

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO**

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
("RFP")**

for

MULCH TRANSPORT AND REUSE

RFP 013-072

Release Date: June 14, 2013  
Proposals Due: June 28, 2013

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**003 - BACKGROUND**

The City of San Antonio Solid Waste Management Department (“City”) seeks proposals from qualified Respondent(s) (“Respondent”) interested in transporting and accepting delivery of shredded wood (mulch) material as described in this RFP and utilizing the material for a beneficial reuse.

The City started brush grinding operations at the Bitters Brush Recycling Center in the early 1980s. In 2012, a second brush grinding facility was constructed and the City opened the Nelson Gardens Brush Recycling Center. Essentially, the facilities accept materials from the City’s curbside brush program, other City departments, residential, and commercial customers. Material collected at the recycling facilities consists of logs, brush, trees, grass clippings, shrubs, Christmas trees, and paper bagged leaves (referred to collectively in this RFP as brush trimmings or brush). All the material received is processed into mulch. The City currently produces and makes available to anyone two types of mulch, fine mulch and coarse mulch. Fine mulch is sold for \$0.03 a pound and coarse mulch is given away on a first come, first serve basis. The City provides bulk loading of mulch at no additional charge to customers.

Over the past 3 years, the City modified the curbside brush and bulky collection to create separate curbside bulky collection schedules from curbside brush collection schedules. The result of this change has been a large increase in brush trimmings at both facilities. The volume of brush has increased substantially resulting in the City producing approximately 40,000 to 60,000 tons of mulch annually. Most of the mulch is generated from the Bitters location. Furthermore, the production of mulch may increase with City population growth and further refinements to the program. Furthermore, numerous potential vendors have approached the City interested in obtaining and hauling the processed mulch for a fee. The City is seeking proposals from qualified Respondents interested in acquiring mulch from the Bitters and Nelson brush grinding facilities. This contract will require the selected Respondent(s) to transport the coarse ground mulch from Bitters and Nelson brush grinding facilities and utilize it for a beneficial reuse. A beneficial reuse may include composting, landscaping, soil augmentation, erosion control, and energy production.

**004 - SCOPE OF SERVICE**

Objectives of this solicitation include the City securing professional services of one (1) or more Respondent(s) to provide bulk transportation and beneficial reuse of mulch from the City of San Antonio Solid Waste Management Department. Multiple contacts may be necessary if the respondent cannot accept the full quantity of mulch or have other limitations to fulfill the contact. If multiple contract are awarded, the contract most advantageous to the City will be given the first right of refusal to the mulch inventory. It is not the City’s intent to go with multiple contracts of the respondent can accommodate the estimated 40,000 tons. Mulch inventory locations are the Bitters Brush Recycling Center located at 1800 Bitters Road and the Nelson Gardens Brush Recycling Center located at 8963 Nelson Road. Respondent(s) shall provide all equipment to transport mulch from the inventory location and accept delivery of mulch at the Respondent(s) facility. Respondent(s) shall provide insurance, permits, licenses, and certifications, and any other items required to maintain compliance with all local, state, and federal rules and regulations, and successfully conduct operations described in this RFP.

The City can produce and guarantee a minimum of 40,000 tons of mulch annually between both facilities listed in this RFP. Mulch production can vary and typical high peaks occur during the months of September through December and April through June when the City is conducting curbside collection. It may be possible that the City produces less than 40,000 tons or more than 40,000 tons depending on climate conditions. The City will provide bulk loading at no cost to the Respondent(s). The City reserves the right to retain approximately 500 cubic yards or 60 tons of mulch on site at both locations at all times for use by the general public and/or other parties contracted with the City. The City reserves the right to cancel this RFP at anytime. The City will evaluate RFP response(s) and shall make a selection that is deemed most advantageous to the City, as determined by the City.

## **SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED**

The services below set forth the minimum requirements to be performed by the Respondent(s) and the City.

1. Respondent shall take possession of City of San Antonio coarse-ground mulch from both Bitters Brush Recycling Center and Nelson Gardens Brush Recycling Center. Hauling would be required to move mulch from the City's inventory locations described above to the respondents processing facility and should be done at the respondents own expense.
2. Respondent shall transport this mulch Monday through Friday and, if necessary, Saturday and Sunday from one or both sites using a minimum of 60 cubic yard trailers or larger during normal business hours. Normal business hours are from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, 7 days a week with the exception of certain City holidays. Peak months produce approximately 4,200 – 4,500 tons and off peak months produce approximately 2,200 – 2,500 tons. Respondent is responsible for picking up the mulch at the respondents sole cost and expense.
3. The facility will typically observe seven holidays annually: Thanksgiving Day, the day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, and Easter Sunday. The department Director reserves the option to modify this schedule.
  - a. The Director of Solid Waste Management may cancel or change dates or hours of operation upon providing the Respondent with seven (7) calendar day's written notice.
4. City will provide dedicated bulk loading services and will accommodate up to approximately fifteen (15) trucks hauling continually. Loading time per truck is estimated at 6 minutes to 10 minutes per truck. Respondent(s) can increase the number of trucks if arrangements are agreed upon by the City and the Respondent(s). City will load Respondents truck with mulch but bears no transportation costs associated with the load.
5. Mulch materials being loaded should be processed into a particle size of approximately 2 to 6 inches using existing equipment and screens. The City will not consider grinding brush outside the indicated particle size to maintain productions levels.
6. The City estimates it can produce and guarantee 40,000 tons of mulch. The respondent will not be obligated to take more than the guaranteed amount. However, the respondents who can accept more than the guaranteed minimum will be considered a better value to the City. The City reserves the right to retain approximately 500 cubic yards or 60 tons of mulch on site at both locations at all times for use by the general public and/or other parties contracted with the City. Exhibit 3 – Table – Mulch Production Total YTD are attached for the Nelson and Bitters facilities.
7. City shall provide the Respondent(s) trucks a receipt or ticket with the tonnage information, vehicle number, and other necessary information.
8. The City understands in the event of unusual circumstances such as a storm event, which may generate an increase of processed material during a short period, additional hauling requirements outside the scope may be necessary. The City reserves the right to transport mulch to the Respondents facility under the contract period for these special circumstances.
9. The City is not opposed to an option of hauling mulch separately from the obligations of this contract to nearby facilities located within the City Limits.
10. Respondent shall utilize the mulch as a beneficial reuse and may include composting, landscaping, soil augmentation, erosion control, and energy production. Failure to utilize the mulch as a beneficial reuse may result in termination of the contract.
11. Respondent utilizing the mulch as a beneficial reuse must maintain all required insurance, federal and state permits, licenses, and certifications, as required or applicable to the Respondents reuse operation. Failure to maintain compliance with all local, state, and federal rules and regulations in utilizing the mulch as a beneficial reuse may result in termination of the contract.
12. Respondent shall provide all equipment necessary to successfully complete the services required under this contract. Said material and equipment shall be supplied at the Respondent's own expense with no additional cost to the City.

13. Respondent must submit a monthly payment to the City, in the form of a check, for the mulch collected by respondent and/or delivered by the City to respondent, as established by the contract terms and conditions, on or before the 5th calendar day of each month for all mulch received during the preceding calendar month in accordance with the contract terms and conditions.

Along with the payment, the respondent must provide support documentation to include a spreadsheet listing of receipts to include; ticket number, tonnage, date, gross weight, tare weight, net weight, and a copy of the receipt. The City will match receipt with records from the facility collected.

14. Respondent and City shall designate a point of contact under this contract.

15. In the event of failure to perform services, the Respondent may be held in default of the Contract. The City shall have the right to make temporary independent arrangements for the purposes of continuing this necessary service in order to secure and protect the public health and safety.

16. The Respondent shall be prepared to begin work immediately, but no later than 15 days upon execution of a contract.

17. City shall provide and guarantee approximately 40,000 tons of mulch annually. Additional quantities may be available.

### 005 - ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

#### Intellectual Property.

If selected, Respondent agrees to abide by the following regarding intellectual property rights:

Respondent shall pay all royalties and licensing fees. Respondent shall hold the City harmless and indemnify the City from the payment of any royalties, damages, losses or expenses including attorney's fees for suits, claims or otherwise, growing out of infringement or alleged infringement of copyrights, patents, materials and methods used in the project. It shall defend all suits for infringement of any Intellectual Property rights. Further, if Respondent has reason to believe that the design, service, process or product specified is an infringement of an Intellectual Property right, it shall promptly give such information to the City.

Upon receipt of notification that a third party claims that the program(s), hardware or both the program(s) and the hardware infringe upon any United States patent or copyright, Respondent will immediately:

Either:

obtain, at Respondent's sole expense, the necessary license(s) or rights that would allow the City to continue using the programs, hardware, or both the programs and hardware, as the case may be, or,

alter the programs, hardware, or both the programs and hardware so that the alleged infringement is eliminated, and

reimburse the City for any expenses incurred by the City to implement emergency backup measures if the City is prevented from using the programs, hardware, or both the programs and hardware while the dispute is pending.

Respondent further agrees to:

assume the defense of any claim, suit, or proceeding brought against the City for infringement of any United States patent or copyright arising from the use and/or sale of the equipment or software under this Agreement,

assume the expense of such defense, including costs of investigations, reasonable attorneys' fees, expert witness fees, damages, and any other litigation-related expenses, and

indemnify the City against any monetary damages and/or costs awarded in such suit;

Provided that:

Respondent is given sole and exclusive control of all negotiations relative to the settlement thereof, but that Respondent agrees to consult with the City Attorney of the City during such defense or negotiations and make good faith effort to avoid any position adverse to the interest of the City,

the Software or the equipment is used by the City in the form, state, or condition as delivered by Respondent or as modified without the permission of Respondent, so long as such modification is not the source of the infringement claim,

the liability claimed shall not have arisen out of the City's negligent act or omission, and the City promptly provide Respondent with written notice within 15 days following the formal assertion of any claim with respect to which the City asserts that Respondent assumes responsibility under this section.

Ownership and Licenses.

In accordance with Texas law, Respondent acknowledges and agrees that all local government records created or received in the transaction of official business or the creation or maintenance of which were paid for with public funds are declared to be public property and subject to the provisions of Chapter 201 of the Texas Local Government Code and Subchapter J, Chapter 441 of the Texas Government Code. Thus, no such local government records produced by or on the behalf of Respondent pursuant to this Contract shall be the subject of any copyright or proprietary claim by Respondent.

The term "local government record" as used herein shall mean any document, paper, letter, book, map, photograph, sound or video recording, microfilm, magnetic tape, electronic medium, or other information recording medium, regardless of physical form or characteristic and regardless of whether public access to it is open or restricted under the laws of the state, created or received by local government or any of its officials or employees pursuant to law including an ordinance, or in the transaction of official business.

Respondent acknowledges and agrees that all local government records, as described in herein, produced in the course of the work required by any contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, will belong to and be the property of City. Respondent, if awarded this contract, will be required to turn over to City, all such records as required by said contract. Respondent, if awarded this contract, shall not, under any circumstances, release any records created during the course of performance of the contract to any entity without City's written permission, unless required to do so by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

In accordance herewith, Respondent, if selected, agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations governing documents and ownership, access and retention thereof.

**006 - TERM OF CONTRACT**

The term of the agreement shall be for period of five (5) years, beginning on the date of the executed contract. The City shall have the option to renew for two (2) additional renewal terms of five (5) years each at the sole discretion of the City and upon City Council approval. The City reserves the right to terminate this contract with 90 days notice.

**007 - PRE-SUBMITTAL CONFERENCE**

A Pre-Submittal conference will not be held.

**008 - PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS**

Respondent's Proposal shall include the following items in the following sequence, noted with the appropriate heading as indicated below. If Respondent is proposing as a team or joint venture, provide the same information for each member of the team or joint venture.

Submit one (1) original, signed in ink, eight (8) hard copies, and one (1) copy of the proposal on compact disk (CD) containing an Adobe PDF version of the entire proposal in a sealed package clearly marked with the project name, "MULCH TRANSPORT AND REUSE" on the front of the package. Each of the items listed below must be labeled with the heading indicated below as a separate file on the CD.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY. The summary shall include a statement of the work to be accomplished, how Respondent proposes to accomplish and perform each specific service and unique problems perceived by Respondent and their solutions.

GENERAL INFORMATION FORM. Use the Form found in this RFP as Attachment A, Part One.

EXPERIENCE, BACKGROUND & QUALIFICATIONS. Use the Form found in this RFP as Attachment A, Part Two.

PROPOSED PLAN. Use the Form found in this RFP as Attachment A, Part Three.

COMPENSATION SCHEDULE. Use the Compensation Schedule that is found in this RFP as Attachment B.

DISCRETIONARY CONTRACTS DISCLOSURE FORM. Use the Form in RFP Attachment C which is posted separately or Respondent may download a copy at:

<https://www.sanantonio.gov/eforms/atty/DiscretionaryContractsDisclosure.pdf>.

Instructions for completing the Discretionary Contracts Disclosure form:

Download form and complete all fields. All fields must be completed prior to submitting the form.

Click on the "Print" button and place the copy in your proposal as indicated in the Proposal Checklist.

LITIGATION DISCLOSURE FORM. Complete and submit the Litigation Disclosure Form, found in this RFP as Attachment D. If Respondent is proposing as a team or joint venture, then all persons or entities who will be parties to the contract (if awarded) shall complete and return this form.

LOCAL PREFERENCE PROGRAM (LPP) ORDINANCE IDENTIFICATION FORM – Complete, sign, and submit LPP Identification Form found in this RFP as Attachment E.

PROOF OF INSURABILITY. Submit a letter from insurance provider stating provider's commitment to insure the Respondent for the types of coverages and at the levels specified in this RFP if awarded a contract in response to this RFP. Respondent shall also submit a copy of their current insurance certificate.

SIGNATURE PAGE. Respondent must complete, sign and submit the Signature Page found in this RFP as Attachment F. The Signature Page must be signed by a person, or persons, authorized to bind the entity, or entities, submitting the proposal. Proposals signed by a person other than an officer of a corporate respondent or partner of partnership respondent shall be accompanied by evidence of authority.

PROPOSAL CHECKLIST. Complete and submit the Proposal Checklist found in this RFP as Attachment G.

Respondent is expected to examine this RFP carefully, understand the terms and conditions for providing the services listed herein and respond completely. FAILURE TO COMPLETE AND PROVIDE ANY OF THESE PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS MAY RESULT IN THE RESPONDENT'S PROPOSAL BEING DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND THEREFORE DISQUALIFIED FROM CONSIDERATION.

### **009 - CHANGES TO RFP**

Changes to the RFP, made prior to the due date for proposals shall be made directly to the original RFP. Changes are captured by creating a replacement version each time the RFP is changed. It is Respondent's responsibility to check for new versions until the proposal due date. City will assume that all proposals received are based on the final version of the RFP as it exists on the day proposals are due.

No oral statement of any person shall modify or otherwise change or affect the terms, conditions or specifications stated in the RFP.

### **010 - SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL**

Proposals must be submitted in hard copy format.

#### Submission of Hard Copy Proposals.

Respondent shall submit one (1) original, signed in ink, eight (8) hard copies, and one (1) copy of the proposal on compact disk (CD) containing an Adobe PDF version of the entire proposal in a sealed package clearly marked with the project name, "MULCH TRANSPORT AND REUSE" on the front of the package.

Proposals must be received in the City Clerk's Office no later than 2:00, p.m., Central Time, on June 28, 2013 at the address below. Any proposal or modification received after this time shall not be considered, and will be returned, unopened to the Respondent. Respondents should note that delivery to the P.O. Box address in a timely manner does not guarantee its receipt in the City Clerk's Office by the deadline for submission. Therefore, Respondents should strive for early submission to avoid the possibility of rejection for late arrival.

Mailing Address:

City Clerk's Office  
Attn: Solid Waste Management Department  
P.O. Box 839966  
San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966

Physical Address:

City Clerk's Office  
Attn: Solid Waste Management Department  
100 Military Plaza  
2nd Floor, City Hall San Antonio, Texas 78205

Proposals sent by facsimile or email will not be accepted.

Proposal Format. Each proposal shall be typewritten, single spaced and submitted on 8 ½" x 11" white paper. If submitting a hard copy, place proposal inside a three ring binder. The use of recycled paper and materials is encouraged. Unnecessarily elaborate brochures, artwork, bindings, visual aides, expensive paper or other materials beyond that sufficient to present a complete and effective submission are not required. Font size shall be no less than 12-point type. All pages shall be numbered and, in the case of hard copy submissions, printed two-sided. Margins shall be no less than 1" around the perimeter of each page. Websites, or URLs shall not be submitted in lieu of the printed proposal or electronic submission through City's portal. Each proposal must include the sections and attachments in the sequence listed in the RFP Section 008, Proposal Requirements, and each section and attachment must be indexed and, for hard copy submissions, divided by tabs and indexed in a Table of Contents page. Failure to meet the above conditions may result in disqualification of the proposal or may negatively affect scoring.

Modified Proposals. Proposals may be modified provided such modifications are received prior to the due date for submission of proposals and submitted in the same manner as original proposal. For hard copy proposals, provide a cover letter with the proposal, indicating it is a modified proposal and that the Original proposal is being withdrawn.

Correct Legal Name.

Respondents who submit proposals to this RFP shall correctly state the true and correct name of the individual, proprietorship, corporation, and /or partnership (clearly identifying the responsible general partner and all other partners who would be associated with the contract, if any). No nicknames, abbreviations (unless part of the legal title), shortened or short-hand, or local "handles" will be accepted in lieu of the full, true and correct legal name of the entity. These names shall comport exactly with the corporate and franchise records of the Texas Secretary of State and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Individuals and proprietorships, if operating under other than an individual name, shall match with exact Assumed Name filings. Corporate Respondents and limited liability company Respondents shall include the 11-digit Comptroller's Taxpayer Number on the General Information form found in this RFP as Attachment A.

If an entity is found to have incorrectly or incompletely stated its name or failed to fully reveal its identity on the General Information form, the Director of Solid Waste Management shall have the discretion, at any point in the contracting process, to suspend consideration of the proposal.

Firm Offer. All provisions in Respondent's proposal, including any estimated or projected costs, shall remain valid for one hundred twenty (120) days following the deadline date for submissions or, if a proposal is accepted, throughout the entire term of the contract.

Confidential or Proprietary Information. All proposals become the property of the City upon receipt and will not be returned. Any information deemed to be confidential by Respondent should be clearly noted; however, City cannot guarantee that it will not be compelled to disclose all or part of any public record under the Texas Public Information Act, since information deemed to be confidential by Respondent may not be considered confidential under Texas law, or pursuant to a Court order.

Cost of Proposal. Any cost or expense incurred by the Respondent that is associated with the preparation of the Proposal, the Pre-Submittal conference, if any, or during any phase of the selection process, shall be borne solely by Respondent.

### **011 - RESTRICTIONS ON COMMUNICATION**

Respondents are prohibited from communicating with: 1) elected City officials and their staff regarding the RFP or proposals from the time the RFP has been released until the contract is posted as a City Council agenda item; and 2) City employees from the time the RFP has been released until the contract is awarded. These restrictions extend to “thank you” letters, phone calls, emails and any contact that results in the direct or indirect discussion of the RFP and/or proposal submitted by Respondent. Violation of this provision by Respondent and/or its agent may lead to disqualification of Respondent’s proposal from consideration.

Exceptions to the Restrictions on Communication with City employees include:

Respondents may submit written questions concerning this RFP to the Staff Contact Person listed below until **12:00 p.m.**, Local Time, on **June 19, 2013**. Questions received after the stated deadline will not be answered. All questions shall be sent by e-mail.

**Grace Solis, Procurement Specialist III**  
**City of San Antonio, Solid Waste Management Department**  
**Grace.Solis@sanantonio.gov**

Questions submitted and the City’s responses will be posted with this solicitation.

Respondents may provide responses to questions asked of them by the Staff Contact Person after responses are received and opened. During interviews, if any, verbal questions and explanations will be permitted. If interviews are conducted, Respondents shall not bring lobbyists. The City reserves the right to exclude any persons from interviews as it deems in its best interests.

Upon completion of the evaluation process, Respondents shall receive a notification letter, along with a review of the solicitation process, indicating the recommended firm and anticipated City Council agenda date.

City reserves the right to contact any Respondent to negotiate if such is deemed desirable by City. Such negotiations, initiated by City staff persons, shall not be considered a violation by Respondent of this section.

### **012 - EVALUATION OF CRITERIA**

The City will conduct a comprehensive, fair and impartial evaluation of all Proposals received in response to this RFP. The City may appoint a selection committee to perform the evaluation. Each Proposal will be analyzed to determine overall responsiveness and qualifications under the RFP. Criteria to be evaluated may include the items listed below. The selection committee may select all, some or none of the Respondents for interviews. If the City elects to conduct interviews, Respondents may be interviewed and re-scored based upon the same criteria. The City may also request additional information from Respondents at any time prior to final approval of a selected Respondent. The City reserves the right to select one, or more, or none of the Respondents to provide services. Final approval of a selected Respondent is subject to the action of the City of San Antonio City Council.

Evaluation criteria:

Experience, Background, Qualifications (30 points)

Proposed Plan (30 points)

Compensation (30 points)

Local Preference (LPP) Ordinance – (up to 10 points)

- 10 evaluation points for local businesses headquartered within the incorporated San Antonio city limits, or;
- 5 evaluation points for a business with an office within the incorporated limits of the City, which has been established for at least one year; from which at least 100 of its employees OR at least 20% of its total full-time, part-time and



contract employees are regularly based; and from which a substantial role in the business's performance of a commercially useful function or a substantial part of its operations is conducted by those employees.

### **013 - AWARD OF CONTRACT AND RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

City reserves the right to award one, more than one or no contract(s) in response to this RFP.

The Contract, if awarded, will be awarded to the Respondent(s) whose Proposal(s) is deemed most advantageous to City, as determined by the selection committee, upon approval of the City Council.

City may accept any Proposal in whole or in part. If subsequent negotiations are conducted, they shall not constitute a rejection or alternate RFP on the part of City. However, final selection of a Respondent is subject to City Council approval.

City reserves the right to accept one or more proposals or reject any or all proposals received in response to this RFP, and to waive informalities and irregularities in the proposals received. City also reserves the right to terminate this RFP, and reissue a subsequent solicitation, and/or remedy technical errors in the RFP process.

City will require the selected Respondent(s) to execute a contract with the City, prior to City Council award. No work shall commence until City signs the contract document(s) and Respondent provides the necessary evidence of insurance as required in this RFP and the Contract. Contract documents are not binding on City until approved by the City Attorney. In the event the parties cannot negotiate and execute a contract within the time specified, City reserves the right to terminate negotiations with the selected Respondent and commence negotiations with another Respondent.

This RFP does not commit City to enter into a Contract, award any services related to this RFP, nor does it obligate City to pay any costs incurred in preparation or submission of a proposal or in anticipation of a contract.

If selected, Respondent will be required to comply with the Insurance and Indemnification Requirements established herein.

The successful Respondent must be able to formally invoice the City for services rendered, incorporating the SAP-generated contract and purchase order numbers that shall be provided by the City.

Conflicts of Interest. Respondent acknowledges that it is informed that the Charter of the City of San Antonio and its Ethics Code prohibit a City officer or employee, as those terms are defined in the Ethics Code, from having a financial interest in any contract with City or any City agency such as City-owned utilities. An officer or employee has a "prohibited financial interest" in a contract with City or in the sale to City of land materials, supplies or service, if any of the following individual(s) or entities is a party to the contract or sale: the City officer or employee; his parent, child or spouse; a business entity in which he or his parent, child or spouse owns ten (10) percent or more of the voting stock or shares of the business entity, or ten (10) percent or more of the fair market value of the business entity; or a business entity in which any individual or entity above listed is a subcontractor on a City contract, a partner or a parent or subsidiary business entity.

Respondent is required to warrant and certify that it, its officers, employees and agents are neither officials nor employees of the City, as defined in Section 2-42 of the City's Ethics Code. (Discretionary Contracts Disclosure – form may be found online at <https://www.sanantonio.gov/eforms/atty/DiscretionaryContractsDisclosure.pdf>.)

Independent Contractor. Respondent agrees and understands that, if selected, it and all persons designated by it to provide services in connection with a contract, are and shall be deemed to be an independent contractors, responsible for their respective acts or omissions, and that City shall in no way be responsible for Respondent's actions, and that none of the parties hereto will have authority to bind the others or to hold out to third parties, that it has such authority.

Effective January 1, 2006, Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that persons, or their agents, who seek to contract for the sale or purchase of property, goods, or services with the City, shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire with the City Clerk not later than the 7th business day after the date the person: (1) begins contract discussions or negotiations with the City; or (2) submits to the City an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential agreement with the City. The conflict of interest questionnaire form is available from the Texas Ethics Commission at <http://www.ethics.state.tx.us/forms/CIQ.pdf>. Completed conflict of interest questionnaires may be mailed or delivered by hand to the Office of the City Clerk. If mailing a completed conflict of interest questionnaire, mail to: Office of the City Clerk, P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, TX 78283-3966. If delivering a completed conflict of interest questionnaire, deliver to: Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 2nd floor, 100 Military Plaza, San Antonio, TX 78205. Respondent should consult its own legal advisor for answers to questions regarding the statute or form.

**014 - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Following is a list of **projected dates/times** with respect to this RFP:

RFP Release Date	June 14, 2013
Final Questions Accepted	June 19, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.
Proposal Due	June 28, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

**015 - RFP EXHIBITS**

**RFP EXHIBIT 1**

**INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

If selected to provide the services described in this RFP, Respondent shall be required to comply with the insurance requirements set forth below:

**INSURANCE**

A) Prior to the commencement of any work under this Agreement, Respondent shall furnish copies of all required endorsements and completed Certificate(s) of Insurance to the City’s Solid Waste Management Department, which shall be clearly labeled “Mulch Transport and Reuse” in the Description of Operations block of the Certificate. The Certificate(s) shall be completed by an agent and signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The City will not accept a Memorandum of Insurance or Binder as proof of insurance. The certificate(s) must have the agent’s signature and phone number, and be mailed, with copies of all applicable endorsements, directly from the insurer’s authorized representative to the City. The City shall have no duty to pay or perform under this Agreement until such certificate and endorsements have been received and approved by the City’s Solid Waste Management Department. No officer or employee, other than the City’s Risk Manager, shall have authority to waive this requirement.

B) The City reserves the right to review the insurance requirements of this Article during the effective period of this Agreement and any extension or renewal hereof and to modify insurance coverages and their limits when deemed necessary and prudent by City’s Risk Manager based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, or circumstances surrounding this Agreement. In no instance will City allow modification whereby City may incur increased risk.

C) A Respondent’s financial integrity is of interest to the City; therefore, subject to Respondent’s right to maintain reasonable deductibles in such amounts as are approved by the City, Respondent shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement, and any extension hereof, at Respondent’s sole expense, insurance coverage written on an occurrence basis, unless otherwise indicated, by companies authorized to do business in the State of Texas and with an A.M Best’s rating of no less than A- (VII), in the following types and for an amount not less than the amount listed below:

TYPE	AMOUNTS
1. Workers' Compensation 2. Employers' Liability	Statutory \$500,000/\$500,000/\$500,000
3. Broad form Commercial General Liability Insurance to include coverage for the following: a. Premises/Operations *b. Independent Contractors c. Products/Completed Operations d. Personal Injury e. Contractual Liability f. Environmental Impairment/ Impact – sufficiently broad to cover disposal liability. g. Explosion, Collapse, Underground h. Damage to property rented by you	For <u>Bodily Injury</u> and <u>Property Damage</u> of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$2,000,000 General Aggregate, or its equivalent in Umbrella or Excess Liability Coverage  h. \$100,000
4. Business Automobile Liability a. Owned/leased vehicles b. Non-owned vehicles c. Hired Vehicles	<u>Combined Single Limit</u> for <u>Bodily Injury</u> and <u>Property Damage</u> of \$1,000,000 per occurrence

D) Respondent agrees to require, by written contract, that all subcontractors providing goods or services hereunder obtain the same insurance coverages required of Respondent herein, and provide a certificate of insurance

and endorsement that names the Respondent and the CITY as additional insureds. Respondent shall provide the CITY with said certificate and endorsement prior to the commencement of any work by the subcontractor. This provision may be modified by City's Risk Manager, without subsequent City Council approval, when deemed necessary and prudent, based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, or circumstances surrounding this agreement. Such modification may be enacted by letter signed by City's Risk Manager, which shall become a part of the contract for all purposes.

E) As they apply to the limits required by the City, the City shall be entitled, upon request and without expense, to receive copies of the policies, declaration page, and all endorsements thereto and may require the deletion, revision, or modification of particular policy terms, conditions, limitations, or exclusions (except where policy provisions are established by law or regulation binding upon either of the parties hereto or the underwriter of any such policies). Respondent shall be required to comply with any such requests and shall submit a copy of the replacement certificate of insurance to City at the address provided below within 10 days of the requested change. Respondent shall pay any costs incurred resulting from said changes.

City of San Antonio  
Attn: Solid Waste Management Department  
P.O. Box 839966  
San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966

F) Respondent agrees that with respect to the above required insurance, all insurance policies are to contain or be endorsed to contain the following provisions:

- Name the City, its officers, officials, employees, volunteers, and elected representatives as additional insureds by endorsement, as respects operations and activities of, or on behalf of, the named insured performed under contract with the City, with the exception of the workers' compensation and professional liability policies;
- Provide for an endorsement that the "other insurance" clause shall not apply to the City of San Antonio where the City is an additional insured shown on the policy;
- Workers' compensation, employers' liability, general liability and automobile liability policies will provide a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City.
- Provide advance written notice directly to City of any suspension, cancellation, non-renewal or material change in coverage, and not less than ten (10) calendar days advance notice for nonpayment of premium.

G) Within five (5) calendar days of a suspension, cancellation or non-renewal of coverage, Respondent shall provide a replacement Certificate of Insurance and applicable endorsements to City. City shall have the option to suspend Respondent's performance should there be a lapse in coverage at any time during this contract. Failure to provide and to maintain the required insurance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.

H) .In addition to any other remedies the City may have upon Respondent's failure to provide and maintain any insurance or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time herein required, the City shall have the right to order Respondent to stop work hereunder, and/or withhold any payment(s) which become due to Respondent hereunder until Respondent demonstrates compliance with the requirements hereof.

I) Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting in any way the extent to which Respondent may be held responsible for payments of damages to persons or property resulting from Respondent's or its subcontractors' performance of the work covered under this Agreement.

J) It is agreed that Respondent's insurance shall be deemed primary and non-contributory with respect to any insurance or self insurance carried by the City of San Antonio for liability arising out of operations under this Agreement.

K) It is understood and agreed that the insurance required is in addition to and separate from any other obligation contained in this Agreement and that no claim or action by or on behalf of the City shall be limited to insurance coverage provided.

L) Respondent and any Subcontractors are responsible for all damage to their own equipment and/or property.

## RFP EXHIBIT 2

### INDEMNIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

If selected to provide the services described in this RFP, Respondent shall be required to comply with the indemnification requirements set forth below:

#### INDEMNIFICATION

**RESPONDENT covenants and agrees to FULLY INDEMNIFY, DEFEND and HOLD HARMLESS, the CITY and the elected officials, employees, officers, directors, volunteers and representatives of the CITY, individually and collectively, from and against any and all costs, claims, liens, damages, losses, expenses, fees, fines, penalties, proceedings, actions, demands, causes of action, liability and suits of any kind and nature, including but not limited to, personal or bodily injury, death and property damage, made upon the CITY directly or indirectly arising out of, resulting from or related to RESPONDENT'S activities under this Agreement, including any acts or omissions of RESPONDENT, any agent, officer, director, representative, employee, consultant or subcontractor of RESPONDENT, and their respective officers, agents employees, directors and representatives while in the exercise of the rights or performance of the duties under this Agreement. The indemnity provided for in this paragraph shall not apply to any liability resulting from the negligence of CITY, its officers or employees, in instances where such negligence causes personal injury, death, or property damage. IN THE EVENT RESPONDENT AND CITY ARE FOUND JOINTLY LIABLE BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, LIABILITY SHALL BE APPORTIONED COMPARATIVELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS, WITHOUT, HOWEVER, WAIVING ANY GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AVAILABLE TO THE CITY UNDER TEXAS LAW AND WITHOUT WAIVING ANY DEFENSES OF THE PARTIES UNDER TEXAS LAW.**

The provisions of this INDEMNITY are solely for the benefit of the parties hereto and not intended to create or grant any rights, contractual or otherwise, to any other person or entity. RESPONDENT shall advise the CITY in writing within 24 hours of any claim or demand against the CITY or RESPONDENT known to RESPONDENT related to or arising out of RESPONDENT's activities under this AGREEMENT and shall see to the investigation and defense of such claim or demand at RESPONDENT's cost. The CITY shall have the right, at its option and at its own expense, to participate in such defense without relieving RESPONDENT of any of its obligations under this paragraph.

Defense Counsel - CITY shall have the right to select or to approve defense counsel to be retained by RESPONDENT in fulfilling its obligation hereunder to defend and indemnify CITY, unless such right is expressly waived by CITY in writing. RESPONDENT shall retain CITY approved defense counsel within seven (7) business days of CITY'S written notice that CITY is invoking its right to indemnification under this Contract. If RESPONDENT fails to retain Counsel within such time period, CITY shall have the right to retain defense counsel on its own behalf, and RESPONDENT shall be liable for all costs incurred by CITY. CITY shall also have the right, at its option, to be represented by advisory counsel of its own selection and at its own expense, without waiving the foregoing.

Employee Litigation - In any and all claims against any party indemnified hereunder by any employee of RESPONDENT, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation herein provided shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for RESPONDENT or any subcontractor under worker's compensation or other employee benefit acts.

**Exhibit 3**  
**Table – Mulch Production Total YTD**

<b>Total Mulch Tonnage</b>				
	<b>FY 2013</b>			<b>FY 2013</b>
<b>Bitters</b>	<b>2012-2013</b>		<b>Nelson</b>	<b>2012-2013</b>
October	2,297.57		October	1,007.20
November	4,754.97		November	2,398.22
December	5,941.97		December	3,642.99
January	16,620.76		January	7,015.98
February	4,395.64		February	7,293.59
March	4,238.84		March	278.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,249.75</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>21,635.98</b>

## **Exhibit 4**

### **Local Preference Program (LPP) Ordinance**

The 82nd Texas Legislature adopted a revision to the law that allowed the City of San Antonio (City) to adopt a policy that would grant contracting preferences to local businesses for certain types of contracts. The City adopted such a policy, known as the Local Preference Program, by Ordinance No. 2013-03-21-0167, effective for solicitations issued after May 1, 2013.

This solicitation is subject to the Local Preference Program. For more information on the program, refer to the Local Preference Program Identification Form attached to this solicitation.

In order to receive consideration the Local Bidder must complete and return the attached Local Preference Identification Form.

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**RFP ATTACHMENT A, PART ONE**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1. Respondent Information:** Provide the following information regarding the Respondent.

(NOTE: Co-Respondents are two or more entities proposing as a team or joint venture with each signing the contract, if awarded. Sub-contractors are not Co-Respondents and should not be identified here. If this proposal includes Co-Respondents, provide the required information in this Item #1 for each Co-Respondent by copying and inserting an additional block(s) before Item #2.)

Respondent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: Give exact legal name as it will appear on the contract, if awarded.)

Principal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Website address: \_\_\_\_\_

Year established: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide the number of years in business under present name: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number or Federal Employer Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Texas Comptroller's Taxpayer Number, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: This 11-digit number is sometimes referred to as the Comptroller's TIN or TID.)

DUNS NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Structure: Check the box that indicates the business structure of the Respondent.

Individual or Sole Proprietorship If checked, list Assumed Name, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Partnership

Corporation If checked, check one:  For-Profit  Nonprofit

Also, check one:  Domestic  Foreign

Other If checked, list business structure: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Contract Signatory: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide any other names under which Respondent has operated within the last 10 years and length of time under for each:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Provide address of office from which this project would be managed:

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Revenue: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Employees: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Current Clients/Customers: \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe other lines of business that the company is directly or indirectly affiliated with:

\_\_\_\_\_



\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List Related Companies:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Contact Information:** List the one person who the City may contact concerning your proposal or setting dates for meetings.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**3.** Does Respondent anticipate any mergers, transfer of organization ownership, management reorganization, or departure of key personnel within the next twelve (12) months?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**4.** Is Respondent authorized and/or licensed to do business in Texas?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", list authorizations/licenses.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**5.** Where is the Respondent's corporate headquarters located? \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Local/County Operation:** Does the Respondent have an office located in San Antonio, Texas?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", respond to a and b below:

a. How long has the Respondent conducted business from its San Antonio office?

Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

b. State the number of full-time employees at the San Antonio office.

If "No", indicate if Respondent has an office located within Bexar County, Texas:

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", respond to c and d below:

c. How long has the Respondent conducted business from its Bexar County office?

Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

d. State the number of full-time employees at the Bexar County office. \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Debarment/Suspension Information:** Has the Respondent or any of its principals been debarred or suspended from contracting with any public entity?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", identify the public entity and the name and current phone number of a representative of the public entity familiar with the debarment or suspension, and state the reason for or circumstances surrounding the debarment or suspension, including but not limited to the period of time for such debarment or suspension.

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**8. Surety Information:** Has the Respondent ever had a bond or surety canceled or forfeited?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the bonding company, date, amount of bond and reason for such cancellation or forfeiture.

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**9. Bankruptcy Information:** Has the Respondent ever been declared bankrupt or filed for protection from creditors under state or federal proceedings?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the date, court, jurisdiction, cause number, amount of liabilities and amount of assets.

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**10. Disciplinary Action:** Has the Respondent ever received any disciplinary action, or any pending disciplinary action, from any regulatory bodies or professional organizations? If "Yes", state the name of the regulatory body or professional organization, date and reason for disciplinary or impending disciplinary action.

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**11. Previous Contracts:**

a. Has the Respondent ever failed to complete any contract awarded?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the organization contracted with, services contracted, date, contract amount and reason for failing to complete the contract.

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b. Has any officer or partner proposed for this assignment ever been an officer or partner of some other organization that failed to complete a contract?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the individual, organization contracted with, services contracted, date, contract amount and reason for failing to complete the contract.

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c. Has any officer or partner proposed for this assignment ever failed to complete a contract handled in his or her own name?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the individual, organization contracted with, services contracted, date, contract amount and reason for failing to complete the contract.

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## REFERENCES

Provide three (3) references, that Respondent has provided services to within the past three (3) years. The contact person named should be familiar with the day-to-day management of the contract and be willing to respond to questions regarding the type, level, and quality of service provided.

### Reference No. 1:

Firm/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Type of Service(s) Provided: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Reference No. 2:

Firm/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Type of Service(s) Provided: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### Reference No. 3:

Firm/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Type of Service(s) Provided: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## **RFP ATTACHMENT A, PART TWO**

### **EXPERIENCE, BACKGROUND, QUALIFICATIONS**

Prepare and submit narrative responses to address the following items. If Respondent is proposing as a team or joint venture, provide the same information for each member of the team or joint venture.

1. Describe Respondent's company. Include relevant information on their company to include owner names, primary staff, number of years in business, organization structure, location, etc.
2. List the history and how the company plans to fulfill the scope of services for the duration of this contract and beyond.
3. Describe Respondent's resources. List total number of employees, number and size of tractor trailers, location of delivery sites and other types of equipment available to support this project.
4. If Respondent is proposing as a team or joint venture or has included sub-contractors, describe the rationale for selecting the team and the extent to which the team, joint venturers and/or sub-contractors have worked together in the past.
5. Additional Information. Identify any additional skills, experiences, qualifications, and/or other relevant information about the Respondent's qualifications.

## **RFP ATTACHMENT A, PART THREE**

### **PROPOSED PLAN**

Prepare and submit the following items.

1. Describe your company. List the name of your company, and your core business.
2. Describe your facility. List the location, size, storage capacity, additional site plans, and if it is owned or leased.
3. Describe how you intend for the material to be transported from the inventory location to the processing location. List the daily requirements of material needed. Describe any repercussions to the City if the daily requirement is not fulfilled. List the number of trucks to be used, types of trucks and sizes. Indicate the days of the weeks to be hauling, the months to haul, a schedule of hauling, and turnaround time.
4. Describe the intended use of the mulch received. List how you will utilize the mulch as a beneficial reuse project.
5. Provide copies of all required insurance, federal and state permits, licenses, and certifications, as required or applicable to the Respondents reuse operation. If the mulch is going to be stockpiled for future use, provide information required for compliance with local, state, and federal rules and regulations, especially if over the aquifer.
6. Describe the marketing strategy. List any partners that would be involved as part of your intended use.
7. Describe your pricing method for submission of this RFP. List if you are contracting at no cost to the City, revenue generating to the City.
8. Describe any assurances you can provide to the City that you will stay in business for the duration of the contract term.
9. Describe any additional expectations and/or requirements you have for the City as described in the RFP.
10. Additional Information. Provide any additional plans and/or relevant information about Respondent's approach to providing the required services.

**RFP ATTACHMENT B**

**COMPENSATION SCHEDULE**

RFP Section 012, Evaluation Criteria, Compensation is worth 30 evaluation points. Respondents will receive zero (0) evaluation points for;

Line Items submitted by Respondent as: "No Bid" or left blank and;

Line Items that Respondent has changed/alterd any estimated quantities or product information.

Line Items marked by Respondent as: "Included" or \$0.00 will be determined by the City as Respondent will provide to City at No Payment to City.

Location	Item	Annually	Payment to City
*Transport Mulch from the Bitters Brush Recycling Center	Mulch	40,000 – 60,000 Tons	\$ /per ton
*Transport Mulch from the Nelson Gardens Brush Recycling Center	Mulch	40,000 – 60,000 Tons	\$ /per ton
City of San Antonio Transports Mulch to Respondent Facility	Mulch	10,000 Tons	\$ /per ton

\*Transportation cost is to be included into the payment to the City.

## **RFP ATTACHMENT C**

### **DISCRETIONARY CONTRACTS DISCLOSURE FORM**

Discretionary Contracts Disclosure Form may be downloaded at  
<https://www.sanantonio.gov/efrms/atty/DiscretionaryContractsDisclosure.pdf>.

Instructions for completing the Discretionary Contracts Disclosure form are listed below:

1. Download form and complete all fields. Note: All fields must be completed prior to submitting the form.
2. Click on the "Print" button and place the copy in proposal response as indicated in the Proposal Checklist.

**RFP ATTACHMENT D**

**LITIGATION DISCLOSURE FORM**

**Respond to each of the questions below by checking the appropriate box. Failure to fully and truthfully disclose the information required by this Litigation Disclosure form may result in the disqualification of your proposal from consideration or termination of the contract, once awarded.**

Have you or any member of your Firm or Team to be assigned to this engagement ever been indicted or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor greater than a Class C in the last five (5) years?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Have you or any member of your Firm or Team to be assigned to this engagement been terminated (for cause or otherwise) from any work being performed for the City of San Antonio or any other Federal, State or Local Government, or Private Entity?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Have you or any member of your Firm or Team to be assigned to this engagement been involved in any claim or litigation with the City of San Antonio or any other Federal, State or Local Government, or Private Entity during the last ten (10) years?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**If you have answered "Yes" to any of the above questions, please indicate the name(s) of the person(s), the nature, and the status and/or outcome of the information, indictment, conviction, termination, claim or litigation, as applicable. Any such information should be provided on a separate page, attached to this form and submitted with your proposal.**



**RFP ATTACHMENT E**

**Local Preference Program Identification Form**

Posted as a separate attachment.

**RFP ATTACHMENT F**

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

Respondent, and co-respondent, if any, must complete City's Certified Vendor Registration (CVR) Form prior to the due date for submission of proposals. The CVR Form may be accessed at: <http://www.sanantonio.gov/purchasing/>.

By submitting a proposal, whether electronically or by paper, Respondent represents that:

If Respondent is a corporation, Respondent will be required to provide a certified copy of the resolution evidencing authority to enter into the contract, if other than an officer will be signing the contract.

If awarded a contract in response to this RFP, Respondent will be able and willing to comply with the insurance and indemnification requirements set out in RFP Exhibits 2 & 3.

If awarded a contract in response to this RFP, Respondent will be able and willing to comply with all representations made by Respondent in Respondent's proposal and during Proposal process.

Respondent has fully and truthfully submitted a Litigation Disclosure form with the understanding that failure to disclose the required information may result in disqualification of proposal from consideration.

Respondent agrees to fully and truthfully submit the Respondent Questionnaire form and understands that failure to fully disclose requested information may result in disqualification of proposal from consideration or termination of contract, once awarded.

To comply with the City's Ethics Code, particularly Section 2-61 that prohibits a person or entity seeking a City contract - or any other person acting on behalf of such a person or entity - from contacting City officials or their staff prior to the time such contract is posted as a City Council agenda item.

(S)he is authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the entity.

**Acknowledgement of Prohibition regarding Campaign and Officeholder Contributions**

If submitting your proposal by paper, complete the following and sign on the signature line below. Failure to sign and submit this Signature Page will result in rejection of your proposal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent Entity Name

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: If proposal is submitted by Co-Respondents, an authorized signature from a representative of each Co-Respondent is required. Add additional signature blocks as required.)

If submitting your proposal electronically, through City's portal, Co-Respondent must also log in using Co-Respondent's log-on ID and password, and submit a letter indicating that Co-Respondent is a party to Respondent's proposal and agrees to these representations and those made in Respondent's proposal. While Co-Respondent does not have to submit a copy of Respondent's proposal, Co-Respondent should answer any questions or provide any information directed specifically to Co-Respondent.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Respondent Entity Name

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**RFP ATTACHMENT G**

**PROPOSAL CHECKLIST**

Use this checklist to ensure that all required documents have been included in the proposal and appear in the correct order.

Document	Initial to Indicate Document is Attached to Proposal
Table of Contents	
Executive Summary	
General Information and References RFP Attachment A, Part One	
Experience, Background & Qualifications RFP Attachment A, Part Two	
Proposed Plan RFP Attachment A, Part Three	
Compensation Schedule RFP Attachment B	
Discretionary Contracts Disclosure form RFP Attachment C	
Litigation Disclosure RFP Attachment D	
* Local Preference Program Identification Form. RFP Attachment E	
Proof of Insurability (See RFP Exhibit 2) Insurance Provider's Letter Copy of Current Certificate of Insurance	
* Signature Page RFP Attachment F	
Proposal Checklist RFP Attachment G	
One (1) Original, Eight (8) copies and one (1) CD of entire proposal in PDF format.	

\*Documents marked with an asterisk on this checklist require a signature. Be sure they are signed prior to submittal of proposal.