

# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

# FINANCE DEPARTMENT-PURCHASING DIVISION

REQUEST FOR COMPETITIVE SEALED PROPOSAL ("RFCSP")
NO.: 18-017, 6100010017

ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR MOWING OF MEDIANS
Date Issued: APRIL 06, 2018

# PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN: 2:00 PM, CENTRAL TIME, MAY 07, 2018

Proposals may be submitted by any of the following means: Electronic submission through the Portal Hard copy in person or by mail

Address for hard copy responses:

Physical Address:
Office of the City Clerk
100 Military Plaza
City Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor
San Antonio, Texas 78205

Mailing Address:
Office of the City Clerk
P.O. Box 839966
San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966

For Hard Copy Submissions, Mark Envelope

"ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR MOWING OF MEDIANS"

Proposal Due Date: 2:00 p.m., Central Time, MAY 07, 2018

RFCSP No.: 6100010017; 18-017 Respondent's Name and Address:

Proposal Bond: NO Performance Bond: NO Payment Bond: NO Other: NO

See Supplemental Terms & Conditions for information on these requirements.

Affirmative Procurement Initiative: YES DBE / ACDBE Requirements: NO

See Instructions for Respondents and Attachments sections for more information on these requirements.

Pre-Submittal Conference: \* YES

\* If YES, the Pre-Submittal Conference will be held on APRIL 17, 2018 at 1:30 P.M. in Municipal Plaza Building, Located at 114 W. Commerce St., 9<sup>TH</sup> Floor Conference Room, San Antonio, TX 78205

Staff Contact Person: DEBRA STEVENS, PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST III, P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, TX 78283-3966. Email: DEBRA.STEVENS@SANANTONIO.GOV

SBEDA Contact Information: DAVID RODRIGUEZ, 210-207-0071, DAVID.RODRIGUEZ3@SANANTONIO.GOV

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#### 003 - INSTRUCTIONS FOR RESPONDENTS

#### **PART A**

# Submission of Proposals.

<u>Submission of Hard Copy Proposals</u>. Submit one (1) **COMPLETE** original signed in ink, (six) **6** hard copies *WITH ONLY TABS and documents for General Information Form; Experience, Background and Qualifications; and Proposed Plan, etc. (NO SBEDA, VOSB AND/OR PRICING TO BE INCLUDED)* and one 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, "ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR MOWING OF MEDIANS" on the front of the package addressed to the City Clerk at the address and by the due date provided on the Cover Page. The name and address of Respondent, the due date for submission of proposals, RFCSP number and title of the solicitation shall be marked on the outside of the envelope(s). All times stated herein are Central Time. Any proposal or modification received after the time and date stated on the Cover Page shall be rejected.

Proposals must be received in the Office of the City Clerk no later than **2:00 p.m.**, **Central Time**, **on May 07, 2018** at the address below. Any proposal or modification received after this date and 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 Office of the City Clerk by the deadline for submission. Therefore, Respondents should strive for early submission to avoid the possibility of rejection for late arrival.

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<u>Submission of Electronic Proposals</u>. Submit one COMPLETE proposal electronically by the due date provided on the Cover Page. All times stated herein are Central Time. Any proposal or modification received after the time and date stated on the Cover Page shall be rejected. All forms in this solicitation which require a signature must have a signature affixed thereto, either by manually signing the document, prior to scanning it and uploading it with your submission, or affixing it electronically.

Proposals sent to City by facsimile or email shall be rejected.

<u>Modified Proposals</u>. Proposals may be modified provided such modifications are received prior to the time and date set for submission of proposals, and submitted in the same manner as original proposals. 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. For electronic proposals, a modified proposal will automatically replace a prior proposal submission. See below for information on submitting Alternate Proposals.

City shall not be responsible for lost or misdirected proposals or modifications.

Respondents must sign the Signature Page on hard copy proposals and return the RFCSP document to City. For electronic proposals, Respondent's electronic submission, with accompanying affirmations, constitutes a binding signature for all purposes. Respondents are cautioned that they are responsible for the security of their log on ID and password, since unauthorized use could result in Respondent's being held liable for the submission.

<u>Certified Vendor Registration Form.</u> If Respondent has not completed City's Certified Vendor Registration (CVR) Form, Respondent is required to do so prior to the due date for submission of proposals. The CVR form

may be accessed at: http://www.sanantonio.gov/purchasing/. Respondents must identify the correct name of the entity that will be providing the goods and/or services under the contract. No nicknames, abbreviations (unless part of the legal title), shortened or short-hand names will be accepted in place of the full, true and correct legal name of the entity.

<u>Correct Legal Name</u>. Respondents who submit proposals to this RFCSP 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 RFCSP as Attachment A, Part One. 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 the Finance Department shall have the discretion, at any point in the contracting process, to suspend consideration of the proposal.

Alternate Proposals. Alternate proposals may be allowed at the sole discretion of City.

<u>Hard Copy Alternate Proposals</u>. Alternate proposals must be submitted in separate sealed envelopes in the same manner as submission of other proposals. Alternate proposals must be marked consecutively on the envelope as Alternate Proposal No. 1, 2, etc. Failure to submit alternate proposals in separate envelopes may result in rejection of a proposal.

<u>Electronic Alternate Proposals</u>. All alternate proposals submitted electronically are recorded with original proposals when submitted electronically.

# Restrictions on Communication.

Respondents are prohibited from communicating with: 1) City officials, as defined by §2-62 of the City Code of the City of San Antonio, regarding the RFCSP or proposals from the time the RFCSP has been released until the contract is posted for consideration as a City Council agenda item during a meeting designated as an A session; and 2) City employees from the time the RFCSP 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 RFCSP and/or proposal submitted by Respondent. Violation of this provision by Respondent and/or its agent may lead to disgualification of Respondent's proposal from consideration.

Exceptions to the restrictions on communication with City employees include:

Respondents may ask verbal questions concerning this RFCSP at the Pre-Submittal Conference.

Respondents may submit written questions, or objections to specifications, concerning this RFCSP to the Staff Contact Person listed on the Cover Page on or before Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 10:00 am Central Time. Questions received after the stated deadline will not be answered. Questions submitted and City's responses will be posted with this solicitation. All questions shall be sent by e-mail.

Respondents may provide responses to questions asked of them by the Staff Contact Person after proposals are received and opened. The Staff Contact Person may request clarification to assist in evaluating Respondent's response. The information provided is not intended to change the proposal response in any fashion. Such additional information must be provided within two (2) business days from City's request. Respondents may also respond to requests by the Staff Contact Person for best and final offers, which do allow respondents to change their proposals. Requests for best and final offers will be clearly designated as such. During interviews, if any, verbal questions and explanations will be permitted. The City reserves the right to exclude any persons from interviews as it deems in its best interests.

Respondents and/or their agents are encouraged to contact the Small Business Office of the Economic Development Department for assistance or clarification with issues specifically related to the City's Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Program policy and/or completion of the required SBEDA forms. The point of contact, David Rodriguez, may be reached by telephone at (210) 207-0071 or by e-mail at David.Rodriguez3@sanantonio.gov. This exception to the restriction on communication does not apply, and there is no contact permitted to the Small Business Office regarding this solicitation, after the solicitation closing date.

Respondents may contact the Vendor Support staff at (210) 207-0118 or by email at: <a href="mailto:vendors@sanantonio.gov">vendors@sanantonio.gov</a>

for assistance with vendor registration.

A Respondent that has an ongoing business relationship with the City may communicate with City employees to the extent necessary to perform the Respondent's duties and obligations related to that business relationship.

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

#### Pre-Submittal Conference.

If a Pre-Submittal Conference is scheduled, it will be held at the time and place noted on the Cover Page. Respondents are encouraged to prepare and submit their questions in writing in advance of the Pre-Submittal Conference in order to expedite the proceedings. City's responses to questions received by this due date may be distributed at the Pre-Submittal Conference and posted with this solicitation. Attendance at the Pre-Submittal Conference is optional, but highly encouraged. Site Tours, if any, will begin at the conclusion of the conference.

This meeting place is accessible to disabled persons. Call the Staff Contact Person for information on the location of the wheelchair accessible entrance, or to request an interpreter for the deaf. Interpreters for the deaf must be requested at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. For other assistance, call (210) 207-7245 Voice/TTY.

Any oral response given at the Pre-Submittal Conference that is not confirmed in writing and posted with this solicitation shall not be official or binding on the City.

#### Changes to RFCSP.

Changes to this RFCSP made prior to the due date for proposals shall be made directly to the original RFCSP. Changes are captured by creating a replacement version each time the RFCSP 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 RFCSP 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 RFCSP.

#### Preparation of Proposals.

All information required by the RFCSP must be furnished or the proposal may be deemed non-responsive and rejected. Any ambiguity in the proposal as a result of omission, error, unintelligible or illegible wording shall be construed in the favor of City.

<u>Proposal Format</u>. 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 aids, 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 one-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. **ORIGINAL and/or ELECTRONIC** proposals must include **ALL** the sections and attachments in the sequence listed in the RFCSP Section 003, Part B, Submission Requirements, and each section and attachment must be indexed and, for hard copy submissions, **ONLY REQUIRED SECTIONS AND ATTACHMENTS listed by asterisk in Section** 

**003**, **Part B**, **Submission Requirements MUST** be divided by tabs and indexed in a Table of Contents page. For electronic submissions, whether through the portal or on a CD, each separate section should be attached as a separate file. Failure to meet the above conditions may result in disqualification of the proposal or may negatively affect scoring.

<u>Modified Proposals.</u> Proposals may be modified provided such modifications are received prior to the time and date set for submission of proposals, and submitted in the same manner as original proposals. 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.

City shall not be responsible for lost or misdirected proposals or modifications.

<u>Correct Legal Name</u>. If Respondent is found to have incorrectly or incompletely stated the name of the entity that will provide goods and/or services, the proposal may be rejected.

<u>Line Item Proposals</u>. Any proposal that is considered for award by each unit or line item must include a price for each unit or line item for which Respondent wishes to be considered. All proposals are awarded on the basis of low line item, low total line items, or in any other combination that serves the best interest of City, unless City designates this solicitation as an "all or none" proposal in the Supplemental Terms & Conditions.

All or None Bid. Any proposal that is considered for award on an "all or none" basis must include a price for all units or line items. In an "All or None" bid, a unit price left blank shall result in the proposal being deemed nonresponsive and disqualified from consideration. An "All or None" bid is one in which City will award the entire contract to one respondent only.

<u>Delivery Dates</u>. Proposed delivery dates must be shown in the proposal where required and shall include weekends and holidays, unless specified otherwise in this RFCSP. Proposed delivery times must be specific. Phrases such as "as required", "as soon as possible" or "prompt" may result in disqualification of the proposal. Special delivery instructions, if any, may be found in the Specifications / Scope of Services section of this document, or in the Purchase Order.

<u>Tax Exemption</u>. The City of San Antonio is exempt from payment of federal taxes, and State of Texas limited sales excise and use taxes. Respondents must not include such taxes in proposal prices. An exemption certificate will be signed by City where applicable upon request by Respondent after contract award.

#### Description of Supplies.

Any brand names, catalog or manufacturer's reference used in describing an item is merely descriptive, and not restrictive, unless otherwise noted, and is used only to indicate quality and capability desired.

Proposals submitted for comparable items must clearly identify the proposed product, model, and type, as applicable, and shall include manufacturer specification sheet(s) for each proposed item with proposal response. Product specifications shall be the most current available and be sufficiently detailed and descriptive so as to permit City to determine the item's suitability and compliance with proposal specifications. City shall be the sole judge of equality and suitability of comparable items.

Pro-rata adjustments to packaging and pricing may be allowed at the sole discretion of City.

Samples, Demonstrations and Pre-award Testing. If requested by City, Respondent shall provide product samples, demonstrations, and/or testing of items proposed to ensure compliance with specifications prior to award of the contract. Samples, demonstrations and/or testing must be provided within 7 calendar days of City's request. Failure to comply with City's request may result in rejection of a proposal. All samples (including return thereof), demonstrations, and/or testing shall be at Respondent's expense. Samples will be returned upon written request. Requests for return of samples must be made in writing at the time the samples are provided. Otherwise, samples will become property of City at no cost to City. Samples that are consumed or destroyed during demonstrations or testing will not be returned.

#### Estimated Quantities for Annual Contracts.

Designation as an "annual" contract is found in the contract's title on the Cover Page of this document. The quantities stated are estimates only and are in no way binding upon City. Estimated quantities are used for the purpose of evaluation. City may increase or decrease quantities as needed. Where a contract is awarded on a unit price basis, payment shall be based on the actual quantities supplied.

Respondents shall thoroughly examine the drawings, specifications, schedule(s), instructions and all other contract documents.

Respondents shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding plant and facilities for delivery of material and equipment, or conditions and sites/locations for providing goods and services as required by this RFCSP. No plea of ignorance by Respondent will be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of City or the compensation to Respondent.

<u>Confidential or Proprietary Information</u>. All proposals become the property of 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.

# Interlocal Participation.

City may engage in cooperative purchasing with other governmental entities or governmental cooperatives ("Entity" or "Entities") to enhance City's purchasing power. At City's sole discretion and option, City may inform other Entities that they may acquire items listed in this RFCSP. If this contract will be subject to cooperative purchasing, such fact will be indicated in the Supplemental Terms and Conditions portion of this RFCSP. Such acquisition(s) shall be at the prices stated in the proposal, and shall be subject to Respondent's acceptance. Entities desiring to acquire items listed in this RFCSP shall be listed on a rider attached hereto, if known at the time of issuance of the RFCSP. City may issue subsequent riders after contract award setting forth additional Entities desiring to utilize this proposal.

Respondent must sign and submit the rider, if attached to this RFCSP, with its proposal, indicating whether Respondent wishes to allow other Entities to use its proposal. Respondent shall sign and return any subsequently issued riders within ten calendar days of receipt. Respondent's decision on whether to allow other Entities to use the proposal shall not be a factor in awarding this RFCSP.

<u>Costs of Proposing</u>. Respondent shall bear any and all costs that are associated with the preparation of the Proposal, attendance at the Pre-Submittal conference, if any, or during any phase of the selection process.

#### Rejection of Proposals.

City may reject any and all proposals, in whole or in part, cancel the RFCSP and reissue the solicitation. City may reject a proposal if:

Respondent misstates or conceals any material fact in the proposal; or

The proposal does not strictly conform to law or the requirements of the solicitation;

The proposal is conditional; or

Any other reason that would lead City to believe that the proposal is non-responsive or Respondent is not responsible.

City, in its sole discretion, may also waive any minor informalities or irregularities in any proposal, such as failure to submit sufficient proposal copies, failure to submit literature or similar attachments, or business affiliation information.

<u>Variances and Exceptions to Proposal Terms</u>. In order to comply with State law, respondents must submit proposals on the same material terms and conditions. Proposals that contain material variances or exceptions to the terms and conditions, including additional terms and conditions, will be rejected.

<u>Changes to Proposal Form</u>. Proposals must be submitted on the forms furnished, where forms are provided. Proposals that change the format or content of City's RFCSP will be rejected.

<u>Withdrawal of Proposals</u>. Proposals may be withdrawn prior to the due date for submission. Written notice of withdrawal shall be provided to the City Clerk for proposals submitted in hard copy. Proposals submitted electronically may be withdrawn electronically.

<u>Proposal Opening.</u> Proposals will be opened publicly and the names of the respondents read aloud at 2:30 P.M. on the day the proposals are due. Proposal openings are held at Purchasing Division located in Riverview Tower, 11<sup>th</sup> floor, 111 Soledad, Suite 1100, San Antonio, Texas 78205. However, in accordance with state law, the contents will not be revealed until after the contract is awarded.

# Evaluation and Award of Contract.

Per Section §252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code, the contract will be awarded to the responsible offeror whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to City, considering the relative importance of price and the other evaluation factors included in this RFCSP.

City reserves the right to make an award on the basis of low line item, low total line items, or in any other combination that serves the best interest of City, unless City designates this solicitation as an "all or none" proposal in the Supplemental Terms & Conditions.

A written award of acceptance (manifested by a City Ordinance) and Purchase Order furnished to Respondent results in a binding contract without further action by either party. Vendor must have the Purchase Order before making any delivery.

City reserves the right to utilize historical usage data as a basis for evaluation of proposals when future usages are unable to be determined.

City reserves the right to delete items prior to the awarding of the contract, and purchase said items by other means.

#### Inspection of Facilities/Equipment.

Depending on the nature of the RFCSP, Respondent's facilities and equipment may be a determining factor in making the proposal award. All respondents may be subject to inspection of their facilities and equipment.

Prospective respondents must prove beyond any doubt to the City Purchasing Administrator that they are qualified and capable of performing the contract's requirements.

# Prompt Payment Discount.

Provided Respondent meets the requirements stated herein, City shall take Respondent's offered prompt payment discount into consideration. The evaluation will not be based on the discount percentage alone, but rather the net price as determined by applying the discount to the proposal price, either per line item or total proposal amount. However, City reserves the right to reject a discount if the percentage is too low to be of value to City, all things considered. City may also reject a discount if the percentage is so high as to create an overly large disparity between the price City would pay if it is able to take advantage of the discount and the price City would pay if it were unable to pay within the discount period. City may always reject the discount and pay within the 30 day period, at City's sole option.

City will not consider discounts that provide fewer than 10 days to pay in order to receive the discount.

For example, payment terms of 2% 5, Net 30 will NOT be considered in proposal evaluations or in the payment of invoices. However, payment terms of 2% 10, Net 30 will result in a two percent reduction in the proposal

price during proposal evaluation, and City will take the 2% discount if the invoice is paid within the 10 day time period.

#### Prohibited Financial Interest.

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.

<u>Unfair Advancement of Private Interests</u>. Pricing and discounts contained in this contract are for use by City departments conducting City business. City employees may not use their positions to obtain special treatment or prices that are not available to the general public.

State of Texas Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (Form CIQ). 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 Form CIQ with the City Clerk if those persons meet the requirements under 176.006(a) of the statute.

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the City Clerk not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Texas Local Government Code.

Form CIQ is available from the Texas Ethics Commission by accessing the following web address:

#### https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/conflict\_forms.htm

In addition, please complete the **City's Addendum to Form CIQ (Form CIQ-A)** and submit it with Form CIQ to the Office of the City Clerk. The Form CIQ-A can be found at:

# http://www.sanantonio.gov/Portals/0/Files/Ethics/OCC-CIQ-Addendum.pdf

When completed, the CIQ Form and the CIQ-A Form should be submitted together, either by mail or hand delivery, to the Office of the City Clerk. If mailing, mail to: Office of the City Clerk, P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, TX 78283-3966.

If delivering by hand, deliver to: Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, 100 Military Plaza, San Antonio, TX 78205.

Do not include these forms with your proposal. The Purchasing Division will not deliver the forms to the City Clerk for you.

#### **PART B**

# SUBMISSION 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.

If submitting a hard copy proposal, Respondent shall submit one (1) COMPLETE original, signed in ink, six (6) hard copies WITH ONLY TABS and documents for General Information Form; Experience, Background, and Qualifications; Proposed Plan, etc. (NO SBEDA, VOSB AND/OR PRICING TO BE INCLUDED in the 5 copies, and one copy of the proposal on compact disk (CD) or USB flash drive containing an Adobe PDF version of the entire proposal in a sealed package clearly marked with the project name, ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR MOWING OF MEDIANS, RFCSP 18-017, 6100010017" on the front of the package.

The name and address of Respondent, the due date for submission of proposals, RFCSP number and title of the solicitation shall be marked on the outside of the envelope(s). All times stated herein are Central Time. Any proposal or modification after the time and date stated on the Cover Page shall be rejected.

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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<u>EXECUTIVE SUMMARY</u>. 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 RFCSP as Attachment A, Part One.

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

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

\*PRICE SCHEDULE. Use the Pricing Schedule that is found in this RFCSP as Attachment B.

<u>CONTRACTS DISCLOSURE FORM.</u> . Use the instructions below for completing RFCSP Attachment C-Contracts Disclosure Form. Respondent may download a copy at:

http://www.sanantonio.gov/Ethics/ForCompliance/Vendors-And-Conflict-of-Interest-Reports

Instructions for completing the 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.

<u>LITIGATION DISCLOSURE FORM.</u> Complete and submit the Litigation Disclosure Form, found in this RFCSP 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.

SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVOCACY (SBEDA) PROGRAM FORM(S). Complete, sign and submit the SBEDA form(s), found in this RFCSP as Attachment F.

<u>VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (VOSB) PROGRAM TRACKING FORM.</u> Complete, sign and submit the VOSB form, found in this RFCSP as Attachment H.

<u>CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES (FORM 1295)</u>. Follow instructions in Attachment J to download and complete Form 1295. Print out completed form, have it notarized, and place a copy in your proposal as indicated in the Proposal Checklist.

Form 1295 must be completed online. In Box 3 of the form, provide the solicitation number shown on the cover page of this solicitation (e.g. IFB 6100001234, RFO 6100001234 or RFCSP 6100001234). The form is available from the Texas Ethics Commission by accessing the following web address:

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\_info\_form1295.htm

Print your completed Form 1295 showing the Certification Number and Date Filed in the Certification of Filing box at the upper right corner. Sign Form 1295 and submit it with your response to this solicitation.

<u>PROOF OF INSURABILITY</u>. 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 RFCSP if awarded a contract in response to this RFCSP. Respondent shall also submit a copy of their current insurance certificate.

<u>FINANCIAL INFORMATION</u>. Submit a recent copy of a Dun and Bradstreet financial report, or other credit report, on Respondent and its partners, affiliates and subtenants, if any.

SIGNATURE PAGE. If submitting a hard copy proposal, Respondent must complete, sign and submit the Signature Page found in this RFCSP Section 007. 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.

SITE LOCATIONS AND RELATED MAP DIAGRAMS. Found in this RFCSP as Attachment K.

PROPOSAL CHECKLIST. Complete and submit the Proposal Checklist found in this RFCSP as Attachment L.

ADDENDA. Sign and submit addenda, if any.

Respondent is expected to examine this RFCSP 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.

#### **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

City will conduct a comprehensive, fair and impartial evaluation of all submissions received in response to this RFCSP. City may appoint a selection committee to perform the evaluation. Each submission will be analyzed to determine overall responsiveness and qualifications under this RFCSP. Criteria to be evaluated will include the items listed below. In accordance with §252.042, Texas Local Government Code, the selection committee may select all, some or none of the respondents who are judged to be reasonably qualified for award of the contract for interviews. Should the City elect to conduct interviews, selection for interviews will be based on initial scoring, prior to interviewing. Interviews are not an opportunity to change a submission. If the City elects to conduct interviews, respondents may be interviewed and re-scored based upon the same criteria. City may also request information from respondents at any time prior to final approval of a selected respondent, or seek best and final offers from respondents deemed reasonably qualified for award. Final approval of a selected respondent is subject to the action of the San Antonio City Council.

**Evaluation Criteria:** 

Experience, Background, Qualifications (30 points)

Proposed Plan (30 points)

Price (20 points)

ESBE Prime Contract Program (10 points)

Certified ESBE firms (see Emerging Small Business Enterprise definition) headquartered or having a Significant Business Presence within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area responding to this solicitation as Prime CONTRACTORs proposing at least 51% ESBE participation (Prime and/or Subcontractor) will receive ten (10) evaluation criteria points, **and** 

M/WBE Prime Contract Program (10 points)

Certified M/WBE firms (see *Minority/Women Business Enterprise* definition) headquartered or having a Significant Business Presence within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area responding to this solicitation as Prime Consultants proposing at least 51% M/WBE participation (Prime and/or Subcontractor) will receive ten (10) evaluation criteria points.

M/WBE Subcontracting Program (17%)

AABE Subcontracting Program (2%)

No evaluation criteria points will be awarded to non-ESBE or non-M/WBE Prime CONTRACTORs through subcontracting to certified ESBE or M/WBE firms.

Failure to meet the 17% M/WBE and 2% AABE subcontracting requirements will deem your proposal nonresponsive

#### 004 - SPECIFICATIONS / SCOPE OF SERVICES

# **Background**

The City of San Antonio seeks proposals from qualified contractors to furnish all labor, equipment, material, tools, and maintenance required to perform mowing services for City owned Medians. Mowing services shall include but are not limited to mowing, edging, trimming, sweeping and leaf/debris blowing. Litter, trash, and debris shall be picked up at each location and legally disposed of during the Maintenance Cycle schedule. Litter, trash and debris includes fallen tree branches, blown paper, dumped trash, or any other debris herein defined as having originated from a natural process such as a tree branch falling, or generated from human activities. For purposes of this contract, the City owned Medians are divided into four quadrants. The quadrants will be separated by two Categories – Category A and Category B. Contract will be awarded by Category.

By submitting a response to this solicitation, Contractor shall be deemed to have examined the jobsites and be satisfied as to the extent of the work and the conditions under which he/she will be obligated to perform the work. Addresses of the jobsites and jobsite map details are provided on RFCSP Attachment K-Site Locations and Related Map Diagrams.

**4.1 Work Locations:** Below are general descriptions of the locations and Acreage requiring service under this contract. More specific descriptions can be found on the attachments hereto.

# **Category A**

Item 1

Northwest Quadrant: Medians: 73.27 acres

Item 2:

Northeast Quadrant: Medians: 45.12 acres

#### Category B

Item 1:

Southwest Quadrant: Medians: 59.13 acres

Item 2:

Southeast Quadrant: Medians: 19.90 acres

# 4.2 Description of Work to be Performed:

- 4.2.1 Contractor shall maintain the areas based on a predetermined Maintenance Cycle as prescribed by the City. A Maintenance Cycle is a site visit, during which all services required hereunder are performed for the particular location. Prior to the start of work under this contract, City shall issue a specific schedule for each Quadrant. City may require Contractor to perform additional cycles, or reduce the number of cycles. All changes to the schedule shall be made by written change order issued to Contractor. Contractor shall perform all services in accordance with the specifications listed herein.
- 4.2.2 Contractor shall be responsible for all of the maintenance to include mowing and handwork around guardrails, light poles/traffic signals/signs, curb line/gutter line, sidewalks, utility poles, concrete noses on medians, trash/debris removal, and tree canopying including, but not limited to, overgrown vegetation and visual obstructions associated with the area awarded.
- 4.2.3 Parking will not be available at these locations throughout the City; however, Contractor is responsible for any related expenses that might be incurred for parking or storage of any equipment. Overnight storage of material or equipment on-site requires prior written approval from the City. Contractor will be responsible for ensuring the proper use of traffic advanced warning signs, traffic control devices and men working signs when working on medians. This traffic control must meet in accordance with the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
- 4.2.4 Litter, trash, and debris shall be picked up at each location and legally disposed of every time a Maintenance Cycle is performed. Litter, trash and debris includes fallen tree branches, blown paper, dumped trash, or any other debris herein defined as having originated from a natural process such as a tree branch falling, or generated from human activities.
- 4.2.5 Asphalt paths, concrete sidewalks, curbs, or walkways shall be edged to cut encroaching vegetation.
- 4.2.6 Mowing and trimming shall be done in such a manner so as to avoid bumping, girdling, or any other activity that may cause damage to trees, shrubs, plants, fences, or other hard surfaces. Contractor shall ensure proper tree trimming technique is used to prevent damage disease or oak wilt to existing trees. Contractor shall perform pre-inspections to become familiar with the conditions of the maintenance locations. Contractor shall not mow under conditions wet enough that will result in damage to turf or create unsafe mowing conditions. Any damages sustained, including rutting/turf, sprinkler head damages, from Contractor's activities shall be repaired at the Contractor's expense.
- 4.2.7 All street surfaces, sidewalks, and concrete pads shall be swept or blown clean at the conclusion of each cycle. When complete, the street and concrete surfaces shall be free of debris and clippings.

# 4.2.8 Contractors utilizing Herbicides must follow these procedures:

- 1. All Herbicide chemicals must be approved by the City prior to use.
- Chemical spraying by Contractor must be performed by a licensed Texas Department of Agriculture Pesticide Applicator.
- 3. City Project Manager must review contractor work plan prior to spray work.
- 4. Contractor to provide the City Project Manager a copy of the Texas Department of Agriculture, (TDA) report, (weekly).
- 5. Contractor must provide verification of employee training.

Performance measure: Contractor Herbicide Work to be performed in accordance to specifications.

#### 4.2.9 Maintenance of Wildflowers:

During the months of March, April and May any City medians that have an existing population of 50% or more of Blue Bonnets shall only receive a sculptured mowing and the curbs cleaned to prevent any visual obstructions. Once these plants have had an opportunity to reseed the median will be mowed to the standard specifications.

All medians including concrete structures shall be kept clear of all vegetation unless otherwise designed with such items as trees and other landscaping plant materials. The clearing of this vegetation can include the use of chemicals or mechanical equipment.

# 4.3 Maintenance Cycle Frequency:

Contractor shall perform services for each location in accordance with the frequency stated below, which will be reflected on the schedule provided by City.

# Medians – Mowed/Maintained 12 times per year (October through September)

**Performance measure:** Contractor performing Maintenance Cycle Frequency within required timeframe.

# 4.4 Deleted.

#### 4.5 Inclement Weather:

Services may not be performed during periods of inclement weather, or at any time in which an unsafe working condition, such as severe thunderstorms, ice storms, snow storms, exist. In the event of inclement weather conditions, the Contractor shall contact the designated Storm Water Operations Representative to inform of the occurrence and proposed revised schedule. Revisions to the schedule shall be made by change order issued by City.

Unfavorable Work Conditions: During unfavorable weather, or other unsuitable conditions, Contractor shall confine operations to work, which will not be affected adversely thereby. No portions of the work shall be performed under conditions, which would affect adversely the quality or efficiency thereof, unless special means or precautions are taken by the contractor to perform the work in a proper and satisfactory manner.

# 4.6 Site Additions/Deletions:

During the contract period, the City may add or delete locations to the Mowing of City Medians. Additions and deletions shall be made by written change order to the contract. If a site is deleted from the contract, the Contractor shall cease performing services for the location as of the effective date of the change order, and reflect the reduced acreage on its invoices by reducing the contract fee by the full amount for the specific site based on the same rate per acre for corresponding property types for the quadrant within which the site is deleted. If a site is added to the contract, the pricing will be at the same rate per acre for corresponding property types for the quadrant within which the site is added. City shall inform Contractor of the quantity of acreage added. City's determination of acreage, whether existing or added, shall be final and binding.

# 4.7 Inspection of Work, Work Assignments:

# 4.7.1 Inspection of Work:

The City's TCI Department will conduct on-site inspection services for the duration of this contract. The inspector will conduct random inspections, re-inspections, monitor Contractor activities, and ensure the work performed is done to the quality level prescribed in this Contract and in accordance with the prescribed time schedule. The site Inspector will fill out a Storm Water Operations' "Inspection Report Form" (Exhibit 1). This does not relieve the Contractor of conducting its own on-site inspections of its crews. Contractor shall provide a weekly up to date

schedule to City for contract monitoring. The schedule provided by Contractor may not deviate from the schedule provided by City. It is intended only to show the specific location where Contractor will be working on a given week. A city staff listing for points of contact will be provided to Contractor upon award. If any violation of the specifications and/or terms of this Contract are identified, the Transportation and Capital Improvements Inspector shall record, process, and submit all pertinent information to the Finance Department – Purchasing Division for performance records and appropriate action.

# 4.7.2 Work Completion:

Contractor shall maintain all Project Areas assigned to him/her in the time allotted for the Project Area. Work started within a Project Area shall be completed within (3) consecutive business days (weather permitting). Upon final completion of the assigned areas, the grass height should be no greater than 3" in height, all trees should be maintained properly to include weed-eating around the trees in a manner not damaging to the tree, and canopying trees must be raised to a minimum 14' canopy. Trash/debris removal and grass clippings should be blown back into the Median right of way or removed from the site completely. Each Project Area must be cleaned at the end of each work shift, ensuring the project area to be clean and safe.

#### 4.7.3 Ozone Action Days:

- a. Contractor shall abide by the City's Air Quality Health Alert Plan regarding work on Ozone Alert Days.
- b. The Contractor shall make necessary arrangements to receive Ozone Alert information.

#### 4.8 Work Crew:

Only qualified, trained, competent and reliable personnel shall be assigned to the project area(s). The City shall have the right to request the immediate removal of any employee of the Contractor who is not qualified, trained, competent, and reliable to fulfill the services required. All Personnel assigned to the work-site are required to wear all PPE (Personal Protective Equipment), a hardhat and approved safety vest at all times, no exceptions.

#### 4.9 Contractor Staff Communication:

- a. Contractor shall provide its staff with communication equipment as necessary to perform the services of this Contract. This may include 2-way radios, cellular phones, telephone answering devices, etc.
- b. Contractor shall respond to communication requests from the Transportation and Capital Improvements Department within 2 hours during the normal working hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- c. Performance measure: Two-hour turnaround time for information between City and Contractor.

#### 4.10 Safety of Work Crew:

- a. Contractor shall wear and/or display proper warning devices (safety vest, flashers, strobe lights, advanced warning signs, etc.) to ensure the safety of both the employees and general public. Contractor and his/her employees shall dress and remain dressed in a presentable fashion due to high public visibility of these areas. Should problems occur, Contractor will be advised of the circumstances and shall take appropriate action. Dressing problems include but are not limited to, bare chest (no shirt), shorts while trimming or edging, open-toed shoes, and absence or improper use of safety devices.
- b. Contractor shall be responsible for furnishing all signs and traffic controls in accordance with the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, and make adjustments as required by the Transportation and Capital Improvements Department.

- c. All signs shall be mounted on their own stands, not less than 3 feet from the bottom of the sign to the natural ground line. Each sign shall have two brightly colored safety flags attached to it. It will not be permissible to hang or lean these signs. The signs shall be erected in such a manner that they will not obstruct the traveling public view of the normal roadway signage.
- d. **Performance Measure**: Proper warning devices and clothing due to high visibility of employees working on roadways. Contractor to utilize Texas MUTCD for traffic control devices, lane closures and reflective safety vests, PPE and equipment.

#### 4.11 Failure to Maintain Schedule:

All maintenance shall be conducted according to the assigned schedule. Final assessment of each area may be made within 7 days following the end of each maintenance cycle. If any areas are found not to have been serviced or to have been serviced adequately, City shall provide Contractor written notice of the default, giving Contractor 3 business days to cure the default. If Contractor fails to cure the default within the time specified, Contractor shall be subject to the following liquidated damages:

The Parties agree that the actual damages that might be sustained by the City by reason of the breach by Contractor of its covenant to provide services in accordance with the Maintenance Schedule are uncertain and would be difficult of ascertainment, and that the sum of \$50.00 per day, per location, for each day Contractor is late would be a reasonable compensation for such breach. Contractor hereby promises to pay, and City hereby agrees to accept, such sum as liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, in the event of such breach. Furthermore, the Parties agree that City may withhold said liquidated damages from any payments due to Contractor hereunder, or from any other contract Contractor has with City. If Contractor's delay exceeds 5 business days, City may, at its option, elect to terminate this contract in whole or in part. In such event, City may pursue actual damages, rather than applying this liquidated damages provision.

#### 4.12 Equipment/Supplies:

Contractor shall supply all necessary equipment and associated supplies to perform required maintenance cycles to include tractor mowers with a maximum 15 foot mower deck attachment, zero turn mowers, weed eaters, brush trimmers and chain saws where applicable. Additional equipment required to accomplish the requirements of this contract shall be of the size and type customarily used to accomplish work of this kind and no equipment shall be used which is harmful to the areas being maintained. All equipment must, at all times, be properly maintained and in good working condition.

#### 4.13 Experience and Qualifications:

Bids shall be considered only from responsible businesses with a Certified Arborist License and a minimum of 5 continuous years of Commercial Landscape maintenance experience.

Contractor is required to have a centralized point of contact and qualified personnel with demonstrated experience in overseeing this mowing services contract.

Bidder must submit with its bid package information describing its competency in performing this type of mowing service, accompanied with personnel staffing levels; personnel experience; licenses or certifications of key staff; equipment availability or, if equipment is not owned, information showing Bidder's plan for and ability to obtain the equipment prior to starting work.

A bid package submitted without appropriate experience information and licenses requested may be deemed non-responsive and disqualified from evaluation.

- **4.14** All loss or damage arising out of the nature of the work, or from the action of the elements, during unfavorable weather, or other unsuitable conditions, or from any unusual obstruction or difficulty, or any other natural or existing circumstance either known or unforeseen, which may be encountered in the prosecution of work, shall be sustained and borne by the Contractor at his own cost and expense.
- **4.15** City will not be responsible for any materials, tools and/or equipment that are left during the unattended hours by Contractor.
- **4.16** In case of an emergency, City may order Contractor to stop work on the project and clear the area of all personnel and equipment. Contractor shall comply with such order immediately.

#### 005 - SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

#### Original Contract Term.

This contract shall begin on the effective date of the ordinance awarding the contract. This contract shall terminate on AUGUST 31, 2020.

#### Renewals.

At City's option, this Contract may be renewed under the same terms and conditions for 1 additional 1 year period. If so renewed, the Renewal shall be in writing and signed by Director, without further action by the San Antonio City Council, subject to and contingent upon appropriation of funding therefore.

# Temporary Short Term Extensions.

City shall have the right to extend this contract under the same terms and conditions beyond the original term or any renewal thereof, on a month to month basis, not to exceed three months. Said month to month extension(s) shall be in writing, signed by Director, and shall not require City Council approval, subject to and contingent upon appropriation of funding therefore.

<u>Change Orders.</u> Notwithstanding anything stated to the contrary in Section 006 – General Terms & Conditions, in order to comply with Texas law governing purchases made by municipalities, the following rules govern all change orders made under this contract.

Any change orders that become necessary during the term of this contract as a result of changes in plans, specifications, quantity of work to be performed, materials, equipment or supplies to be furnished must be in writing and conform to the requirements of City Ordinance 2011-12-08-1014, as hereafter amended.

Any other change will require approval of the City Council, City of San Antonio.

Changes that do not involve an increase in contract price may be made by the Director.

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

# Insurance.

- A) Prior to the commencement of any work under this Agreement, Vendor shall furnish copies of all required endorsements and completed Certificate(s) of Insurance to the City's Finance Department, which shall be clearly labeled "ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR MOWING OF MEDIANS" 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 be signed by the Authorized Representative of the carrier, and list the agent's signature and phone number. The certificate shall 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 Finance 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 Vendor's financial integrity is of interest to the City; therefore, subject to Vendor's right to maintain reasonable deductibles in such amounts as are approved by the City, Vendor shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement, and any extension hereof, at Vendor'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
Workers' Compensation	Statutory
2. Employers' Liability	\$1,000,000/\$1,000,000/\$1,000,000
Commercial General Liability Insurance to include coverage for the following:     a. Premises/Operations     b. Products/Completed Operations	For <u>B</u> odily <u>I</u> njury and <u>P</u> roperty <u>D</u> amage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$2,000,000 General Aggregate, or its equivalent in Umbrella or Excess Liability Coverage
4. Business Automobile Liability a. Owned/leased vehicles b. Non-owned vehicles c. Hired Vehicles	Combined Single Limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence

- D) Vendor agrees to require, by written contract, that all subcontractors providing goods or services hereunder obtain the same categories of insurance coverage required of Vendor herein, and provide a certificate of insurance and endorsement that names the Vendor and the CITY as additional insureds. Policy limits of the coverages carried by subcontractors will be determined as a business decision of Vendor. 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 required endorsements. Vendor shall be required to comply with any such requests and shall submit requested documents to City at the address provided below within 10 days. Vendor shall pay any costs incurred resulting from provision of said documents.

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

- F) Vendor 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 <u>additional insureds</u> 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 or non-renewal 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, Vendor shall provide a replacement Certificate of Insurance and applicable endorsements to City. City shall have the option to suspend Vendor'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 Vendor'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 Vendor to stop work hereunder, and/or withhold any payment(s) which become due to Vendor hereunder until Vendor demonstrates compliance with the requirements hereof.
- Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting in any way the extent to which Vendor may be held responsible for payments of damages to persons or property resulting from Vendor's or its subcontractors' performance of the work covered under this Agreement.
- J) It is agreed that Vendor'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) Vendor and any Subcontractors are responsible for all damage to their own equipment and/or property.

# Incorporation of Attachments.

Each of the attachments listed below is an essential part of this contract, which governs the rights and duties of the parties, incorporated herein by reference, and shall be interpreted in the order of priority as appears below, with this document taking priority over all attachments:

Attachment A, Part One – General Information and References

Attachment A, Part Two – Experience Background & Qualifications

Attachment A. Part Three – Proposed Plan

Attachment B - Revised Price Schedule dated 4/24/18

Attachment C - Contracts Disclosure Form

Attachment D - Litigation Disclosure Form

Attachment E – SBEDA Ordinance Compliance Provisions

Attachment F - Subcontractor/Supplier Utilization Plan

Attachment G - Veteran-Owned Small Business Program

Attachment H - Veteran-Owned Small Business Program Tracking Form

Attachment I - Certificate of Interested Parties

Attachment J – Certificate of Interested Parties (Form 1295)

Attachment K – Site Locations and Related Map Diagrams

Attachment L - Proposal Checklist

Attachment M - SBEDA Presentation

#### 006 - GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

<u>Electronic Proposal Equals Original</u>. If Vendor is submitting an electronic proposal, City and Vendor each agree that this transaction may be conducted by electronic means, as authorized by Chapter 322, Texas Business & Commerce Code, known as the Electronic Transactions Act.

# Delivery of Goods/Services.

<u>Destination Contract.</u> Vendor shall deliver all goods and materials F.O.B., City of San Antonio's designated facility, inside delivery, freight prepaid, to the address provided in this RFCSP or, if different, in the Purchase Order. Vendor shall bear the risk of loss until delivery. Freight charges will be paid only when expedited delivery is requested and approved in writing by the City. Vendor shall be responsible for furnishing necessary personnel or equipment and/or making necessary arrangements to off load at City of San Antonio facility, unless otherwise noted herein.

<u>Failure to Deliver</u>. When delivery is not met as provided for in the contract, the City may make the purchase on the open market, with any cost in excess of the contract price paid by Vendor, in addition to any other direct, indirect, consequential or incidental damages incurred by the City as a result thereof. In addition, Vendor may be removed from the City's list of eligible bidders.

<u>Purchase Orders</u>. Each time a City department wishes to place an order against this contract, it will issue Vendor a purchase order. Vendor must have the purchase order before making any delivery.

Acceptance by City. City shall have a reasonable time (but not less than 30 days) after receipt to inspect the goods and services tendered by Vendor. City at its option may reject all or any portion of such goods or services which do not, in City's sole discretion, comply in every respect with all terms and conditions of the contract. City may elect to reject the entire goods and services tendered even if only a portion thereof is nonconforming. If the City elects to accept nonconforming goods and services, the City, in addition to its other remedies, shall be entitled to deduct a reasonable amount from the price thereof to compensate the City for the nonconformity. Any acceptance by the City, even if non-conditional, shall not be deemed a waiver or settlement of any defect in such goods and services.

<u>Testing</u>. After award of contract, City may, at its sole option, test the product delivered to ensure it meets specifications. Initial testing shall be at City's expense. However, if the product does not to meet specifications, Vendor shall reimburse City for the costs of testing. City may withhold the cost of testing from any amounts owed to Vendor under this or any other contract, or invoice Vendor for same. If invoiced, Vendor shall pay City within 30 calendar days' of the invoice.

<u>Warranty</u>. A minimum of 90-days product guarantee or the manufacturer's standard commercial warranty, whichever is greater, shall apply to all products and/or services purchased under this RFCSP, unless otherwise specified in the Specifications/Scope of Services section of this RFCSP. This warranty shall provide for replacement of defective merchandise, parts, and labor, and shall include pick-up of the defective merchandise from City and delivery of the replacement(s) to the same location. The warranty shall be effective from the date of acceptance of the merchandise, or completion of the service, as applicable.

REJECTION OF DISCLAIMERS OF WARRANTIES & LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY. ANY TERM OR CONDITION IN ANY DOCUMENT FURNISHED BY VENDOR, DISCLAIMING THE IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, OR ATTEMPTING TO LIMIT VENDOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE OF NO FORCE OR EFFECT, AND SHALL BE STRICKEN FROM THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AS IF NEVER CONTAINED THEREIN.

# Invoicing and Payment.

Address for Invoices. All original invoices must be sent to: City of San Antonio, Attn: Accounts Payable, P.O. Box 839976, San Antonio, Texas 78283-3976.

#### Information Required On Invoice.

All invoices must be in a form and content approved by the City. City may require modification of invoices if necessary in order to satisfy City that all billing is proper and pursuant to the terms of the contract. Invoices are required to show each City Purchase Order Number. Invoices must be legible. Items billed on invoices must be specific as to applicable stock, manufacturer, catalog or part number (if any). All invoices must show unit prices for each item being billed, the quantity of items being billed and the total for each item, as well as the total for all items on the invoice. If prices are based on list prices basis, then the list prices, the percentage discount or percentage surcharge, net unit prices, extensions and net total prices must be shown. Prompt payment discounts offered shall be shown separately on the invoice.

#### Payment by City.

In accordance with the Texas Prompt Payment Act, City shall have not less than 30 days to pay for goods or services. Time for payment, including payment under discount terms, will be computed from the later of: (1) the date the City receives conforming goods under the contract; (2) the date performance of the service under the contract is completed; or (3) the date the City receives a correct and valid invoice for the goods or services. Payment is deemed to be made on the date of mailing of the check. Payment is made in US dollars only.

This provision shall not apply where there is a bona fide dispute between the City and Vendor about the goods delivered or the service performed that causes the payment to be late, or where the invoice is not mailed to the address provided herein.

The payment amount due on invoices may not be manually altered by City personnel. Once disputed items are reconciled, Vendor must submit a corrected invoice or a credit memorandum for the disputed amount. City will not make partial payments on an invoice where there is a dispute.

NECESSITY OF TIMELY INVOICE / WAIVER OF PAYMENT. NOTWITHSTANDING THE FORGOING, THE CITY CANNOT PAY FOR ANY GOODS OR SERVICES WITHOUT AN INVOICE. VENDOR MUST INVOICE CITY NO LATER THAN 90 CALENDAR DAYS FROM THE DATE GOODS ARE DELIVERED OR SERVICES RENDERED. FAILURE TO SUBMIT AN INVOICE WITHIN SAID 90 DAY SHALL NEGATE ANY LIABILITY ON THE PART OF CITY AND CONSTITUTE A WAIVER BY VENDOR OF ANY AND ALL RIGHT OR CLAIMS TO COLLECT MONEYS THAT VENDOR MAY RIGHTFULLY BE OTHERWISE ENTITLED TO FOR GOODS OR SERVICES PERFORMED.

The total price for all goods and/or services is shown on the Price Schedule. No additional fees or expenses of Vendor shall be charged by Vendor nor be payable by City. The parties hereby agree that all compensable expenses of Vendor are shown on the Price Schedule. If there is a discrepancy on the Price Schedule between the unit price for an item, and the extended price, the unit price shall govern.

<u>Change Orders</u>. In order to comply with Texas law governing purchases made by municipalities, the following rules shall govern all change orders made under this contract.

Any change orders that become necessary during the term of this contract as a result of changes in plans, specifications, quantity of work to be performed, materials, equipment or supplies to be furnished may be approved by the Director, provided that such change orders:

- are made in writing, signed by the Director;
- do not involve an increase or decrease in contract price of more than \$25,000; and
- sufficient funds have already been allocated by City or are available to the Director to cover any increase in contract price.

Any other change will require approval of the City Council, City of San Antonio.

Changes that do not involve an increase in contract price may, however, be made by Director or Director's designee.

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

#### Termination.

<u>Termination-Breach</u>. Should Vendor fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner, as determined solely by the Director, its material obligations under this contract, or violate any of the material terms of this contract, the City shall have the right to immediately terminate the contract in whole or in part. Notice of termination shall be provided in writing to Vendor, effective upon the date set forth in the notice. City may, in City's sole discretion, provide an opportunity for Vendor to cure the default. If City elects to offer an opportunity to cure, City shall provide notice to Vendor specifying the matters in default and the cure period. If Vendor fails to cure the default within the cure period, City shall have the right, without further notice, to terminate the contract in whole or in part. Such termination shall not relieve Vendor of any liability to the City for damages sustained by virtue of any breach by Vendor.

<u>Termination-Notice</u>. City may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, without cause. City shall be required to give Vendor notice ten days prior to the date of termination of the contract without cause.

<u>Termination-Funding</u>. City retains the right to terminate this contract at the expiration of each of City's budget periods. This contract is conditioned on a best efforts attempt by City to obtain and appropriate funds for payment of any debt due by City herein.

Termination by City may be effected by Director, without further action by the San Antonio City Council.

<u>Independent Contractor</u>. Vendor covenants and agrees that it is an independent contractor and not an officer, agent, servant or employee of City. City shall not be liable for any claims which may be asserted by any third party occurring in connection with the services to be performed by Vendor under this contract and that Vendor has no authority to bind City. The doctrine of respondent superior shall not apply as between City and Vendor.

#### INDEMNIFICATION.

CONTRACTOR 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 CONTRACTOR' activities under this Agreement, including any acts or omissions of CONTRACTOR, any agent, officer, director, representative, employee, contractor or subcontractor of CONTRACTOR, 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 CONTRACTOR 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. CONTRACTOR shall advise the CITY in writing within 24 hours of any claim or demand against the CITY or CONTRACTOR known to CONTRACTOR related to or arising out of CONTRACTOR' activities under this AGREEMENT and shall see to the investigation and defense of such claim or demand at CONTRACTOR's cost. The CITY shall have the right, at its option and at its own expense, to participate in such defense without relieving CONTRACTOR of any of its obligations under this paragraph.

Assignment. Except as otherwise stated herein, Vendor may not sell, assign, pledge, transfer or convey any interest in this contract, nor delegate the performance of any duties hereunder, by transfer, by subcontracting or any other means, without the consent of Director. As a condition of such consent, if such consent is granted, Vendor shall remain liable for completion of the services and provision of goods outlined in this contract in the event of default by the successor vendor, assignee, transferee or subcontractor. Any attempt to transfer, pledge or otherwise assign this Contract without said written approval, shall be void ab initio and shall confer no rights upon any third person.

Ownership of Documents. Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 201, any and all Records produced by Vendor pursuant to the provisions of this contract are the exclusive property of City; and no such Record shall be the subject of any copyright or proprietary claim by Vendor. The term "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.

Vendor understands and acknowledges that as the exclusive owner of any and all such Records, City has the right to use all such Records as City desires, without restriction.

#### Records Retention.

Vendor and its subcontractors, if any, shall properly, accurately and completely maintain all documents, papers, and records, and other evidence pertaining to the services rendered hereunder ("Documents"), and shall make such Documents available to the City at their respective offices, at all reasonable times and as often as City may deem necessary during the contract period, including any extension or renewal hereof, and the record retention period established herein, for purposes of audit, inspection, examination, and making excerpts or copies of same by City and any of its authorized representatives.

Vendor shall retain any and all Documents produced as a result of services provided hereunder for a period of four years ("Retention Period") from the date of termination of the contract. If, at the end of the Retention Period, there is litigation or other questions arising from, involving or concerning these Documents or the services provided hereunder, Vendor shall retain the records until the resolution of such litigation or other such questions. Vendor acknowledges and agrees that City shall have access to any and all such Documents at any and all times, as deemed necessary by City, during said Retention Period. City may, at its election, require Vendor to return the documents to City at Vendor's expense prior to or at the conclusion of the Retention Period. In such event, Vendor may retain a copy of the documents.

Vendor shall notify City, immediately, in the event Vendor receives any requests for information from a third party, which pertain to the Documents referenced herein. Vendor understands and agrees that City will process and handle all such requests.

<u>Severability</u>. If any clause or provision of this contract is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable under present or future federal, state or local laws, including but not limited to the City Charter, City Code, or ordinances of the City of San Antonio, Texas, then and in that event it is the intention of the parties hereto that such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other clause or provision hereof and that the remainder of this contract shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision was never contained herein. It is also the intention of the parties hereto that in lieu of each clause or provision of this contract that is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, there be added as a part of the contract a clause or provision as similar in terms to such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision as may be possible, legal, valid and enforceable.

<u>Compliance with Law</u>. Vendor shall provide and perform all services required under this Agreement in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

<u>Certifications</u>. Vendor warrants and certifies that Vendor and any other person designated to provide services hereunder has the requisite training, license and/or certification to provide said services, and meets all competence standards promulgated by all other authoritative bodies, as applicable to the services provided herein.

Non-waiver of Performance. Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, a waiver by either Party of a breach of any of the terms, conditions, covenants or guarantees of this Agreement shall not be construed or held to be a waiver of any succeeding or preceding breach of the same or any other term, condition, covenant or guarantee herein contained. Further, any failure of either Party to insist in any one or more cases upon the strict performance of any of the covenants of this Agreement, or to exercise any option herein contained, shall in no

event be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of such covenant or option. In fact, no waiver, change, modification or discharge by either party hereto of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been made or shall be effective unless expressed in writing and signed by the party to be charged. No act or omission by a Party shall in any manner impair or prejudice any right, power, privilege, or remedy available to that Party hereunder or by law or in equity, such rights, powers, privileges, or remedies to be always specifically preserved hereby.

<u>Venue</u>. Venue of any court action brought directly or indirectly by reason of this contract shall be in Bexar County, Texas. This contract is made and is to be performed in Bexar County, Texas, and is governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

Non-discrimination. As a condition of entering into this agreement, Vendor represents and warrants that it will comply with the City's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under Section IILC.1 of the SBEDA Ordinance. As part of such compliance, Vendor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, or on the basis of disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring or commercial treatment of subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall Vendor retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. Vendor shall provide equal opportunity for subcontractors, vendors and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that nothing contained in this clause shall prohibit or limit otherwise lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the City's Relevant Marketplace. Vendor understands and agrees that a material violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this agreement and may result in termination of this agreement, disqualification of Vendor from participating in City contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party. Vendor shall include this nondiscrimination clause in all subcontracts for the performance of this contract.

Non-Discrimination. As a party to this contract, Vendor understands and agrees to comply with the *Non-Discrimination Policy* of the City of San Antonio contained in Chapter 2, Article X of the City Code and further, shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status, age or disability, unless exempted by state or federal law, or as otherwise established herein.

#### Attorney's Fees.

The Parties hereto expressly agree that, in the event of litigation, each party hereby waives its right to payment of attorneys' fees.

<u>Delinquent Taxes</u>. In the event that Vendor is or subsequently becomes delinquent in the payment of taxes owed to the City of San Antonio, the City reserves the right to deduct any delinquent taxes from payments that the City may owe to the delinquent Vendor as a result of this contract.

<u>Binding Contract</u>. This contract shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, and successors and assigns, except as otherwise expressly provided for herein.

<u>Entire Agreement.</u> This contract, including City's final electronically posted online version together with its authorizing ordinance and its price schedule(s), attachments, purchase orders, and exhibits, if any, and Contractor's proposal, constitutes the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto and contains all of the terms and conditions agreed upon. City's solicitation documents shall control over Contractor's proposal in the event of a conflict. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this contract shall be deemed to exist or to bind the parties hereto, unless same be in writing, dated subsequent to the date hereof, and be duly executed by the parties, in accordance with the Change Order provision herein. Parties agree that City's final electronically posted online version of this solicitation contains the agreed upon specifications, scope of services, and terms and conditions of this contract, and shall control in the event of a conflict with any printed version signed and submitted by Vendor.

#### Prohibition on Contracts with Companies Boycotting Israel

Texas Government Code §2270.002 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services, unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it:

- (1) does not boycott Israel; and
- (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

"Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

"Company" means a for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit.

By submitting an offer to or executing contract documents with the City of San Antonio, Company hereby verifies that it does not boycott Israel, and will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract. City's hereby relies on Company's verification. If found to be false, City may terminate the contract for material breach.

Contracts With Companies Engage In Business With Iran, Sudan, Or Foreign Terrorist Organization Prohibited. Texas Government Code §2252.152 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code §§2270.0201 or 2252.153. Vendor hereby certifies that it is not identified on such a list. City hereby relies on Vendor's certification. If found to be false, or if Vendor is identified on said list during the course of its contract with City, City may terminate the Contract for material breach.

#### 007 - SIGNATURE PAGE

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

- (s)he is authorized to bind Respondent to fully comply with the terms and conditions of City's Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals for the prices stated therein;
- (s)he has read the entire document, including the final version issued by City, and agreed to the terms therein;

Respondent is in good standing with the Texas State Comptroller's Office; and

to the best of his/her knowledge, all information is true and correct.

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 Information Please Print or Type Vendor ID No.		
Signer's Name		
Name of Business		
Street Address		
City, State, Zip		
Code		
Email Address		
Telephone No.		
Fax No.		
City's Solicitation		
No.		
Signature of Person Auth	orized to Sign Proposal	

#### 008 - STANDARD DEFINITION

Whenever a term defined by the Uniform Commercial Code ("UCC"), as enacted by the State of Texas, is used in the Contract, the UCC definition shall control, unless otherwise defined in the Contract.

<u>All-or-None Bid</u> – a request for competitive sealed proposal in which the City will award the entire contract to one respondent only.

<u>Alternate Proposal</u> - two or more proposals with substantive variations in the item or service offered from the same respondent in response to a solicitation.

Assignment - a transfer of claims, rights or interests in goods, services or property.

<u>Change Order</u> - a change to the plans or specifications of the contract, or an increase or decrease in the quantity of work to be performed or of materials, equipment, or supplies to be furnished, issued by the Director after the proposal has been accepted by the City.

<u>City</u> - the City of San Antonio, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation.

Contract - the binding legal agreement between the City and Vendor.

<u>Contractor</u> - the respondent whose proposal is accepted by the City and is, therefore, the person, firm or entity providing goods or services to the City under a contract.

<u>Director</u> – the Director of City's Purchasing & General Services Department, or Director's designee.

<u>Equal or Equivalent</u> - terms to indicate that similar products or other brands may be acceptable for purchase if specifications and functional requirements are met.

<u>Line Item</u> - a listing of items in a proposal for which a respondent is expected to provide separate pricing.

<u>Non-Responsive Proposal</u> - a proposal or offer that does not comply with the terms and conditions, or specifications and/or requirements of the RFCSP.

Offer - a complete, signed response to an RFCSP that, if accepted, would bind Respondent to perform the resultant contract. The term "offer" is synonymous with the terms "bid" and "proposal".

<u>Payment Bond</u> - a particular form of security provided by the contractor to protect the City against loss due to the contractor's failure to pay suppliers and subcontractors.

<u>Performance Bond</u> - a particular form of security provided by the contractor to protect the City against loss due to the contractor's inability or unwillingness to complete the contract as agreed.

<u>Performance Deposit</u> - security provided by the contractor to protect City against loss due to the contractor's inability or unwillingness to complete the contract as agreed.

<u>Pre-Submittal Conference</u> - a meeting conducted by the City, held in order to allow respondents to ask questions about the proposed contract and particularly, the contract specifications.

<u>Proposal</u> - a complete, signed response to a solicitation. The term "proposal" is synonymous with the terms "offer" and "bid".

<u>Proposal Bond or Proposal Guarantee</u> - security to ensure that Respondent (a) will not withdraw the proposal within the period specified for acceptance, and (b) will furnish any required bonds or performance guarantees, and any necessary insurance within the time specified in the solicitation.

<u>Proposal Opening</u> - a public meeting during which proposal responses are opened and the names of respondents are read aloud.

<u>Purchase Order</u> - a validly issued order placed by an authorized City department for the purchase of goods or services, written on the City's standard purchase order form, and which is Vendor's authority to deliver to and invoice the City for the goods or services specified in a RFCSP for the price stated in Vendor's proposal.

Request for Competitive sealed Proposal (RFCSP) – a solicitation for a specified good or a service, evaluated on the basis of price and other factors.

<u>Respondent</u> - a person, firm or entity that submits a proposal in response to a solicitation. The respondent whose proposal is accepted by City may also be referred to herein as Contractor, Vendor or Supplier. The term "respondent" is synonymous with the term "bidder".

<u>Responsible Offeror</u> - a respondent who is known to have the necessary competence and qualifications to perform and provide all requirements of an intended contract.

<u>Responsive Offeror</u> - a respondent who tenders a proposal which meets all requirements of the RFCSP and is a responsible offeror.

<u>Sealed Proposal</u> - a proposal submitted as a sealed document, whether hard copy or electronic, by a prescribed time to the location indicated in the RFCSP. The contents of the proposal will not be made public prior to the award of the contract.

<u>Specifications</u> - a description of what the City requires and what the respondent must offer; a description of the physical or functional characteristics of a product or material, or the nature of a service or construction item.

<u>Subcontractor</u> - a person, firm or entity providing goods or services to a vendor to be used in the performance of the Vendor's obligations under the contract with City.

<u>Supplier</u> - the respondent whose proposal is accepted by the City and is, therefore, the person, firm or entity providing goods or services to the City under a contract.

<u>Vendor</u> - the respondent whose proposal is accepted by the City and is, therefore, the person, firm or entity providing goods or services to the City under a contract.

Waiver of Irregularity - noting, but disregarding an immaterial variance within a proposal.

# 009 - RFCSP ATTACHMENTS

# **RFCSP 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 c	contract, if awarded.)	
Principal Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Telephone No	Fax	No:	
Website address:			
Year established:			
Provide the number of years in but	siness under present r	name:	
Social Security Number or Federa	l Employer Identification	on Number:	
Texas Comptroller's Taxpayer Nur (NOTE: This 11-digit number is so			
DUNS NUMBER:			
Business Structure: Check the bo	x that indicates the bu	siness structure of the Responde	ent.
PartnershipCorporation If checked, ch	eck one:For-Pro Domest	ticForeign	
Printed Name of Contract Signator Job Title:			
Provide any other names under vunder for each:	vhich Respondent has	s operated within the last 10 ye	ars and length of time
			<u> </u>
Provide address of office from whi City:		oe managed: Zip Code:	
Telephone No	Fax	No:	
Annual Revenue: \$			
Total Number of Employees:			

	otal Number of Current Clients/Customers:
	riefly describe other lines of business that the company is directly or indirectly affiliated with:
Li	ist Related Companies:
	contact Information: List the one person who the City may contact concerning your proposal or setting date or meetings.
Ν	ame: Title:
A	ddress:
С	ity:Zip Code:
T	elephone No Fax No:
E	mail:
de	oes Respondent anticipate any mergers, transfer of organization ownership, management reorganization, eparture of key personnel within the next twelve (12) months?  es No
ls	Respondent authorized and/or licensed to do business in Texas?
Y	es No If "Yes", list authorizations/licenses.
	/hors in the Beanandant's corporate headquarters legated?
	/here is the Respondent's corporate headquarters located?
	ocal/County Operation: Does the Respondent have an office located in San Antonio, Texas?
	es No If "Yes", respond to a and b below:
a.	
	Years Months
b.	State the number of full-time employees at the San Antonio office.
lf	"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 State the number of full-time employees at the Bexar County office.

7.			sion Information: racting with any pu		pondent or any	of its principals be	en debarred or
	circums	entative of the	public entity famure	niliar with the	debarment or	suspension, and	rrent phone number of a state the reason for or to the period of time for
8.	Surety	Information:	Has the Respond	ent ever had	a bond or suret	y canceled or forfe	ited?
	Yes for suc	_ No h cancellation		the name of the	ne bonding com	ıpany, date, amoui	nt of bond and reason
9.			ation: Has the R		ver been decla	ared bankrupt or	filed for protection from
	Yes amoun	_ No t of assets.	If "Yes", state t	the date, cour	t, jurisdiction, c	ause number, amo	ount of liabilities and
10.	action,	from any regu	ulatory bodies or p	professional	organizations?		any pending disciplinary name of the regulatory linary action.
11.	Previo	us Contracts:					
	a. Ha	s the Respond	ent ever failed to o	complete any	contract award	ed?	
			If "Yes", standard and reason for the standard in the stan		•		th, services contracted,
	org Ye:	anization that s	failed to complete	a contract? ate the name	of the individua	al, organization cor	rtner of some other
		own name?					ontract handled in his or
			If "Yes", stace contract amount a				ntracted with, services

# **REFERENCES**

Provide a minimum of three (3) references for which Respondent performed acreage shredding services similar to the size and scope of this RFSCP. For the references provided, work must have been performed 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. Do not use City contracts as references.

Contact Name:	T	itle:		
Address:				
City:	State:	Zip Code:		
Telephone No	Fax N	0:		
Email:				
Date and Type of Service(s) Pro				
eference No. 2: Firm/Company Name				
Contact Name:				
Address:				
City:				
Telephone No	Fax No:			
Email:				
Date and Type of Service(s) Pro				
eference No. 3: Firm/Company Name				
Contact Name:	T	itle:		
Address:				
City:	State:	Zip Code:		
Telephone No	Fax N	0:		

#### RFCSP 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. Fully describe your company and experience as it relates to the following:
  - a. History of successful the company (to include number of years in business);
  - b. History of company operations over the past three years;
  - c. History of Median Mowing service contracts, facilities or organizations, address, phone numbers, points of contact, length of contracts, and which contracts, if any, were terminated for cause or convenience.
- Describe Respondent's experience relevant to the Scope of Services requested by this RFCSP. List and describe relevant projects of similar size and scope performed over the past four years. Identify associated results or impacts of the project/work performed.
- 3. Describe length of time Respondent has performed project(s) of similar size and scope.
- 4. Describe Respondent's specific experience with public entities clients, especially large municipalities. If Respondent has provided services for the City in the past, identify the name of the project and the department for which Respondent provided those services.
- 5. 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 ventures and/or sub-contractors have worked together in the past.
- 6. Identify the number and professional qualifications (to include licenses, certifications, associations) of staff to be assigned to the project and relevant experience on projects of similar size and scope.
- 7. State the primary work assignment and the percentage of time key personnel will devote to the project if awarded the contract.
- 8. Additional Information. Identify any additional skills, experiences, qualifications, and/or other relevant information about the Respondent's qualifications.
- 9. Attach requested Certified Arborist License.

#### RFCSP ATTACHMENT A, PART THREE

#### PROPOSED PLAN

Prepare and submit the following items:

#### **1. Operating Plan** – Include the following:

#### a. Staffing:

- Describe your staffing plan for providing median mowing services at the locations to be serviced by this contract. Describe the number of Crew Leaders, and /or Project Manager(s), and laborers that will be assigned to the contract. Indicate the proposed time frame for performing median mowing services at each location.
- 2. Provide an organizational chart showing how you propose to staff the project. For each position reflected on the organizational chart, provide the following information for individual(s) assigned to each position: name, position title, and years of experience.
- 3. Describe training and instruction programs that you will provide to staff assigned to perform this City contract. Provide a copy with proposal response.

#### b. Facilities:

- 1. Provide the address and description of any office/storage/garage facilities which you will use for this project.
- 2. Describe your current facilities' capacity to serve the contractual duties of this contract as well as additional capacity that you will need as a result of this contract. If additional resources are needed, describe your plan for acquiring these resources.

#### c. Equipment:

- 1. Provide a list of equipment currently available to support this contract.
- 2. Provide information on your plan to obtain additional equipment (if needed).
- 3. Provide photos of equipment described in Item 1-c-1 and 1-c-2 above.
- 4. Provide plan maintenance schedule for equipment to be used to perform services for this contract (frequency, procedures, etc.)
- 2. Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) Plan Describe your current QA/QC to include procedures and personnel utilized for quality control, problem resolution, self-assessment, interaction with City, and control of subcontractors' performance, if any. Explain how your current procedures meet the needs of your current customers. Provide Copy of QA/QC Plan with proposal response.
- **3.** Environmental Standards/Practices Plan Describe how you intend to utilize environmentally (green) products. Describe alternatives to the use of gas powered machines on air quality days.
- **4. Customer Service Plan** Describe your customer service plan and discuss lines of communication and interaction with City customers, including City Staff and others.
- 5. Safety Plan Describe how you will implement a Safety Plan for the Contract. Provide a copy of Safety Plan with Proposal response. Describe how you will furnish signs and traffic controls in accordance with the Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic.

- 6. Wages and Benefits Plan Indicate the range of wages that Respondent has established for the Manager, Crew Leader(s) and Laborer classifications. Provide minimum qualifications and information regarding what factors determines starting wages and subsequent increases. Indicate what benefits (e.g., retirement, medical, dental, vision, life insurance, disability insurance, wellness, leave and holidays, skills pay, tuition assistance, employee assistance program, etc.) will be provided to these job classifications and provide a cost per employee related to these benefits. Indicate what amount and percent of the costs are paid by the Respondent and what amount and percent are paid by the employee for each individual benefit. (Use charts to make this information clear.) Indicate if the benefits provided to these job classes are the same, and at the same cost, as benefits provided or made available to other job classifications in the Respondent firm.
- **7. Additional Information -** Provide any additional plans and/or relevant information about Respondent's approach to providing the required services.

# **RFCSP ATTACHMENT B**

## PRICE SCHEDULE - Rev. 1, Dated: 4/24/18

## **MEDIAN MOWING**

#### **CATEGORY A**

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACREAGE	(A) ESTIMATED ANNUAL QUANTITY *	(B) COST PER SERVICE CYCLE	EXTENDED PRICE (A X B)
1	NORTHWEST QUADRANT	73.27	12 cycles	\$	\$
2	NORTHEAST QUADRANT	45.12	12 cycles	\$	\$
				TOTAL COST:	\$

**CATEGORY B** 

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACREAGE	(A) ESTIMATED ANNUAL QUANTITY *	(B) COST PER SERVICE CYCLE	EXTENDED PRICE (A X B)
1	SOUTHWEST QUADRANT	<mark>59.13</mark>	12 cycles	\$	\$
2	SOUTHEAST QUADRANT	19.90	12 cycles	\$	\$
					•

TOTAL COST: \$

## **PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT:**

Prompt Payment Discount: \_\_\_\_\_% \_\_\_\_ days (if no discount is offered, Net 30 will apply.)

<u>Prompt Payment Discount.</u> Provided Respondent meets the requirements stated herein. City shall take Respondent's offered prompt payment discount into consideration in scoring Respondent's Coefficient. However, the City reserves the right to reject a discount if the percentage is too low to be of value to the City, all things considered. The City may also reject a discount if the percentage is so high as to create an overly large disparity between the price City would pay if it is also to take advantage of the discount and the price City would pay if it were unable to pay within the discount period. City may also reject the discount and pay within the 30 day period, at the City sole option.

The City will not consider discounts that provide fewer than ten (10) days to pay in order to receive the discount.

For example, Payment terms of 2% 5, Net 30 will NOT be considered in bid evaluations or in the payment of invoices. However payment terms of 2% 10, Net 30 will result in a two (2%) percent reduction in the bid price during bid evaluation, and the City will take the 2% discount if the invoice is paid within the ten (10) day time period.

## **RFCSP ATTACHMENT C**

#### **CONTRACTS DISCLOSURE FORM**

 $Contracts\ Disclosure\ Form\ may\ be\ downloaded\ at\ \underline{https://www.sanantonio.gov/Ethics/ForCompliance/Vendors-And-Conflict-of-Interest-Reports}$ 

Instructions for completing the 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.

## **RFCSP 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 or otherwise) from any work being performed for Government, or Private Entity?				
Y	Yes	No		
Have you or any member of your Firm or Team to litigation with the City of San Antonio or any other the last ten (10) years?	•	,		
Y	Yes	No		
If you have answered "Yes" to any of the above the nature, and the status and/or outcome of or litigation, as applicable. Any such information	the informatio	n, indictment, conviction, termination, claim		

this form and submitted with your proposal.

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#### RFCSP ATTACHMENT E

# SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVOCACY (SBEDA) ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE PROVISIONS

#### A. Solicitation Response and Contract Requirements and Commitment

Respondent understands and agrees that the following provisions shall be requirements of this solicitation and the resulting contract, if awarded, and by submitting its Response, Respondent commits to comply with these requirements.

Waiver Request - A Respondent may request, for good cause, a full or partial Waiver of a **specified subcontracting goal** included in this solicitation by submitting the *Subcontracting Goal-Waiver Request* form (available at <a href="http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx">http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx</a>) with its solicitation response. The Respondent's Waiver request must fully document Subcontractor unavailability despite the Respondent's good faith efforts to comply with the goal. Such documentation shall include all good faith efforts made by Respondent including, but not limited to, which Subcontractors were contacted (with phone numbers, e-mail addresses and mailing addresses, as applicable) and the method of contact. Late Waiver requests will not be considered. More information on the good faith effort criteria is available within the Subcontracting Goal – Waiver Request Evaluation Criteria at <a href="http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx">http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx</a>.

**Exception Request** - A Respondent may, for good cause, request an Exception to the application of the SBEDA Program if the Respondent submits the *Exception to SBEDA Program Requirements Request* form (available at <a href="http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx">http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx</a>) with its solicitation response. The Respondent's Exception request must fully document why: (1) the value of the contract is below the \$50,000 threshold for application of the SBEDA Program; or (2) no commercially-useful subcontracting opportunities exist within the contract scope of work; or (3) the type of contract is outside of the scope of the SBEDA Ordinance. **Late Exception Requests will not be considered.** 

#### B. SBEDA Program

The CITY has adopted a Small Business Economic Development Advocacy Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2016-05-19-0367 and as amended, also referred to as "SBEDA" or "the SBEDA Program"), which is posted on the City's Economic Development Department (EDD) website page and is also available in hard copy format upon request to the CITY. The SBEDA Ordinance Compliance Provisions contained in this section of the Agreement are governed by the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance, as well as by the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance Policy & Procedure Manual established by the CITY pursuant to this Ordinance, and any subsequent amendments to this referenced SBEDA Ordinance and SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual that are effective as of the date of the execution of this Agreement. Unless defined in a contrary manner herein, terms used in this section of the Agreement shall be subject to the same expanded definitions and meanings as given those terms in the SBEDA Ordinance and as further interpreted in the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual.

#### C. SBEDA Program Compliance – Affirmative Procurement Initiatives

The CITY has applied the following contract-specific Affirmative Procurement Initiatives to this contract. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that the selected API requirement shall also be extended to any change order or subsequent contract modification and, absent SBO's granting of a waiver, that its full compliance with the following API terms and conditions are material to its satisfactory performance under this Agreement:

**ESBE Prime Contract Program.** In accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance, Section III. D. 7. (b), this contract is being awarded pursuant to the Emerging SBE Prime Contract Program, and as such, CONTRACTOR affirms that if it is presently certified as an ESBE (see Emerging Small Business Enterprise definition), CONTRACTOR agrees not to subcontract more than 49% of the contract value to a non-ESBE firm, **and** 

**M/WBE Prime Contract Program.** In accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance, Section III. D. 8.(b), this contract is being awarded pursuant to the M/WBE Prime Contract Program and as such, CONTRACTOR affirms that if it

is presently certified as an M/WBE (see *Minority/Women Business Enterprise* definition), CONTRACTOR agrees not to subcontract more than 49% of the contract value to a non-M/WBE firm, **and** 

**M/WBE Subcontracting Program.** In accordance with SBEDA Ordinance Section III. D. 8. (f), this contract is also being awarded pursuant to the M/WBE Subcontracting Program. CONTRACTOR agrees to subcontract or self-perform at least **seventeen percent (17%)** of its prime contract value to certified M/WBE firms headquartered or having a Significant Business Presence within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA). If the Prime CONTRACTOR is a certified M/WBE firm, then the CONTRACTOR is allowed to self-perform up to the entire M/WBE subcontracting goal amount with its own forces. To the extent that the certified M/WBE Prime CONTRACTOR does not self-perform a portion of the M/WBE subcontracting goal, it shall be responsible for complying with all other requirements of this API for that portion of work that is subcontracted.

**Segmented M/WBE Goal.** In accordance with SBEDA Ordinance Section III. D. 8. (g), this contract is being awarded pursuant to Segmented M/WBE Goals. CONTRACTOR agrees to subcontract at least **one percent** (1%) of the contract value to a certified African American Business Enterprise (AABE) firm headquartered or having a significant business presence within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA). This two percent (2%) subcontracting goal will also count toward the aforementioned seventeen percent (17%) M/WBE subcontracting goal.

The Subcontractor/Supplier Utilization Plan which CONTRACTOR submitted to City with its response for this contract and that contains the names of the certified M/WBE and AABE Subcontractors to be used by CONTRACTOR on this contract, the respective percentages of the total prime contract dollar value to be awarded and performed by each M/WBE and AABE Subcontractor, and documentation including a description of each M/WBE and AABE Subcontractor's scope of work and confirmation of each M/WBE and AABE Subcontractor's commitment to perform such scope of work for an agreed upon dollar amount is hereby attached and incorporated by reference into the material terms of this Agreement.

In the absence of a waiver granted by the SBO, failure of a Prime CONTRACTOR to attain this M/WBE and AABE subcontracting goal as required in the solicitation shall render its response non-Responsive. Also, in the absence of a waiver granted by the SBO, failure of a Prime CONTRACTOR to attain a subcontracting goal for M/WBE and AABE participation in the performance of its contract or otherwise comply with the provisions of this API shall be considered a material breach of contract, grounds for termination of that contract with the City and shall be subject to any penalties and sanctions available under the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance, its contract with the City or by law.

**Subcontractor Diversity**: The City of San Antonio strongly encourages each bidder to be as inclusive as possible, and to reach out to all segments of the M/WBE community in its efforts to exercise good faith in achieving the M/WBE and AABE subcontracting goal of 17% and 2% respectively, that has been established for this contract. While the relative availability of ready, willing, and able firms within various ethnic and gender categories will vary significantly from contract to contract based upon the particular trades that are involved, overall in the San Antonio architecture and engineering industry, as reflected in the City's Centralized Vendor Registration system for the month of February 2017, African-American owned firms represent approximately 2.46% of available subcontractors, Hispanic-American firms represent approximately 10.81%, Asian-American firms represent approximately 0.83%, Native American firms represent approximately 0.13%, and Womenowned firms represent approximately 5.02% of available architecture and engineering subcontractors.

#### D. SBEDA Program Compliance – General Provisions

As CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the terms of the CITY's SBEDA Ordinance, as amended, together with all requirements, guidelines, and procedures set forth in the CITY's SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual are in furtherance of the CITY's efforts at economic inclusion and, moreover, that such terms are part of CONTRACTOR's scope of work as referenced in the CITY's formal solicitation that formed the basis for contract award and subsequent execution of this Agreement, these SBEDA Ordinance requirements, guidelines and procedures are hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement, and are considered by the Parties to this Agreement to be material terms. CONTRACTOR voluntarily agrees to fully comply with these SBEDA program terms as a condition for being awarded this contract by the CITY. Without limitation, CONTRACTOR further agrees to the following terms as part of its contract compliance responsibilities under the SBEDA Program:

- 1. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate fully with the Small Business Office and other CITY departments in their data collection and monitoring efforts regarding CONTRACTOR's utilization and payment of Subcontractors, S/M/WBE firms, and HUBZone firms, as applicable, for their performance of Commercially Useful Functions on this contract including, but not limited to, the timely submission of completed forms and/or documentation promulgated by SBO, through the Originating Department, pursuant to the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual, timely entry of data into monitoring systems, and ensuring the timely compliance of its subcontractors with this term;
- CONTRACTOR shall cooperate fully with any CITY or SBO investigation (and shall also respond truthfully and promptly to any CITY or SBO inquiry) regarding possible non-compliance with SBEDA requirements on the part of CONTRACTOR or its subcontractors or suppliers:
- 3. CONTRACTOR shall permit the SBO, upon reasonable notice, to undertake inspections as necessary including, but not limited to, contract-related correspondence, records, documents, payroll records, daily logs, invoices, bills, cancelled checks, and work product, and to interview Subcontractors and workers to determine whether there has been a violation of the terms of this Agreement;
- 4. CONTRACTOR shall notify the SBO, in writing on the Change to Utilization Plan form, through the Originating Department, of any proposed changes to CONTRACTOR's Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan for this contract, with an explanation of the necessity for such proposed changes, including documentation of Good Faith Efforts made by CONTRACTOR to replace the Subcontractor / Supplier in accordance with the applicable Affirmative Procurement Initiative. All proposed changes to the Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan including, but not limited to, proposed self-performance of work by CONTRACTOR of work previously designated for performance by Subcontractor or supplier, substitutions of new Subcontractors, terminations of previously designated Subcontractors, or reductions in the scope of work and value of work awarded to Subcontractors or suppliers, shall be subject to advanced written approval by the Originating Department and the SBO.
- 5. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Originating Department and SBO of any transfer or assignment of its contract with the CITY, as well as any transfer or change in its ownership or business structure.
- 6. CONTRACTOR shall retain all records of its Subcontractor payments for this contract for a minimum of four years or as required by state law, following the conclusion of this contract or, in the event of litigation concerning this contract, for a minimum of four years or as required by state law following the final determination of litigation, whichever is later.
- 7. In instances wherein the SBO determines that a Commercially Useful Function is not actually being performed by the applicable S/M/WBE or HUBZone firms listed in a CONTRACTOR's Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan, the CONTRACTOR shall not be given credit for the participation of its S/M/WBE or HUBZone Subcontractor(s) or joint venture partner(s) toward attainment of S/M/WBE or HUBZone firm utilization goals, and the CONTRACTOR and its listed S/M/WBE firms or HUBZone firms may be subject to sanctions and penalties in

accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance.

8. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the CITY will not execute a contract or issue a Notice to Proceed for this project until the CONTRACTOR for this project have registered and/or maintained active status in the CITY's Centralized Vendor Registration System (CVR), and CONTRACTOR has represented to CITY which primary commodity codes each Subcontractor will be performing under for this contract. CITY recommends all Subcontractors to be registered in the CVR.

#### E. Definitions

Affirmative Procurement Initiatives (API) – Refers to various S/M/WBE Program tools and Solicitation Incentives that are used to encourage greater prime and subcontract participation by S/M/WBE firms, including bonding assistance, evaluation preferences, subcontracting goals and joint venture incentives. (For full descriptions of these and other S/M/WBE Program tools, see Section III.D of Attachment A to the SBEDA Ordinance). To be eligible for the benefits of race- and gender-conscious APIs as provided in the SBEDA Ordinance, M/WBE firms must also satisfy the size standards for being a Small Business Enterprise or SBE as defined herein.

Annual Aspirational Goal – a non-mandatory annual aspirational percentage goal for overall M/WBE Prime and subcontract participation in City of San Antonio contracts is established each year for Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contract Industry Categories. This Annual Aspirational Goal is to be set (and thereafter adjusted) by the Goal Setting Committee (GSC) based upon the M/WBE availability by industry in accordance with the City's 2015 Disparity Study findings, along with relative M/WBE availability data to be collected by the City through its CVR system, and the utilization of M/WBEs. Any adjusted Annual Aspirational Goals for a given industry should not exceed the Expected Availability for award dollar weights as found in the 2015 Disparity Study. Annual Aspirational Goals are not to be routinely applied to individual contracts, but are intended to serve as a benchmark against which to measure the overall effectiveness of the S/M/WBE Program on an annual basis, and to gauge the need for future adjustments to the mix and to the aggressiveness of remedies being applied under the Program. Percentage Goals for S/M/WBE participation may be established by the GSC on a contract-by-contract basis based upon similar data and analysis for the particular goods and services being purchased in a given contract.

**Award** – the final selection of a Respondent for a specified Prime Contract or subcontract dollar amount. Contract awards are made by the City to Prime Contractors or vendors and by Prime Contractors or vendors to Subcontractor or sub-vendors, usually pursuant to a solicitation process. (Contract awards are to be distinguished from contract payments in that they only reflect the anticipated dollar amounts instead of actual dollar amounts that are paid to a contractor under an awarded contract).

**Best Value Contracting** – a purchasing solicitation process through which the Originating Department may evaluate factors other than price. Evaluation criteria for selection may include a Respondent's previous experience and quality of product or services procured, and other factors identified in the applicable statute.

Centralized Vendor Registration System (CVR) – a mandatory electronic system of hardware and software programs by which the City recommends <u>all</u> prospective Respondents and Subcontractors that are ready, willing and able to sell goods or services to the City to register. All businesses awarded a City contract shall be required to register in the CVR. The CVR system assigns a unique identifier to each registrant that is then required for the purpose of submitting solicitation responses and invoices, and for receiving payments from the City. The CVR-assigned identifiers are also used by the Goal Setting Committee for measuring relative availability and tracking utilization of SBE and M/WBE firms by Industry or commodity codes, and for establishing Annual Aspirational Goals and Contract-by-Contract Subcontracting Goals.

Certification – the process by which the Small Business Office (SBO) staff determines a firm to be a bona-fide small, minority-, women-owned, or emerging small business enterprise. Emerging Small Business Enterprises (ESBEs) are automatically eligible for Certification as SBEs. Any firm may apply for multiple Certifications that cover each and every status category (e.g., SBE, ESBE, MBE, or WBE) for which it is able to satisfy eligibility standards. The SBO staff may contract these services to a regional Certification agency or other entity. For purposes of Certification, the City may accept any firm that is certified by local government entities and other

organizations identified herein that have adopted Certification standards and procedures similar to those followed by the SBO, provided the prospective firm satisfies the eligibility requirements set forth in this Ordinance in Section III.E.6.

City - refers to the City of San Antonio, TX.

Commercially Useful Function – an S/M/WBE firm performs a Commercially Useful Function when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, staffing, managing and supervising the work involved. To perform a Commercially Useful Function, the S/M/WBE firm must also be responsible, with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quantity and quality, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself. To determine whether an S/M/WBE firm is performing a Commercially Useful Function, an evaluation must be performed of the amount of work subcontracted, normal industry practices, whether the amount the S/M/WBE firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the work it is actually performing and the S/M/WBE credit claimed for its performance of the work, and other relevant factors. Specifically, an S/M/WBE firm does not perform a Commercially Useful Function if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of meaningful and useful S/M/WBE participation, when in similar transactions in which S/M/WBE firms do not participate, there is no such role performed.

**Control** – the authority of a person or business owner to sign responses to solicitations and contracts, make price negotiation decisions, sell or liquidate the business and have the primary authority to direct the day-to-day management and operation of a business enterprise without interference from others.

**Economic Inclusion** – efforts to promote and maximize commercial transactions within, between and among all segments of the business population, regardless of race or gender, within the Relevant Marketplace.

**Emerging SBE (ESBE)** – a certified SBE corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship or other legal entity for the purpose of making a profit, which is independently owned and operated by Individuals legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories whose annual revenues and number of employees are no greater than 25% of the small business size standards for its industry as established by the U.S. Small Business Administration, and meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein.

**Emerging M/WBE** – a certified M/WBE firm whose annual revenues and number of employees are no greater than 25% of the small business size standards for its industry as established by the U.S. Small Business Administration, and meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein.

**Evaluation Preference** – an API that may be applied by the Goal Setting Committee to Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods and Supplies contracts that are to be awarded on a basis that includes factors other than lowest price, and wherein responses that are submitted to the City by S/M/WBE firms may be awarded additional Points in the evaluation process in the scoring and ranking of their proposals against those submitted by other prime Respondents.

**Formal Solicitation** – an invitation for bids, request for proposals, request for qualifications or other solicitation document issued by a City department for a contract that requires City Council approval, in accordance with the procurement rules adopted by the City Manager or designee through a memorandum issued by the City Manager or designee, an Administrative Directive or a procurement manual issued under the authority of the City Manager or designee, and/or pursuant to statutory requirements.

Goal Setting Committee (GSC) – a committee, or series of committees, appointed and chaired by the City Manager or designee from the Executive Team that includes, at a minimum, the EDD Director or designee, and the Director of Finance or Director of Transportation and Capital Improvements (TCI) or their designees, the Director or designee of the Originating Department (if the Originating Department is neither Finance nor TCI,) all without duplication of designees and two citizens appointed by City Council who are eligible to vote during the goal setting committee on contracts valued at \$3,000,000 and above. The City Manager or designee may also appoint two ex-officio members of the Small Business Advocacy Committee to serve on any GSC purely in an advisory and non-voting capacity. The GSC establishes S/M/WBE Program Goals for the City of San Antonio (e.g., Annual Aspirational Goals, Contract-by-Contract Subcontracting Goals, and determining which M/WBE segments are eligible for Segmented Subcontracting Goals annually) based upon Industry Categories, vendor

availability, project-specific characteristics, and M/WBE utilization. The GSC also makes determinations about which Affirmative Procurement Initiatives (APIs) are to be applied to specific contracts based upon various criteria.

Good Faith Efforts – documentation of the Respondent's intent to comply with S/M/WBE Program Goals and procedures including, but not limited to, the following: (1) documentation as stated in the solicitation reflecting the Respondent's commitment to comply with SBE or M/WBE Program Goals as established by the GSC for a particular contract; or (2) documentation of efforts made toward achieving the SBE or M/WBE Program Goals (e.g., solicitations of bids/proposals/qualification statements from all qualified SBE or M/WBE firms listed in the Small Business Office's directory of certified SBE or M/WBE firms; correspondence from qualified SBE or M/WBE firms documenting their unavailability to perform SBE or M/WBE contracts; documentation of efforts to subdivide work into smaller quantities for subcontracting purposes to enhance opportunities for SBE or M/WBE firms; documentation of a Prime Contractor's posting of a bond covering the work of SBE or M/WBE Subcontractors; documentation of efforts to assist SBE or M/WBE firms with obtaining financing, bonding or insurance required by the Respondent; and documentation of consultations with trade associations and CONTRACTORs that represent the interests of SBE and/or M/WBEs in order to identify qualified and available SBE or M/WBE Subcontractors.)

**HUBZone Firm** – a business that has been certified by U.S. Small Business Administration for participation in the federal HUBZone Program, as established under the 1997 Small Business Reauthorization Act. To qualify as a HUBZone firm, a small business must meet the following criteria: (1) it must be owned and Controlled by U.S. citizens; (2) at least 35 percent of its employees must reside in a HUBZone; and (3) its Principal Place of Business must be located in a HUBZone within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area. [See 13 C.F.R. 126.200 (1999).]

**Independently Owned and Operated** – ownership of an SBE firm must be direct, independent and by Individuals only. Ownership of an M/WBE firm may be by Individuals and/or by other businesses provided the ownership interests in the M/WBE firm can satisfy the M/WBE eligibility requirements for ownership and Control as specified herein in Section III.E.6. The M/WBE firm must also be Independently Owned and Operated in the sense that it cannot be the subsidiary of another firm that does not itself (and in combination with the certified M/WBE firm) satisfy the eligibility requirements for M/WBE Certification.

**Individual** – an adult person that is of legal majority age.

**Industry Categories** – procurement groupings for the City of San Antonio inclusive of Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies (i.e., manufacturing, wholesale and retail distribution of commodities). This term may sometimes be referred to as "business categories."

Joint Venture Incentives — an API that provides inducements for non-SBE and non-M/WBE firms to collaborate with SBE or M/WBE partners in responses to solicitations and performing a Prime Contract to supply goods to, or to perform non-Construction services on behalf of, the City. Joint ventures are manifested by written agreements between two or more Independently Owned and Controlled business firms to form a third business entity solely for purposes of undertaking distinct roles and responsibilities in the completion of a given contract. Under this business arrangement, each joint venture partner shares in the management of the joint venture and also shares in the profits or losses of the joint venture enterprise commensurately with its contribution to the venture. Incentives under this API may include Evaluation Preferences that are tied to the percentage of SBE or M/WBE participation in the joint venture, expedited issuance of building permits and extra contract option years in certain Other Services and Goods & Supplies contracts.

**Minority/Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE)** – firm that is certified as either a Minority Business Enterprise or as a Women Business Enterprise, and which is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and Controlled by one or more Minority Group Members and/or women, and that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City of San Antonio.

**M/WBE Directory** – a listing of M/WBEs that have been certified for participation in the City's M/WBE Program APIs.

**M/WBE Subcontracting Program** – an API in which Prime Contractors or vendors are required to make Good Faith Efforts to subcontract a specified percentage of the value of prime contract dollars to certified M/WBE firms. Such subcontracting goals may be set and applied by the GSC on a contract-by-contract basis to those types of contracts that provide subcontract opportunities for performing Commercially Useful Functions wherein:

- (1) There have been ongoing disparities in the utilization of available M/WBE Subcontractors; or
- (2) Race-Neutral efforts have failed to eliminate persistent and significant disparities in the award of prime contracts to M/WBEs in a particular Industry Category or industry segment (e.g., Construction contracts, Professional Services contracts, and Architectural and Engineering contracts), and subcontract opportunities are limited outside of City contracts.

When specified by the GSC, the M/WBE Subcontracting Program may also be required to reflect Good Faith Efforts that a Prime Contractor or vendor has taken (or commits to taking in the case of solicitations that do not include a detailed scope of work or those in which price cannot be considered a factor in evaluation), toward attainment of subcontracting goals for M/WBE firms.

**M/WBE Evaluation Preference** – an API that the City may apply to requests for proposals or qualifications (RFPs or RFQs) on City Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contracts that are issued pursuant to a Best Value Contracting method or other methods of procurement wherein criteria other than lowest price are factored into the selection process. M/WBEs that submit responses for these kinds of solicitations are awarded additional Points in the scoring of their responses when evaluating and ranking their responses against those submitted by non-minority firms. Where specified in contract specifications as approved by the Goal Setting Committee, the M/WBE Evaluation Preference may be limited to Emerging M/WBE firms.

**Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)** – any legal entity, except a joint venture, that is organized to engage in for-profit transactions, which is certified as being at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and Controlled by one or more Minority Group Members, and that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City. To qualify as an MBE, the enterprise shall meet the Significant Business Presence requirement as defined herein. Unless otherwise stated, the term "MBE" as used in the SBEDA Ordinance is not inclusive of women-owned business enterprises (WBEs).

**Minority Group Members** – African-Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian Americans and Native Americans legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories, as defined below:

African-Americans: Persons with origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

<u>Hispanic-Americans</u>: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Spanish or Central and South American origin.

<u>Asian-Americans</u>: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent or the Pacific Islands.

<u>Native Americans</u>: Persons having no less than 1/16<sup>th</sup> percentage origin in any of the Native American Tribes, as recognized by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs and as demonstrated by possession of personal tribal role documents.

**Originating Department** – the City department or authorized representative of the City which issues solicitations or for which a solicitation is issued.

**Payment** – dollars actually paid to Prime Contractors and/or Subcontractors and vendors for City contracted goods and/or services.

**Points** – the quantitative assignment of value for specific evaluation criteria in the vendor selection process used in some Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contracts (e.g., up to 20 points out of a total of 100 points assigned for S/M/WBE participation as stated in response to a Request for Proposals).

**Prime Contractor** – the vendor or contractor to whom a purchase order or contract is issued by the City of San Antonio for purposes of providing goods or services for the City.

Race-Conscious – any business classification or API wherein the race or gender of business owners is taken into consideration (e.g., references to M/WBE programs and APIs that are listed herein under the heading of "Race-Conscious"). To be eligible for the benefits of race- and gender-conscious APIs as provided in this Ordinance, M/WBE firms must also satisfy the size standards for being a Small Business Enterprise or SBE as defined herein.

**Race-Neutral** – any business classification or API wherein the race or gender of business owners is not taken into consideration (e.g., references to SBE programs and APIs that are listed herein under the heading of "Race-Neutral").

**Relevant Marketplace** – the geographic market area affecting the S/M/WBE Program as determined for purposes of collecting data for the 2015 Disparity Study, and for determining eligibility for participation under various programs established by the SBEDA Ordinance, is defined as the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA), currently including the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina and Wilson.

**Respondent** – a vendor submitting a bid, statement of qualifications, or proposal in response to a solicitation issued by the City.

**Responsible** – a firm which is capable in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and has the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance of contract specifications.

**Responsive** – a firm's submittal (bid, response or proposal) conforms in all material respects to the solicitation (Invitation for Bid, Request for Qualifications, or Request for Proposal) and shall include compliance with S/M/WBE Program requirements.

San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA) – also known as the Relevant Marketplace, the geographic market area from which the City's 2015 Disparity Study analyzed contract utilization and availability data for disparity (currently including the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina and Wilson).

**Segmented M/WBE Goals** – the application of multiple goals for M/WBE participation within Annual Aspirational Goals or for M/WBE Subcontracting Goals on an individual City contract wherein an overall combined M/WBE goal is accompanied by subsets of one or more smaller goals. Such segmented goals specifically target the participation of a particular segment of business enterprises owned and Controlled by WBEs or certain Minority Group Members (e.g., African-Americans or Hispanic-Americans) based upon relative availability and significantly greater patterns of underutilization and disparity within an industry as compared to other gender and Minority Group Member categories of M/WBEs. The application of Segmented M/WBE Goals is intended to ensure that those segments of M/WBEs that have been most significantly and persistently underutilized receive a fair measure of remedial assistance.

**SBE Directory** – a listing of small businesses that have been certified for participation in the City's SBE Program APIs.

**Significant Business Presence** – to qualify for this Program, a S/M/WBE must be headquartered or have a *significant business presence* for at least one year within the Relevant Marketplace, defined as: an established place of business in one or more of the eight counties that make up the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA), from which 20% of its full-time, part-time and contract employees are regularly based, and from which a substantial role in the S/M/WBE's performance of a Commercially Useful Function is conducted. A location utilized solely as a post office box, mail drop or telephone message center or any combination thereof, with no other substantial work function, shall not be construed to constitute a significant business presence.

**Small Business Enterprise (SBE)** – a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship or other legal entity for the purpose of making a profit, which is Independently Owned and Operated by Individuals legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories, and which meets the U.S. Small Business Administration

(SBA) size standard for a small business in its particular industry(ies) and meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein.

**Small Business Office (SBO)** – the office within the Economic Development Department (EDD) of the City that is primarily responsible for general oversight and administration of the S/M/WBE Program.

**Small Minority Women Business Enterprise Program (S/M/WBE Program)** – the combination of SBE Program and M/WBE Program features contained in this Ordinance.

**Solicitation Incentives** – additional inducements or enhancements in the solicitation process that are designed to increase the chances for the selection of S/M/WBE firms in competition with other firms. Such inducements and enhancements may include such terms as additional contract option years, increased quantities in supply contracts, and evaluation preferences, where not prohibited by law. These solicitation incentives may be applied as appropriate to solicitations, contracts, and letter agreements for Construction, Architecture and Engineering services, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contracts, including change orders and amendments.

**Subcontractor** – any vendor or contractor that is providing goods or services to a Prime Contractor in furtherance of the Prime Contractor's performance under a contract or purchase order with the City. A copy of the binding agreement between the Prime Contractor and the Subcontractor shall be submitted prior to the City's issuance of a notice to proceed.

**Suspension** – the temporary stoppage of an SBE or M/WBE firm's beneficial participation in the City's S/M/WBE Program for a finite period of time due to cumulative contract payments the S/M/WBE firm received during a fiscal year that exceed a certain dollar threshold as set forth in Section III.E.7, or pursuant to the Penalties and Sanctions set forth in Section III.E.13.

**Subcontractor/Supplier Utilization Plan** – a binding part of this contract agreement which states the CONTRACTOR's commitment for the use of Joint Venture Partners and / or Subcontractors/Suppliers in the performance of this contract agreement, and states the name, scope of work, and dollar value of work to be performed by each of CONTRACTOR's Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors/Suppliers in the course of the performance of this contract, specifying the S/M/WBE Certification category for each Joint Venture partner and Subcontractor/Supplier, as approved by the SBO Manager. Additions, deletions or modifications of the Joint Venture partner or Subcontractor/Supplier names, scopes of work, of dollar values of work to be performed requires an amendment to this agreement to be approved by the EDD Director or designee.

**Women Business Enterprises (WBEs)** - any legal entity, except a joint venture, that is organized to engage in for-profit transactions, that is certified for purposes of the SBEDA Ordinance as being at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and Controlled by one or more non-minority women Individuals that are lawfully residing in, or are citizens of, the United States or its territories, that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City and that meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein. Unless otherwise stated, the term "WBE" as used in this Ordinance is not inclusive of MBEs.

#### F. Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy Compliance

As a condition of entering into this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that it has complied with throughout the course of this solicitation and contract award process, and will continue to comply with, the CITY's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under Section III. C. 1. of the SBEDA Ordinance. As part of such compliance, CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation or, on the basis of disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring or commercial treatment of Subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall the company retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. The company shall provide equal opportunity for Subcontractors, vendors and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that nothing contained in this clause shall prohibit or limit otherwise lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the CITY's Relevant Marketplace. The company understands and agrees that a material violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and may result in termination of this Agreement, disqualification of the company from participating in CITY contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and

creates no obligation to, any third party. CONTRACTOR's certification of its compliance with this Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as submitted to the CITY pursuant to the solicitation for this contract is hereby incorporated into the material terms of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate this clause into each of its Subcontractor and supplier agreements entered into pursuant to CITY contracts.

#### G. Prompt Payment

Upon execution of this contract by CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall be required to submit to CITY accurate progress payment information with each invoice regarding each of its Subcontractors, including HUBZone Subcontractors, to ensure that the CONTRACTOR's reported subcontract participation is accurate. CONTRACTOR shall pay its Subcontractors in compliance with Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code (the "Prompt Payment Act") within ten days of receipt of payment from CITY. In the event of CONTRACTOR's noncompliance with these prompt payment provisions, no final retainage on the Prime Contract shall be released to CONTRACTOR, and no new CITY contracts shall be issued to the CONTRACTOR until the CITY's audit of previous subcontract payments is complete and payments are verified to be in accordance with the specifications of the contract.

#### H. Violations, Sanctions and Penalties

In addition to the above terms, CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that it is a violation of the SBEDA Ordinance and a material breach of this Agreement to:

- 1. Fraudulently obtain, retain, or attempt to obtain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining, retaining, or attempting to obtain or retain Certification status as an SBE, MBE, WBE, M/WBE, HUBZone firm, Emerging M/WBE, or ESBE for purposes of benefitting from the SBEDA Ordinance;
- Willfully falsify, conceal or cover up by a trick, scheme or device, a material fact or make any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or make use of any false writing or document, knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry pursuant to the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance;
- 3. Willfully obstruct, impede or attempt to obstruct or impede any authorized official or employee who is investigating the qualifications of a business entity which has requested Certification as an S/M/WBE or HUBZone firm;
- 4. Fraudulently obtain, attempt to obtain or aid another person fraudulently obtaining or attempting to obtain public monies to which the person is not entitled under the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance; and
- 5. Make false statements to any entity that any other entity is, or is not, certified as an S/M/WBE for purposes of the SBEDA Ordinance.

Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be subject to the provisions of Section III. E. 13. of the SBEDA Ordinance and any other penalties, sanctions and remedies available under law including, but not limited to:

- 1. Suspension of contract;
- 2. Withholding of funds;
- 3. Rescission of contract based upon a material breach of contract pertaining to S/M/WBE Program compliance;
- 4. Refusal to accept a response or proposal; and
- 5. Disqualification of CONTRACTOR or other business firm from eligibility for providing goods or services to the City for a period not to exceed two years (upon City Council approval).

## **RFCSP ATTACHMENT F**

## **SBEDA FORM**

# CITY OF SAN ANTONIO SUBCONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER UTILIZATION PLAN

(Posted as separate document)

## **RFCSP ATTACHMENT G**

## VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PREFERENCE PROGRAM (VOSBPP) ORDINANCE

Pursuant to Ordinance No. 2013-12-05-0864, effective for solicitations issued after January 15, 2014, all solicitations issued by the City are subject to tracking of Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB) participation.

For more information on the program, refer to the Veteran-Owned Small Business Program Tracking Form attached to this solicitation.

Respondent must complete and return the attached Veteran-Owned Small Business Program Tracking Form.

# RFCSP ATTACHMENT H

# VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM TRACKING FORM(S)

(Posted as a separate document)

#### **RFCSP ATTACHMENT I**

#### **CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES (Form 1295)**

The Texas Government Code §2252.908, and the rules issued by the Texas Ethics Commission found in Title 1, Sections 46.1, 46.3 and 46.5 of the Texas Administrative Code, require a business entity to submit a completed Form 1295 to the City before the City may enter into a contract with that business entity.

Form 1295 must be completed online. It is available from the Texas Ethics Commission by accessing the following web address:

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\_info\_form1295.htm.

Print and sign your completed Form 1295. Submit your signed Form 1295 with your response to this solicitation. Where requested to provide the name of the public entity with whom you are contracting, insert "City of San Antonio". Where requested to provide the contract number, provide the solicitation number shown on the cover page of this solicitation (e.g. IFB 6100001234, RFO 6100001234 or RFCSP 6100001234).

The following definitions found in the statute and Texas Ethics Commission rules may be helpful in completing Form 1295.

"Business entity" includes an entity through which business is conducted with a governmental entity or state agency, regardless of whether the entity is a for-profit or nonprofit entity. The term does not include a governmental entity or state agency. (NOTE: The City of San Antonio should never be listed as the "Business entity".)

"Controlling interest" means: (1) an ownership interest or participating interest in a business entity by virtue of units, percentage, shares, stock, or otherwise that exceeds 10 percent; (2) membership on the board of directors or other governing body of a business entity of which the board or other governing body is composed of not more than 10 members; or (3) service as an officer of a business entity that has four or fewer officers, or service as one of the four officers most highly compensated by a business entity that has more than four officers. Subsection (3) of this section does not apply to an officer of a publicly held business entity or its wholly owned subsidiaries.

"Interested party" means: (1) a person who has a controlling interest in a business entity with whom a governmental entity or state agency contracts; or (2) an intermediary.

"Intermediary," for purposes of this rule, means a person who actively participates in the facilitation of the contract or negotiating the contract, including a broker, adviser, attorney, or representative of or agent for the business entity who:

- (1) receives compensation from the business entity for the person's participation;
- (2) communicates directly with the governmental entity or state agency on behalf of the business entity regarding the contract; and
- (3) is not an employee of the business entity or of an entity with a controlling interest in the business entity.

Publicly traded business entities, including their wholly owned subsidiaries, are exempt from this requirement and are not required to submit Form 1295.

## **RFCSP ATTACHMENT J**

#### SITE LOCATIONS

#### AND RELATED MAP DIAGRAMS

(Posted as a separate document)

Please click the link below for Map Diagrams - **Note:** Each VC # map diagram will have a corresponding VC # address indicated on Site Location Excel Spread Sheet (Vegetation Control Medians and Other 12 Cycles Per Year Assets.xlsx) - Attachment J.

## **RFCSP ATTACHMENT L**

## PROPOSAL CHECKLIST

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

	Initial to Indicate
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Insurance Provider's Letter	
Copy of Current Certificate of Insurance	
Financial Information	
* Signature Page (and Associated Evidence of Authority, if needed)	
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* Addenda, if any	
One (1) Original, 6 copies WITH ONLY TABS and documents for	
General Information Form; Experience, Background and Qualifications; Proposed Plan, etc. (NO SBEDA, VOSB, OR	
PRICING TO BE INCLUDED) and one (1) CD of entire proposal in	
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<sup>\*</sup>Documents marked with an asterisk on this checklist require a signature. Be sure they are signed prior to submittal of proposal.