

Audit and Accountability Committee

June 19, 2018

Pre Solicitation Briefing for EMS Billing and Collection Services

Presented by Charles N. Hood, Fire Chief San Antonio Fire Department

Solicitation Overview



Overview & Background

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 Fire Department is accepting proposals from qualified respondents to provide an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Billing and Collection Service for fees charged to individuals for services rendered

Background

- Collection function performed by private firm since 1990
- Fire responded to 156,029 medical incidents in 2016
- 103,366 resulted in emergency medical treatment and billable fees to patients
- City has participating provider status with Medicare and Medicaid
- Firm must maintain centrally located office in San Antonio

Project Scope

EMS Billing and Collection Services

- Successful firm will provide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Billing and Collection Services for fees charged to individuals for EMS services and EMS transports
- The firm will bill Medicare, Medicaid, Private Insurance and the patients and will guarantee a minimum collection rate of 56%, back to the City, for a given month after 12 months collection efforts.
- Revenues-\$25M (annually)

Solicitation Requirements

Evaluation Criteria Experience, Background, Qualifications: 40 Points

Proposed Plan: 30 Points

Pricing: 15 Points

Local Preference Program: 10 points

Veteran-Owned Small Business Preference Program: 5 points

Additional Requirements

SBEDA Subcontracting Requirements: 13% M/WBE

Audited Financial Statements: Required

Goal Setting Committee Members Noel T. Horan, Assistant to the Director, Fire Department

Russell Huff, Assistant Director of Public Utilities, Finance Department

Nikki Ramos, Chair, City Manager's Office

Michael Sindon, Assistant Director, Economic Development Department

Linda Lopez-George, Citizen Member

Outreach Efforts

NIGP Codes Identified

94610 Accounting and Billing

Number of Vendors to be Notified

- Central Vendor Registry 60
- Targeted Vendor Outreach 4
- Small Business Administration 36

Advertising

- TVSA Channel 21
- COSA Bidding Opportunities website
- Hart Beat
- Express News

Project Evaluation Committee

Voting Members	Advisory Members
Erik J. Walsh, Deputy City Manager, City Manager's Office	Yvette Granato, Deputy Fire Chief, Fire Department
Margaret U. Villegas, Assistant Director, Finance	Darren Wiatrek, Captain, Fire Department
Monica Ramos, Assistant Director, Office of Management and Budget	Mary Hammer, DFA, Fire Department
Michael Stringfellow, EMS Division Chief, Fire Department	Lisa Maldonado, Fiscal Analyst, Fire Department
Valerie Frausto, Assistant Fire Chief, Fire Department	Laura Cedillo, City Attorney, City Attorney's Office
Eric Epley, Executive Director, Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council (STRAC)	Noel T. Horan, Assistant to the Director, Fire Department

Project Timeline

Pre-Solicitation

Solicitation

Post – Solicitation

Finalization

Goal Setting Committee:

■ June 12, 2018

Audit Committee Pre Solicitation Briefing:

■ June 19, 2018

Release RFP:

■ June 29, 2018

Pre-Submittal Conference:

■ July 11, 2018

Deadline for **Questions:**

■ July 18, 2018

RFP Due:

■ July 30, 2018

Evaluation Complete:

■ August 20, 2018

Contract Negotiated:

■September 26, 2018

Audit Committee Post Solicitation Briefing:

■ November 12, 2018

City Council Consideration:

■ December 13, 2018

Contract Start Date:

■ April 1, 2019



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