# Solicitation 12527-825

# Disaster Debris Management, Cost Recovery, Project Mgmt. and Support Services

# **Bid Designation: Public**



# **City of Fort Lauderdale**

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Bid Number Bid Title	12527-825 Disaster Debris Management, Cost Recovery, Project Mgmt. and Support Services
Bid Start Date Bid End Date Question & Answer End Date	Oct 20, 2021 5:03:23 PM EDT Nov 17, 2021 2:00:00 PM EST Nov 10, 2021 7:00:00 AM EST
Bid Contact	Laurie Platkin, NIGP-CPP, CPPB Senior Procurement Specialist Finance - Procurement Division 954-828-5138 Iplatkin@fortlauderdale.gov
Contract Duration Contract Renewal Prices Good for Pre-Bid Conference	3 years 2 annual renewals 120 days Oct 29, 2021 1:00:00 PM EDT Attendance is optional Location: PRE-BID/PROPOSAL CONFERENCE: Join ZoomGov Meeting - BEST IF USED IN CHROME, EDGE OR DIRECTLY IN ZOOM APP. 12527-825 - Disaster Debris Management Cost Recovery Project Management and Other Support Services https://fortlauderdale.zoomgov.com/j/1603477774?pwd=VldJK01yTHdsbWVQWHhldjBVQkk3Zz09 Meeting ID: 160 347 7774 Password: 12527 Mobile Phone One-tap Dial: +16692545252,n607518268#,n1#,12527# US (San Jose) +16468287666,n607518268#,n1#,12527# US (New York) Dial by your location +1 669 254 5252 US (San Jose)
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The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (City) is seeking qualified, experienced, and licensed firm(s) to provide Disaster Debris Monitoring, Cost Recovery, Project Management and Other Support Services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Request for Proposals (RFP). Selected firms are expected to be extremely knowledgeable of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Federal Highway Commission (FWA), Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Natural Resource Conservation25ervice Exhibit 1

(NRCS), US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and any other governmental agency's regulations, guidelines, and operational policies.

Paper bid/proposal submittals will not be accepted. It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer to ensure that their proposal is submitted electronically through BidSync at www.bidsync.com no later than the time and date specified in this solicitation.

For comments or questions contact Laurie Platkin, Sr. Procurement Specialist, at (954) 828-5138 or email: lplatkin@fortlauderdale.gov.

BID OPENING: Join ZoomGov Meeting - BEST IF USED IN CHROME, EDGE OR DIRECTLY IN ZOOM APP.

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Time: Nov 17, 2021 02:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join ZoomGov Meeting: https://fortlauderdale.zoomgov.com/j/1619204550? pwd=bU1kSWtkLzVTTGIyOHp4ZnNHTmZFZz09

Meeting ID: 161 920 4550

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For additional information go to www.BidSync.com.

Added on Nov 9, 2021: ADDENDUM 1

1) Sections 2.23 and 2.24 have been changed to the following:

2.23 Proposal Security

2.23.1 Each proposal must be accompanied by a letter from a surety verifying the Proposer's bonding capacity of at least \$1,000,000.

#### 2.24 Payment and Performance Bond

2.24.1 Upon receipt of a Notice to Proceed from the City, the awarded Contractor shall be required to furnish a Payment and Performance Bond in the amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the estimated cost of the services to be rendered. A Performance and Payment Bond in the amount one hundred percent (100%) of the work authorized by the City in a Task Order shall be provided by the Contractor to the City within seven (7) days of issuance of the Task Order. The cost of bonds and insurance shall be borne by the Contractor and shall not be separately charged or reimbursed by the City. This Bond shall remain in effect at least until one year after the date when final payment becomes due, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations or by the Contract Documents.

2.24.2 The Proposer must have a Financial Size Categories (FSC) rating of no less than "A-" by the latest edition of Best's Key Rating Guide, or acceptance of insurance company that holds a valid Florida Certificate of Authority issued by the State of Florida, Department of Insurance, and are members of the Florida Guarantee Fund.

2.24.3 Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Payment and Performance Bond is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

2) All proposers shall sign the addendum acknowledging receipt and switch out Section II and replace with the Revised Section II attached to this addendum.

All other terms, conditions, and specifications remain unchanged.

# Item Response Form

ltem	12527-82501-01 - Item 1: Disaster Debris Management, Cost Recovery, Project Management and Other Support
Lot Description	See Section Vi - Cost Proposal Page
Quantity	1 job
Unit Price	
Delivery Location	City of Fort Lauderdale
	See RFP Specifications
	See RFP Specifications
	Fort Lauderdale FL 33301
	<b>Qty</b> 1
Description	

**Description** Fill in Total Amount Calculated from Section VI - Cost Proposal Page

City of Fort Lauderdale Disaster Debris Management, Cost Recovery, Project Management and Other Support Services RFP # 12527-825

# SECTION I – INTRODUCTION AND INFORMATION

# 1.1 Purpose

The City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida (City) is seeking qualified, experienced, and licensed firm(s) to provide Disaster Debris Monitoring, Cost Recovery, Project Management and Other Support Services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Request for Proposals (RFP). Selected firms are expected to be extremely knowledgeable of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Federal Highway Commission (FWA), Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and any other governmental agency's regulations, guidelines, and operational policies.

# **1.2 Point of Contact**

For information concerning <u>procedures for responding to this solicitation</u>, contact Senior Procurement Specialist, Laurie Platkin at (954) 828-5138 or email at <u>LPlatkin@fortlauderdale.gov</u>. Such contact shall be for clarification purposes only.

For information concerning technical specifications, please utilize the question / answer feature provided by BidSync at <u>www.bidsync.com</u>. Questions of a material nature must be received prior to the cut-off date specified in the RFP Schedule. Material changes, if any, to the scope of services or bidding procedures will only be transmitted by written addendum. (See addendum section of BidSync Site). Contractors please note: Proposals shall be submitted as stated in PART IV – Submittal Requirements. No part of your proposal can be submitted via FAX. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a proposal will be considered evidence that the Contractor has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, and the equipment, materials, and labor required. The entire proposal must be submitted in accordance with all specifications contained in this solicitation. The questions and answers submitted in BidSync shall become part of any contract that is created from this RFP.

# **1.3** Pre-proposal Conference and Site Visit

There will be a virtual pre-proposal conference scheduled for this Request for Proposal. While attendance is not mandatory, it is strongly suggested that all Contractors attend the pre-proposal conference.

It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to become familiar with the scope of the City's requirements and systems prior to submitting a proposal. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. It is strongly suggested that all Contractors attend the pre-proposal meeting.

It will be the sole responsibility of the Contractor to attend the pre-proposal/site visit to inspect the City's location(s) facilities systems prior to submitting a proposal. No variation in price or conditions shall be permitted based upon a claim of ignorance. Submission of a proposal will be considered evidence that the proposer has familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work, equipment, materials, and labor required.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

## 1.4 BidSync

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

It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder/Proposer to ensure that their bid/proposal is submitted electronically through BidSync at <u>www.bidsync.com</u> no later than the time and date specified in this solicitation. PAPER BID/PROPOSAL SUBMITTALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. BIDS/PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY VIA <u>WWW.BIDSYNC.COM</u>.

#### 1.5 Electronic Bid Openings/Proposal Closings

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

Anyone requesting assistance or having further inquiry in this matter must contact the Procurement Specialist indicated on the solicitation, via the Question-and-Answer forum on Bidsync.com before the Last Day for Questions indicated in the Solicitation.

END OF SECTION

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

# 2.1 General Conditions

RFP General Conditions (Form G-107, Rev. 02/20) are included and made a part of this RFP.

# 2.2 Addenda, Changes, and Interpretations

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

# 2.3 Changes and Alterations

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

#### 2.4 Proposer's Costs

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

# 2.5 Pricing/Delivery

All pricing should be identified on the Cost Proposal page provided in this RFP. No additional costs may be accepted, other than the costs stated on the Cost Proposal page. Failure to use the City's Cost Proposal page and provide costs as requested in this RFP may deem your proposal non-responsive.

Contractor shall quote a firm, fixed price for all services stated in the RFP. All costs including travel shall be included in your proposal. The City shall not accept any additional costs including any travel associated with coming to the City of Fort Lauderdale.

# 2.6 Price Validity

Prices provided in this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall be valid for at least One-Hundred and Twenty (120) days from time of RFP opening unless otherwise extended and agreed upon by the City and Bidder. The City shall award contract within this time period or shall request to the recommended awarded vendor an extension to hold pricing, until products/services have been awarded.

# 2.7 Invoices/Payment

The City will accept invoices no more frequently than once per month. Each invoice shall fully detail the related costs and shall specify the status of the particular task or project as of the date of the invoice with regard to the accepted schedule for that task or project. Payment will be made within forty-five (45) days after receipt of an invoice acceptable to the City, in accordance with the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act. If, at any time during the contract, the City shall not approve or accept the Contractor's work product, and agreement cannot be reached between the City and the Contractor to resolve the problem to the City's satisfaction, the City shall negotiate with

the Contractor on a payment for the work completed and usable to the City.

# 2.8 Related Expenses/Travel Expenses

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

# 2.9 Payment Method

The City of Fort Lauderdale has implemented a Procurement Card (P-Card) program which changes how payments are remitted to its vendors. The City has transitioned from traditional paper checks to payment by credit card via MasterCard or Visa. This allows you as a vendor of the City of Fort Lauderdale to receive your payment fast and safely. No more waiting for checks to be printed and mailed. Payments will be made utilizing the City's P-Card (MasterCard or Visa). Accordingly, firms must presently have the ability to accept credit card payment or take whatever steps necessary to implement acceptance of a credit card before the commencement of a contract. See Contract Payment Method form attached.

# 2.10 Mistakes

The Proposer shall examine this RFP carefully. The submission of a Proposal shall be prima facie evidence that the Proposer 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 Proposer from liability and obligations under the Contract.

# 2.11 Acceptance of Proposals / Minor Irregularities

- 2.11.1 The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, part of proposals, and to waive minor irregularities or variances to specifications contained in proposals which do not make the proposal 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 Proposal.
- **2.11.2** The City reserves the right to disqualify Proposer 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 Proposer.

# 2.12 Modification of Services

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

- **2.12.3** 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.
- **2.12.4** 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.

# 2.13 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.

# 2.14 Sample Contract Agreement

A sample of the formal agreement template, which may be required to be executed by the awarded vendor can be found at our website: https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=1212

# 2.15 Responsiveness

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

# 2.16 Responsibility

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

# 2.17 Minimum Qualifications

Proposers shall be in the business of debris monitoring and disaster support services including but not limited to: project management, data processing and management, Debris Management Site (DMS) monitoring, debris vehicle certification, data compilation and reporting, payment monitoring and reconciliation, and all related support services related to documentation required for reimbursement from appropriate agencies for any eligible claims that arise from a disaster; and must possess sufficient financial support, equipment and organization to ensure that it can satisfactorily perform the services if awarded a contract. Proposers must demonstrate that they, or the key staff assigned to the project, have successfully provided services with similar magnitude to those specified in the scope of services to at least one entity 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.

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

**2.17.1** Proposer or principals shall have disaster debris monitoring and disaster support experience. Project manager assigned to the work must have considerable experience in

disaster debris monitoring and disaster support services and have served as Project Manager on similar projects a minimum of three previous occasions.

- **2.17.2** Before awarding a contract, the City reserves the right to require that a Proposer submit such evidence of 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.
- **2.17.3** 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.
- **2.17.4** 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.

# 2.18 Lobbying Activities

ALL CONTRACTORS PLEASE NOTE: Any contractor submitting a response to this solicitation must comply, if applicable, with City of Fort Lauderdale Ordinance No. C-11-42 & Resolution No. 07-101, Lobbying Activities. Copies of Ordinance No. C-11-42 and Resolution No. 07-101 may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office on the 7th Floor of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The ordinance may also be viewed on the City's website at <a href="https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036">https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036</a>.

#### 2.19 Local Business Preference - N/A

#### 2.20 Protest Procedure

- **2.20.1** Any Bidder/Proposer who is not recommended for award of a contract and who alleges a failure by the city to follow the city's procurement ordinance or any applicable law, may follow the protest procedure as found in the city's procurement ordinance within five (5) days after a notice of intent to award is posted on the city's web site at the following link: <a href="http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award">http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award</a>.
- **2.20.2** The complete protest ordinance may be found on the city's web site at the following link: <u>https://library.municode.com/fl/fort\_lauderdale/codes/code\_of\_ordinances?nodeld=C\_OOR\_CH2AD\_ARTVFI\_DIV2PR\_S2-182DIREPRAWINAW</u>

# 2.21 Public Entity Crimes

Proposer, by submitting a proposal, certifies that neither the proposer nor any of the Proposer's principals has been placed on the convicted vendor list as defined in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes (2018), as may be amended or revised. A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or Contractor under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

# 2.22 Subcontractors

- **2.22.1** If the Contractor proposes to use subcontractors in the course of providing these services to the City, this information shall be a part of the bid response. Such information shall be subject to review, acceptance, and approval of the City, prior to any contract award. The City reserves the right to approve or disapprove of any subcontractor candidate in its best interest and to require Contractor to replace subcontractor with one that meets City approval.
- **2.22.2** Contractor shall ensure that all of Contractor's subcontractors perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract. Contractor shall be fully responsible for all of Contractor's subcontractors' performance, and liable for any of Contractor's subcontractors' non-performance and all of Contractor's subcontractors' acts and omissions. Contractor shall defend, at Contractor's expense, counsel being subject to the City's approval or disapproval, and indemnify and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agents from and against any claim, lawsuit, third-party action, or judgment, including any award of attorney fees and any award of costs, by or in favor of any Contractor's subcontractors for payment for work performed for the City.
- **2.22.3** Contractor shall require all its subcontractors to provide the required insurance coverage as well as any other coverage that the contractor may consider necessary, and any deficiency in the coverage or policy limits of said subcontractors will be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

# 2.23 Proposal Security

- **2.23.1** A proposal security payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale shall be submitted with the proposal response in the amount of <u>five percent (5%)</u> of the total proposed amount. A proposal security can be in the form of a bid/proposal bond or cashier's check. Proposal security will be returned to the unsuccessful contractor as soon as practicable after opening of proposals. Proposal security will be returned to the successful Proposer after acceptance of the Payment and Performance Bond, if required; acceptance of insurance coverage, if required; and full execution of contract documents, if required; or other conditions as stated in Special Conditions or elsewhere in the RFP.
- **2.23.2** BidSync allows bidders/proposers to submit bid/proposal bonds electronically directly through their system using **Surety 2000**. For more information on this feature and to access it, contact BIDSYNC customer care department.
- **2.23.3** The Proposer may choose to mail their original executed bid/proposal bond or upload the bid/proposal bond on BidSync to accompany their electronic proposal and then deliver the original, signed and sealed bid/proposal bond within five (5) business days from the solicitation end date or it will be determined as non-responsive. A bid/proposal security in the form of a cashier's check must be an original document and must be submitted at time of the bid/proposal due date. If choosing the cashier's check method, plan in advance to send via United States Postal Service or air freight carrier to ensure cashier's check arrives on or before bid/proposal opening or closing deadline.
  - a. Deliver via United States Postal Service or air freight carrier to City of Fort Lauderdale City Hall, Procurement Services Division, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Suite 619, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.
  - **b.** Include company name, solicitation number and title clearly indicated outside of the envelope.

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**2.23.4** Failure of the successful proposer to execute a contract, provide a Performance Bond, and furnish evidence of appropriate insurance coverage, as provided herein, within thirty (30) days after written notice of award has been given, shall be just cause for the annulment of the award and the forfeiture of the proposal security to the City, which forfeiture shall be considered, not as a penalty, but as liquidation of damages sustained.

# 2.24 Payment and Performance Bond

- 2.24.1 The Proposer shall within fifteen (15) working days after notification of award, furnish to the City a Payment and Performance Bond, in the amount of the proposed price as surety for faithful performance under the terms and conditions of the contract. If the bond is on an annual coverage basis, renewal for each succeeding year shall be submitted to the City thirty (30) days prior to the termination date of the existing Payment and Performance Bond. The Performance Bond must be executed by a surety company or recognized standing to do business in the State of Florida and having a resident agent.
- **2.24.2** The Proposer must have a Financial Size Categories (FSC) rating of no less than "A-" by the latest edition of Best's Key Rating Guide, or acceptance of insurance company that holds a valid Florida Certificate of Authority issued by the State of Florida, Department of Insurance, and are members of the Florida Guarantee Fund.
- **2.24.3** Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Payment and Performance Bond is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

#### 2.25 Insurance Requirements

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

# **Commercial General Liability**

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

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

Policy must include coverage for Contractual Liability and Independent Contractors.

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

# **Business Automobile Liability**

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

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

# Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

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

# Professional Liability and/or Errors and Omissions

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

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

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

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

# 2.25.4 Insurance Certificate Requirements

- **a.** The Contractor shall provide the City with valid Certificates of Insurance (binders are unacceptable) no later than thirty (30) days prior to the start of work contemplated in this Agreement.
- **b.** The Contractor shall provide to the City a Certificate of Insurance having a thirty (30) day notice of cancellation; ten (10) days' notice if cancellation is for nonpayment of premium.
- **c.** In the event that the insurer is unable to accommodate the cancellation notice requirement, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to provide the proper notice. Such notification will be in writing by registered mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the certificate holder.

- **d.** In the event the Agreement term goes beyond the expiration date of the insurance policy, the Contractor shall provide the City with an updated Certificate of Insurance no later than ten (10) days prior to the expiration of the insurance currently in effect. The City reserves the right to suspend the Agreement until this requirement is met.
- e. The Certificate of Insurance shall indicate whether coverage is provided under a claimsmade or occurrence form. If any coverage is provided on a claims-made form, the Certificate of Insurance must show a retroactive date, which shall be the effective date of the initial contract or prior.
- f. The City shall be named as an Additional Insured on the general liability policy.
- **g.** The City shall be granted a Waiver of Subrogation on the Contractor's Workers' Compensation insurance policy.
- **h.** The title of the Agreement, Bid/Contract number, event dates, or other identifying reference must be listed on the Certificate of Insurance.

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

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

**2.25.11** It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that any and all of the Contractor's independent contractors and subcontractors comply with these insurance requirements. All coverages for independent contractors and subcontractors shall be subject to all of the applicable requirements stated herein. Any and all deficiencies are the responsibility of the Contractor.

# 2.26 Award of Contract

A Contract (the "Agreement") may be awarded by the City Commission. The City reserves the right to execute or not execute, as applicable, a contract with the Proposer(s) that is determined to be in the City's best interests. The City reserves the right to award a contract to more than one Proposer, at the sole and absolute discretion of the City.

# 2.27 Unauthorized Work

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

# 2.28 Damage to Public or Private Property

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

# 2.29 Safety

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

# 2.30 Uncontrollable Circumstances ("Force Majeure")

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

- **2.30.1** The non-performing party gives the other party prompt written notice describing the particulars of the Force Majeure including, but not limited to, the nature of the occurrence and its expected duration, and continues to furnish timely reports with respect thereto during the period of the Force Majeure;
- **2.30.2** The excuse of performance is of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is required by the Force Majeure;
- **2.30.3** No obligations of either party that arose before the Force Majeure causing the excuse of performance are excused as a result of the Force Majeure; and

**2.30.4** The non-performing party uses its best efforts to remedy its inability to perform. Notwithstanding the above, performance shall not be excused under this Section for a period in excess of two (2) months, provided that in extenuating circumstances, the City may excuse performance for a longer term. Economic hardship of the Contractor will not constitute Force Majeure. The term of the agreement shall be extended by a period equal to that during which either party's performance is suspended under this Section.

# 2.31 Canadian Companies

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

# 2.32 News Releases/Publicity

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

# 2.33 Manufacturer/Brand/Model Specific Request - N/A

# 2.34 Contract Period

The initial contract term shall commence upon date of award by the City or March 7, 2022, whichever is later, and shall expire three (3) years from that date. The City reserves the right to extend the contract for two (2), additional 1-year terms, providing all terms conditions and specifications remain the same, both parties agree to the extension, and such extension is approved by the City.

In the event services are scheduled to end because of the expiration of this contract, the Contractor shall continue the service upon the request of the City as authorized by the awarding authority. The extension period shall not extend for more than 180 days beyond the expiration date of the existing contract. The Contractor shall be compensated for the service at the rate in effect when this extension clause is invoked by the City.

# 2.35 Cost Adjustments

Prices quoted shall be firm for the initial contract term of 3 years. No cost increases shall be accepted in this initial contract term. Please consider this when providing pricing for this request for proposal.

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

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

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

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

# 2.36 Service Test Period

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

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

# 2.37 Contract Coordinator

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

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

# 2.38 Contractor Performance Reviews and Ratings

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

Excellent	Far exceeds requirements.
Good	Exceeds requirements.
Fair	Just meets requirements.
Poor	Does not meet all requirements and contractor is subject to penalty provisions under the contact.
Non-compliance	Either continued poor performance after notice or a performance level that does not meet a significant portion of the requirements. This rating makes the Contractor subject to the default or cancellation for cause provisions of the contract.

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

# 2.39 Substitution of Personnel

In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute trained, qualified, personnel for those listed in the proposal, the City shall receive prior notification and have the right to review, test and approve such substitutions, if deemed necessary. If the City has reasonable evidence to believe that an employee of the Contractor is incompetent, or has performed his or her employment in an objectionable

manner, the City shall have the right to require the Contractor to resolve the situation to the City's satisfactions, provided, however, that the Contractor shall not be required to institute or pursue to completion any action if to do so would violate any law, state statute, city ordinance, contract or employment or union agreement.

# 2.40 Ownership of Work

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

# 2.41 Condition of Trade-In Equipment - N/A

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

# 2.43 Verification of Employment Status

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

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

# 2.44 Service Organization Controls

The Contactor should provide a current SSAE 18, SOC 2, Type I report with their proposal. Awarded Contractor will be required to provide an SSAE 18, SOC 2, Type II report annually during the term of this contract. If the Contractor cannot provide the SSAE 18, SOC 2, Type I report at time of proposal submittal, a current SOC 3 report will be accepted.

# 2.45 Warranties of Usage

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

# 2.46 PCI (Payment Card Industry) Compliance

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

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

END OF SECTION

# SECTION III - TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS/SCOPE OF SERVICES

#### 3.1 Definitions

**ADMS** means Automated Debris Management System

**Beach Sand** means Atlantic Ocean beach sand which contains fragments of seashell mixed with quartz crystals making a colorful light brown mix. Shells and sand are smooth and polished from years of wind and water abrasion.

Choke Point means an inspection site where all trucks must pass.

City means the City of Fort Lauderdale

**Clean As You Go** means clearing all debris from each street or work zone on the first pass, whenever possible.

**Construction and Demolition Debris (C&D)** means damaged components of buildings and structures such as lumber and wood, gypsum wallboard, glass, metal, roofing material, tile, heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and their components, light fixtures, small consumer appliances, equipment, furnishings and fixtures that are the result of a disaster event.

**Contract Manager** means the City's representative duly authorized by the City Commission, City Manager or Public Works Director to provide direction to the Contractor regarding services provided pursuant to this RFP and contract.

**Contractor** means the successful proposer, whether a corporation, partnership, individual or any combination thereof and its successors, personal representatives, executors, administrators, and assignees.

**Day** means each calendar day or accumulation of calendar days.

**Debris Collector** means the firm under contract with the City to provide disaster debris collection (hauling) services and its subcontractors.

**Debris Management Site (DMS)** means a location where debris is temporarily stored, reduced, segregated and/or processed prior to final disposal.

Drop-Off Site means a site established for the residents of Fort Lauderdale to drop off debris.

**Electronic Waste (E-Waste)** means loosely discarded, damaged, obsolete, or broken electrical or electronic devices including, but not limited to, computers, computer monitors, televisions, and microwaves.

**Eligible Debris** as determined by FEMA 325, Public Assistance Debris Management Guide means debris resulting from a Presidentially-declared disaster where removal, as determined by the City Manager or his designee, is in the public interest because it is necessary to (1) eliminate immediate threats to life, public health and safety; (2) eliminate immediate threats of significant damage to improved public or private property, or (3) ensure the economic recovery of the affected community to the benefit of the community at large

**Federal Aid Eligible Roads** means roads that are paved, gravel or dirt and are eligible for repair or replacement. Roads not eligible for public assistance are private, homeowner association and roads that fall under the authority of the Federal Highway Administration.

**FDEP** means the Federal Department of Environmental Protection.

**FDOT** means the Florida Department of Transportation.

**FEMA** means the Federal Emergency Management Agency. FEMA is an agency of the United States Homeland Security.

**FEMA Project Worksheet** means the form used to document the scope of work and cost estimate for a project. This form supplies FEMA with the information necessary to approve the scope of work and itemized cost estimate prior to funding. The approved FEMA Project Worksheet will then be the basis for funding under the Public Assistance Program.

FFWC means the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission.

FHWA means the Federal Highway Administration.

**Geographic Information System (GIS)** means computer system for capturing, storing, checking, and displaying data related to positions on Earth's surface showing many kinds of data on one map, such as streets, buildings, and vegetation.

**Global Positioning System (GPS)** means a global navigation satellite system that provide location and time information in all weather conditions, anywhere on or near the earth, where there is an unobstructed line of sight to four or more GPS satellites.

**Hazardous Waste** means materials and products from institutional, commercial, recreational, industrial and agricultural sources that contain certain chemicals with one of more of the following characteristics, as defined by the US Environmental Protection Agency: (1) Toxic; (2) Flammable; (3) Corrosive; and/or (4) Reactive, in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Section for toxic, flammable or corrosive reaction Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C 40 CFR Part 260.

**Household Hazardous Waste** means used or leftover contents of consumer products that contain chemicals with one or more of the following characteristics, as defined by the US Environmental Protection Agency: (1) Toxic; (2) Flammable; (3) Corrosive; and/or (4) Reactive. Examples of Household Hazardous Waste include small quantities of normal household cleaning and maintenance products, latex and oil-based paint, cleaning solvents, gasoline, oils, swimming pool chemicals, pesticides, and propane gas cylinders in accordance with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Section for toxic, flammable, corrosive reaction Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle C 40 CFR Part 260.

**Hazardous Stump** means an uprooted tree or stump (i.e., 50% or more of the root ball is exposed) on a public right-of-way, improved public property or improved property owned by certain nonprofit organizations, and the exposed root ball poses an immediate threat to life, public health, and safety.

Local Employee means any Contractor employee residing within Broward County.

**Mixed Debris** means a mixture of various types of debris including, but not limited to, C&D Debris, White Goods, E-Waste, Household Hazardous Waste, metals, abandoned vehicles, tires, etc.

**Notice to Proceed** means the written notice given by the City Contract Manager or his/her designee to the Contractor for the date and time for work to start.

NRCS means Natural Resources Conservation Service.

**OSHA** means the US Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

**Project Manager** means the individual appointed annually by the Contractor to be the City's primary point of contact and who is responsible for all services and personnel that are provided by the Contractor pursuant to this RFP and contract.

Proposer means any person, partnership or corporation submitting a proposal pursuant to this RFP.

**Run Out Period** means the period beginning upon the expiration date of this contract and ending upon completion of services for the disaster event/project.

State means State of Florida.

**Subcontractor** means a third-party performing service covered by this contract through a direct contract or agreement with the Contractor.

**Vegetative Debris** means clean, woody debris and other organic materials that can be chipped and mulched.

**Warranty** means all warranties as set forth in this Contract including any warranties required by State law or other regulation.

**White Goods** means all appliances including, but not limited to, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, washers, dryers, and HVAC units.

# 3.2 Disaster Cost Recovery, Grant, and Project Management Services

The Contractor's scope of services required includes but is not limited to all services described herein and other services required to coordinate and assist the City with completing emergency and permanent work projects for declared disasters. These activities include grant or FEMA Project Worksheet preparation, grants or project management and accounting for costs in accordance with Federal, State, and local regulations. The Contractor shall supply the necessary personnel with the appropriate qualifications and skill sets to provide the services as below outlined. Services shall be clearly delineated according to the damages caused by each disaster and funding shall be separated to ensure proper accounting for each disaster event is maintained and all deadlines and other requirements for grant closure are satisfied. Note that the City maintains its duties and obligations as a requirement of Federal, State, or other grant funds. The Contractor shall advise and assist the City with administering these grants as necessary but cannot assume the City's duties and responsibilities as a grant recipient.

Grant and FEMA Project Worksheet Preparation includes but is not limited to:

**3.2.1** Accompanying City personnel for on-site inspections including preliminary damage assessment activities. Pursuant to 44-CFR § 206.202 an authorized local representative is

required to ensure that all eligible work has been identified and that all costs for disasterrelated damaged have been submitted to FEMA for funding. The Contractor shall assist with the City's representative(s) to ensure all eligible work is identified and accurate estimates of damages are submitted to FEMA for funding. The Contractor shall prepare the necessary documents to identify and estimate the cost of the damages in the format required by FEMA, the State, the City, or other applicable agencies.

- **3.2.2** Assisting the City in preparing any FEMA Project Worksheets as directed by the City's Contract Manager. The Contractor shall supply the necessary staff to ensure the FEMA Project Worksheets are completed in accordance with FEMA, State, City, and other agency guidelines within the designated timelines for FEMA funding.
- **3.2.3** Assisting the City in identifying and applying for improved or alternate projects pursuant to 44-CFR § 206.203. Contractor shall advise City on the appropriateness of requesting this type of funding from FEMA and shall assist in the City's application for this type of funding through project acceptance.
- **3.2.4** Assisting the City in identifying mitigation measures under the Stafford Act. Pursuant to 44-CFR § 206.226, cost-effective mitigation measures may be incorporated in the restoration of damaged facilities. The Contractor shall assist the City with preparing benefit/cost analyses and hazard mitigation funding applications.
- **3.2.5** Assisting the City in identifying and resolving special consideration issues such as insurance, floodplain management, environmental issues, and historic preservation issues. The Contractor shall review any insurance settlements for accuracy and shall ensure that the insurance settlement is properly incorporated into the FEMA project worksheet, if applicable. The Contractor shall work with the City, FEMA, and the State to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act, the National Historic Preservation Act and other federal, state, and local statutes and executive orders.

# 3.3 Grants Management

The Contractor shall assist the City with managing grants including but not limited to:

- **3.3.1 Monitoring Contractor Performance:** The Contractor shall monitor contractor performance to ensure FEMA mandated work deadlines are completed on time and/or assist the City in applying for time extensions with appropriate agencies.
- **3.3.2 Providing administrative support to review and approve payment documentation:** The Contractor shall assist the City by supplying administrative support and resources to review, prepare and approve payments to contractors performing eligible disaster related work and ensure that the documentation meets all Federal, State, and City financial and accounting requirements.
- **3.3.3 Preparing payment requests:** The Contractor shall assist the City with maintenance of financial records, in accordance with City requirements for financial reporting to ensure prompt reimbursement from FEMA and the State. The Contractor shall assist in preparing payment requests in acceptable formats to ensure reimbursements are obtained in a timely fashion.
- **3.3.4 Preparing schedules and performing reconciliations:** The Contractor shall assist the City and coordinate with its personnel in preparing the necessary scheduled and performing any required reconciliations to ensure the costs recorded in the City's financial records are

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correct. The Contractor shall supply the necessary qualified personnel to ensure this is completed in a timely fashion in accordance with any audit schedule provided. In addition, clerical support shall be provided to collect, gather, organize, and enter data into a database that supports information presented on schedules, work papers and Project Worksheets, including force account labor. All schedules shall be prepared using the Microsoft Office suite products such as Excel, Word or Access, or other pre-approved platform.

- **3.3.5 Conducting interim inspections:** The Contractor shall assist the City and coordinate with its personnel in performing interim inspections to ensure work is progressing in a timely fashion and that all documentation is being maintained in an orderly fashion. The Contractor shall also assist the City with preparing progress reports for FEMA, the State, City, or other authority.
- **3.3.6 Conducting final inspections:** The Contractor shall assist the City and coordinate with its personnel in performing final grant inspections to ensure work completion and to document all eligible costs for FEMA reimbursement.
- **3.3.7** Assisting with grant closure: The Contractor shall assist the City with final reconciliation of grant funds and shall assist the City with completion of required FEMA and State documentation for grant closure.
- **3.3.8** Assisting with audit defense: The Contractor shall be available to assist the City with the defense of any audits conducted by the FEMA office of the Inspector General or other auditors.
- **3.3.9** Assisting with appeals: The Contractor shall be available to assist the City with submitting appeals if necessary.

# 3.4 Disaster Debris Project Management and Process Oversight

Project management and process oversight activities shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
3.4.1 Contractor shall appoint a Project Manager, fluent in English, who will be the City's primary point of contact and will be responsible for all services and personnel that are provided by the Contractor. The Project Manager shall be appointed for a minimum of one (1) year to fully understand the scope and responsibilities of the recovery plan.

- **3.4.2** The Project Manager and other key personnel shall report to the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) or other location as directed within eight (8) hours of notification by the City. Commencement of work shall begin no later than twenty-four (24) hours of issuance of Notice to Proceed. The City may issue Notice to Proceed twenty-four (24) to forty-eight (48) hours prior to a storm event depending on the magnitude of the event and likelihood of impact to allow sufficient time to prepare for commencement of operations.
- **3.4.3** The Project Manager shall assist the City in developing a Debris Management Action Plan for the specific occurrence. Contractor may also be requested to assist in other debris recovery planning efforts such as identifying adequate DMS, estimating debris quantities and developing disaster plans for debris clearance for emergency and essential vehicles following a disaster event.
- **3.4.4** The Project Manager shall attend all meetings and briefings designated by the City. Daily meetings will be conducted by the City with the Contractor and the Disaster Debris Collector along with other essential personnel in order to confirm daily debris recovery activities and

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schedule, address and resolve issues or concerns and discuss progress of the debris recovery effort.

- **3.4.5** Contractor shall provide trained personnel to observe, direct and document the activities of the Disaster Debris Collector. Contractor shall be responsible for scheduling work for all its personnel on a daily basis. Contractor shall assist the City in coordinating work assignments for the Disaster Debris Collector.
- **3.4.6** Contractor shall monitor the Disaster Debris Collector's progress and record the progress daily, including mapping all streets and locations where debris was collected. Electronic monitoring is required.
- **3.4.7** The Contractor shall be operational at the completion of the first push (70 hours). The Disaster Debris Collector and City employees will report to the Field Operations Center to obtain work orders and field monitors from the Contractor before work is commenced. Contractor shall prepare all project worksheets, right-of-way entry forms and any other required forms for the work group.
- **3.4.8** Contractor shall track and coordinate with City personnel to respond to problems in the field and address citizen complaints, including commercial or residential property damage claims as a result of the debris removal.
- **3.4.9** Contractor shall attend up to three (3) meetings annually at no expense to the City for event planning.
- **3.4.10** Contractor shall prepare FEMA worksheets and review worksheets with City staff.
- **3.4.11** Contractor shall provide the following annual services for the annual payment as bid/proposal by Contractor and contained herein:
  - **3.4.11.1** Contractor shall attend, participate, and facilitate in an annual meeting and/or training with the City upon City's request.
  - **3.4.11.2** Contractor shall prepare and present a written plan of operations, including a clear description of the work. Contractor may subcontract out and will provide a list of the subcontractors upon the City's request.
  - **3.4.11.3** Contractor shall annually review, and visit with City staff upon request, the DMS to be used during the coming year.
  - **3.4.11.4** Contractor shall provide phone consultations and reference information to City staff upon request.

# 3.5 Documentation and Reimbursement

# 3.5.1 ADMS

Per FEMA's Public Assistance Debris Monitoring Guide, policy document 327, advances in automated debris management tracking systems can now provide real-time, automated tracking and reporting for disposal and hauling activities. FEMA supports these advances and recognizes the benefits of these automated systems.

The Contractor shall provide an electronic automated debris management system that shall create load tickets electronically, eliminating the need for hand-written and scanned tickets. The ADMS features shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

**3.5.1.1** Paperless, electronic (handheld device) load ticket generation and data collection

**3.5.1.2** Debris vehicle certification data capture

- **3.5.1.3** Encrypted and secure field data transfer
- **3.5.1.4** Accessible secure database for government and Disaster Debris Collector use. Database will be internet accessible by Disaster Debris Collector, City, State, Federal and other public entities as authorized by the City's Contract Administrator
- **3.5.1.5** Minimal manual entry of load ticket data fields
- **3.5.1.6** Automation of debris pick-up locations through the use of GPS technologies
- 3.5.1.7 Evaluation of daily event staging using web-based reporting and GIS tools
- **3.5.1.8** Coordination of Disaster Debris Collector invoices, FEMA documentation and applicant payment process-enabled through an integrated database management system
- **3.5.1.9** Contractor shall use an ADMS during the performance of services under this agreement for managing collection, transport, and disposal of debris.
- **3.5.2** Contractor shall provide electronic load tickets (or electronic reports through ADMS acceptable to FEMA and other Federal or State reimbursement agencies) to track and document the removal and management of all Eligible Debris. Contractor shall ensure that the load tickets meet the requirements of FEMA and other Federal or State reimbursement agencies. Contractor shall retain original completed tickets either in hardcopy or electronically in an acceptable format on behalf of the City, which shall be turned over to the City daily. Copies of completed load tickets shall also be retained by the Contractor, vehicle driver, subcontractor, and the Disaster Debris Collector. Additionally, these load tickets shall be scanned and incorporated into a master electronic file with a summary spreadsheet identifying each truck and ticket (load).
- **3.5.3** Contractor shall document all recovery work to ensure that proper records are maintained for load tickets and recover costs for reimbursement purposes. During the first seventy (70) hours following a disaster, this may require documenting times that the Disaster Debris Collector actively uses manpower and equipment to document time and material reimbursements. This shall also include any photographs, GPS locations and/or any other means of confirming debris load information for reimbursement purposes.
- **3.5.4** Contractor shall be responsible for collecting, auditing for completeness and accuracy, tabulating and organizing debris disposal data and vehicle certification, project records, photos, and manifests, etc. to support Federal (FEMA), state and local reimbursements and subsequent audits. Contractor shall take the lead, assisting the City in preparing reports necessary for reimbursement by FEMA, FHWA and any other applicable Federal, State, or local agencies.
- **3.5.5** Contractor shall provide daily reports throughout the disaster and recovery efforts, including updates for the daily briefing meetings, reports on the review and validation of the Disaster Debris Collector, cubic yard/tonnage reports providing for the number of trucks and volumes (tonnage) of debris received at each DMS as well as a total for all DMSs, and a final report following completion of debris recovery operations.
- **3.5.6** Contractor shall ensure that the processing of federal (FEMA) funding is done as expeditiously as possible by taking ownership of the responsibility for ensuring accuracy of invoices, payroll, monitoring information reports, ADMS data, vehicle certifications and operating data.
- 3.5.7 Contractor shall ensure compliance with FEMA 327 Public Assistance Debris Monitoring Guide.

- **3.5.8** Contractor shall retain documentation including financial and program records to justify all charges and costs incurred in performing the work for at least three (3) years following final payment by the City as FEMA sub-grantee as required by FEMA 322 Public Assistance Guide. The City shall have access to such records and documents as required for the purpose of inspection or audit.
- **3.5.9** Contractor shall cooperate with all other Contractors in providing information as requested in a timely manner and in the specified format. Any and all documents, records, data storage devices, original drawings or other information shall become the property of the City for its use and/or distribution as may be deemed appropriate by the City.

# 3.6 Field Collection Monitoring

To obtain FEMA reimbursement for Eligible Debris, all loads must be monitored in the field by collection monitors. Specific activities shall include but are not limited to the following:

- **3.6.1** Contractor shall provide personnel to service as Field Monitors and Field Supervisors. The primary function of Field Monitors is to verify that debris picked up by the Disaster Debris Collector's recovery crews is Eligible Debris and to issue debris load tickets for such Eligible Debris, using approved electronic format. Field Supervisors shall oversee and coordinate the work of the Field Monitors.
- **3.6.2** Contractor shall train all Field Monitors and Field Supervisors to ensure that proper FEMA documentation protocol requirements are instituted and followed. Contractor shall equip all Field Monitors and Field Supervisors with vehicle transportation and technology including cameras, computers, cellular phones, tablets, handheld scanners, GPS devices and other equipment as deemed necessary and/or appropriate.
- **3.6.3** Contractor will have Field Monitors stationed at designated Choke Points. Contractor will also have roving Field Monitors that will observe Disaster Debris Collector operations to ensure that only Eligible Debris is removed from the areas designated by the City and the Presidentially-declared disaster area and to verify the proper loading and compaction of debris recovery equipment. Photographs of debris shall be taken as directed by the City and/or FEMA to verify the source and type of debris for reimbursement purposes. GPS coordinates and other location data may also be required. Trucks that are observed collecting material outside of the City or Presidentially-declared disaster area within the City limits or collecting other ineligible debris will have all loads hauled that day deducted for billing and reimbursement purposes and all load tickets will be invalidated.
- **3.6.4** If a Field Monitor finds that the Disaster Debris Collector's work is not performed as specified by the City and/or does not comply with FEMA, Federal or State requirements for debris collection activities, the Field Monitor must immediately initiate a stop work order and notify the Field Supervisor AND Project Manager. All stop work orders must be documented and reported immediately to the City's Contract Manager.
- **3.6.5** Field Monitors shall survey their assigned areas for special needs and record detailed information, including GPS and photo documentation, specific location, specific threat, and any special circumstances regarding Hazardous Stumps and leaning trees (leaners), as well as a random sampling of hanging limbs (hangers). For Hazardous Stumps, Field Monitors shall also record the stump's diameter measured two feet up the trunk from the ground and the quantity of material needed to fill the resulting hole. Field Monitors shall also document, in detail, removal of Hazardous Stumps, leaners and hangers.

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3.6.6 Field Monitors shall enforce the Disaster Debris Collector's Clean-As-You-Go policy.

# 3.7 Damage Complaint Tracking

**3.7.1** The Contractor shall track, manage, report, and provide customer follow up through resolution of all damage complaints resulting from debris removal activities. These complaints should at minimum include property owner name, address, and contact information along with photos, status of complaint and final resolution. Damage complaint report shall be provided via online cloud-based platform or other approved report provided at the Contract Manager's request.

# 3.8 DMS and Drop-Off Sites

- **3.8.1** Contractor shall provide adequate Site Monitors for each DMS. The five (4) DMS locations identified by the City for use are noted in Exhibit B. The City reserves the right to add, remove or change DMS locations are needed at the sole discretion of the City.
- **3.8.2** Contractor shall be prepared to begin accepting debris at the DMSs within twelve (12) hours of commencement of clean-up operations.
- **3.8.3** DMS Monitor responsibilities shall include but not be limited to the following:
- **3.8.4** Ensure all loads of debris hauled to the DMS site by the Disaster Debris Collector and all loads of debris exiting the site are documented with properly completed load tickets. By completing the load ticket, the Site Monitor certifies that all information on the document is complete and accurate, including load volumes.
- **3.8.5** Photograph loads of debris, as directed by the City or FEMA, and record load information with the photograph.
- **3.8.6** Compile all load tickets and provide copies to the Disaster Debris Collector in a format acceptable to the City and the collector's designated personnel.
- **3.8.7** Obtain and verify the Disaster Debris Collector's fleet documentation. Contractor will obtain from the Disaster Debris Collector such documentation, including the make, model, license plate number, Collector equipment number, measured and validated maximum volume in cubic yards, of the load bed of each piece of equipment to be utilized to transport debris and any other information necessary (including photographs) to comply with FEMA requirements. The measured volume shall be calculated from the actual physical measurement performed by the Disaster Debris Collector and the reported volume shall be the same as shown on signs affixed to each piece of equipment.
- **3.8.8** Certify all debris vehicles at the DMS beginning no later than twenty-four hours (24) hours after the storm passes. Contractor shall update the fleet documents as the Disaster Debris Collector adds or deletes vehicles from the collection fleet or when measurement calculations are modified through the random verification process. Contractor shall also periodically and randomly perform volume capacity verifications of recovery vehicles.
- **3.8.9** Verify that all Disaster Debris Collector equipment has been completely emptied prior to leaving the DMS.

- **3.8.10** Observe all vehicles entering and exiting he DMS to ensure that all vehicles are in good repair and safe to operate with secured sideboards and tailgates.
- **3.8.11** Contractor shall provide or arrange for field operations trailers and generators at all DMSs for use by its staff, including City staff designated to monitor recovery efforts.
- **3.8.12** Contractor shall provide Site Monitors for each Residential Drop-Off Site. Drop-Off Site Monitor responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to the following:
- **3.8.13** Ensure that only City of Fort Lauderdale residents are using the site, validating identification and address via driver's license, property tax statements, utility billing or other method acceptable to and approved by the City. If an individual is not a resident, it shall be the Site Monitor's responsibility to inform the individual of such and provide them options as to how they can manage their debris as directed by the City.
- **3.8.14** Record the address of the eligible site users and the type and quantity of debris brought to the site.
- **3.8.15** Record and provide a copy of the completed load tickets in a format acceptable to the Disaster Debris Collector so removal of debris is coordinated for removal from the Drop-Off Site.
- **3.8.16** Photograph debris, as directed by the City, to verify the source and type of debris.
- **3.8.17** Assist with communicating to residents the proper handling and disposal practices and with disseminating information via flyers, electronic media and social networking applications as approved by the Contract Manager.
- **3.8.18** Contractor shall be responsible for the following items at all DMS and Drop-Off Sites:
  - **3.8.18.1** Verify that all sites have access control and security.
  - **3.8.18.2** Monitor the type of debris entering the sites, classify debris by FEMA protocols (including separation for recyclable materials that may be diverted from the waste stream such as metals) and ensure each type of waste is placed in its proper location.
  - **3.8.18.3** Assist with coordinating the logistics of the site to ensure safe and efficient traffic flow.
  - **3.8.18.4** Conduct periodic safety inspections to ensure the Disaster Debris Collector is complying with safety regulations such as utilizing spotters, maintaining appropriate vehicle spacing buffers, properly controlling traffic, and wearing proper protective equipment (PPE).
  - **3.8.18.5** Be responsible for the end-of-day activities such as ensuring all operations have ceased for the day (as applicable) and all sites are closed and secured.
  - **3.8.18.6** Report safety or other hazards to the City's Contract Manager.

# 3.9 Other Related Services

- **3.9.1** The Contractor shall provide a written report to the City, to include a formal presentation upon request of Contract Manager, detailing the latest federal and state guidelines in effect as related to FEMA Public Assistance Grants. Such requests shall be no more frequently than annually.
- **3.9.2** Contractor shall provide other related services as requested by the City. Such services may include but are not limited to the following:

- **3.9.2.1** Perform damage assessments to determine areas impacted, quantities of debris and types of debris generated.
- **3.9.2.2** Assist the City in obtaining any necessary permits, licenses and certificates as may be required to perform debris management work and in clarifying and resolving any compliance issues.
- **3.9.2.3** Provide annual training to City staff as directed by the Contract Manager.
- **3.9.2.4** Be prepared with appropriate staffing, supervisors, and watercraft to oversee cleaning of debris from canals and waterways.
- **3.9.2.5** Additional services that the Contractor wishes to propose or that the City and the Contractor agree to add.

# 3.10 Contractor Personnel

- **3.10.1** Contractor shall secure, at its expense, all necessary personnel required to perform the services under this RFP. Such personnel shall not be employees of or have any contractual relationships with the City or the City's Disaster Debris Collector.
- **3.10.2** Contractor shall have a professional staff with the knowledge, skills, and training to monitor the disaster recovery process efficiently and effectively. Extensive knowledge of FEMA, FHWA, NRCS, FDOT, FFWC and other applicable Federal, State, or local agency laws, regulations and policies is required.
- **3.10.3** Contractor and Project Manager shall have experience in the FHWA, FEMA and other applicable Federal, State, and local programs to assist the City in its disaster response and recovery efforts. Proper documentation by Contractor as required by FHWA and FEMA is required for all debris removal monitoring operations to ensure reimbursement to the City from the appropriate agency. If necessary, Contractor's personnel shall possess any licenses or certifications that are required by Federal, State, or local law in order to perform such services.
- **3.10.4** At the City's Contract Manager's request, but no less than annually, Contractor shall submit an operations report that identifies key personnel and positions/classifications dedicated to this contract. Contractor shall update the operations report for any changes such as additions or deletions of staff. Any changes in key personnel, such as but not limited to, the Project Manager and Field Supervisors, must be approved by the City. The City retains the right to request personnel replacements.
- **3.10.5** Contractor's staffing plan shall include the below listed positions. Contractor may use other positions as necessary and as approved by the City. All such positions and applicable hourly rates, inclusive of any associated costs to provide services, shall be listed in the Cost Proposal Page provided herein.
  - **3.10.5.1 Project Manager:** Primary point of contact to the City; overall responsibility for all Contractor services and personnel.
  - **3.10.5.2** Field Supervisor: Responsible for a crew of Field Monitors.
  - **3.10.5.3** Field Monitor: Responsible for overseeing the Disaster Debris Collector's debris recovery activities and issuing load tickets.
  - **3.10.5.4 DMS Monitor:** Responsible for recording the volume of debris brought to a DMS by the Disaster Debris Collector.
  - **3.10.5.5 Drop-Off Site Monitor:** Responsible for determining the eligibility of users at the public debris Drop-Off Sites and issuing load tickets to the Disaster Debris Collector.

- **3.10.5.6 Debris Site Security:** Unarmed and non-sworn security at DMSs and Drop-Off Sites when sites are not open.
- **3.10.5.7 GIS Specialist:** Responsible for coordinating GIS application with City GIS staff members.
- **3.10.5.8 Data Entry Clerk:** Responsible for tracking, verifying, and entering load tickets or managing electronic entries from handheld scanning devices/platforms.
- **3.10.6** Contractor's DMS personnel must wear OSHA-required safety equipment whenever at a DMS and must adhere to all Disaster Debris Collector site safety requirements. Field personnel shall be identifiable with safety vests and vehicle placards.

# 3.11 Other Agencies

- **3.11.1** Contractor selected to perform services under this contract may, upon mutual agreement, permit any municipality or other governmental agency to participate in the Contract under the same prices, terms, and conditions. This agreement in no way restricts or interferes with any municipality or governmental agency from re-solicitation.
- **3.11.2** It is understood that at no time will any city, municipality or other agency be obligated for placing an order for any other city, municipality, or agency, nor will any city, municipality or other agency be obligated for any costs or bills incurred by any other city, municipality or agency. Further, it is understood that each agency will issue its own purchase order to the awarded Contractor.

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#### SECTION IV – SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

#### 4.1 Instructions

- **4.1.1** The City of Fort Lauderdale uses BidSync (www.bidsync.com) 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 RFP from BidSync. Proposers are strongly encouraged to read the various vendor Guides and Tutorials available in BidSync well in advance of their intention of submitting a proposal to ensure familiarity with the use of BidSync. 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 BidSync.
- **4.1.2** Careful attention must be given to all requested items contained in this RFP. Proposers are invited to submit proposals in accordance with the requirements of this RFP. Please read entire solicitation before submitting a proposal. Proposers must provide a response to each requirement of the RFP. Proposals should be prepared in a concise manner with an emphasis on completeness and clarity. Notes, exceptions, and comments may be rendered on an attachment, provided the same format of this RFP text is followed.
- **4.1.3** All information submitted by Proposer shall be typewritten or provided as otherwise instructed to in the RFP. Proposers shall use and submit any applicable or required forms provided by the City and attach such to their proposal. Failure to use the forms may cause the proposal to be rejected and deemed non-responsive.
- **4.1.4** Proposals shall be submitted by an authorized representative of the firm. Proposals must be submitted in the business entities 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 All proposals will become the property of the City. The Proposer's response to the RFP is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material submitted in connection with this RFP and the Contract to be executed for this RFP, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes. Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the RFP purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the RFP, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the RFP constitutes a Trade Secret. The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the Proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the city and the city's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the city's treatment of records as public records. In the event of Contract award, all documentation produced as part of the Contract shall become the exclusive property of the City.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT <u>PRRCONTRACT@FORTLAUDERDALE.GOV</u>, 954-828-5002, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301.

Contractor shall:

- 1. Keep and maintain public records required by the City in order to perform the service.
- 2. Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (2018), as may be amended or revised, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of this contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City.
- 4. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the City upon completion of this Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor 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 proposals. Proposals should seek to avoid information in excess of that requested, must be concise, and must specifically address the issues of this RFP. The City prefers that proposals 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 proposal 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 proposal to specific requirements stated herein or through the RFP.

# 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 proposal.

# 4.2.3 Experience and Qualifications

- **4.2.3.1** State the number of years that the Proposer has been in existence, the current number of employees, and the primary markets served.
  - a. Describe the Proposer's experience and relevant past performance in performing disaster debris removal monitoring services. Recent experience that demonstrates current capability (i.e., staffing, and other necessary resources, and current expertise in debris removal, solid waste and hazardous waste management and debris disposal monitoring).
  - b. Documented knowledge and experience of Federal, State and Local emergency agencies, state and federal programs, funding sources and reimbursement processes.
  - c. Experience demonstrating knowledge of environmental requirements.
  - d. Experience demonstrating knowledge in all aspects of emergency management to include procurement, deployment and management of field staff, operations, planning, contract management and accounting/reporting systems.
  - e. Governmental experience, including data on FEMA reimbursement success rates (i.e.: actual reimbursement from FEMA, including debris removal, divided by the total reimbursement requested from FEMA) and data on response times.
- **4.2.3.2** Provide a detailed description of comparable contracts (similar in scope of services to those requested herein) which the Proposer has either ongoing or completed. The description should identify for each project:
  - a. client;
  - b. description of work;
  - c. total dollar value of the contract;
  - d. dates covering the term of the contract;
  - e. client contact person and phone number;
  - f. statement of whether Proposer was the prime contractor or subcontractor; and
  - g. the results of the project and FEMA's reimbursement success rate; and
  - h. volume of debris managed and disposed
- **4.2.3.3 Note:** Where possible, list and describe those projects performed for government clients or similar size private entities (excluding any work performed for the City).

# 4.2.3.4 Key Personnel and Subcontractors Performing Services

a. Provide an organization chart showing all key personnel, including their titles, to be assigned to this project. This chart must clearly identify the Proposer's employees and those of the subcontractors or subconsultants and shall include the functions to be performed by each individual. Provide resumes, if available with job descriptions and other detailed qualification information on such key

personnel, including any key personnel of subcontractors. All key personnel include all partners, project managers, seniors, and other professional staff [refer to staffing positions listed in Section VI- Cost Proposal Page that will perform work and/or services in this project.]

- **4.2.3.5** List the names and addresses of all first-tier subcontractors. Describe the experience, qualifications, and other vital information, including relevant experience on previous similar projects, of all key personnel, including those of subcontractors who will be assigned to this project.
- **4.2.3.6** Note: After proposal submission, but prior to the award of any contract issued as a result of this Solicitation, the Proposer has a continuing obligation to advise the City of any changes, intended or otherwise, to the key personnel identified in its proposal.

# 4.2.4 Approach to Scope of Work

Provide in concise narrative form, your understanding of the City's needs, goals and objectives as they relate to the project, and your overall approach to accomplishing the project. Give an overview on your proposed vision, ideas and methodology. Describe your proposed approach to the project.

The proposer shall also propose a scheduling methodology (timeline) for effectively managing and executing the work in the optimum time. The delivery time shall be stated in calendar days from the date of City notification of award or notice to proceed with delivery. Such timeline information and proposed dates shall include, but not necessarily be limited to: delivery, installation, acceptance testing, personnel, and other related completion dates, in accordance with the RFP specifications.

Also provide information on your firm's current workload and how this project will fit into your workload. Describe available facilities, technological capabilities, and other available resources you offer for the project.

Additionally, the proposal should specifically address:

- (1) ADMS platform to be used and resulting report availability
  - a. Sample reports
- (2) Other technolozgy options and capabilities
- (3) Personnel provided for:
  - a. TDMS locations
  - b. Drop-Off Sites
  - c. Field Monitors
  - d. Supervisory and Administrative Support
  - e. Contractor's Project Manager assigned to the City
- (4) Equipment owned by Contractor to be used under this contract
- (5) Any additional services that can be provided that would assist in recovery efforts along with associated costs or pricing

# 4.2.5 References

Provide at least five references, preferably government agencies, for projects with similar scope as listed in this RFP. Information should include:

(1) Client Name, address, contact person, telephone number, and E-mail addresses.

(2) Description of work.

- (3) Year the project was completed
- (4) Total cost of the project estimated and actual.
- (5) Scope of the project including approach, resources, and photographs as appropriate
- (6) Percentage of expenses reimbursed through FEMA
- **Note:** Do not include City of Fort Lauderdale work or staff as references to demonstrate your capabilities. The Committee is interested in work experience and references other than the City of Fort Lauderdale. The City will be reaching out to these contacts/firms. Proposer is responsible for ensuring all information is current and references notified in advance of our inquiry.

## 4.2.6 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.

#### 4.2.7 Subcontractors

Proposer must clearly identify any subcontractors that may be utilized during the term of this contract.

# 4.2.8 Required Forms

#### A. Proposal Certification

Complete and attach the Proposal Certification provided herein.

#### **B.** Cost Proposal

Provide firm, fixed, costs for all services/products using the form provided in this request for proposal. These firm fixed costs for the project include any costs for travel and miscellaneous expenses. No other costs will be accepted.

#### C. Non-Collusion Statement

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

# D. Non-Discrimination Certification Form

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

#### E. Contract Payment Method

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

#### F. E-Verify Affirmation Statement

This form must be completed and returned with your proposal.

G. Exhibit A - Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

This form must be completed and returned with your proposal.

H. Exhibit A - Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements This form must be completed and returned with your proposal.

# I. 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 the required coverage and limits.

# J. W-9 for Proposing Firm

This form must be completed and returned with your proposal.

K. Active Status Page from Division of Corporations – Sunbiz.org Provide PDF of current page with your proposal.

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## SECTION V - EVALUATION AND AWARD

## 5.1 Evaluation Procedure

## 5.1.1 Bid Tabulations/Intent to Award

Notice of Intent to Award Contract/Bid, resulting from the City's Formal solicitation process, requiring City Commission action, may be found at: <u>http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award</u>. Tabulations of receipt of those parties responding to a formal solicitation may be found at: <u>http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/bid-results</u>, or any interested party may call the Procurement Services Division at 954-828-5933.

- **5.1.2** Evaluation of proposals 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 in attendance at scheduled evaluation meetings. Meetings may be in person or virtual. Proposals shall be evaluated based upon the information and references contained in the responses as submitted.
- **5.1.3** The Committee may short list Proposals that it deems best satisfy the weighted criteria set forth herein. The committee may then conduct virtual interviews and/or require virtual oral presentations from the short-listed Proposers. The Evaluation Committee shall then re-score and re-rank the short-listed firms in accordance with the weighted criteria.
- **5.1.4** The City may require visits to the Proposer's facilities to inspect record keeping procedures, staff, facilities and equipment as part of the evaluation process.
- **5.1.5** The final ranking and the Evaluation Committee's recommendation may then be reported to the City Manager for consideration of contract award.

## 5.2 Evaluation Criteria

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

## 5.2.2 Weighted Criteria

QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND KEY PERSONNEL	20%
Sections 4.2.2, 4.2.3, 4.2.6, and 4.2.7, including firm's background, history, and overall relevant experience, expertise, and qualifications of key personnel, including key personnel of subcontractors, if applicable, that will be assigned to this project, and experience and qualifications of subcontractors in performing proposed work.	
Staff experience and resumes- specifically, operational and administrative personnel assigned to the City	

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PROPOSER'S APPROACH/METHODOLGY (TITLE)	20%
Section 4.2.4, including Operational plan for the City.	
Response times and operational plans for monitoring debris recovery	
Procedures for documentation and verification functions	
Organizational structure of firm, chain of command, subcontractor's plan, and capacity	
Onsite emergency response and communications	
Quality control and customer service plans	
RESOURCES AND AVAILABILITY	15%
Current workload and future commitments	
Plan for managing multiple Florida-based debris management/grant support contracts	
Demonstrated financial capability	
PAST PERFORMANCE	15%
Reference Checks (Section 4.2.5)	
Closed, active and pending FEMA disputes, audits, or lawsuits	
Explanation of unrecovered FEMA reimbursements	
COST PROPOSAL (Section 4.2.8 and Section VI)	30%
TOTAL PERCENT AVAILABLE:	100%

## 5.3 Contract Award

The City reserves the right to award a contract to that Contractor who will best serve the interest of the City. The City reserves the right, based upon its deliberations and in its opinion, to accept or reject any or all proposals. The City also reserves the right to waive minor irregularities or variations of the submittal requirements and RFP process.

END OF SECTION

## **SECTION VI - COST PROPOSAL PAGE**

Proposer agrees to supply the products and services at the prices bid below in accordance with the terms, conditions and specifications contained in this RFP.

Cost to the City: Contractor shall quote firm, fixed, costs for all services/products identified in this request for proposal. These firm fixed costs for the project include any costs for travel and miscellaneous expenses. No other costs will be accepted.

Notes: Attach a breakdown of costs including but not limited to labor, equipment, materials and parts.

POSITION	ESTIMATED HOURS		HOURLY RATE	SUB-TOTAL
Legislative Affairs Consultant	50	Х		\$-
Project Office/Principal	360	Х		\$-
Project Manager	700	Х		\$-
Operations Manager	1900	Х		\$-
FEMA Reimbursement Manager	500	Х		\$-
Field Supervisor	8000	Х		\$-
Field Monitor	43000	Х		\$-
TDMS and Drop-Off Site Monitors	22000	Х		\$-
TDMS/Drop-Off Site Security	7560	Х		\$-
Data Manager	700	Х		\$-
Data Support Personnel	300	Х		\$-
GIS Specialist	200	Х		\$-
Operations Specialist	700	Х		\$-
Engineer	400	Х		\$-
Environmental Consultant	700	Х		\$-
Environmental Field Technician	700	Х		\$-
Inspector	300	Х		\$-
Safety Consultant	50	Х		\$-
Scientist	50	Х		\$-
Administrative Support (Includes Invoice Reconciliation, Accounting, Report Generation)	2400	х		\$-
Data Entry Clerk	1100	Х		\$-
Addl. A	1	Х		\$-
Addl. B	1	Х		\$-
Addl. C	1	Х		\$-
Addl. D	1	Х		\$-

Total

\$

**Proposing Firm** 

Name (Printed)

Title

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Signature

Date

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## EXHIBIT A

## FEDERAL UNIFORM GUIDANCE REQUIREMENTS

This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the contract. The Contractor will comply will all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives. The Federal Government is not a party to the awarded contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Client, Contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract. The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

## **Procurement of Recovered Materials**

In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:

- (1) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
- (2) Meeting contract performance requirements; or
- (3) At a reasonable price.

Information about this requirement is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <u>http://www.epa.gov/cpg/</u>. The list of EPA-designate items is available at <u>http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products.htm</u>.

## Buy America

The Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the Federal Buy America law (See 23 U.S.C. 313, ISTEA Sections 1041(a) and 1048(a), and FHWA's implementing regulations at 23 CFR 635.410, as they may be amended from time to time), as they relate to Federal-aid contracts and the use of steel and iron produced in the United States. Contractor shall provide a certification statement regarding the origin of all materials or products covered under the Buy America provisions and used in its performance of the Agreement in accordance with the requirements of law and the AUTHORITY, FDOT, FHWA, and FEMA, to the extent applicable.

## <u>Contracting with Small and Minority Businesses, Women's Business</u> <u>Enterprises and Labor</u> <u>Surplus Area Firms</u>

The Client must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

## Affirmative steps must include:

- (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
- (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
- (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises.

- (5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
- (6) Requiring the prime Contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

## Equal Opportunity Clause

Compliance with Regulations: The Contractor shall comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made apart of this contract.

During the performance of any awarded "federally assisted contracts" the Contractor agrees as follows:

(1) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer, recruitment, or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The Contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting

agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

- (7) In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the Contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (8) The Contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a sub-contractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

## Compliance with Title VI, Title VII and Other Federal Laws and Regulations

The Contractor does hereby represent and certify that it will comply with all the requirements imposed by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as they have been and may be modified from time to time (42 USC 2000d, *et. seq.* and 3601 *et.seq.*), and the Age Discrimination and Employment Act of 1967 and Section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 USC 6102), and all applicable Federal laws and regulations, policies, procedures, and directives of the U.S. DOT, FHWA, FEMA, and/or other Federal-aid agencies, as they may be promulgated and amended from time to time.

## **Americans with Disabilities Act**

The Contractor does hereby represent and certify that it will comply with all the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 USC 12102, et seq.), as it may be amended, and all applicable implementing regulations of the U.S. DOT, FHWA, FEMA and other Federal-aid agencies.

## Convict Labor Prohibition

The Contractor does hereby represent and certify that it will comply with the convict labor prohibition in 23 U.S.C. 114, and all implementing regulations thereto.

## Access to Records and Their Retention

The Contractor shall maintain adequate records to justify all charges, expenses, and costs incurred in estimating and performing the Agreement for at least five (5) years after completion or termination of this Agreement or closure of an "emergency event" with the Florida Division of Emergency Management, whichever comes last, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of the Agreement, the Contractor agrees to maintain said records until all litigation, claims, appeals or exceptions related thereto have been resolved.

The Contractor shall make all of its books, records, and other documents related, in any manner to its or its sub-contractors' performance of the Agreement, available to the City of Fort Lauderdale and any other funding entity (*e.g.*, FDOT, FHWA, FEMA, the Comptroller General of the U.S. or any of their authorized representatives) for the purpose of examination, audit, reproduction, excerpts and transcripts, during

normal business hours, at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor shall also require its subcontractors to make their books, records, and documents available for examination, audit, reproduction, excerpts, and transcripts, for the same duration and in the same manner, and at or near the same locations of Contractor.

## Audit Requirements

The Contractor agrees that audits may be undertaken of its records related to its performance of the Agreement as may be authorized or required under OMB Circular A-133, as revised. The Contractor agrees that it will comply and fully cooperate with the City of Fort Lauderdale and any State and/or Federal funding agency(ies), including but not limited to FDOT, Florida's Auditor General, FHWA, FEMA, or any of their authorized representatives, in any audit or monitoring procedures or processes any such entity(ies) may undertake related to Contractor's performance of the Agreement.

## National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

The Contractor shall cooperate with the City of Fort Lauderdale, FDOT, FHWA and FEMA so as to assure that all activities related to the performance of this Agreement comply with the requirements of the National NEPA of 1969, as amended, and the regulations and guidance related thereto.

## Compliance with David-Bacon Act

When the construction, alteration, or repair of public buildings or public works is applicable to Contractor's Work, the Contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. § 3141 – 3144 and 3146 - 3148, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.

The Contractor or sub-Contractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as the FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the sub-Contractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any sub-Contractor or lower tier sub-Contractor with all of these contract clauses.

A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a Contractor and sub-Contractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

## Compliance with Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act

The Contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.

The Contractor or sub-Contractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as the FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the sub-Contractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any sub-Contractor or lower tier sub-Contractor with all of these contractclauses.

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## <u>Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704- as Supplemented by</u> <u>Department of Labor Regulations (29 CFR Part 5)</u>

Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(1) Overtime requirements. No Contractor or sub-Contractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-halftimes the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

- (2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the Contractor and any sub-contractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and sub-contractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The Client shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any Disaster Debris Disposal and Removal Services 53 Federal contract with the same prime Contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime Contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or sub-contractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph of this section.

## **Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement**

If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR § 401.2 and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

## Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act

Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387) and must report violations to FEMA and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

## Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act

Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201) and the provisions of the state Energy Conservation Plan adopted pursuant thereto.

## Suspension and Debarment

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the Contractor is required to verify that none of the Contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

The Contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the Client. If it is later determined that the Contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the State and the Client, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/ or debarment.

The Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the Disaster Debris Disposal and Removal Services period of any contract that may arise from this contract. The Contractor further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

## Bvrd Anti-Lobbving Amendment 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (As Amended)

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

## DHS Seal. Logo. and Flags

The Contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre- approval.

## No Obligation to Federal Government

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

## Prohibition on Contracting for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services

- (a) Definitions. As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), as used in this clause.
- (b) Prohibitions.
  - (1) Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.
  - (2) Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:
    - (i) Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
    - (ii) Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;

- (ii) Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or (iv) Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.
- (c) Exceptions.
  - (1) This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—
    - (i) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or Contract Provisions Guide 28
    - (ii) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
  - (2) By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:
    - (i) Covered telecommunications equipment or services that: i. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and ii. Are not used as critical technology of any system.
    - (ii) Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.
- (d) Reporting requirement.
  - (1) In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.
  - (2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:
    - (i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
    - (ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services. (e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments."
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## **CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION**

## **Contractor Covered Transactions**

The prospective Contractor of the Recipient, \_\_\_\_\_\_, certifies, by submission of this document, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

Where the Recipient's Contractor is unable to certify to the above statement, the prospective Contractor shall attach an explanation to this form.

Contractor / Firm
Signature and Date

Name and Title (Printed)

Street Address

City, State, Zip

**Division Contract Number** 

FEMA Project Number

## CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, LOANS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor/Firm, \_\_\_\_\_\_, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Print Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date





## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF Environmental Protection

Bob Martinez Center 2600 Blair Stone Road Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400 Ron DeSantis Governor

Jeanette Nuñez Lt. Governor

Noah Valenstein Secretary

Sent via email to: tbalint@fortlauderdale.gov

Date: March 16, 2021

MELISSA DOYLE 949 NW 38TH STREET FORT LAUDERDALE FL 33309

RE: 2021 - Pre-Authorization for Disaster Debris Management Sites (DDMS)

Dear MELISSA DOYLE

This is to notify you that on March 16, 2021, the Department of Environmental Protection (the Department) received your request for pre-authorization of a disaster debris management site(s) (DDMS) for 2021. Disaster debris includes hurricane/storm-generated debris and all other types of disaster debris.

The Department has evaluated your request for a DDMS at the following location(s):

Site Name: HOLIDAY PARK DEBRIS STAGING AREA-98076 Site Address: US 1 AND SUNRISE BLVD Ft Lauderdale, FL, 33304 Waste Planned for Management: Construction & Demolition Debris, Yard Trash, Mixed On-Site Contact: Melissa Doyle (954) 828-6111, mdoyle@fortlauderdale.gov DEP/Local Program Contact: Amede Dimonnay, (954)519-1443, adimonnay@broward.org

Site Name: FT LAUDERDALE INCINERATOR (WINGATE)-53396
Site Address: 1300 NW 31ST AVE (WINGATE RD)
Ft Lauderdale, FL, 33311
Waste Planned for Management: Construction & Demolition Debris, Yard Trash, Mixed
On-Site Contact: Melissa Doyle
(954) 828-6111, mdoyle@fortlauderdale.gov
DEP/Local Program Contact: Amede Dimonnay, (954)519-1443, adimonnay@broward.org

Site Name: SNYDER PARK TRANSFER STATION-95284 Site Address: 3299 SW 4 AVENUE Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33315 Waste Planned for Management: Construction & Demolition Debris, Yard Trash, Mixed On-Site Contact: Melissa Doyle (954) 828-6111, mdoyle@fortlauderdale.gov DEP/Local Program Contact: Amede Dimonnay, (954)519-1443, adimonnay@broward.org

Site Name: MILLS POND PARK DEBRIS STAGING AREA-98075

Site Address: 2201 NW NINTH AVENUE Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33311 Waste Planned for Management: Construction & Demolition Debris, Yard Trash, Mixed On-Site Contact: Melissa Doyle (954) 828-6111, mdoyle@fortlauderdale.gov DEP/Local Program Contact: Amede Dimonnay, (954)519-1443, adimonnay@broward.org

Unless you receive a subsequent notification from the Department concerning the status of these sites, you may consider them pre-authorized as disaster debris management sites.

In the event of a major storm event or other disaster which results in the Department issuing an Emergency Final Order (the Order) for your county, you may begin using a temporary DDMS as necessary, while also requesting issuance of a field authorization from the Department. Once activated, a DDMS is subject to the following conditions, in addition to the requirements of the Order and Florida Statute 403.7071:

## 1) The Department must be notified when the site is opened and begins accepting debris, and when the site is closed and all debris has been removed;

2) Standing water must not be allowed to accumulate in or within 50 feet of areas used to store or process disaster debris;

3) Access must be controlled to prevent unauthorized dumping and scavenging;

4) A DDMS must have spotters to correctly identify and segregate waste types for appropriate management;

5) Once the site is open, a spotter must be located in the area where the waste is being deposited in order to spot and remove prohibited waste items;

6) A DDMS is limited to managing the waste identified above for each site; any putrescible waste received at the DDMS must be removed within 48 hours, and all other types of prohibited waste should be managed in accordance with the guidance document (see link below);

7) Unless otherwise approved by the Department in response to a written request from you, the DDMS must cease operation and all disaster debris must be removed from the sites on or before the expiration date of an Order that has been executed by the Department, unless it is modified or extended by further authorization.

Failure to comply with the conditions of the field authorization, or failure to adequately close a site by the required closure date, may result in enforcement action by the Department.

The Department has also prepared a guidance document on the establishment, operation, and closure of a DDMS for disaster debris. This guidance document includes recommended practices, which you are expected to follow as much as practicable, as well as additional requirements from the Order. A copy of this guidance document is available on the DEP website

https://floridadep.gov/waste/permitting-compliance-assistance/documents/guidance-establishment-operation-and-closure

This guidance is not a substitute for federal requirements and guidance, including those from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

### CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE GENERAL CONDITIONS

These instructions and conditions are standard for all contracts for commodities or services issued through the City of Fort Lauderdale Procurement Services Division. The City may delete, supersede, or modify any of these standard instructions for a particular contract by indicating such change in the Invitation to Bid (ITB) Special Conditions, Technical Specifications, Instructions, Proposal Pages, Addenda, and Legal Advertisement. In this general conditions document, Invitation to Bid (ITB), Request for Qualifications (RFQ), and Request for Proposal (RFP) are interchangeable.

### PART I BIDDER PROPOSAL PAGE(S) CONDITIONS:

- 1.01 BIDDER ADDRESS: The City maintains automated vendor address lists that have been generated for each specific Commodity Class item through our bid issuing service, BidSync. Notices of Invitations to Bid (ITB'S) are sent by e-mail to the selection of bidders who have fully registered with BidSync or faxed (if applicable) to every vendor on those lists, who may then view the bid documents online. Bidders who have been informed of a bid's availability in any other manner are responsible for registering with BidSync in order to view the bid documents. There is no fee for doing so. If you wish bid notifications be provided to another e-mail address or fax, please contact BidSync. If you wish purchase orders sent to a different address, please so indicate in your bid response. If you wish payments sent to a different address, please so indicate on your invoice.
- 1.02 DELIVERY: Time will be of the essence for any orders placed as a result of this ITB. The City reserves the right to cancel any orders, or part thereof, without obligation if delivery is not made in accordance with the schedule specified by the Bidder and accepted by the City.
- 1.03 PACKING SLIPS: It will be the responsibility of the awarded Contractor, to attach all packing slips to the OUTSIDE of each shipment. Packing slips must provide a detailed description of what is to be received and reference the City of Fort Lauderdale purchase order number that is associated with the shipment. Failure to provide a detailed packing slip attached to the outside of shipment may result in refusal of shipment at Contractor's expense.
- 1.04 PAYMENT TERMS AND CASH DISCOUNTS: Payment terms, unless otherwise stated in this ITB, will be considered to be net 45 days after the date of satisfactory delivery at the place of acceptance and receipt of correct invoice at the office specified, whichever occurs last. Bidder may offer cash discounts for prompt payment but they will not be considered in determination of award. If a Bidder offers a discount, it is understood that the discount time will be computed from the date of satisfactory delivery, at the place of acceptance, and receipt of correct invoice, at the office specified, whichever occurs last.
- 1.05 TOTAL BID DISCOUNT: If Bidder offers a discount for award of all items listed in the bid, such discount shall be deducted from the total of the firm net unit prices bid and shall be considered in tabulation and award of bid.
- **BIDS FIRM FOR ACCEPTANCE:** Bidder warrants, by virtue of bidding, that the bid and the prices quoted in the bid will be firm for acceptance by the City for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of bid opening unless otherwise stated in the ITB.
- 1.07 VARIANCES: For purposes of bid evaluation, Bidder's must indicate any variances, no matter how slight, from ITB General Conditions, Special Conditions, Specifications or Addenda in the space provided in the ITB. No variations or exceptions by a Bidder will be considered or deemed a part of the bid submitted unless such variances or exceptions are listed in the bid and referenced in the space provided on the bidder proposal pages. If variances are not stated, or referenced as required, it will be assumed that the product or service fully complies with the City's terms, conditions, and specifications.

By receiving a bid, City does not necessarily accept any variances contained in the bid. All variances submitted are subject to review and approval by the City. If any bid contains material variances that, in the City's sole opinion, make that bid conditional in nature, the City reserves the right to reject the bid or part of the bid that is declared by the City as conditional.

- 1.08 NO BIDS: If you do not intend to bid please indicate the reason, such as insufficient time to respond, do not offer product or service, unable to meet specifications, schedule would not permit, or any other reason, in the space provided in this ITB. Failure to bid or return no bid comments prior to the bid due and opening date and time, indicated in this ITB, may result in your firm being deleted from our Bidder's registration list for the Commodity Class Item requested in this ITB.
- 1.09 MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION AND BUSINESS DEFINITIONS: The City of Fort Lauderdale wants to increase the participation of Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE), and Small Business Enterprises (SBE) in its procurement activities. If your firm qualifies in accordance with the below definitions please indicate in the space provided in this ITB.

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) "A Minority Business" is a business enterprise that is owned or controlled by one or more socially or economically disadvantaged persons. Such disadvantage may arise from cultural, racial, chronic economic circumstances or background or other similar cause. Such persons include, but are not limited to: Blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans.

The term "Minority Business Enterprise" means a business at least 51 percent of which is owned by minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by minority group members. For the purpose of the preceding sentence, minority group members are citizens of the United States who include, but are not limited to: Blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans, and Native Americans.

Women Business Enterprise (WBE) a "Women Owned or Controlled Business" is a business enterprise at least 51 percent of which is owned by females or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by females.

Small Business Enterprise (SBE) "Small Business" means a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other legal entity formed for the purpose of making a profit, which is independently owned and operated, has either fewer than 100 employees or less than \$1,000,000 in annual gross receipts.

## BLACK, which includes persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

WHITE, which includes persons whose origins are Anglo-Saxon and Europeans and persons of Indo-European decent including Pakistani and East Indian. HISPANIC, which includes persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central and South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. NATIVE AMERICAN, which includes persons whose origins are American Indians, Eskimos, Aleuts, or Native Hawaiians. ASIAN AMERICAN, which includes persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or

### 1.10 MINORITY-WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION

It is the desire of the City of Fort Lauderdale to increase the participation of minority (MBE) and women-owned (WBE) businesses in its contracting and

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procurement programs. While the City does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms. Proposers are requested to include in their proposals a narrative describing their past accomplishments and intended actions in this area. If proposers are considering minority or women owned enterprise participation in their proposal, those firms, and their specific duties have to be identified in the proposal. If a proposer is considered for award, he or she will be asked to meet with City staff so that the intended MBE/WBE participation can be formalized and included in the subsequent contract.

### 1.11 <u>SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES</u>

As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, 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 (2020), as may be amended or revised. As a condition precedent to any contract for goods or services of any amount and as a condition precedent to the renewal of any contract for goods or services of any amount, the Contractor certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), and that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or 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 (2020), as may be amended or revised, or been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, or been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined in Section 2

### 1.12 DEBARRED OR SUSPENDED BIDDERS OR PROPOSERS

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

### Part II DEFINITIONS/ORDER OF PRECEDENCE:

2.01 **BIDDING DEFINITIONS** The City will use the following definitions in its general conditions, special conditions, technical specifications, instructions to bidders, addenda and any other document used in the bidding process:

INVITATION TO BID (ITB) The solicitation document used for soliciting competitive sealed bids for goods or services.

INVITATION TO NEGOTIATE (ITN) All solicitation documents, regardless of medium, whether attached to or incorporated by reference in solicitations for responses from firms that invite proposals from interested and qualified firms so the city may enter into negotiations with the firm(s) determined most capable of providing the required goods or services.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) A solicitation method used for soliciting competitive sealed proposals to determine the best value among proposals for goods or services for which price may not be the prevailing factor in award of the contract, or the scope of work, specifications or contract terms and conditions may be difficult to define. Such solicitation will consider the qualifications of the proposers along with evaluation of each proposal using identified and generally weighted evaluation criteria. RFPs may include price criteria whenever feasible, at the discretion of the city.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) A solicitation method used for requesting statements of qualifications in order to determine the most qualified proposer for professional services.

BID - a price and terms quote received in response to an ITB.

PROPOSAL – a proposal received in response to an RFP.

BIDDER – Person or firm submitting a Bid.

PROPOSER – Person or firm submitting a Proposal.

RESPONSIVE BIDDER - A firm who has submitted a bid, offer, quote, or response which conforms in all material respects to the competitive solicitation document and all of its requirements.

RESPONSIBLE BIDDER – A firm who is fully capable of meeting all requirements of the solicitation and subsequent contract. The respondent must possess the full capability, including financial and technical, ability, business judgment, experience, qualifications, facilities, equipment, integrity, capability, and reliability, in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and assure good faith performance as determined by the city.

FIRST RANKED PROPOSER – That Proposer, responding to a City RFP, whose Proposal is deemed by the City, the most advantageous to the City after applying the evaluation criteria contained in the RFP.

SELLER - Successful Bidder or Proposer who is awarded a Purchase Order or Contract to provide goods or services to the City.

CONTRACTOR – Any firm having a contract with the city. Also referred to as a "Vendor".

CONTRACT – All types of agreements, including purchase orders, for procurement of supplies, services, and construction, regardless of what these agreements may be called.

CONSULTANT – A firm providing professional services for the city.

2.02 SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Any and all Special Conditions contained in this ITB that may be in variance or conflict with these General Conditions shall have precedence over these General Conditions. If no changes or deletions to General Conditions are made in the Special Conditions, then the General Conditions shall prevail in their entirety,

### PART III BIDDING AND AWARD PROCEDURES:

- 3.01 SUBMISSION AND RECEIPT OF BIDS: To receive consideration, bids must be received prior to the bid opening date and time. Unless otherwise specified, Bidders should use the proposal forms provided by the City. These forms may be duplicated, but failure to use the forms may cause the bid to be rejected. Any erasures or corrections on the bid must be made in ink and initialed by Bidder in ink. All information submitted by the Bidder shall be printed, typewritten or filled in with pen and ink. Bids shall be signed in ink. Separate bids must be submitted for each ITB issued by the City in separate sealed envelopes properly marked. When a particular ITB or RFP requires multiple copies of bids or proposals they may be included in a single envelope or package properly sealed and identified. Only send bids via facsimile transmission (FAX) if the ITB specifically states that bids sent via FAX will be considered. If such a statement is not included in the ITB, bids sent via FAX will be rejected. Bids will be tabulated area, in the presence of Bidders, the public, and City staff. Bidders and the public are invited and encouraged to attend bid openings. Bids will be tabulated and made available for review by Bidder's and the public in accordance with applicable regulations.
- 3.02 MODEL NUMBER CORRECTIONS: If the model number for the make specified in this ITB is incorrect, or no longer available and replaced with an updated model with new specifications, the Bidder shall enter the correct model number on the bidder proposal page. In the case of an updated model with new specifications, Bidder shall provide adequate information to allow the City to determine if the model bid meets the City's requirements.

- 3.03 **PRICES QUOTED:** Deduct trade discounts, and quote firm net prices. Give both unit price and extended total. In the case of a discrepancy in computing the amount of the bid, the unit price quoted will govern. All prices quoted shall be F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid (Bidder pays and bears freight charges, Bidder owns goods in transit and files any claims), unless otherwise stated in Special Conditions. Each item must be bid separately. No attempt shall be made to tie any item or items contained in the ITB with any other business with the City.
- 3.04 TAXES: The City of Fort Lauderdale is exempt from Federal Excise and Florida Sales taxes on direct purchase of tangible property. Exemption number for EIN is 59-6000319, and State Sales tax exemption number is 85-8013875578C-1.
- **3.05** WARRANTIES OF USAGE: Any quantities listed in this ITB as estimated or projected are provided for tabulation and information purposes only. No warranty or guarantee of quantities is given or implied. It is understood that the Contractor will furnish the City's needs as they arise.
- 3.06 APPROVED EQUAL: When the technical specifications call for a brand name, manufacturer, make, model, or vendor catalog number with acceptance of APPROVED EQUAL, it shall be for the purpose of establishing a level of quality and features desired and acceptable to the City. In such cases, the City will be receptive to any unit that would be considered by qualified City personnel as an approved equal. In that the specified make and model represent a level of quality and features desired by the City, the Bidder must state clearly in the bid any variance from those specifications. It is the Bidder's responsibility to provide adequate information, in the bid, to enable the City to ensure that the bid meets the required criteria. If adequate information is not submitted with the bid, it may be rejected. The City will be the sole judge in determining if the item bid qualifies as an approved equal.
- 3.07 MINIMUM AND MANDATORY TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS: The technical specifications may include items that are considered minimum, mandatory, or required. If any Bidder is unable to meet or exceed these items, and feels that the technical specifications are overly restrictive, the bidder must notify the Procurement Services Division immediately. Such notification must be received by the Procurement Services Division prior to the deadline contained in the ITB, for questions of a material nature, or prior to five (5) days before bid due and open date, whichever occurs first. If no such notification is received prior to that deadline, the City will consider the technical specifications to be acceptable to all bidders.
- **3.08 MISTAKES:** Bidders are cautioned to examine all terms, conditions, specifications, drawings, exhibits, addenda, delivery instructions and special conditions pertaining to the ITB. Failure of the Bidder to examine all pertinent documents shall not entitle the bidder to any relief from the conditions imposed in the contract.
- 3.09 SAMPLES AND DEMONSTRATIONS: Samples or inspection of product may be requested to determine suitability. Unless otherwise specified in Special Conditions, samples shall be requested after the date of bid opening, and if requested should be received by the City within seven (7) working days of request. Samples, when requested, must be furnished free of expense to the City and if not used in testing or destroyed, will upon request of the Bidder, be returned within thirty (30) days of bid award at Bidder's expense. When required, the City may request full demonstrations of units prior to award. When such demonstrations are requested, the Bidder shall respond promptly and arrange a demonstration at a convenient location. Failure to provide samples or demonstrations as specified by the City may result in rejection of a bid.
- **3.10 LIFE CYCLE COSTING:** If so specified in the ITB, the City may elect to evaluate equipment proposed on the basis of total cost of ownership. In using Life Cycle Costing, factors such as the following may be considered: estimated useful life, maintenance costs, cost of supplies, labor intensity, energy usage, environmental impact, and residual value. The City reserves the right to use those or other applicable criteria, in its sole opinion that will most accurately estimate total cost of use and ownership.
- 3.11 **BIDDING ITEMS WITH RECYCLED CONTENT:** In addressing environmental concerns, the City of Fort Lauderdale encourages Bidders to submit bids or alternate bids containing items with recycled content. When submitting bids containing items with recycled content, Bidder shall provide documentation adequate for the City to verify the recycled content. The City prefers packaging consisting of materials that are degradable or able to be recycled. When specifically stated in the ITB, the City may give preference to bids containing items manufactured with recycled material or packaging that is able to be recycled.
- **3.12 USE OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL CONTRACTS:** The City reserves the right to reject any part or all of any bids received and utilize other available governmental contracts, if such action is in its best interest.
- 3.13 QUALIFICATIONS/INSPECTION: Bids will only be considered from firms normally engaged in providing the types of commodities/services specified herein. The City reserves the right to inspect the Bidder's facilities, equipment, personnel, and organization at any time, or to take any other action necessary to determine Bidder's ability to perform. The Procurement Director reserves the right to reject bids where evidence or evaluation is determined to indicate inability to perform.
- 3.14 **BID SURETY:** If Special Conditions require a bid security, it shall be submitted in the amount stated. A bid security can be in the form of a bid bond or cashier's check. Bid security will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders as soon as practicable after opening of bids. Bid security will be returned to the successful bidder after acceptance of the performance bond, if required; acceptance of insurance coverage, if required; and full execution of contract documents, if required; or conditions as stated in Special Conditions.
- 3.15 PUBLIC RECORDS/TRADE SECRETS/COPYRIGHT: The Proposer's response to the RFP is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this RFP and the Contract to be executed for this RFP, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes.

Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the RFP purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the RFP, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the RFP constitutes a Trade Secret. The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agents, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of 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 officers, employees, and agents, against or entity as a result of the City's treatment of records as exempt from disclosure or confidential. Proposals bearing copyright symbols or otherwise purporting to be subject to copyright protection in full or in part may 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 RFP AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE RFP OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED.

- 3.16 **PROHIBITION OF INTEREST:** No contract will be awarded to a bidding firm who has City elected officials, officers or employees affiliated with it, unless the bidding firm has fully complied with current Florida State Statutes and City Ordinances relating to this issue. Bidders must disclose any such affiliation. Failure to disclose any such affiliation will result in disqualification of the Bidder and removal of the Bidder from the City's bidder lists and prohibition from engaging in any business with the City.
- 3.17 **RESERVATIONS FOR AWARD AND REJECTION OF BIDS:** The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, part of bids, and to waive minor irregularities or variations to specifications contained in bids, and minor irregularities in the bidding process. The City also reserves the right to award the contract on a split order basis, lump sum basis, individual item basis, or such combination as shall best serve the interest of the City. The City reserves the right to make an award to the responsive and responsible bidder whose product or service meets the terms, conditions, and specifications of the ITB and whose bid is considered to best serve the City's interest. In determining the responsiveness of the offer and the responsibility of the Bidder, the following shall be considered <u>when applicable</u>: the ability, capacity and skill of the Bidder to perform as required; whether the Bidder can perform promptly, or within the time specified, without delay or interference; the character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the Bidder; the quality of past performance by the Bidder; the previous and existing compliance by the Bidder with related laws and ordinances; the sufficiency of the Bidder's financial resources; the availability, quality and adaptability of the Bidder's supplies or services to the required use; the ability of the Bidder to provide future maintenance, service or parts; the number and scope of conditions attached to the bid.

If the ITB provides for a contract trial period, the City reserves the right, in the event the selected bidder does not perform satisfactorily, to award a trial period to the next ranked bidder or to award a contract to the next ranked bidder, if that bidder has successfully provided services to the City in the past. This procedure to continue until a bidder is selected or the contract is re-bid, at the sole option of the City.

- **3.18 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:** Applicable provisions of all federal, state, county laws, and local ordinances, rules and regulations, shall govern development, submittal and evaluation of all bids received in response hereto and shall govern any and all claims and disputes which may arise between person(s) submitting a bid response hereto and the City by and through its officers, employees and authorized representatives, or any other person, natural or otherwise; and lack of knowledge by any bidder shall not constitute a cognizable defense against the legal effect thereof.
- 3.19 BID PROTEST PROCEDURE: Any proposer or bidder who is not recommended for award of a contract and who alleges a failure by the city to follow the city's procurement ordinance or any applicable law may protest to the chief procurement officer, by delivering a letter of protest to the director of finance within five (5) days after a notice of intent to award is posted on the city's web site at the following url: https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award

The complete protest ordinance may be found on the city's web site at the following url: https://library.municode.com/fl/fort\_lauderdale/codes/code\_of\_ordinances?nodeid=coor\_ch2ad\_artvfi\_div2pr\_s2-182direpr

### PART IV BONDS AND INSURANCE

**4.01 PERFORMANCE BOND:** If a performance bond is required in Special Conditions, the Contractor shall within fifteen (15) working days after notification of award, furnish to the City a Performance Bond, payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in the face amount specified in Special Conditions as surety for faithful performance under the terms and conditions of the contract. If the bond is on an annual coverage basis, renewal for each succeeding year shall be submitted to the City thirty (30) days prior to the termination date of the existing Performance Bond. The Performance Bond must be executed by a surety company of recognized standing, authorized to do business in the State of Florida and having a resident agent.

Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Performance Bond is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

4.02 **INSURANCE:** The Contractor shall assume full responsibility and expense to obtain all necessary insurance as required by City or specified in Special Conditions.

The Contractor shall provide to the Procurement Services Division original certificates of coverage and receive notification of approval of those certificates by the City's Risk Manager prior to engaging in any activities under this contract. The Contractor's insurance is subject to the approval of the City's Risk Manager. The certificates must list the City as an <u>ADDITIONAL INSURED for General Liability Insurance</u> and shall have no less than thirty (30) days written notice of cancellation or material change. Further modification of the insurance requirements may be made at the sole discretion of the City's Risk Manager if circumstances change or adequate protection of the City is not presented. Bidder, by submitting the bid, agrees to abide by such modifications.

### PART V PURCHASE ORDER AND CONTRACT TERMS:

- 5.01 COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS, LATE DELIVERIES/PENALTIES: Items offered may be tested for compliance with bid specifications. Items delivered which do not conform to bid specifications may be rejected and returned at Contractor's expense. Any violation resulting in contract termination for cause or delivery of items not conforming to specifications, or late delivery may also result in:
  - Bidder's name being removed from the City's bidder's mailing list for a specified period and Bidder will not be recommended for any award during that period.
  - All City Departments being advised to refrain from doing business with the Bidder.
  - All other remedies in law or equity.
- 5.02 ACCEPTANCE, CONDITION, AND PACKAGING: The material delivered in response to ITB award shall remain the property of the Seller until a physical inspection is made and the material accepted to the satisfaction of the City. The material must comply fully with the terms of the ITB, be of the required quality, new, and the latest model. All containers shall be suitable for storage and shipment by common carrier, and all prices shall include standard commercial packaging. The City will not accept substitutes of any kind. Any substitutes or material not meeting specifications will be returned at the Bidder's expense. Payment will be made only after City receipt and acceptance of materials or services.
- 5.03 SAFETY STANDARDS: All manufactured items and fabricated assemblies shall comply with applicable requirements of the Occupation Safety and Health Act of 1970 as amended.

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- 5.04 ASBESTOS STATEMENT: All material supplied must be 100% asbestos free. Bidder, by virtue of bidding, certifies that if awarded any portion of the ITB the bidder will supply only material or equipment that is 100% asbestos free.
- 5.05 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: If the Bidder is awarded a contract as a result of this ITB, the bidder may, if the bidder has sufficient capacity or quantities available, provide to other governmental agencies, so requesting, the products or services awarded in accordance with the terms and conditions of the ITB and resulting contract. Prices shall be F.O.B. delivered to the requesting agency.
- 5.06 VERBAL INSTRUCTIONS PROCEDURE: No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be initiated or executed by the Contractor as a result of any discussions with any City employee. Only those communications which are in writing from an authorized City representative may be considered. Only written communications from Contractors, which are assigned by a person designated as authorized to bind the Contractor, will be recognized by the City as duly authorized expressions on behalf of Contractors.
- 5.07 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR: The Contractor is an independent contractor under this Agreement. Personal services provided by the Proposer shall be by employees of the Contractor and subject to supervision by the Contractor, and not as officers, employees, or agents of the City. Personnel policies, tax responsibilities, social security, health insurance, employee benefits, procurement policies unless otherwise stated in this ITB, and other similar administrative procedures applicable to services rendered under this contract shall be those of the Contractor.
- 5.08 INDEMNITY/HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT: Contractor shall protect and defend at Contractor's expense, counsel being subject to the City's approval, and indemnify and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, volunteers, and agents from and against any and all losses, penalties, fines, damages, settlements, judgments, claims, costs, charges, 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 act or omission by the Contractor or by any officer, employee, agent, invitee, subcontractor, or sublicensee of the Contractor. 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.
- 5.09 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE: If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the provisions of this Agreement, the City may upon written notice to the Contractor terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Agreement, or with such part or parts of the Agreement as to which there has been default, and may hold the Contractor liable for any damages caused to the City by reason of such default and termination. In the event of such termination, any completed services performed by the Contractor under this Agreement shall, at the option of the City, become the City's property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive equitable compensation for any work completed to the satisfaction of the City. The Contractor, however, shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages sustained by the City by reason of any breach of the Agreement by the Contractor can be determined.
- 5.10 **TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:** The City reserves the right, in the City's best interest as determined by the City, to cancel any contract by giving written notice to the Contractor thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of such cancellation.
- 5.11 CANCELLATION FOR UNAPPROPRIATED FUNDS: The obligation of the City for payment to a Contractor is limited to the availability of funds appropriated in a current fiscal period, and continuation of the contract into a subsequent fiscal period is subject to appropriation of funds, unless otherwise authorized by law.
- 5.12 **RECORDS/AUDIT:** The Contractor shall maintain during the term of the contract all books of account, reports and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and standards for records directly related to this contract. The Contractor agrees to make available to the City Auditor or the City Auditor's designee, during normal business hours and in Broward, Miami-Dade or Palm Beach Counties, all books of account, reports, and records relating to this contract. The Contractor shall retain all books of account, reports, and records relating to this contract. The Contractor shall retain all books of account, reports, and records relating to this contract. The Contractor shall retain all books of account, reports, investigations or litigation matters relating to the contract are closed, or until expiration of the records retention period prescribed by Florida law or the records retention schedules adopted by the Division of Library and Information Services of the Florida Department of State, whichever is later.
- 5.13 **PERMITS, TAXES, LICENSES:** The successful Contractor shall, at his/her/its own expense, obtain all necessary permits, pay all licenses, fees and taxes, required to comply with all local ordinances, state and federal laws, rules and regulations applicable to business to be carried out under this contract.
- 5.14 LAWS/ORDINANCES: The Contractor shall observe and comply with all Federal, state, local and municipal laws, ordinances rules and regulations that would apply to this contract.

NON-DISCRIMINATION: The Contractor shall not, in any of its activities, including employment, discriminate against any individual on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, 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 Contractor certifies and represents that the Contractor will comply with Section 2-187, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, (2019), as may be amended or revised, ("Section 2-187"), during the entire term of this Agreement.
- 2. The failure of the Contractor to comply with Section 2-187 shall be deemed to be a material breach of this 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 Contractor fails to comply with Section 2-187.
- 4. The City may retain all monies due or to become due until the Contractor complies with Section 2-187.
- 5. The Contractor 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.
- 5.15 UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES: If during a contract term where costs to the City are to remain firm or adjustments are restricted by a percentage or CPI cap, unusual circumstances that could not have been foreseen by either party of the contract occur, and those circumstances significantly affect the Contractor's cost in providing the required prior items or services, then the Contractor may request adjustments to the costs to the City to reflect the changed circumstances. The circumstances must be beyond the control of the Contractor, and the requested adjustments must be fully documented. The City may, after examination, refuse to accept the adjusted costs if they are not properly documented, increases are considered to be insufficient. In the event the City does not wish to accept the adjusted costs and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the City, the City will reserve the following options:

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- 1. The contract can be canceled by the City upon giving thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor with no penalty to the City or Contractor. The Contractor shall fill all City requirements submitted to the Contractor until the termination date contained in the notice.
- 2. The City requires the Contractor to continue to provide the items and services at the firm fixed (non-adjusted) cost until the termination of the contract term then in effect.
- 3. If the City, in its interest and in its sole opinion, determines that the Contractor in a capricious manner attempted to use this section of the contract to relieve Contractor of a legitimate obligation under the contract, and no unusual circumstances had occurred, the City reserves the right to take any and all action under law or equity. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, declaring the Contractor in default and disqualifying Contractor from receiving any business from the City for a stated period of time.

If the City does agree to adjusted costs, these adjusted costs shall not be invoiced to the City until the Contractor receives notice in writing signed by a person authorized to bind the City in such matters.

- 5.16 ELIGIBILITY: If applicable, the Contractor must first register with the Florida Department of State in accordance with Florida Statutes, prior to entering into a contract with the City.
- 5.17 PATENTS AND ROYALTIES: The Contractor, without exception, shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and the City's employees, officers, employees, volunteers, and agents from and against liability of any nature and kind, including cost and expenses for or on account of any copyrighted, patented or un-patented invention, process, or article manufactured or used in the performance of the contract, including their use by the City. If the Contractor 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 any and all royalties or costs arising from the use of such design, device, or materials in any way involved in the work.
- 5.18 ASSIGNMENT: Contractor shall not transfer or assign the performance required by this ITB without the prior written consent of the City. Any award issued pursuant to this ITB, and the monies, which may become due hereunder, are not assignable except with the prior written approval of the City Commission or the City Manager or City Manager's designee, depending on original award approval.
- 5.19 GOVERNING LAW; VENUE: The Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any lawsuit by either party against the other party or otherwise arising out of the Contract, and for any other legal proceeding, shall be in the courts in and for Broward County, Florida, or in the event of federal jurisdiction, in the Southern District of Florida.

### 5.20 PUBLIC RECORDS:

## IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT <u>PRRCONTRACT@FORTLAUDERDALE.GOV</u>, 954-828-5002, CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301.

Contractor shall comply with public records laws, and Contractor shall:

- 1. Keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service.
- 2. Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (2019), as may be amended or revised, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City.
- 4. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the City upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City.

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## **REFERENCES**

A minimum of three (3) references shall be provided:

1. Company Name:		
Address:		
Contact:		
Phone #:	Email:	
Contract Value:	Year:	
Description:		
2. Company Name:		
Address:		
Contact:		
Phone #:	Email:	
Contract Value:	Year:	
Description:		
3. Company Name:		
Address:		1
Contact:		
Phone #:	Email:	
Contract Value:	Year:	

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Phone #:	Email:	
Contract Value:	Year:	
Description:		
Company Name:		
Address:		
Contact:		
Phone #:	Email:	
-	Year:	
Contract Value:		
Contract Value:		

4. Company Name:

### **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.

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**RELATIONSHIPS** 

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

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. 2-187(c), bidders must certify compliance with the Non-Discrimination provision of the ordinance.

The Contractor shall not, in any of his/her/its activities, including employment, discriminate against any individual on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, disability, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or marital status.

- 1. The Contractor certifies and represents that he/she/it will comply with Section 2-187, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, as amended by Ordinance C-18-33 (collectively, "Section 2-187").
- 2. The failure of the Contractor to comply with Section 2-187 shall be deemed to be a material breach of this 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 Contractor fails to comply with Section 2-187.
- 4. The City may retain all monies due or to become due until the Contractor complies with Section 2-187.
- 5. The Contractor 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.

Authorized Signature

Print Name and Title

Date

## **CONTRACT PAYMENT METHOD**

The City of Fort Lauderdale has implemented a Procurement Card (P-Card) program which changes how payments are remitted to its vendors. The City has transitioned from traditional paper checks to credit card payments via MasterCard or Visa as part of this program.

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

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

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

By signing below you agree with these terms.

Please indicate which credit card payment you prefer:

MasterCard

🗆 Visa

Company Name	
Name (Printed)	Signature
Date	Title

## **E-VERIFY AFFIRMATION STATEMENT**

RFP/Bid /Contract N	o:	
Project Description:	1	

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,

- (a) all persons employed by Contractor/Proposer/Bidder to perform employment duties within Florida during the term of the Contract, and,
- (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:

9/15/2020



## **Request for Taxpayer** Identification Number and Certification

Bid 12527-825

ge 2.	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above		
Print or type See Specific Instructions on page	3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only one of the following seven boxes:         ☐ Individual/sole proprietor or       ☐ C Corporation       ☐ S Corporation       ☐ Partnership         single-member LLC       ☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnersh         Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the tax classification of the single-member owner.         ☐ Other (see instructions) ►         5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)         6 City, state, and ZIP code         7 List account number(s) here (optional)	the line above for	Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):     Exempt payee code (if any)     Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any)     (Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.) and address (optional)
Par	Toynoyor Identification Number (TIN)		
		Social so	curity number
	your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avour withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for		
reside	ent alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other es, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see <i>How to get</i>		
	n page 3.	or	
	. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 lines on whose number to enter.	4 for Employer	identification number

#### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- 4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign	Signature of	
Here	U.S. person >	

## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.

## Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- · Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- · Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

- Date
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding? on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).

2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See What is FATCA reporting? on page 2 for further information.

**Note.** If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

• An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;

• A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;

• An estate (other than a foreign estate); or

• A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership to enducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

• In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;

• In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and

• In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.

2. The treaty article addressing the income.

3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.

4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.

5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

**Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

### **Backup Withholding**

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

### Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,

2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt* payee code on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see Special rules for partnerships above.

### What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

### Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

### Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

## **Specific Instructions**

### Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

**Note. ITIN applicant:** Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(ii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

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### Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

### Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

### Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

#### Exempt payee code.

 Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.

• Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.

 Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

 Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

1 - An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

3-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

 $4-\!\mathrm{A}$  foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities

5-A corporation

6-A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession

 $7{-}\mathrm{A}$  futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8-A real estate investment trust

 $9-\mathrm{An}$  entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)

11-A financial institution

 $12\mbox{--}A$  middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian

13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947 The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 <sup>2</sup>
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

<sup>1</sup>See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

**Exemption from FATCA reporting code.** The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D-A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E-A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F-A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G-A real estate investment trust

 $\rm H-A$  regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J-A bank as defined in section 581

K-A broker

L-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M-A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

**Note.** You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

### Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

#### Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

### Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note. See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at *www.ssa.gov*. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an TIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at *www.irs.gov/businesses* and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner Maa Walke appropriate Form W-8. Exhibit 1 Page 65 of 84

### Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see Exempt payee code earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

## What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:		
<ol> <li>Individual</li> <li>Two or more individuals (joint account)</li> </ol>	The individual The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account'		
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor <sup>2</sup>		
<ol> <li>a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)</li> <li>b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law</li> </ol>	The grantor-trustee' The actual owner'		
<ol> <li>Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual</li> </ol>	The owner <sup>3</sup>		
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (A))	The grantor*		
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:		
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner		
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity⁴		
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation		
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax- exempt organization	The organization		
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership		
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee		
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity		
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (B))	The trust		

List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

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<sup>3</sup>You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see Special rules for partnerships on page 2. \*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

### Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN.
- · Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to *phishing@irs.gov*. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: *spam@uce.gov* or contact them at *www.ftc.gov/idtheft* or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

### **Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

## **BID/PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION**

<u>Please Note</u>: It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to ensure that his bid is submitted electronically through www.BidSync.com 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 F	Registration)		EI	N (Optional):	
Address:					
City:		State:	Zip:		
Telephone No.:		FAX No.:	Er	nail:	
Total Bid Discount	(section 1.05 of Ge	f Purchase Order <b>(sec neral Conditions)</b> : / SBE / WBE <b>(section</b>			
ADDENDUM ACK included in the pro		- Proposer acknowle	edges that the f	ollowing addenda have	e been received and are
Addendum No.	Date Issued	Addendum No.	Date Issued	Addendum No.	Date Issued

<u>VARIANCES</u>: 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. You must also click the "Take Exception" button.

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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 exemptant 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
Date	Title

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## ADDENDUM NO. 1

## RFP No. 12527-825 TITLE: Disaster Debris Management, Cost Recovery, Project Management and Other Support Services

ISSUED: November 9, 2021

This addendum is being issued to make the following change(s):

1. Sections 2.23 and 2.24 have been changed:

## WAS:

## 2.23 Proposal Security

- 2.23.1 A proposal security payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale shall be submitted with the proposal response in the amount of <u>five percent</u> (5%) of the total proposed amount. A proposal security can be in the form of a bid/proposal bond or cashier's check. Proposal security will be returned to the unsuccessful contractor as soon as practicable after opening of proposals. Proposal security will be returned to the successful Proposer after acceptance of the Payment and Performance Bond, if required; acceptance of insurance coverage, if required; and full execution of contract documents, if required; or other conditions as stated in Special Conditions or elsewhere in the RFP.
- **2.23.2** BidSync allows bidders/proposers to submit bid/proposal bonds electronically directly through their system using **Surety 2000**. For more information on this feature and to access it, contact BIDSYNC customer care department.
- **2.23.3** The Proposer may choose to mail their original executed bid/proposal bond or upload the bid/proposal bond on BidSync to accompany their electronic proposal and then deliver the original, signed and sealed bid/proposal bond within five (5) business days from the solicitation end date or it will be determined as non-responsive. A bid/proposal security in the form of a cashier's check must be an original document and must be submitted at time of the bid/proposal due date. If choosing the cashier's check method, plan in advance to send via United States Postal Service or air freight carrier to ensure cashier's check arrives on or before bid/proposal opening or closing deadline.



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- a. Deliver via United States Postal Service or air freight carrier to City of Fort Lauderdale City Hall, Procurement Services Division, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Suite 619, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.
- **b.** Include company name, solicitation number and title clearly indicated outside of the envelope.
- **2.23.4** Failure of the successful proposer to execute a contract, provide a Performance Bond, and furnish evidence of appropriate insurance coverage, as provided herein, within thirty (30) days after written notice of award has been given, shall be just cause for the annulment of the award and the forfeiture of the proposal security to the City, which forfeiture shall be considered, not as a penalty, but as liquidation of damages sustained.

## 2.24 Payment and Performance Bond

- **2.24.1** The Proposer shall within fifteen (15) working days after notification of award, furnish to the City a Payment and Performance Bond, in the amount of the proposed price as surety for faithful performance under the terms and conditions of the contract. If the bond is on an annual coverage basis, renewal for each succeeding year shall be submitted to the City thirty (30) days prior to the termination date of the existing Payment and Performance Bond. The Performance Bond must be executed by a surety company or recognized standing to do business in the State of Florida and having a resident agent.
- **2.24.2** The Proposer must have a Financial Size Categories (FSC) rating of no less than "A-" by the latest edition of Best's Key Rating Guide, or acceptance of insurance company that holds a valid Florida Certificate of Authority issued by the State of Florida, Department of Insurance, and are members of the Florida Guarantee Fund.
- **2.24.3** Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Payment and Performance Bond is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

## CHANGED TO:

## 2.23 Proposal Security

**2.23.1** Each proposal must be accompanied by a letter from a surety verifying the Proposer's bonding capacity of at least \$1,000,000.

## 2.24 Payment and Performance Bond

**2.24.1** Upon receipt of a Notice to Proceed from the City, the awarded Contractor shall be required to furnish a Payment and Performance Bond in the amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the estimated cost of the

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services to be rendered. A Performance and Payment Bond in the amount one hundred percent (100%) of the work authorized by the City in a Task Order shall be provided by the Contractor to the City within seven (7) days of issuance of the Task Order. The cost of bonds and insurance shall be borne by the Contractor and shall not be separately charged or reimbursed by the City. This Bond shall remain in effect at least until one year after the date when final payment becomes due, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations or by the Contract Documents.

- **2.24.2** The Proposer must have a Financial Size Categories (FSC) rating of no less than "A-" by the latest edition of Best's Key Rating Guide, or acceptance of insurance company that holds a valid Florida Certificate of Authority issued by the State of Florida, Department of Insurance, and are members of the Florida Guarantee Fund.
- **2.24.3** Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Payment and Performance Bond is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

# 2. All proposers shall sign this addendum acknowledging receipt and switch out Section II and replace with the Revised Section II attached to this addendum.

All other terms, conditions, and specifications remain unchanged.

Laurie Platkin Senior Procurement Specialist

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(please print)

Proposer's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## SECTION II - SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## 2.1 General Conditions

RFP General Conditions (Form G-107, Rev. 02/20) are included and made a part of this RFP.

## 2.2 Addenda, Changes, and Interpretations

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

## 2.3 Changes and Alterations

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

## 2.4 Proposer's Costs

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

## 2.5 Pricing/Delivery

All pricing should be identified on the Cost Proposal page provided in this RFP. No additional costs may be accepted, other than the costs stated on the Cost Proposal page. Failure to use the City's Cost Proposal page and provide costs as requested in this RFP may deem your proposal non-responsive.

Contractor shall quote a firm, fixed price for all services stated in the RFP. All costs including travel shall be included in your proposal. The City shall not accept any additional costs including any travel associated with coming to the City of Fort Lauderdale.

## 2.6 Price Validity

Prices provided in this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall be valid for at least One-Hundred and Twenty (120) days from time of RFP opening unless otherwise extended and agreed upon by the City and Bidder. The City shall award contract within this time period or shall request to the recommended awarded vendor an extension to hold pricing, until products/services have been awarded.

## 2.7 Invoices/Payment

The City will accept invoices no more frequently than once per month. Each invoice shall fully detail the related costs and shall specify the status of the particular task or project as of the date of the invoice with regard to the accepted schedule for that task or project. Payment will be made within forty-five (45) days after receipt of an invoice acceptable to the City, in accordance with the Florida Local Government Prompt Payment Act. If, at any time during the contract, the City shall not approve or accept the Contractor's work product, and agreement cannot be reached between the City and the Contractor to resolve the problem to the City's satisfaction, the City shall negotiate with

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the Contractor on a payment for the work completed and usable to the City.

# 2.8 Related Expenses/Travel Expenses

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

# 2.9 Payment Method

The City of Fort Lauderdale has implemented a Procurement Card (P-Card) program which changes how payments are remitted to its vendors. The City has transitioned from traditional paper checks to payment by credit card via MasterCard or Visa. This allows you as a vendor of the City of Fort Lauderdale to receive your payment fast and safely. No more waiting for checks to be printed and mailed. Payments will be made utilizing the City's P-Card (MasterCard or Visa). Accordingly, firms must presently have the ability to accept credit card payment or take whatever steps necessary to implement acceptance of a credit card before the commencement of a contract. See Contract Payment Method form attached.

# 2.10 Mistakes

The Proposer shall examine this RFP carefully. The submission of a Proposal shall be prima facie evidence that the Proposer 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 Proposer from liability and obligations under the Contract.

# 2.11 Acceptance of Proposals / Minor Irregularities

- **2.11.1** The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, part of proposals, and to waive minor irregularities or variances to specifications contained in proposals which do not make the proposal 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 Proposal.
- **2.11.2** The City reserves the right to disqualify Proposer 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 Proposer.

# 2.12 Modification of Services

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



- **2.12.3** 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.
- **2.12.4** 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.

#### 2.13 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.

#### 2.14 Sample Contract Agreement

A sample of the formal agreement template, which may be required to be executed by the awarded vendor can be found at our website: <u>https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=1212</u>

## 2.15 Responsiveness

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

#### 2.16 Responsibility

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

#### 2.17 Minimum Qualifications

Proposers shall be in the business of debris monitoring and disaster support services including but not limited to: project management, data processing and management, Debris Management Site (DMS) monitoring, debris vehicle certification, data compilation and reporting, payment monitoring and reconciliation, and all related support services related to documentation required for reimbursement from appropriate agencies for any eligible claims that arise from a disaster; and must possess sufficient financial support, equipment and organization to ensure that it can satisfactorily perform the services if awarded a contract. Proposers must demonstrate that they, or the key staff assigned to the project, have successfully provided services with similar magnitude to those specified in the scope of services to at least one entity 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.

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

**2.17.1** Proposer or principals shall have disaster debris monitoring and disaster support experience. Project manager assigned to the work must have considerable experience in

disaster debris monitoring and disaster support services and have served as Project Manager on similar projects a minimum of three previous occasions.

- **2.17.2** Before awarding a contract, the City reserves the right to require that a Proposer submit such evidence of 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.
- **2.17.3** 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.
- **2.17.4** 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.

# 2.18 Lobbying Activities

ALL CONTRACTORS PLEASE NOTE: Any contractor submitting a response to this solicitation must comply, if applicable, with City of Fort Lauderdale Ordinance No. C-11-42 & Resolution No. 07-101, Lobbying Activities. Copies of Ordinance No. C-11-42 and Resolution No. 07-101 may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office on the 7th Floor of City Hall, 100 N. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The ordinance may also be viewed on the City's website at <a href="https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036">https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/home/showdocument?id=6036</a>.

#### 2.19 Local Business Preference - N/A

#### 2.20 Protest Procedure

- **2.20.1** Any Bidder/Proposer who is not recommended for award of a contract and who alleges a failure by the city to follow the city's procurement ordinance or any applicable law, may follow the protest procedure as found in the city's procurement ordinance within five (5) days after a notice of intent to award is posted on the city's web site at the following link: <a href="http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award">http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments/finance/procurement-services/notices-of-intent-to-award</a>.
- **2.20.2** The complete protest ordinance may be found on the city's web site at the following link: <u>https://library.municode.com/fl/fort\_lauderdale/codes/code\_of\_ordinances?nodeld=C\_OOR\_CH2AD\_ARTVFI\_DIV2PR\_S2-182DIREPRAWINAW</u>

# 2.21 Public Entity Crimes

Proposer, by submitting a proposal, certifies that neither the proposer nor any of the Proposer's principals has been placed on the convicted vendor list as defined in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes (2018), as may be amended or revised. A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit bids, proposals, or replies on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or Contractor under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in s. 287.017 for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

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# 2.22 Subcontractors

- **2.22.1** If the Contractor proposes to use subcontractors in the course of providing these services to the City, this information shall be a part of the bid response. Such information shall be subject to review, acceptance, and approval of the City, prior to any contract award. The City reserves the right to approve or disapprove of any subcontractor candidate in its best interest and to require Contractor to replace subcontractor with one that meets City approval.
- **2.22.2** Contractor shall ensure that all of Contractor's subcontractors perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract. Contractor shall be fully responsible for all of Contractor's subcontractors' performance, and liable for any of Contractor's subcontractors' non-performance and all of Contractor's subcontractors' acts and omissions. Contractor shall defend, at Contractor's expense, counsel being subject to the City's approval or disapproval, and indemnify and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, and agents from and against any claim, lawsuit, third-party action, or judgment, including any award of attorney fees and any award of costs, by or in favor of any Contractor's subcontractors for payment for work performed for the City.
- **2.22.3** Contractor shall require all its subcontractors to provide the required insurance coverage as well as any other coverage that the contractor may consider necessary, and any deficiency in the coverage or policy limits of said subcontractors will be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

# 2.23 Proposal Security

**2.23.1** Each proposal must be accompanied by a letter from a surety verifying the Proposer's bonding capacity of at least \$1,000,000.

# 2.24 Payment and Performance Bond

- **2.24.1** Upon receipt of a Notice to Proceed from the City, the awarded Contractor shall be required to furnish a Payment and Performance Bond in the amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the estimated cost of the services to be rendered. A Performance and Payment Bond in the amount one hundred percent (100%) of the work authorized by the City in a Task Order shall be provided by the Contractor to the City within seven (7) days of issuance of the Task Order. The cost of bonds and insurance shall be borne by the Contractor and shall not be separately charged or reimbursed by the City. This Bond shall remain in effect at least until one year after the date when final payment becomes due, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations or by the Contract Documents.
- **2.24.2** The Proposer must have a Financial Size Categories (FSC) rating of no less than "A-" by the latest edition of Best's Key Rating Guide, or acceptance of insurance company that holds a valid Florida Certificate of Authority issued by the State of Florida, Department of Insurance, and are members of the Florida Guarantee Fund.
- **2.24.3** Acknowledgement and agreement is given by both parties that the amount herein set for the Payment and Performance Bond is not intended to be nor shall be deemed to be in the nature of liquidated damages nor is it intended to limit the liability of the Contractor to the City in the event of a material breach of this Agreement by the Contractor.

# 2.25 Insurance Requirements

**2.25.1** As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, during the term of this Agreement and during any renewal or extension term of this Agreement, the Contractor, at the Contractor's sole expense, shall provide insurance of such types and with such terms and limits as noted below. Providing proof of and maintaining adequate insurance coverage

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are material obligations of the Contractor. The Contractor shall provide the City a certificate of insurance evidencing such coverage. The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance for all applicable policies. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by the Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting the Contractor's liability and obligations under this Agreement. All insurance policies shall be from insurers authorized to write insurance policies in the State of Florida and that possess an A.M. Best rating of "A-" VII or better. All insurance policies are subject to approval by the City's Risk Manager.

- **2.25.2** The coverages, limits, and endorsements required herein protect the interests of the City, and these coverages, limits, and endorsements may not be relied upon by the Contractor for assessing the extent or determining appropriate types and limits of coverage to protect the Contractor against any loss exposure, whether as a result of this Agreement or otherwise. The requirements contained herein, as well as the City's review or acknowledgement, are not intended to and shall not in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by the Contractor under this Agreement.
- **2.25.3** The following insurance policies and coverages are required:

# **Commercial General Liability**

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

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

Policy must include coverage for Contractual Liability and Independent Contractors.

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

# **Business Automobile Liability**

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

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

# Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

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

# Professional Liability and/or Errors and Omissions

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

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

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

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

#### 2.25.4 Insurance Certificate Requirements

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

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

- **2.25.5** The Contractor has the sole responsibility for the payment of all insurance premiums and shall be fully and solely responsible for any costs or expenses as a result of a coverage deductible, co-insurance penalty, or self-insured retention; including any loss not covered because of the operation of such deductible, co-insurance penalty, self-insured retention, or coverage exclusion or limitation. Any costs for adding the City as an Additional Insured shall be at the Contractor's expense.
- **2.25.6** If the Contractor's primary insurance policy/policies do not meet the minimum requirements, as set forth in this Agreement, the Contractor may provide evidence of an Umbrella/Excess insurance policy to comply with this requirement.

- **2.25.7** The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as applied to the City and the City's officers, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City covering the City, the City's officers, employees, or volunteers shall be non-contributory.
- **2.25.8** Any exclusion or provision in the insurance maintained by the Contractor that excludes coverage for work contemplated in this Agreement shall be unacceptable and shall be considered breach of contract.
- **2.25.9** All required insurance policies must be maintained until the contract work has been accepted by the City, or until this Agreement is terminated, whichever is later. Any lapse in coverage shall be considered breach of contract. In addition, Contractor must provide to the City confirmation of coverage renewal via an updated certificate should any policies expire prior to the expiration of this Agreement. The City reserves the right to review, at any time, coverage forms and limits of Contractor's insurance policies.
- **2.25.10** The Contractor shall provide notice of any and all claims, accidents, and any other occurrences associated with this Agreement shall be provided to the Contractor's insurance company or companies and the City's Risk Management office as soon as practical.
- **2.25.11** It is the Contractor's responsibility to ensure that any and all of the Contractor's independent contractors and subcontractors comply with these insurance requirements. All coverages for independent contractors and subcontractors shall be subject to all of the applicable requirements stated herein. Any and all deficiencies are the responsibility of the Contractor.

# 2.26 Award of Contract

A Contract (the "Agreement") may be awarded by the City Commission. The City reserves the right to execute or not execute, as applicable, a contract with the Proposer(s) that is determined to be in the City's best interests. The City reserves the right to award a contract to more than one Proposer, at the sole and absolute discretion of the City.

# 2.27 Unauthorized Work

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

#### 2.28 Damage to Public or Private Property

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

# 2.29 Safety

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

## 2.30 Uncontrollable Circumstances ("Force Majeure")

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

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

## 2.31 Canadian Companies

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

#### 2.32 News Releases/Publicity

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

# 2.33 Manufacturer/Brand/Model Specific Request - N/A

#### 2.34 Contract Period

The initial contract term shall commence upon date of award by the City or March 7, 2022, whichever is later, and shall expire three (3) years from that date. The City reserves the right to extend the contract for two (2), additional 1-year terms, providing all terms conditions and specifications remain the same, both parties agree to the extension, and such extension is approved by the City.

In the event services are scheduled to end because of the expiration of this contract, the Contractor shall continue the service upon the request of the City as authorized by the awarding authority. The extension period shall not extend for more than 180 days beyond the expiration date of the existing contract. The Contractor shall be compensated for the service at the rate in effect when this extension clause is invoked by the City.

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#### 2.35 Cost Adjustments

Prices quoted shall be firm for the initial contract term of 3 years. No cost increases shall be accepted in this initial contract term. Please consider this when providing pricing for this request for proposal.

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

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

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

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

# 2.36 Service Test Period

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

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

# 2.37 Contract Coordinator

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

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

#### 2.38 Contractor Performance Reviews and Ratings

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

Excellent	Far exceeds requirements.
Good	Exceeds requirements.



Fair	Just meets requirements.
Poor	Does not meet all requirements and contractor is subject to penalty
	provisions under the contact.
Non-compliance	Either continued poor performance after notice or a performance level that does not meet a significant portion of the requirements.
	This rating makes the Contractor subject to the default or cancellation for
	cause provisions of the contract.

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

# 2.39 Substitution of Personnel

In the event the Contractor wishes to substitute trained, qualified, personnel for those listed in the proposal, the City shall receive prior notification and have the right to review, test and approve such substitutions, if deemed necessary. If the City has reasonable evidence to believe that an employee of the Contractor is incompetent, or has performed his or her employment in an objectionable manner, the City shall have the right to require the Contractor to resolve the situation to the City's satisfactions, provided, however, that the Contractor shall not be required to institute or pursue to completion any action if to do so would violate any law, state statute, city ordinance, contract or employment or union agreement.

# 2.40 Ownership of Work

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

# 2.41 Condition of Trade-In Equipment - N/A

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

# 2.43 Verification of Employment Status

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

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

# 2.44 Service Organization Controls

The Contactor should provide a current SSAE 18, SOC 2, Type I report with their proposal. Awarded Contractor will be required to provide an SSAE 18, SOC 2, Type II report annually during the term of this contract. If the Contractor cannot provide the SSAE 18, SOC 2, Type I report at time of proposal submittal, a current SOC 3 report will be accepted.

# 2.45 Warranties of Usage

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



# 2.46 PCI (Payment Card Industry) Compliance

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

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

END OF SECTION

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# Question and Answers for Bid #12527-825 - Disaster Debris Management, Cost Recovery, Project Mgmt. and Support Services

#### **Overall Bid Questions**

#### **Question 1**

• Regarding Performance, Payment, and Bid Bonds required per pgs. 7 & 8 – We kindly request the removal of bid bond, performance bond, and payment bond requirements as the Federal procurement regulations in 2 CFR \$200.325 only recommends bonding requirements for construction or facility improvements contracts. 2 CFR 200.325 states the following:

o § 200.325 Bonding requirements. For construction or facility improvement contracts or subcontracts exceeding the Simplified Acquisition Threshold, the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity may accept the bonding policy and requirements of the non-Federal entity provided that the Federal awarding agency or passthrough entity has made a determination that the Federal interest is adequately protected. If such a determination has not been made, the minimum requirements must be as follows:

o a. A bid guarantee from each bidder equivalent to five percent of the bid price. The "bid guarantee" must consist of a firm commitment such as a bid bond, certified check, or other negotiable instrument accompanying a bid as assurance that the bidder will, upon acceptance of the bid, execute such contractual documents as may be required within the time specified.

o b. A performance bond on the part of the contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A "performance bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to secure fulfillment of all the contractor's obligations under such contract.

o c. A payment bond on the part of the contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A "payment bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to assure payment as required by law of all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the work provided for in the contract. **(Submitted: Nov 8, 2021 7:36:26 AM EST)** 

#### Answer

- See Addendum 1. bid bond, performance bond, and payment bond requirements have been updated. REVISED SECTION II HAS BEEN ADDED. (Answered: Nov 9, 2021 12:33:52 PM EST)