for projects highlighting experience in Design Services for Undergrounding Utilities, in the State of Florida within the last (10) years. Information should include:

- Client Name, address, contact person telephone and e-mail address (E-mail will be primary means of contact).
- Description of work. (Types of projects completed)
- Year(s) the program and/or projects were completed.
- Program and/or Project duration.
- Total cost of the program and/or project, estimated and actual.

**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 as well.

#### 4.2.7 Minority/Women (M/WBE) Participation

If your firm is a certified minority business enterprise as defined by the Florida Small and Minority Business Assistance Act of 1985, provide copies of your certification(s). If your firm is not a certified M/WBE, describe your company's previous efforts, as well as planned efforts in meeting M/WBE procurement goals under Florida Statutes 287.09451.

#### 4.2.8 Sub-consultants

Consultant must clearly identify any sub-consultants that may be utilized during the term of this contract.

#### 4.2.9 Required Forms

#### a. Bid/Proposal Certification

Complete and attach.

#### b. 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.

#### c. Non-Collusion Statement

Complete and attach.

#### d. Affidavit of Compliance with Foreign Entity Laws

Complete and attach.

# e. Non-Discrimination Certification Form Complete and attach.

- f. E-Verify Affirmation Statement Complete and attach.
- g. Active Status Page from Division of Corporations -Sunbiz.org Provide PDF of current page.
- h. W-9 for Proposing Firm
- i. Reference Form
- **4.3** By submitting a proposal, 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 Statutes.
- 4.4 Before awarding a contract, the City reserves the right to require that a firm submit such evidence of its 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.

**END OF SECTION** 

#### **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 proposals 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 proposal 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 or more 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 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 publicly 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 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 Per 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

Criteria	Percentage
Firm Qualifications and Experience Including licenses, insurance, and other pertinent information for firm and sub-consultants.	25
Organization Profile and Project Team Including firm and project team, principals, project manager, staff and sub-consultants.	25
References and Past Performance Including previous similar projects, and references.	15
Approach to Scope of Work  Overall approach to meeting the requirements of the work while providing high quality deliverables.	35
TOTAL	100

#### 5.3 Contract Award

- 5.3.1 The City reserves the right to award multiple contracts to those Consultants who will best serve the interests 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 a contract by the City Commission, the City Manager is authorized to execute the Contract on behalf of the City.
- **5.3.3** The City Manager shall appoint a contract administrator or project manager for each contract 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.

**END OF SECTION** 

## **AGREEMENT**

between

## City of Fort Lauderdale

and

(company name)

for

(RFQ)

**RFQ Event No. 135** 

## **AGREEMENT**

202	THIS IS AN AGREEMENT made and entered into thisday of, by and between:
	CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, a Florida municipality, (hereinafter referred to as "CITY")
	and
	(COMPANY NAME)., a Florida company/corporation (hereinafter referred to as "CONSULTANT")
betwe	WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida at its ng of, 2023, authorized by motion the execution of this Agreement en CONSULTANT and CITY authorizing the performance of, RFQ, incorporated herein, (the "Agreement"); and
for suc	WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT is willing and able to render professional services ch project for the compensation and on the terms hereinafter set forth;
terms,	NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, agreements, 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 rovisions which follow, the DEFINITIONS and IDENTIFICATIONS set forth below ssumed to be true and correct and are therefore agreed upon by the Parties.
1.1	AGREEMENT: Means this document between the CITY and CONSULTANT dated, 2024, and any duly authorized and executed Amendments to Agreement.
1.2	<u>BASIC SERVICES:</u> Services performed by CONSULTANT for authorized scope of work for the Project phase described in this Agreement and listed in Exhibit "A," Scope of Services.
1.3	CONSULTANT'S PERIODIC ESTIMATE FOR PAYMENT: 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 on the Project.

- 1.4 <u>CHANGE ORDER</u>: A written order executed by both Parties to the CONSULTANT approved by the CITY authorizing a revision of this Agreement between the CITY and 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.
- 1.5 <u>CITY</u>: The City of Fort Lauderdale, a Florida municipality.
- 1.6 CITY MANAGER: 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 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 (Department) Director for 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 (Department) Director 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 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 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 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 <u>PROJECT</u>: 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 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>SPECIFICATIONS</u>: The specifications referred to in this Agreement are the CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS, Office of the City Engineer, City of Fort Lauderdale, January 1982, including any revisions.

- 1.24 <u>STATEMENT OF PROBABLE PROJECT COSTS</u>: A document to be prepared by CONSULTANT that shall reflect a detailed statement of the total probable costs.
- 1.25 <u>TASK ORDER</u>: A document setting forth a negotiated detailed scope of services to be performed by CONSULTANT at fixed contract prices in accordance with this Agreement between the CITY and CONSULTANT.
- 1.26 <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 (2023), CITY has formed a Committee to evaluate CONSULTANT's statement of qualifications and performance data to ensure that CONSULTANT has met the requirements of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, as set forth in Section 287.055, Florida Statutes (2023), and has selected CONSULTANT to perform services hereunder.

# ARTICLE 3 SCOPE OF SERVICES

- 3.1 The CONSULTANT shall perform the following professional services: Professional Engineering Services 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 6 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. CONSULTANT will perform the Services in accordance with standard industry practices, with the care, knowledge and skill expected of similar engineering firms. No other warranties, express or implied are made or intended.
- 3.2 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 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. Notice to Contract Administrator does not constitute authorization or approval by CITY to perform the work. The CITY shall not pay for any work that is not approved by the Contract Administrator in writing. 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 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 rates for professional services to be performed by CONSULTANT have been undertaken between CONSULTANT and CITY representatives pursuant to Section 287.055, Florida Statutes (2023), 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 5 PRIORITY OF PROVISIONS

5.1 The Contract Documents are intended to include all items necessary for the proper execution and completion of the work by CONSULTANT. Any labor, services, materials, supplies, equipment or documentation that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents or trade usage from prevailing custom as being required to produce the indicated result will be provided whether or not specifically called for, at no additional cost to CITY. The Contract Documents are complementary, and wherever possible the provisions of the Contract Documents shall be construed in such manner as to avoid conflicts between provisions of the various Contract Documents. In the event of any inconsistency in the Contract Documents, where such inconsistency is not clarified by change order, addendum or amendment, the Contract Documents shall be construed according to the following priorities:

First priority: Approved Change Orders, Addenda or Amendments to all related documents.

Second priority: Specifications (quality) and Drawings (location and quantity) of CONSULTANT.

Third priority: This AGREEMENT.

Fourth priority: City of Fort Lauderdale Request for Qualifications No. RFQ 135.

Fifth priority: CONSULTANT's response to City of Fort Lauderdale Request for Qualifications No. RFQ 135.

5.2 Anything shown on the drawings and not mentioned in the specifications and now shown on the drawings, shall have the same effect as if shown or mentioned respectively in both. In the event of a conflict among the Contract Documents, the latest, most stringent, and more technical requirement(s), including, but not limited to, issues of quantities or cost of the Work shall control.

Reference to standard specifications, manuals, rules, regulations, ordinances, laws or codes of any governmental authority, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the latest standard specification, manual, rule, regulation, ordinance, law or code in effect at the time of permit submittal.

### ARTICLE 6\_ TASK ORDERS

- 6.1 The Project will be divided into "Tasks."
- 6.2 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.

# ARTICLE 7 TERM OF AGREEMENT; TIME FOR PERFORMANCE

- 7.1 CONSULTANT shall perform the basic services described in Exhibit "A". The Project Activities and Time Schedule shall be automatically incorporated into this Agreement. Said time periods shall commence from the date of the Notice to Proceed for such services.
- 7.2 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 for the Contract Administrator's review.

- 7.3 In the event CONSULTANT is unable to complete the above 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 and shall provide reasonable compensation, if appropriate. 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.
- 7.4 In the event Contractor fails to substantially complete the Project on or before the substantial completion date specified in the project schedule with CITY or if Contractor is granted an extension of time beyond said substantial completion date, and CONSULTANT's services are extended beyond the substantial completion date, through no fault of CONSULTANT, CONSULTANT shall be compensated in accordance with Article 7 for all services rendered by CONSULTANT beyond the substantial completion date.
- 7.5 The time for the performance of services described in the Task Orders Scope of Services and supplemental Task Orders shall be negotiated by the CITY and CONSULTANT as the services are requested and authorized by the CITY.
- 7.6 The term of this Agreement shall be limited to the time duration required to complete the basic services of the aforementioned project and any additional project related Task Orders for additional services.

### ARTICLE 8 COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

#### 8.1 AMOUNT AND METHOD OF COMPENSATION

#### 8.1.1 Not-To-Exceed Amount Compensation

CITY agrees to pay CONSULTANT as compensation for performance of basic services as related to Exhibit "A" required under the terms of this Agreement up to a Not-to-Exceed Amount of (AGREEMENT TOTAL IN WORDS) (\$AGREEMENT TOTAL IN NUMBERS). 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 Exhibit "A" for total compensation in the amount of or less than

that stated above. Compensation to be in accordance with the Cost Schedule and hourly billing rate schedule shown in Exhibit "B."

Except as required and provided for by the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act, CITY shall not be liable for interest for any reason, whether as prejudgment interest or for any other purpose, and in furtherance thereof Consultant waives, rejects, disclaims and surrenders any and all entitlement it has or may have to receive interest in connection with a dispute or claim based on or related to this Agreement.

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 and profit, or as required by individual Task Order.

#### 8.2 REIMBURSABLES

- 8.2.1 Direct non-salary expenses, entitled Reimbursables, directly 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:
  - 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).
- 8.2.2 Reimbursable subconsultant expenses are limited to the items described above when the subconsultant agreement provides for reimbursable expenses. A detailed statement of expenses must accompany any request for reimbursement. Local travel to and from the Project site or within the Tri-County Area will not be reimbursed.
- 8.2.3 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.

#### 8.3 METHOD OF BILLING

#### 8.3.1 Not-To-Exceed Amount Compensation

CONSULTANT shall submit billings, which are identified by the specific project number in a timely manner for all salary costs 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. Subconsultant 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 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.

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

- 8.4.1 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.
- 8.4.2 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.
- 8.4.3 Payments are scheduled to be made by CITY to CONSULTANT using a credit card/CITY Procurement Card (P-Card). Payment will be made to CONSULTANT at:

(CONSULTANT's ADDRESS – include name of President etc., title, company name, address, telephone, e-mail)

# ARTICLE 9 AMENDMENTS AND CHANGES IN SCOPE OF SERVICES

- 9.1 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.
- 9.2 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.
- 9.3 In the event a dispute between the Contract Administrator and 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. 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 shall be set forth in a written document in accordance with Section 9.2 above. During the pendency of any dispute, CONSULTANT shall promptly perform the disputed services.

# ARTICLE 10 CONSULTANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 10.1 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, CONSULTANT shall review and analyze the proposals received by the CITY and shall make a recommendation for any award based on the City of Fort Lauderdale Procurement Ordinance.
- 10.2 Estimates, opinions of probable construction or implementation costs, financial evaluations, feasibility studies or economic analyses prepared by CONSULTANT will represent its best judgment based on its experience and available information. The CITY recognizes that CONSULTANT has no control over costs of labor, materials, equipment or services furnished by others or over market conditions or CONSULTANT's methods of determining prices, and that any evaluation of a facility to be constructed or work to be performed is speculative. Accordingly, CONSULTANT does not guarantee that proposals, bids or actual costs will not vary from opinions, evaluations or studies submitted by CONSULTANT.
- 10.3 Should the lowest responsible, responsive proposal exceed the Final Statement of Probable Construction Costs by ten percent (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. In such a circumstance, the CITY may at its sole discretion, exercise any one or more of the following options:
  - CONSULTANT shall be required to amend at the sole cost and expense of CONSULTANT, the Construction Drawings, Technical Specifications and

Supplemental Conditions to enable the project to conform to a maximum of ten percent (10%) above the Estimated Construction Costs of the Project, such amendments to be subject to the written final acceptance and approval of same by the CITY;

- CONSULTANT shall be required to provide at the cost and expense of CONSULTANT re-bidding services and related items (including costs associated with regulatory review and approval of revised documents) as many times as requested by the CITY until the base bid of at least one "best value" bid falls within the factor of ten percent (10%) of the Estimated Construction Cost of the Project;
- The CITY may approve an increase in the Estimated Construction Cost of the Project;
- The CITY may reject all bids or proposals and may authorize re-bidding;
- The CITY may if permitted, approve a renegotiation of the Project within a reasonable time;
- The CITY may abandon the project and terminate CONSULTANT's work authorization and Services for the Project; or
- The CITY may select as many deductive alternatives as may be necessary to bring the award within ten percent (10%) of the Estimated Construction Costs of the Project.

It is expressly understood and agreed that the redesigning services required to keep the Project within ten percent (10%) of the Estimated Construction Cost shall not be considered additional services and CONSULTANT agrees that it shall not seek compensation from the CITY for such Services.

- 10.4 The CONSULTANT may be requested to provide the CITY with a list of recommended, prospective proposers.
- 10.5 The CONSULTANT may be asked to attend all pre-bid/proposal conferences.
- 10.6 The CONSULTANT shall recommend any addenda, through the Contract Administrator, as appropriate to clarify, correct, or change proposal/bid documents.
- 10.7 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.
- 10.8 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 CONSULTANT.

- CONSULTANT may also assist in approving progress payments to the Contractor based on each Project Schedule of Values and the percentage of work completed.
- 10.9 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.
  - 10.9.1 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 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. Errors on the part of the CONSULTANT shall be rectified by the CONSULTANT with no additional cost to the CITY.
  - 10.9.2 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 CONSULTANT for reimbursement for Errors and Omissions.
  - 10.9.3 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 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.
  - 10.9.4 To obtain such recovery, the CITY shall deduct from CONSULTANT's fee a sufficient amount to recover all such additional cost to the CITY.
  - 10.9.5 In executing this Agreement, 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.
  - 10.9.6 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 9.3. 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 11 CITY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 11.1 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.
- 11.2 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.
- 11.3 CITY shall review the itemized deliverables/documents identified per Task Order.
- 11.4 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 CONSULTANT.

### ARTICLE 12 MISCELLANEOUS

#### 12.1 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), Florida Statutes (2022). 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. Any reuse, except for the specific purpose intended hereunder, will be at the CITY's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to CONSULTANT or its subconsultants. This does not,

however, relieve CONSULTANT of liability or legal exposure for errors, omissions, or negligent acts made on the part of CONSULTANT in connection with the proper use of documents prepared under this Agreement. Any such verification or adaptation may entitle CONSULTANT to further compensation at rates to be agreed upon by the CITY and 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.

#### 12.2 TERMINATION

12.2.1 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 12.27. 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 and accepted by the CITY 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 and all 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.

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.

Notice of termination shall be provided in accordance with Section 12.27, 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 12.27, NOTICES.

- 12.2.2 <u>Termination for Convenience</u>. In the event this Agreement is terminated for convenience, CONSULTANT shall be paid for any services performed and accepted by the CITY 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.
- 12.2.3 <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.

#### 12.3 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 and upon prior written notice 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.

# 12.4 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.

#### 12.5 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.

#### 12.6 PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES ACT

In accordance with the Public Crimes Act, Section 287.133, Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, 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 (2023), as may be amended or revised, 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 CONSULTANT shall result in cancellation of the City purchase and may result in CONSULTANT debarment.

#### 12.7 SUBCONSULTANTS

- 12.7.1 CONSULTANT may subcontract certain items of work to subconsultant. The Parties expressly agree that the CONSULTANT shall submit pertinent information regarding the proposed subconsultant, including subconsultant's scope of work and fees, for review and approval by the CITY prior to subconsultants proceeding with any work.
- 12.7.2 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 the Contract Administrator prior to changing or modifying the list of subconsultants submitted by CONSULTANT.

The list of subconsultants submitted is as follows:

(NAME ALL SUBCONSULTANTS HERE)

#### 12.8 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 12.7.

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.

#### 12.9 INDEMNIFICATION OF CITY

- 12.9.1 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.
- 12.9.2 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.

#### 12.10 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 \$1,000.00. 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 \$1,000.00 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 \$1,000.00, 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 (2023), or to extend the CITY's liability beyond the limits established in said Section 768.28 (2023); 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 12.10 do not apply to monies owed, if any, for services rendered to CONSULTANT by the CITY under the provisions of this Agreement.

#### 12.11 INSURANCE

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, CONSULTANT, 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 CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT shall provide the CITY a certificate of insurance evidencing such coverage. CONSULTANT'S insurance coverage shall be primary insurance for all applicable policies, in respect to the CITY's interests. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by CONSULTANT shall not be interpreted as limiting CONSULTANT'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.

The coverages, limits, and/or endorsements required herein protect the interests of the CITY, and these coverages, limits, and/or endorsements shall in no way be relied upon by CONSULTANT for assessing the extent or determining appropriate types and limits of coverage to protect CONSULTANT 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 CONSULTANT under this Agreement.

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 CONSULTANTs.

The CITY, a Florida municipality, 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 CONSULTANT. The coverage shall contain no special limitation on the scope of protection afforded to the CITY, its officials, employees, and volunteers.

#### **Professional Liability**

Coverage must be afforded for Wrongful Acts in an amount not less than \$5,000,000 each claim and \$5,000,000 aggregate.

CONSULTANT must keep the professional liability insurance in force until the third anniversary of expiration or early termination of this Agreement or the third anniversary of acceptance of work by the CITY, whichever is longer, which obligation shall survive expiration or early termination of this Agreement.

#### Business Automobile Liability

Proof of coverage must be provided for all Owned, Hired, Scheduled, and Non-Owned vehicles for Bodily Injury and Property Damage in an amount not less than the State of Florida required minimums unless a different amount is required by CITY Ordinance(s).

If CONSULTANT does not own vehicles, CONSULTANT 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.

CONSULTANT waives, and CONSULTANT shall ensure that CONSULTANT'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.

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

### <u>Insurance Certificate Requirements</u>

- a) CONSULTANT 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) CONSULTANT 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 CONSULTANT 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 CONSULTANT following expiration or early termination of the Agreement goes beyond the expiration date of the insurance policy, CONSULTANT 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 covered as an Additional Insured on all liability policies, with the exception of Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability.
- g) The CITY shall be granted a Waiver of Subrogation on CONSULTANT'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 100 N. Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

CONSULTANT 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,

co-insurance penalty, or self-insured retention; including any loss not covered because of the application 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 CONSULTANT'S expense.

If CONSULTANT'S primary insurance policy/policies do not meet the minimum requirements as set forth in this Agreement, CONSULTANT may provide evidence of an Umbrella/Excess insurance policy to comply with this requirement.

CONSULTANT'S insurance coverage shall be primary insurance in respect to the CITY's interests, a Florida municipality, its officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the CITY shall be non-contributory.

Any exclusion or provision in any insurance policy maintained by CONSULTANT that excludes coverage required in this Agreement shall be deemed unacceptable and shall be considered breach of contract.

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 may be considered breach of contract. In addition, CONSULTANT must provide to the CITY confirmation of coverage renewal via an updated certificate of insurance 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 CONSULTANT'S insurance policies.

CONSULTANT shall provide notice of any and all claims, accidents, and any other occurrences associated with this Agreement to CONSULTANT'S insurance company or companies and the CITY's Risk Management office as soon as practical.

It is CONSULTANT'S responsibility to ensure that any and all of CONSULTANT'S independent CONSULTANTS and subconsultants comply with these insurance requirements. All coverages for independent CONSULTANTS and subconsultants shall be subject to all of the applicable requirements stated herein. Any and all deficiencies are the responsibility of CONSULTANT. The CITY reserves the right to adjust insurance limits from time to time at its discretion with notice to CONSULTANT.

#### 12.12 REPRESENTATIVE OF CITY AND CONSULTANT

12.12.1 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.

2.12.2 CONSULTANT shall inform the Contract Administrator in writing of CONSULTANT'S representative to whom matters involving the conduct of the Project shall be addressed.

#### 12.13 <u>ALL PRIOR AGREEMENTS SUPERSEDED</u>

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.

#### 12.14 CONSULTANT'S STAFF

CONSULTANT will provide the key staff identified in its 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.

#### 12.15 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.

#### 12.16 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.

#### 12.17 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.

#### 12.18 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.

#### 12.19 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.

#### 12.20 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.

#### 12.21 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.

#### 12.22 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.

#### 12.23 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 1-12 of this Agreement shall prevail and be given effect.

#### 12.24 APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE AND WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL

The Agreement shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the state of Florida. The Parties agree that the exclusive venue for any lawsuit arising from, related to, or in connection with this Agreement shall be in the state courts of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida. If any claims arising from, related to, or in connection with this Agreement must be litigated in federal court, the Parties agree that the exclusive venue for any such lawsuit shall be in the United States District Court or United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida. BY ENTERING INTO THIS AGREEMENT, THE PARTIES HEREBY EXPRESSLY WAIVE ANY AND

ALL RIGHTS EITHER PARTY MIGHT HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY OF ANY ISSUES RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT. IF A PARTY FAILS TO WITHDRAW A REQUEST FOR A JURY TRIAL IN A LAWSUIT ARISING OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT AFTER WRITTEN NOTICE BY THE OTHER PARTY OF VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION, THE PARTY MAKING THE REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL SHALL BE LIABLE FOR THE REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS OF THE OTHER PARTY IN CONTESTING THE REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL, AND SUCH AMOUNTS SHALL BE AWARDED BY THE COURT IN ADJUDICATING THE MOTION.

#### 12.25 SOLICITATION AND EXHIBITS

The solicitation, CONSULTANT's response to the solicitation and each Exhibit referred to in this Agreement form 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.

### 12.26 ONE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be executed in one (1) signed Agreement, treated as an original.

#### 12.27 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:	(Project Manager's name) Public Works Department City of Fort Lauderdale 100 North Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, FL Telephone: (954) 828 E-mail:
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: NAME

TITLE

**COMPANY NAME** 

**ADDRESS** 

STATE AND ZIP

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

### 12.28 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.

#### 12.29 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.

### 12.30 ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY

CONSULTANT shall maintain a safe working environment during performance of the work. CONSULTANT shall comply, and shall secure compliance by its employees, agents, and subconsultants, with all applicable environmental, health, safety and security laws and regulations, and performance conditions in this Agreement. Compliance with such requirements shall represent the minimum standard required of CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT shall be responsible for examining all requirements and determine whether additional or more stringent environmental, health, safety and security provisions are required for the work. CONSULTANT agrees to utilize protective devices as required by applicable laws, regulations, and any industry or CONSULTANT's health and safety plans and

regulations, and to pay the costs and expenses thereof, and warrants that all such persons shall be fit and qualified to carry out the Work.

#### 12.31 STANDARD OF CARE

CONSULTANT represents that it is qualified to perform the work, that CONSULTANT and its subconsultants possess current, valid state and/or local licenses to perform the Work, and that their services shall be performed in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by other qualified consultants under similar circumstances.

#### 12.32 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 one (1) year following the end of the contract.

#### 12.33 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.

#### 12.34 STATUTORY COMPLIANCE

CONSULTANT shall prepare all documents and other materials for the Project in accordance with all applicable rules, laws, ordinances and governmental regulations of the State of Florida, Broward County, the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and all governmental agencies having jurisdiction over the services to be provided by CONSULTANT under this Agreement or over any aspect or phase of the Project.

#### 12.35 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, and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria, as provided in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised. The Contractor certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2022), as may be amended or revised, and that it is not engaged in a boycott of Israel. 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 (2023), 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 (2023), 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 (2023), as may be amended or revised.

#### 12.36 PUBLIC RECORDS

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

#### **CONSULTANT shall:**

- 1. Keep and maintain public records 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 (2023), 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 Agreement if CONSULTANT does not transfer the records to the CITY.

3. Upon completion of the Agreement, transfer, at no cost to the CITY, all public records in possession of CONSULTANT or keep and maintain public records required by the CITY to perform the service. If CONSULTANT transfers all public records to the CITY upon completion of this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If CONSULTANT keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Agreement, CONSULTANT 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.

#### 12.37 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.

#### 12.38 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.

#### 12.39 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.

#### 12.40 NON-DISCRIMINATION

The CONSULTANT shall not, in any of its activities, including employment, discriminate against any individual on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, creed, sex, disability, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, marital status or any other protected classification as defined by applicable law.

- 1. The CONSULTANT certifies and represents that it will comply with Section 2-187, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as may be amended or revised, ("Section 2-187").
- 2. The failure of the CONSULTANT to comply with Section 2-187 shall be deemed to be a material breach of the Agreement, entitling the CITY to pursue any remedy stated below or any remedy provided under applicable law.
- 3. The CITY may terminate this Agreement if the CONSULTANT fails to comply with Section 2-187.
- 4. The CITY may retain all monies due or to become due until the CONSULTANT complies with Section 2-187.
- 5. The CONSULTANT may be subject to debarment or suspension proceedings. Such proceedings will be consistent with the procedures in section 2-183 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

#### 12.41 <u>E-VERIFY</u>

As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, pursuant to Section 448.095, Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, the CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall register with and use the E-Verify system to electronically verify the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.

 The CONSULTANT shall require each of its subconsultants, if any, to provide the CONSULTANT with an affidavit stating that the subconsultant does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. The CONSULTANT shall maintain a copy of the subconsultant's affidavit for the duration of this Agreement and in accordance with the public records requirements of this Agreement.

- 2. The CITY, the CONSULTANT, or any subconsultant who has a good faith belief that a person or entity with which it is contracting has knowingly violated Section 448.09(1), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, shall terminate the Agreement with the person or entity.
- 3. The CITY, upon good faith belief that a subconsultant knowingly violated the provisions of Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, but that the CONSULTANT otherwise complied with Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, shall promptly notify CONSULTANT and order the CONSULTANT to immediately terminate the contract with the subconsultant, and the CONSULTANT shall comply with such order.
- 4. An Agreement terminated under Sections 448.095(5)(c)1. or 2., Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, is not a breach of contract and may not be considered as such. If the CITY terminates this Agreement under Section 448.095(5)(c), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, the CONSULTANT may not be awarded a public contract for at least one year after the date on which the Agreement was terminated. The CONSULTANT is liable for any additional costs incurred by the CITY as a result of termination of this Agreement.
- 5. CONSULTANT shall include in each of its subcontracts, if any, the requirements set forth in this Section, including this subparagraph, requiring any and all subconsultants, as defined in Section 448.095(1)(e), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, to include all of the requirements of this Section-in its subcontracts. CONSULTANT shall be responsible for compliance by any and all subconsultants, as defined in Section 448.095(1)(e), Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised, with the requirements of Section 448.095, Florida Statutes (2023), as may be amended or revised.

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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** CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, a Florida municipal corporation By: \_\_\_\_\_\_ GREG CHAVARRIA City Manager Date: ATTEST: By: \_\_\_\_\_\_DAVID R. SOLOMAN City Clerk Approved as to Legal Form and correctness: Thomas Ansbro, City Attorney

RHONDA MONTOYA HASAN

**Assistant City Attorney** 

WITNESSES:	COMPANY NAME)., a Florida company/corporation.
	By:
Print Name	Print Name:
	Title:
Print Name	
(CORPORATE SEAL)	
STATE OF:	
COUNTY OF:	
The foregoing instrument was acknowl or □ online notarization, this AUTHORIZED OFFICER) as (NAME OF COMPANY),	edged before me by means of   physical presence day of, 2024, by (NAME OF (TITLE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER) for a Florida (company/corporation).
	(Signature of Notary Public - State of Florida)
	(Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public)
Personally Known OR Produced	ed Identification

#### 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

### AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH FOREIGN ENTITY LAWS (Florida Statute- §287.138, 692.201, 692.202, 692.203, and 692.204)

The undersigned, on behalf of the entity listed below ("Entity"), hereby attests under penalty of perjury as follows:

- 1. Entity is not owned by the government of a foreign country of concern as defined in Section 287.138, Florida Statutes. (Source: § 287.138(2)(a), Florida Statutes)
- 2. The government of a foreign country of concern does not have a controlling interest in Entity. (Source: § 287.138(2)(b), Florida Statutes)
- 3. Entity is not organized under the laws of, and does not have a principal place of business in, a foreign country of concern. (Source: § 287.138(2)(c), Florida Statutes)
- 4. Entity is not owned or controlled by the government of a foreign country of concern, as defined in Section 692.201, Florida Statutes. (Source: § 288.007(2), Florida Statutes)
- 5. Entity is not a partnership, association, corporation, organization, or other combination of persons organized under the laws of or having its principal place of business in a foreign country of concern, as defined in Section 692.201, Florida Statutes, or a subsidiary of such entity. (Source: § 288.007(2), Florida Statutes)
- 6. Entity is not a foreign principal, as defined in Section 692.201, Florida Statutes. (Source: § 692.202(5)(a)(I), Florida Statutes)
- 7. Entity is in compliance with all applicable requirements of Sections 692.202, 692.203, and 692.204, Florida Statutes.
- 8. (Only applicable if purchasing real property) Entity is not a foreign principal prohibited from purchasing the subject real property. Entity is either (a) not a person or entity described in Section 692.204(1)(a), Florida Statutes, or (b) authorized under Section 692.204(2), Florida Statutes, to purchase the subject property. Entity is in compliance with the requirements of Section 692.204, Florida Statutes. (Source:§§ 692.203(6)(a), 692.204(6)(a), Florida Statutes)

The undersigned is authorized to execute this affidavit on behalf of Entity.

Name:	_ Title:	Entity:	-
Signature:	_ Date:		
<u>N</u> :	OTARY PUBL	LIC ACKNOWEDGEMENT SECTION	
STATE OF			
COUTY OF			
	_	d before me, by means of □ physical presence or □20, by	
	_ for		_, who is
personally known to me or who ha	as produced _	as identification.	
Notary Public Signature:		(Notary Seal)	
Print Name:		My commission expires:	



#### **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. **Note:** sub-consultants are not required to provide references.

Company	 	
Name: Address:		
Contact Person:		
Title:		
Phone #: Email:		
Contract Value:		
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Description:		
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Contact Person:		
Title:		
Phone #: Email:		
Contract Value:		
Year(s):		
Project Name/		
Description:		



#### 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>
the event the vendor does not indine vendor has indicated that no suc	cate any names, the City shall interpret this to mean that ch relationships exist.
Authorized Signature	 Title
Name (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		



### **E-VERIFY AFFIRMATION STATEMENT**

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:



#### **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 yo	ou prefer:
MasterCard	
Visa	
Company Name	
Name (Printed)	Signature
Title	Date

#### **Executive Summary Report**

Of

Event: 135-0 - Citywide U/Grounding - Prof. Eng. & Program & Support Serv.

Buyer: PAULETTE HEMMINGS TURNER

Date Range: 02/21/2024 02:00:00 PM -

02:00:00 PM

Suppliers Notified: 13

Notified Suppliers 1
Responding:

All Suppliers 5 Responding:

03/22/2024

#### **Suppliers Responding**

Supplier	Contact	Phone Number	E Mail	City	State Or Province	Total Bid Amount	Total Awarded	Response Attachme nt Exists
Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	Patrick Gibney	(954) 739- 6400	pgibney@craventhomp son.com	Fort Lauderdale	FL	1.00	0.00	Yes
KCI Technologies, Inc.	Admarines Colon	954-776- 1616	admarines.colon@kci.c om	Fort Lauderdale	FL	0.00	0.00	Yes
PAR Western Line Contractors, LLC dba QUES	Carsyn Koob	8164141100	proposals@ques.com	Kansas City	МО	0.00	0.00	Yes
Kimley-Horn	Erin Athas	4072333683	florida.marketing@kiml ey-horn.com	Orlando	FL	1.00	0.00	Yes
Team Fishel	Steven Darman	572-9069	sdarman@teamfishel.c om	Tampa	FL	0.00	0.00	Yes

#### **Event Lines And Responses**

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Item	Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity
UNDERGROUNDING UTILITIES-	The City of Fort Lauderdale, FL (City) is actively seeking the services of a qualified, experienced, and licensed consultant team to provide professional engineering and program support services, for the conversion of existing neighborhood overhead utility networks to an underground utility network for communities choosing this action, as further described in Section III – Scope of Services. Those Firms which are interested in submitting Statements of Qualification (SOQ) in response to this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) shall comply with Section IV– Submittal Requirements	I	1.0000

Responses				
	Supplier	Bid Quantity Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Award Amount
	Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	1.0000 DO	1.0000000	0.00
	KCI Technologies, Inc.	1.0000 DO	0.00000000	0.00
C	PAR Western Line Contractors, LLC dba QUES	1.0000 DO	0.00000000	0.00
	Kimley-Horn	1.0000 DO	1.0000000	0.00
	Team Fishel	1.0000 DO	0.0000000	0.00

### **Header Questions And Responses**

#### QUESTION

Did you sign and attach all the required forms?

	Question Responses	
Supplier	Response	Has Attachment
Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	Yes	Yes
KCI Technologies, Inc.	Yes	Yes
PAR Western Line Contractors, LLC dba QUES	Yes	Yes

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Question Responses				
Supplier	Response	Has Attachment		
Kimley-Horn	Yes	Yes		
Team Fishel	Yes	Yes		

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### Q And A

Supplier	Question	Answer
Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	The required forms are not included with the RFQ. Where can they be located?	The Required Forms are located under the heading "Questions)
Tectonic Group International, LLC	What is Budget for this project	The budget is \$15, 000,000.
Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	There are currently neighborhoods either undergoing conversion or in the process of design. Is there a consultant currently working with the City on these projects?	There is only one active City managed neighborhood undergoing conversion and it is not managed by a consultant.
Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	Paragraph 2.17 states, "a total of two (2) Contracts will be awarded" and then, "City reserves right to award contract to more than one consultant". Please confirm City's intent to award to multiple consultants with this RFQ.	It is the City's intention to award more that 1 consultant for this project.

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Supplier	Question	Answer
Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	5 1	Question: Paragraph 3.4 outlines additional services and disciplines that may be required during the course of work. It's quite possible that many of these services will not be required. Is it necessary to identify team-members for these disciplines in response to the RFQ or is it sufficient for Consultant to state that such services shall be arranged as necessary?
		Answer: We need team members identified for the following numbers under section 3.4 in the RFQ: 1,2,3,4,5,6,8, 9,10,11,12,14,18,22,23,24,25. The remaining disciplines can be arranged as necessary.
Craven, Thompson & Associates, Inc.	Page 25, 4.2 Contents of the Proposal states: "The City prefers that responses be no more than 100 pages in one complete pdf document". Is the Cover, Table of Contents, dividers, Required Forms listed in Section 4.2.9, and SF330 Form excluded from t	Yes, the stated pages are excluded in the 100-page count.