## JEFFERSON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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## LEGAL NOTICE Advertisement for Request for Proposal

September 17, 2024

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be accepted by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department for Request for Proposals (RFP 24-049/CG), Security Services and Personnel for Jefferson County, Pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Section 200.318-326. **Specifications for this project may be obtained from the Jefferson County website**, https://www.co.jefferson.tx.us/Purchasing/, or by calling 409-835-8593.

Proposals are to be sealed and addressed to the Purchasing Agent with the proposal number and name marked on the outside of the envelope or box. Proposers shall forward an original and five (5) hard copies of their proposal to the address shown below. Late proposals will be rejected as non-responsive. Proposals will be publicly opened and only the firm name will be read aloud in the Jefferson County Engineering Conference Room (5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Historic Courthouse) 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701 at the time and date below. Proposals shall be opened in a manner that avoids disclosure of the contents to competing Proposers and maintains the confidentiality of the proposals during negotiations. Proposals will be open for public inspection after the award of the contract, except for trade secrets and confidential information. Proposers are invited to attend the sealed proposal opening.

There will be a Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at 2:00 pm CT in the Jury Impaneling Room located at 1085 Pearl Street, 1st Floor, Beaumont, Texas 77701.

PROPOSAL NAME: Security Services and Personnel for Jefferson County, Pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local

Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Section 200.318-326

PROPOSAL NUMBER: (RFP 24-049/CG)

DUE DATE/TIME: 11:00 AM CT, Wednesday, October 23, 2024

MAIL OR DELIVER TO: Jefferson County Purchasing Department

1149 Pearl Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Beaumont, Texas 77701

Any questions relating to these requirements should be directed to Cindy Greene, Contract Specialist at 409-835-8593 or Cynthia.greene@jeffcotx.us. If no response in 72 hours, contact Deborah Clark, Purchasing Agent, at 409-835-8593 or via email at deb.clark@jeffcotx.us.

Jefferson County encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs), Minority/Women Business Enterprises (M/WBEs), and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) to participate in the bidding process. Jefferson County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment, or the provisions of services. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact our office at least seven (7) days prior to the bid due date at 409-835-8593.

All interested firms are invited to submit a proposal in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in this bid.

Proposers are strongly encouraged to carefully read the entire invitation, as failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

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## PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST

REQUIRED FORM
Proposer:
Please complete this
form and include with
proposal submission.

The Proposer's attention is especially called to the items listed below, which must be submitted in full as part of the proposal.

Failure to submit any of the documents listed below as a part of your proposal, or failure to acknowledge any addendum in writing with your proposal, or submitting a proposal on any condition, limitation, or provision not officially invited in this Request for Proposal (RFP) may cause for rejection of the proposal.

Proposer shall check each box indicating compliance.

THE ITEMS ON THE CHECKLIST BELOW MUS	T BE INCLUDED IN YOUR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION.	
Cover sheet identifying the contract/project being proposal, and the email address, telephone, and facsimil	posed, the name and address of the Proposer, the date of the le numbers of Proposer.	
An acknowledgment and/or response to each section of	the proposal.	
Form of business (e.g., corporation, sole proprietorship,	partnership); if corporation the date and state of incorporation.	
Identification of three (3) entities for which the Propo including the name, position, and telephone number of a	ser is providing or has provided Security of the type requested, a contact person at each entity.	
Completed and Signed FORM 1295.		
Copy of Certificate of Insurance (COI). The COI at a coverage.	minimum should reflect your firm/company's general insurance	
warnings taken or issued by any federal, state, or local gover	(3) years, as well as identification of any administrative actions or	
One (1) Original and five (5) Response Copies; with all in its entirety.	copies to include a Completed Copy of this specifications packet,	
Each Proposer shall ensure that required parts of the response requirements within this specifications packet, including any ac		
Failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being declared as non-responsive.		
Please read the "Proposal Submittal Checklist" included in this package.		
Company	Telephone Number	
Address	Fax Number	

Title

Date

Authorized Representative (Please print)

**Authorized Signature** 

## **SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION TO PROPOSERS AND GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to receive proposals from qualified firms regarding services for Security Personnel.

The following items are provided as general information and specifications as required by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.

## 1.1 VENDOR INSTRUCTIONS

Read the document carefully. Follow all instructions. Proposer is responsible for fulfilling all requirements and specifications. It is imperative

General Requirements apply to all advertised requests for proposals; however, these may be superseded, whole or in part, by the Scope of Services, Guidelines and Specifications, Requested Responses and Information, or other data contained herein. Be sure your proposal package is complete.

## 1.2 GOVERNING LAW

Proposer is advised that these requirements shall be fully governed by the laws of the State of Texas and that Jefferson County may request and rely on advice, decisions, and opinions of the Attorney General of Texas and the County Attorney concerning any portion of these requirements.

## 1.3 AMBIGUITY, CONFLICT, OR OTHER ERRORS IN THE RFP

If Proposer discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error in the RFP, Proposer shall immediately notify the County of such error in writing and request modification or clarification of the document. Modifications will be made by issuing Addenda. Written notice will be given to all parties who have been furnished with the RFP without divulging the source of the request for the same. If the Proposer fails to notify the County prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals of an error or ambiguity in the RFP known to Proposer, or an error or ambiguity that reasonably should have been known to Proposer, then Proposer shall not be entitled to compensation or additional time by reason of the error or ambiguity or its later resolution.

The County may also modify the RFP, no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals, by issuance of an Addendum to all parties who have received the RFP. All addenda will be numbered consecutively, beginning with 1.

## 1.4 NOTIFICATION OF MOST CURRENT ADDRESS

Firms in receipt of this RFP shall notify Deborah L. Clark, Jefferson County Purchasing Agent, of any address changes, contact person changes, and/or telephone number changes no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals.

## 1.5 PROPOSAL PREPARATION COST

Cost for developing proposals is entirely the responsibility of Proposers and shall not be charged to Jefferson County.

## 1.6 SIGNATURE OF PROPOSAL

A transmittal letter, which shall be considered an integral part of the proposal, shall be signed by an individual who is authorized to bind the Proposer contractually. If the Proposer is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be provided together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign on behalf of the corporation.

If the Proposer is a partnership, the true name of the firm shall be provided with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign.

If the Proposer is an individual, that individual shall sign. If signature is by an agent, other than an officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, a power of attorney or equivalent document must be submitted to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department prior to the submission of the proposal or with the proposal.

## 1.7 ECONOMY OF PRESENTATION

Proposals shall not contain promotional or display materials, except as they may directly answer in whole or in part questions contained in the RFP. Such exhibits shall be clearly marked with the applicable reference number of the question in the RFP. Proposals must address the technical requirements as specified in the RFP. All questions posed by the RFP must be answered concisely and clearly. Proposals that do not address each criterion may be rejected and not considered.

## 1.8 PROPOSAL OBLIGATION

The contents of the proposal and any clarification thereof submitted by the selected Proposer shall become part of the contractual obligation and incorporated by reference into the ensuing contract.

## 1.9 INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE AND PRECEDENCE

This Agreement is derived from (1) the RFP, written clarifications to the RFP and County's response to questions; (2) the Contractor's Best and Final Offer, and (3) the Contractor's response to the RFP.

In the event of a dispute under this Agreement, applicable documents will be referred to for the purpose of clarification or for additional detail in the following order of precedence: (1) Amendments to the Agreement in reverse chronological order; (2) the Agreement, including the Scope of Work; (3) the Contractor's Best and Final Offer; (4) the RFP, including attachments thereto and written responses to questions and written clarifications; and (5) the Contractors response to the RFP.

## 1.10 GOVERNING FORMS

In the event of any conflict between the terms and provisions of these requirements and the specifications, the specifications shall govern. In the event of any conflict of interpretation of any part of this overall document, Jefferson County's interpretation shall govern.

## 1.11 IMPLIED REQUIREMENTS

Products and services not specifically mentioned in the RFP, but which are necessary to provide the functional capabilities described by the Proposer, shall be included in the proposal.

## 1.12 COMPLIANCE WITH RFP SPECIFICATIONS

It is intended that this Request for Proposals (RFP) describe the requirements and the response format in sufficient detail to secure comparable proposals. Failure to comply with all provisions of the RFP will result in disqualification.

## 1.13 VENDOR REGISTRATION: SAM (SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT)

Vendors doing business with Jefferson County are <u>required</u> to be registered with The System for Award Management (SAM), with an "active" status. The System for Award Management (SAM) is the Official U.S. Government system that consolidated the capabilities of CCR/FedReg, ORCA, and EPLS. There is NO fee to register for this site. Entities may register at no cost directly from the SAM website at: <a href="https://www.sam.gov">https://www.sam.gov</a>

In instances where a vendor has either an "Inactive" SAM Registration or is not currently registered with the System for Award Management, the Purchasing Department may <u>initially</u> accept proof (printout from the SAM website) that the vendor has begun the registration process in order for the IFB/RFQ/RFP submission to be considered as "responsive" to the specifications for the project.

However, the SAM Registration must be completed (showing "active" status, with no exclusions) <u>prior</u> to the award and/or execution of an agreement or contract for the project.

## 1.14 FORM 1295 (TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION)

## FORM 1295 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT/INSTRUCTIONS FOR RFP PROPOSERS:

ALL NON-EXEMPT PROPOSERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT COMPLETED FORM 1295 WITH PROPOSAL SUBMISSION.

## **INSTRUCTIONS**:

(1) Submit a FORM 1295 online via the Texas Ethics Commission website link below.

Vendors must enter the required information on Form 1295, and print a copy of the completed form. The form will include a certification of filing that will contain a unique certification number.

2. Submit a FORM 1295 hard copy (completed & signed by an Authorized Agent of the Awarded Vendor), to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department WITH RFP PROPOSAL SUBMISSION.

FORM 1295, Completion Instructions, and Login Instructions are available via the Texas Ethics Commission Website at: <a href="https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf">https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf</a> info form1295.htm

SAMPLE: A sample of a completed FORM 1295 is included on PAGE 7.

## FORM 1295 Implementation Background:

In accordance with House Bill 1295 (passed January 1, 2016), Vendors entering into contracts and professional agreements with Jefferson County will be required to complete a Certificate of Interested Parties (FORM 1295), unless contract is considered exempt as described below.

In 2017, the Texas legislature amended the law to require Form 1295 to include an "unsworn declaration" which includes, among other things, the date of birth and address of the authorized representative signing the form. The unsworn declaration, including the date of birth and address of the signatory, replaces the notary requirement that applied to contracts entered into before January 1, 2018. The TEC filing application does not capture the date of birth or street address of the signatory and it will not appear on forms that are filed using the TEC filing application.

Changes to the law requiring certain businesses to file a Form 1295 are in effect for contracts entered into or amended on or after January 1, 2018. The changes exempt businesses from filing a Form 1295 for certain types of contracts and replace the need for a completed Form 1295 to be notarized. Instead, the person filing a 1295 needs to complete an "unsworn declaration."

### **FORM 1295 EXEMPTIONS:**

What type of contracts are exempt from the Form 1295 filing requirement under the amended law? The amended law adds to the list of types of contract exempt from the Form 1295 filing requirement.

## A completed Form 1295 is not required for:

- a sponsored research contract of an institution of higher education
- an interagency contract of a state agency or an institution of higher education
- a contract related to health and human services if: the value of the contract cannot be determined at the time the contract is executed; and o any qualified vendor is eligible for the contract
- a contract with a publicly traded business entity, including a wholly owned subsidiary of the business entity
- a contract with an electric utility, as that term is defined by Section 31.002, Utilities Code
- a contract with a gas utility, as that term is defined by Section 121.001, Utilities Code

VENDOR: FORM 1295 MUST BE COMPLETED/SUBMITTED ON TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION WEBSITE. HARD COPY OF FORM 1295 IS TO BE PRINTED, COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND SUBMITTED WITH BID/PROPOSAL/AGREEMENT/CONTRACT. JEFFERSON COUNTY WILL CONFIRM RECEIPT OF COMPLETED HARD COPY WITH THE TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION. CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES FORM 1295 OFFICE USE ONLY Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties. Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties. 1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business. VENDOR:ENTER YOUR BUSINESS NAME, CITY, STATE, AND COUNTRY HERE 2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed. JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS 3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track of identify and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided upon the contract. VENDOR: ENTER BID/PROPOSAL/CONTRACT/AGREEMENT REF# AND TITLE HER Nature of Interest (check applicable) City, State, Country Name of Interested Party (place of business) Controlling Intermediary ot wan oth VENDOR: ENTER EACH PERSON HAVING OWNERS ARE THE CONTROLLING PARTI VENDOR: WORKERS (OR NON-OWNERS) Х COMPANY ARE INTERMEDIARY PARTIES CHECK BELOW IF APPLICABLE Interested Party. Check only if there VENDOR: COMPLETE, DATE, AND SIGN THIS DECLARATION SECTION. and my date of birth is (street) (cttv) (zip code) (country) ity of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission www.ethics.state.tx.us Revised 12/22/2017
NOTE: JEFFERSON COUNTY WILL KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM ON FILE FOR EACH BID/PROPOSAL/CONTRACT/AGREEMENT AND EACH VENDOR RESPONDING TO BIDS/PROPOSALS.

## PROPOSER: INSERT COMPLETED FORM 1295 BEHIND THIS PAGE.

## 1.15 EMERGENCY/DECLARED DISASTER REQUIREMENTS

In the event of an emergency or if Jefferson County is declared a disaster area, by the County, State, or Federal Government, a contract (executed in response to this Request for Proposal) may be subjected to unusual usage. Contractor shall service the County during such an emergency or declared disaster under the same terms and conditions that apply during non-emergency/disaster conditions. The pricing as specified in the contract shall apply to serving the County's needs regardless of the circumstances. If Contractor is unable to supply the services under the terms of the contract, then Contractor shall provide proof of such disruption and a copy of the invoice from Contractor's supplier(s). Additional profit margin as a result of supplying services during an emergency or declared disaster shall not be permitted. In the event that additional equipment, supplies, and materials are required during the declared disaster, additional shipping, handling and drayage fees may apply.

## 1.16 EVALUATION

Jefferson County reserves the right to use all pertinent information (also learned from sources other than disclosed in the RFP process) that might affect the County's judgment as to the appropriateness of an award to the best evaluated Proposer. This information may be appended to the proposal evaluation process results. Information on a service provider from reliable sources, and not within the service provider's proposal, may also be noted and made part of the evaluation file. Jefferson County shall have sole responsibility for determining a reliable source. Jefferson County reserves the right to conduct written and/or oral discussions/interviews after the proposal opening. The purpose of such discussions/interviews is to provide clarification and/or additional information to make an award is in the best interest of Jefferson County.

#### 1.17 WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL

The Proposer may withdraw its proposal by submitting a written request over the signature of an authorized individual, as described in paragraph 1.6, to the Purchasing Department any time prior to the submission deadline. The Proposer may thereafter submit a new proposal prior to the deadline. Modification or withdrawal of the proposal in any manner, oral or written, will not be considered if submitted after the deadline.

## 1.18 SMALL, MINORITY & WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION

It is the desire of Jefferson County to increase the participation of Small, Minority (MBE) and women-owned (WBE) businesses in its contracting and procurement programs. While the County does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms.

Minority owned business may be eligible for contract procurement assistance with public and private sector entities from MBDA Centers

## **Dallas Fort Worth MBDA Business Center**

8828 N. Stemmons Freeway, Ste. 550 B Dallas, TX 75247 214-920-2436

Website: <a href="https://www.mbdadfw.com">https://www.mbdadfw.com</a>
Email: <a href="mailto:admin1@mbdadallas.com">admin1@mbdadallas.com</a>

## **El Paso MBDA Business Center**

2401 East Missouri Avenue El Paso, TX 79903 915-351-6232

Website: https://www.mbda.gov/business-center/el-paso-mbda-business-center

Email: treed@ephcc.org

## **Houston MBDA Business Center**

3100 Main Street, Ste. 701 Houston, TX 77002 713-718-8974

Website: https://www.mbda.gov/business-center/houston-mbda-business-center

Email: mbda@hccs.edu

## San Antonio MBDA Business Center

501 W. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd., Ste. 3.324 B

San Antonio, TX 78207

210-458-2480

Website: https://www.mbda.gov/business-center/san-antonio-mbda-business-center

Email: Jacqueline.jackson@utsa.edu

Small and woman-owned business may be eligible for assistance from U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA):

Website: https://www.sba.gov/local-assistance

## **Dallas/Fort Worth District Office**

150 West Parkway, Ste. 130 Euless, TX 76040 817-684-5500

Website: <a href="https://www.sba.gov/district/dallas-fort-worth">https://www.sba.gov/district/dallas-fort-worth</a>

Email: dfwdo.email@sba.gov

## **El Paso District Office**

211 N. Florence St, Ste. 201

El Paso, TX 79901 915-834-4600

Website: https://www.sba.gov/district/el-paso

Email: Suzanne.aguirre@sba.gov

## **Houston District Office**

8701 S. Gessner Dr, Ste. 1200

Houston, TX 77074 713-773-6500

Website: https://www.sba.gov/district/houston

Email: houston@sba.gov

## **Lower Rio Grande Valley District Office**

2422 E. Tyler Ave, Suite E Harlingen, TX 78550 956-427-8533

Website: https://www.sba.gov/district/lower-rio-grande-valley

Email: lrgvdo.email@sba.gov

## **San Antonio District Office**

615 E. Houston St, Ste 298 San Antonio, TX 78205

210-403-5900

Website: https://www.sba.gov/district/san-antonio

Email: sado.email@sba.gov

## **West Texas District Office**

1205 Texas Ave, Room 408 Lubbock, TX 79401 806-472-7462

Website: <a href="https://www.sba.gov/district/west-texas">https://www.sba.gov/district/west-texas</a>

Email: <u>lubdo@sba.gov</u>

HUB certification information can be found at:

## **Statewide Procurement Division HUB Program**

P.O. Box 13528 Austin, TX 78711 512-463-5872 or 888-863-5881

Website: <a href="https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub">https://comptroller.texas.gov/purchasing/vendor/hub</a>

Email: <a href="mailto:statewidehubprogram@cpa.texas.gov">statewidehubprogram@cpa.texas.gov</a>

PROPOSER: INSERT HUB, SBE, MBE or WBE Certification behind this page.		

#### 1.19 AWARD

Jefferson County reserves the right to award this contract on the basis of the **Best Offer** in accordance with the laws of Texas, to waive any formality or irregularity, to make award to more than one Proposer, and/or to reject any or all proposals. In the event the highest dollar Proposer meeting specifications is not awarded a contract, the Proposer may appear before Commissioners' Court and present evidence concerning his responsibility.

#### 1.20 OWNERSHIP OF PROPOSAL

All proposals become the property of Jefferson County and will not be returned to Proposers.

#### 1.21 DISQUALIFICATION OF PROPOSAL

Upon signing this proposal document, a contractor offering to sell supplies, materials, services, or equipment to Jefferson County certifies that the Proposer has not violated the antitrust laws of this state codified in Section 15.01, et seq, Business & Commerce Code, or the Federal Antitrust Laws, and has not communicated directly or indirectly the offer made to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business. Any or all proposals may be rejected if the County believes that collusion exists among the Proposers.

## 1.22 CONTRACTUAL DEVELOPMENT

The contents of the RFP and the selected proposal will become an integral part of the contract, but may be modified by provisions of the contract as negotiated. Therefore, the Proposer must be amenable to inclusion in a contract of any information provided (in writing) either in response to this RFP or subsequently during the selection process.

#### 1.23 ASSIGNMENT

The selected vendor may not assign, sell, or otherwise transfer this contract without written permission of the Jefferson County Commissioners' Court.

## 1.24 CONTRACT OBLIGATION

Jefferson County Commissioners' Court must award the contract, and the County Judge or other person authorized by Jefferson County Commissioners' Court must sign the contract before it becomes binding on Jefferson County or the Proposer. **Department heads are not authorized to sign agreements for Jefferson County.** Binding agreements shall remain in effect until all products and/or services covered by this proposal have been satisfactorily delivered and accepted.

## 1.25 TERMINATION

Jefferson County reserves the right to terminate the contract for default if the awarded vendor breached any of the terms therein, including warranties of proposal, or if the Proposer becomes insolvent or commits acts of bankruptcy. Such right of termination is in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies Jefferson County may have in law or equity. Default may be construed as, but not limited to, failure to deliver the proper goods and/or services within the proper amount of time, and/or to properly perform any and all other requirements to Jefferson County's satisfaction, and/or to meet all other obligations and requirements. Contracts may be terminated without cause upon thirty (30) days' written notice to either party unless otherwise specified.

## 1.26 INSPECTIONS

Jefferson County reserves the right to inspect any item(s) or service location(s) for compliance with specifications and requirements and needs of the using department. If a proposal cannot furnish a sample of a proposed item, where applicable, for review, or fails to satisfactorily show an ability to perform, the County can reject the Proposer as inadequate.

## 1.27 TESTING

Jefferson County reserves the right to test equipment, supplies, material and goods proposed for quality, compliance with specifications, and ability to meet the needs of the user. Demonstration units must be available for review. Should the goods or services fail to meet requirements and/or be unavailable for evaluation, the offer is subject to rejection.

## 1.28 LOSS, DAMAGE, OR CLAIM

The Proposer shall totally indemnify Jefferson County against all claims by its employees, agents, or representatives or personal injury arising from any cause. In addition, the Proposer shall totally indemnify Jefferson County against all claims of loss or damage to the Proposer's and Jefferson County's property, equipment, and/or supplies.

#### **1.29 TAXES**

The contractor and its subcontractors, agents and employees, as the case may be, will be responsible for the payment of all federal, state and local taxes, and deposits or contributions imposed or required by law.

## 1.30 NON-DISCRIMINATION

The successful Proposer will be required to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act and with all provisions of federal, state, county and local (if any) laws and regulations to ensure that no employee or applicant for employment is discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin.

#### 1.31 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The agreement entered into pursuant to this RFP will contain the Contractor's warranty that, except for bona-fide employees or selling agents maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business, no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit this contract upon an agreement or understanding for commission, percentage or contingency.

Further, the contractor will warrant that no kickbacks, gratuities, or contingency fees have been paid in connection with this RFP or contract and none has been promised contingent upon the award of contract. And, will still further warrant that to its knowledge and best belief, no one being paid under the agreement between the County and the contractor, is engaged in any activities which would constitute a conflict of interest with respect to the purposes of said agreement.

By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, all Proposers affirm that they have not given, nor intend to give, at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant or any employee or representative of same, in connection with this procurement.

Each Proposer must disclose any existing or potential conflict of interest relative to the performance of the requirements of this RFP. Examples of potential conflicts may include an existing business or personal relationship between the Proposer, its principal, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with the County or any other entity or person involved in any way in the project that is the subject of this RFP. Similarly, any personal or business relationship between the Proposer, the principals, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with any employee of the County or its suppliers must be disclosed. Any such relationship that might be perceived or represented as a conflict must be disclosed. Failure to disclose any such relationship or reveal personal relationships with state employees may be cause for contract termination. The County will decide if an actual or perceived conflict should result in proposal disqualification.

## 1.32 CONFIDENTIAL/PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

If any material in the proposal submission is considered by Proposer to be confidential or proprietary information (including manufacturing and/or design processes exclusive to the Proposer), Proposer must clearly mark the applicable pages of Proposer's proposal submission to indicate each claim of confidentiality. Additionally, Proposer must include a statement on company letterhead identifying all Proposal section(s) and page(s) that have been marked as confidential. Jefferson County will protect from public disclosure such portions of a proposal, unless directed otherwise by legal authority, including existing open records acts. Merely making a blanket claim that the entire proposal submission is protected from disclosure because it contains some proprietary information is not acceptable, and will make the entire proposal submission subject to release under the Texas Public Information Act.

By submitting a proposal, Proposer agrees to reproduction by Jefferson County, without cost or liability, of any copyrighted portions of Proposer's proposal submission or other information submitted by Proposer.

#### 1.33 WAIVER OF SUBROGATION

Proposer and Proposer's Insurance Carrier waive any and all rights whatsoever with regard to subrogation against Jefferson County as an indirect party to any suit arising out of personal or property damages resulting from the Proposer's performance under this agreement.

## 1.34 AKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

By signing its proposal, Proposer acknowledges that it has read and understands the insurance requirements for this proposal. Proposer also understands that evidence of required insurance must be submitted within fifteen (15) working days following notification of acceptance of its offer; otherwise, Jefferson County may rescind its acceptance of the Proposer's proposal. The insurance requirements are part of this package.

## 1.35 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The contractor (including any and all subcontractors as defined in Section 1.36 below) shall, at all times during the term of this contract, maintain insurance coverages with not less than the type and requirements shown below. Such insurance is to be provided at the sole cost of the contractor. These requirements do not establish limits of the contractor's liability. All policies of insurance shall waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its officers, employees and agents; a copy of the policy wording or endorsement is required.

Contractor shall furnish Jefferson County with Certificate of Insurance naming Jefferson County as additional insured and will provide the actual policy wording or endorsement showing as such.

All insurance must be written by an Insurer licensed to conduct business in the State of Texas.

## **Minimum Insurance Requirements:**

Public, Liability, including Products & Completed Operations \$1,000,000 Excess Liability \$1,000,000

## Property Insurance (policy below that is applicable to this project):

Improvements & Betterments Policy: Improvements/Remodeling (for Lease Tenants) Builder's Risk Policy: Structural Coverage for Construction Projects Installation Floater Policy: Improvements/Alterations to Existing Structure

Workers' Compensation

Statutory Coverage (See Section 1.36 Below)

## 1.36 WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE

## 1.36.1 **Definitions:**

- 1.36.1.1 **Certificate of coverage ("Certificate")** A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the commission, or a coverage agreement, DWC-81, DWC-82, DWC-83, or DWC-84 showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project, for the duration of the project.
- 1.36.1.2 **Duration of the project** Includes the time from the beginning of the work on the project until the contractor's/person's work on the project has been completed and accepted by the governmental entity.
- 1.36.1.3 Persons providing services on the project ("subcontractor") in article 406.096 -**Includes** all persons or entities performing all or part of the services under the contractor has undertaken to perform on the project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractor, leasing employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity which companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, furnishes persons to provide services on the project. "Services" includes, without limitation, providing, hauling or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or other service related to a project. "Services" does not include activities unrelated to the project, such as food/beverage vendors, office supply delivery of portable toilets.
  - 1.36.2 The Contractor shall provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification code and payroll amounts and filing any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section

- 401.011(44) for all employees of the contractor providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
- 1.36.3 The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage to the governmental entity prior to being awarded the contract refer to Section <u>1.35 above</u>.
- 1.36.4 If the coverage period shown on the Contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project, the Contractor must, prior to the end of the coverage period, file a new certificate of coverage with the governmental entity showing that coverage has been extended.
- 1.36.5 The Contractor shall obtain from each person providing services on a project, and provide to the governmental entity:
  - 1.36.5.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to that person beginning work on the project, so the governmental entity will have on file certificates of coverage showing coverage for all persons providing services on the project; and
- 1.36.5.2 No later than seven (7) days after receipt by the Contractor, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate ends during the duration of the project.
- 1.36.6 The Contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.
- 1.36.7 The Contractor shall notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the contractor knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project.
- 1.36.8 The Contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Texas Department of Workers' Compensation, informing all persons providing services on the project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.
  - 1.36.9 The Contractor shall contractually require each person with whom it contracts to provide services on a project to:
    - 1.36.9.1 Provide coverage, based on reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all its employees providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
    - 1.36.9.2 Provide to the Contractor, prior to that person beginning work on the project a certificate of coverage showing that coverage is being provided for all employees of the person providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
    - 1.36.9.3 Provide the Contractor, prior to the end of coverage period, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
    - 1.36.9.4 Obtain from each person with whom it contracts, and provide to the Contractor:
      - 1.36.9.4.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to the other person beginning work on the project; and
      - 1.36.9.4.2 The coverage period, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, prior to the end of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
      - 1.36.9.5 Retain all required certificates of coverage on file for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.
    - 1.36.9.6 Notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the person knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project; and

- 1.36.9.7 Contractually require each person with whom it contracts to perform as required by paragraphs  $\underline{1.36.1. 1.36.7}$ , with the certificates of coverage to be provided to the person for whom they are providing services.
- 1.36.10 By signing this contract or providing or causing to be provided a certificate of coverage, the Contractor is representing to the governmental entity that all employees of the contractor who will provide services of the project will be covered by workers' compensation coverage for the duration of the project, that the coverage will be based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier or, in the case of a self-insured, with the commission's Division of Self-Insurance Regulation. Providing false or misleading information may subject the contractor to administrative penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.
- 1.36.11 The Contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of contract by the Contractor which entitles the governmental entity to declare the contract void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of breach from the governmental entity.

## PROPOSER: INSERT COPY OF CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (COI) BEHIND THIS PAGE.

Note: For proposal purposes, a general COI will suffice. However, a COI that includes the notation that "Jefferson County as an additional insured" will be required from Awarded Proposer(s) prior to the issuance of a Purchase Order.

# SECTION 2: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) MANDATED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FOR NON-FEDERAL ENTITY UNDER FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY 2 C.F.R. §200.326 APPENDIX II TO 2 CFR §200

2 CFR 200.327 Contract provisions. The non-Federal entity's contracts should contain applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards. The non-Federal entity's contracts must contain the provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards, as applicable. \*Language as of August 31, 2022.

THRESHOLD	PROVISION	CITATION
>\$250,000 (Simplified Acquisition Threshold)	Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (A)
>\$10,000	All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (B)
	Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."	
	41 CFR 60-1.4 Equal opportunity clause.  (b) Federally assisted construction contracts. (1) Except as otherwise provided, each administering agency shall require the inclusion of the following language as a condition of any grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee involving federally assisted construction which is not exempt from the requirements of the equal opportunity clause:	
None	The [recipient] hereby agrees that it will incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 CFR Chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Federal Government or borrowed on the credit of the Federal Government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause:	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II I and 41 CFR §60-1.4(b)
	During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:	
	(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:  Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment	
	advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to	

post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to

section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

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

The [recipient] further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, that if the [recipient] so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The [recipient] agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The [recipient] further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the [recipient] agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the [recipient] under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such [recipient]; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

>\$2,000

Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts

2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (D)

>\$100,000	Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352) - Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (I) and 24 CFR §570.303
>\$25,000	Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689) - A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (H)
>\$150,000	Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended - Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (G)
None	Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (F)
>\$100,000	reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.  Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (E)
	must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.	

	influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer	
	or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.	
	·	2 CFR 200
	See 2 CFR §200.323.	APPENDIX II (J)
	See 2 CFR §200.216.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (K)
	See 2 CFR §200.322.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (L)
>\$10,000	A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.	2 CFR 200.323
>\$100,000	\$135.38 Section 3 clause All section 3 covered contracts shall include the following clause (referred to as the section 3 clause):  A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.  B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.  C. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.  D. The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or	

the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.

- E. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.
- F. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.
- G. With respect to work performed in connection with section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).

Section 889(b)(1) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY2019 NDAA) and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216, as implemented by FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending FEMA Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), prohibit the obligation or expending of federal award funds on certain telecommunication products or from certain entities for national security reasons. Effective August 13, 2020, FEMA recipients and subrecipients, as well as their contractors and subcontractors, may not obligate or expend any FEMA award funds to:

Recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to:

- (1) Procure or obtain;
- (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
- (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in <a href="Public Law 115-232">Public Law 115-232</a>, section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

2 CFR 200.216

None

- (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
- (ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.
- (iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National

	Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.  (b) In implementing the prohibition under Public Law 115-232, section 889, subsection (f), paragraph (1), heads of executive agencies administering loan, grant, or subsidy programs shall prioritize available funding and technical support to assist affected businesses, institutions and organizations as is reasonably necessary for those affected entities to transition from covered communications equipment and services, to procure replacement equipment and services, and to ensure that communications service to users and customers is sustained.  (c) See Public Law 115-232, section 889 for additional information.  (d) See also § 200.471.	
None	As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the non-Federal entity should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. For purposes of this section:  (1) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.	2 CFR 200.322(a)(b)(1) (2)
	(2) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.  The Federal awarding agency must establish conflict of interest policies for	
None	Federal awards. The non-Federal entity must disclose in writing any potential conflict of interest to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity in accordance with applicable Federal awarding agency policy.	2 CFR 200.112
None	The Federal awarding agency and the non-Federal entity should, whenever practicable, collect, transmit, and store Federal award-related information in open and machine-readable formats rather than in closed formats or on paper in accordance with applicable legislative requirements. A machine-readable format is a format in a standard computer language (not English text) that can be read automatically by a web browser or computer system. The Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must always provide or accept paper versions of Federal award-related information to and from the non-Federal entity upon request. If paper copies are submitted, the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must not require more than an original and two copies. When original records are electronic and cannot be altered, there is no need to create and retain paper copies. When original records are paper, electronic versions may be substituted through the use of duplication or other forms of electronic media provided that they are subject to periodic quality control reviews, provide reasonable safeguards against alteration, and remain readable.	2 CFR 200.336
None	Contracting with HUB, small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms.  (a) The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.  (b) Affirmative steps must include:	2 CFR 200.321

(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists; (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources; (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; (4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; (5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and (6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (b)(1) through (5) of this section. Financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other non-Federal entity records pertinent to a Federal award must be retained for a period of three years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report or, for Federal awards that are renewed quarterly or annually, from the date of the submission of the quarterly or annual financial report, respectively, as reported to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity in the case of a subrecipient. Federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities must not impose any other record retention requirements upon non-Federal entities. The only exceptions are the following: (a) If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the 3-year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken. (b) When the non-Federal entity is notified in writing by the Federal awarding agency, cognizant agency for audit, oversight agency for audit, cognizant agency for indirect costs, or pass-through entity to extend the retention period. (c) Records for real property and equipment acquired with Federal funds must be retained for 3 years after final disposition. (d) When records are transferred to or maintained by the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity, the 3-year retention requirement is not applicable to the non-Federal entity. (e) Records for program income transactions after the period of performance. 2 CFR 200.334 None In some cases, recipients must report program income after the period of performance. Where there is such a requirement, the retention period for the records pertaining to the earning of the program income starts from the end of the non-Federal entity's fiscal year in which the program income is earned. (f) Indirect cost rate proposals and cost allocations plans. This paragraph applies to the following types of documents and their supporting records: Indirect cost rate computations or proposals, cost allocation plans, and any similar accounting computations of the rate at which a particular group of costs is chargeable (such as computer usage chargeback rates or composite fringe benefit rates). (1) If submitted for negotiation. If the proposal, plan, or other computation is required to be submitted to the Federal Government (or to the pass-through entity) to form the basis for negotiation of the rate, then the 3-year retention period for its supporting records starts from the date of such submission. (2) If not submitted for negotiation. If the proposal, plan, or other computation is not required to be submitted to the Federal Government (or to the passthrough entity) for negotiation purposes, then the 3-year retention period for the proposal, plan, or computation and its supporting records starts from the

end of the fiscal year (or other accounting period) covered by the proposal,

plan, or other computation.

None	CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION PROHIBITED. A governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Section 2270.0052, 2270.0102, or 2270.0152. In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Subchapter F, Respondent hereby represents and warrants that it is not a company identified on the lists prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code §§ 2270.0052 (companies with business operations in Sudan), 2270.0102 (companies with business operations in Iran), or 2270.0152 (companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to a foreign terrorist organization). Notwithstanding the foregoing, a company that the United States government affirmatively declares to be excluded from its federal sanctions regime relating to Sudan, Iran, or to a foreign terrorist organization, is not subject to contract prohibition under this clause. A company claiming such exemption must submit the official copy of the declaration.	Texas Government Code 2252.152
>\$100,000	PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. (a) This section applies only to certain solicitations and contracts. Section 2271.002 of the Texas Government Code states the following:  (a) This section applies only to a contract that:  (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and  (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity.  (b) 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. Section 2271.001(2) of the Government Code defines "company" to be the meaning assigned by Section 808.001 of the Texas Government Code, except that the term does not include a sole proprietorship.	Texas Government Code 2271.002
Option Contract Language for contracts awarded prior to Grant Award	The contract award is contingent upon the receipt of federal funds. If no such funds are awarded, the contract shall terminate.	Optional
	Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.	42 U.S.C. 6201
	The Firm agrees that no otherwise qualified individual with disabilities shall, solely by reason of his/her disability, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination, including discrimination in employment, under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

## BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements-The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

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

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

	certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of fany. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official	
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official	
Date	

**REQUIRED FORM** 

**Proposer:** 

Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.

## **DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION**

Non-Federal entities and contractors are subject to the debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension (1986) and Executive Order 12689, Debarment and Suspension (1989) at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and the Department of Homeland Security's regulations at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000 (No procurement Debarment and Suspension).

This requirement applies to all FEMA grant and cooperative agreement programs.

Federal Executive Order (E.O.) 12549 "Debarment" requires that all contractors receiving individual awards, using federal funds, and all sub recipients certify that the organization and its principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency from doing business with the Federal Government. By signing this document, you certify that your organization and its principals are not debarred. Failure to comply or attempts to edit this language may disqualify your bid/proposal. Information on debarment is available at the following websites: www.sam.gov and https://acguisition.qov/far/index.html see section 52.209-6.

The Contractor	certifies or affirms by your signature that neither you nor your d for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from ent or agency.
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official	
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official	
Date	

REQUIRED FORM Proposer:

Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.

## **CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE PROVISIONS**

## 1. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (Equal Opportunity Clause)

(For all awarded contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" provided in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3)

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

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

  Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- 2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- 3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- 4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- 5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- 6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- 7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or order this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

## **CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLIANCE PROVISIONS (CONTINUED)**

8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

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

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, that if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

REQUIRED FORM

<u>Proposer</u>: Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.

## SECTION 3. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements and instructions **supersede** General Requirements where applicable.

## 3.1. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL

Each Respondent shall ensure that required parts of the RFP response are completed with accuracy and submitted as per the requirements within this specifications packet, including any addenda.

Respondent is responsible for submitting: One (1) original and five (5) response copies; with all copies to include a completed copy of this specifications packet, in its entirety.

The County requests that response submissions NOT be bound by staples or glued spines.

Respondent shall monitor the Jefferson County Purchasing Department Website for any addenda, additional instructions, or RFQ updates. https://www.co.jefferson.tx.us/Purchasing/

Failure to return and/or complete all required documentation will result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

Reponses must be submitted in complete original form by mail or messenger to the following address:

Jefferson County Purchasing Department
1149 Pearl Street, 1st Floor

Beaumont. TX 77701

Respondent shall submit response in a tightly sealed opaque envelope or box, plainly marked "SEALED RFP RESPONSE." The outside of the envelope of box shall also include the RFP Number, RFP Name, RFP Due Date, and the Respondent's Name and Address; and shall be addressed to the Purchasing Agent.

All submissions must be received by 11:00 am CT, Wednesday, October 23, 2024.

- Late responses will not be accepted and will be returned unopened to the Respondent.
- Jefferson County will not accept any responsibility for responses being delivered by third party carriers.
- RFP responses will be accepted at the above address until the time and date specified herein, and immediately after will be publicly opened and read aloud.
- Jefferson County shall not be responsible for any effort or cost expended in the preparation of a response to this RFP.
- All responses submitted in response to this invitation shall become the property of Jefferson County and will be a matter of public record available for review.
- All protests should be coordinated through the Purchasing Office prior to award recommendation to Commissioners' Court.

Please direct questions to Cindy Greene, Contract Specialist at 409-835-8593 or e-mail at: <a href="mailto:Cynthia.greene@jeffcotx.us">Cynthia.greene@jeffcotx.us</a>. If no response in 72 hours, contact Deborah Clark, Purchasing Agent at 409-835-8593 or via email at <a href="mailto:deb.clark@jeffcotx.us">deb.clark@jeffcotx.us</a>.

## **Courthouse Security:**

All visitors to the Courthouse must pass through Security. Respondents planning to hand deliver proposals must allow time to get through Security, as a delay in entering the Courthouse will not be accepted as an excuse for late submittal. Mondays and Tuesdays are particularly heavy days.

In response to the Covid-19 pandemic, Jefferson County will be implementing precautionary measures as currently recommended by the CDC within its facilities.

Respondents are strongly urged to plan accordingly.

## **COUNTY HOLIDAYS (2024):**

January 15 (Monday) Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

March 29 (Friday) Good Friday
May 27 (Monday) Memorial Day
June 19 (Wednesday) Juneteenth
July 4 (Thursday) Independence Day

September 2 (Monday) Labor Day
November 11 (Monday) Veteran's Day
November 28 & 29 (Thursday & Friday) Thanksgiving
December 25 & 26 (Wednesday & Thursday) Christmas
January 1, 2025 (Wednesday) New Year's

## Submissions During Time of Inclement Weather, Disaster, or Emergency:

In case of inclement weather or any other unforeseen event causing the County to close for business on the date of a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submission deadline, the RFP closing will automatically be postponed until the next business day that County offices are open to the public. Should inclement weather conditions or any other unforeseen event cause delays in courier service operations, the County may issue an addendum to all known vendors interested in the project to extend the deadline. It will be the responsibility of the vendor to notify the county of their interest in the project should these conditions impact their ability to submit a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submission before the stated deadline. The County reserves the right to make the final judgement call to extend any deadline.

Should an emergency or unanticipated event interrupt normal County processes, and bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submissions cannot be received by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department's office by the exact time specified in the RFP and urgent County requirements preclude amendment to the RFP, the time specified for receipt of Statements of Qualifications will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first business day on which normal County processes resume.

## 3.2 PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

There will be a Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at 2:00 PM CT, in the Jury Impaneling Room Located at 1085 Pearl Street, 1st Floor, Beaumont, TX 77701.

Proposals will be opened publicly in a manner to avoid public disclosure of contents; however, only names of Proposers will be read aloud.

## 3.3 QUESTIONS AND DEADLINE FOR QUESTION SUBMISSION

Questions may be emailed to Cindy Greene, Contract Specialist at: <a href="mailto:Cynthia.greene@jeffcotx.us">Cynthia.greene@jeffcotx.us</a> or faxed at: 409-835-8456.

The Deadline for asking questions or requesting additional information (in writing) is 5:00 pm, CT, Friday, October 11, 2024.

## 3.4 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

September 17, 2024 Issuance of Request for Proposal

October 1, 2024 Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference

October 23, 2024 Deadline Submission (late proposals will not be considered)

October 25, 2024 Proposals distributed to Evaluation Committee

November 1, 2024 Evaluation Committee Convenes to Tabulate Scoring and Determines Short List

November 8, 2024 If Applicable: Conduct Interview/Best and Final Offer/Short List

December 3, 2024 Recommendation for Award

## Please note:

The above schedule of events is tentative in nature. Dates listed are subject to change.

## 4.1 INTRODUCTION TO PROPOSAL FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

Each proposal submitted in response to this RFP must be organized to correspond with those numbered sections of this RFP that require a response. Failure to arrange the proposal as requested may result in the disqualification of the proposal. Conciseness and clarity of content are emphasized and encouraged. Vague and general proposals will be considered non-responsive, and will result in disqualification. The response must be complete. Failure to provide the required information may result in the disqualification of the proposal. All pages of the proposal must be numbered and the proposal must contain an organized, paginated table of contents corresponding to the sections and pages of the proposal.

The County requests that proposal submissions **NOT** be bound by staples or glued spines.

## 4.2 ORGANIZATION OF PROPOSAL CONTENTS

Each proposal must be organized in the manner described below:

- A. Transmittal Letter
- B. Table of Contents
- C. Executive Summary
- D. Proposer Identifying Information
- E. Proposer Personnel and Organization
- F. Cost Proposal Form (Page 44)
- G. Copy of RFP Specifications and any Addenda in their entirety.
   (Note: All forms should be completed, and any information requested should be inserted/included)

## 4.3 TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The Proposer must submit a transmittal letter that identifies the entity submitting the proposal, and includes a commitment by that entity to provide the services required by the County. The transmittal letter must state that the proposal is valid for (90) days from the deadline for delivery of proposals to the County. Any proposal containing a term of less than (90) days for acceptance will be rejected as non-responsive.

The transmittal letter must be signed by a person legally authorized to bind the Proposer to the representations in the response. In the case of a joint proposal, each party must sign the transmittal letter. The Proposer also must indicate, in its transmittal letter, why it believes that it is the most qualified Proposer to provide the services described in this RFP.

The transmittal letter must include a statement of acceptance of the terms and conditions of the contract resulting from this RFP. If Proposer takes exception to any of the proposed terms and conditions stated in this RFP, those exceptions must be noted in the transmittal letter. However, Proposer must realize that failure to accept the terms specified in this proposal may result in disqualification of the proposal.

## 4.4 TABLE OF CONTENTS

Each proposal must be submitted with a table of contents that clearly identifies and denotes the location of each title and subtitle of the proposal. Additionally, the table of contents must clearly identify and denote the location of all enclosures of the proposal. The table of contents must follow the RFP's structure as much as is practical.

## 4.5 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Proposer must provide an executive summary of its proposal that asserts that the Proposer is providing in its response all of the requirements of this RFP. The executive summary must not exceed three (3) pages, and must represent a full (RFP 24-049/CG) Security Services and Personnel for Jefferson County

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and concise summary of the contents of the proposal. The executive summary must not include any information concerning the cost of the proposal. The Proposer must identify any services that are provided beyond those specifically requested. If the Proposer is providing services that do not meet the specific requirements of this RFP, but in the opinion of the Proposer are equivalent or superior to those specifically requested, any such differences must be noted in the executive summary. However, the Proposer must realize that failure to provide the services specifically required may result in disqualification of the proposal.

## 4.6 PROPOSER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

Proposers must provide the following identifying information with their proposal submission:

- a. Name and address of business entity submitting the proposal;
- b. Type of business entity (i.e., corporation, partnership);
- c. Place of incorporation, if applicable;
- d. Name and location of major offices and other facilities that relate to the Proposer's performance under the terms of this RFP;
- e. Name, address, business and fax number of the Proposer's principal contact person regarding all contractual matters relating to this RFP;
- f. The Proposer's Federal Employer Identification Number, Jefferson County Vendor Number and Jefferson County Business License Number, if any;
- g. Full name and address for each member, partner, and employee of the Proposer (and any subcontractors) who will perform services on this project; and
- h. A statement regarding the financial stability of the Proposer, including the ability of the Proposer to perform the functions required by this RFP and to provide those services represented by the Proposer in its response.

## 4.7 PROPOSER'S PERSONNEL AND ORGANIZATION

The Proposer must provide resumes of all key personnel that will be involved in performing the project, and must provide for each person:

- a. Full name (including full middle name);
- b. An employment history;
- c. A specific description of relevant experience and skills that person has in connection with the conduct of financial advisory services that is the subject of this RFP (limit one page);
- d. A specific indication of what role the individual will have in this project; and
- e. Any additional helpful information to indicate the individual's ability to aid the Proposer in successfully performing the work involved in this RFP (limit to one page).

The resumes must present the required personnel in sufficient detail as to provide the County an indication that the personnel involved can perform the work specified in this RFP. All proposed personnel will be subject to the County approval.

Jefferson County is committed to using the selected Performance Review Company according to reasonable and well-planned timeframes, to the extent possible. Jefferson County is committed to making available its personnel in a similar manner to enable the Performance Review team able to perform its duties in a timely basis.

Each Proposer is required to make a statement as to the availability of key personnel to Jefferson County when required. The key personnel who are to work on this project, identified in the proposal as such, are considered to be essential to the services to be provided. No substitutions of key personnel following contract award will be made without the prior written consent of Jefferson County Commissioners' Court. All requested substitutes must be submitted to the Jefferson

County Commissioners' Court, or, together with their resumes, for approval.

Each of the successful Proposer's personnel is subject to removal from this project by Jefferson County Commissioners' Court. In addition, if the person removed is among the project's key personnel, the replacement must be approved by Jefferson County Commissioners' Court. All replacements of key personnel will be paid at the same rate as the person who was replaced, unless the rate normally charged by the replacement is lower, in which case the lower rate will be paid. All replacements of key personnel must be of equal or superior experience as the person replaced.

If applicable, each Proposer must provide a detailed statement setting forth the proposed hourly billing rate for all key personnel, and for each additional staff member to be assigned to the project. The hours each of the key personnel and other staff members are projected to work on the project.

Each Proposer must provide any equipment, software, or data communication lines required by the successful Proposer's personnel to complete the work specified in this document. Each Proposer also must identify any personnel related through blood or marriage to the County or to any current employee of the County.

Each Proposer must provide an organizational chart covering the services offered in its proposal, indicating lines of authority, names, titles, and functions of individuals assigned. The Proposer must assign a contact person to the project.

#### 5.1 PROJECT OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

Jefferson County seeks a Contractor to provide security services and personnel for the Jefferson County Courthouse, Mid-County Tax Office, and Tax Office – Port Arthur Subcourthouse. The offeror shall also provide a proposed plan of operation to service the requested areas as well as a written statement identifying and substantiating that offeror is the best qualified to provide the requested services for Jefferson County. The proposed plan of operation should include information regarding job knowledge, an emergency action plan, a disaster plan for biological or natural disasters, and how their security services, officers, managers, and procedures will ensure security services.

The security personnel shall be licensed by the State of Texas as a security officer (Texas Occupations Code 1702). The contractor shall secure and maintain all required licenses and permits applicable to the lawful functioning within the State of Texas.

## 5.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- a. The contractor shall not allow any employee who has been convicted of a felony crime of any degree to perform security services for Jefferson County.
- b. The contractor will also screen all security officers for drug/alcohol abuse. The contractor shall provide documentation showing each employee is drug fee. Any employee under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances shall be dismissed and no payment will be made to the contractor for the employee's services.
- c. All security officers scheduled to work for the County will attend a course on County security procedures prior to employment provided by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office Training Division.
- d. All security officers shall be registered through the Texas Private Security Board. Proof of registration shall be provided to the County for each registered employee.
- e. Each security officer shall be fully and neatly uniformed in attire that identifies them as security, the name of their company, as well as an identifying name badge. Security officers will be clean shaven, have no body piercings (with the exception of earrings), and will have only natural hair colors.
- f. Each security officer will be allotted 30 minutes (unpaid) for a lunch break and on rare occasions they may be required to work unscheduled overtime (as little as 15 to 30 minutes up to three hours).
- g. During Emergency Closures of Jefferson County facilities, County Bailiffs will be used for security. Services will not be utilized during County holidays (please see list on page 33).
- h. Each security officer will be equipped with a radio and all necessary personal protective equipment including but not limited to masks, gloves and sanitizer.

## 5.3 INDIVIDUAL LOCATION INFORMATION

## Jefferson County Courthouse, 1001 Pearl Street & 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont TX, 77701

- a. Office hours are 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, with the exception of County holidays as listed on page 33.
- b. There are three (3) pre-designated security posts, with one (1) screening site located at the public entrance at 1001 Pearl Street. The screening site consists of an x-ray device and upright magnetomer. Members of the general public as well as County employees and other authorized personnel enter through this main location. Individuals with a County issued identification badge may be admitted without screening. The entrance at 1149 Pearl Street is an employee only entrance and requires a County issued identification badge to enter.

- c. If any conflict arises, contraband, weapons, or suspected device is discovered the Courthouse Security Supervisor or Captain is to be notified.
- d. The approximate square footage of 1001 Pearl Street is 140,937 sq. ft., and consists of three floors. The approximate square footage of 1149 Pearl Street is 115,490 sq. ft. and consists of a basement and seven (7) occupied floors.

## Mid County Tax Office, 4605 Jerry Ware Drive, Beaumont TX, 77705

- a. Office hours are 8:00 am through 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday with the exception of County holidays as listed on page 33.
- b. Financial transactions occur continuously throughout the day as this is one of the Tax Assessor/Collector's locations.
- c. There is one public entrance with a small parking lot directly in front, wrapping around each side of the building. The approximate square footage of this building is 2,476 square feet, and the number of employees ranges between eight (8) and ten (10) per day.

## Tax Office – Subcourthouse, 525 Lakeshore Drive, Port Arthur TX, 77640

- a. Office hours are 8:00 am 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday with the exception of County holidays as listed on page 33.
- b. Financial transactions occur continuously throughout the day as this is one of the Tax Assessor/Collector's locations.
- c. This department is located inside the Jefferson County Subcourthouse, Port Arthur TX, near the public entrance on Waco Avenue. Directly across the hall is a Constables office and to the left and down the hall is a Sheriff's Warrant office. The Port Arthur Police Department is located across the street at 645 Fourth Street, Port Arthur TX.
- d. The approximate square footage of this office is 4,200 sq. ft. and the number of employees is eight (8) daily.

#### 6.1 OBJECTIVE OF PROPOSAL

Each proposal must include a detailed work plan that addresses how work for Jefferson County would be performed. It shall include detailed personnel assignments. A detailed description of major deliverables to be provided must also be included.

The proposal must include a sample timeline for the completion of each major task included in the proposal to the extent practicable, as well as projected completion dates for each major activity required. All proposals submitted in response to this RFP become the property of Jefferson County.

#### 6.2 PROPOSER EXPERIENCE

The Successful Proposer must demonstrate extensive experience in and understanding of the nature of research and analysis required in order to carry out the intent of this project.

The proposal must identify all key personnel who are to be part of the proposed consultant team and detail their experience. Jefferson County Commissioners' Court reserves the right to approve each member of the team and to request substitutions.

The Proposer must describe in detail the current and historical experience the Proposer and its subcontractors have that would be relevant to completing the project. The Proposer must provide descriptions and references for all engagements of comparable complexity and sensitivity to the requirements of this RFP that have been conducted within the past five (5) years. References must contain the name of key contacts and a telephone number. The description of experience must be detailed and cover all relevant contracts that the Proposer and its subcontractors, as applicable, have had and all experience similar to this contract that qualifies the Proposer to meet the requirements of this contract. Included must be the names, titles, addresses, and current telephone numbers of organizations that may be contacted to verify qualifying experience

The Proposer must indicate whether the organizations so listed are included for the purpose of verifying the Proposer's qualifying experience, or the qualifying experience of its subcontractors. Each experience statement also must include the name and types of services directly provided by the Proposer under the contract, and whether the Proposer was the contractor or subcontractor.

The Proposer must briefly state why it believes its proposed services best meet the County's needs and RFP requirements, and the Proposer also must concisely describe any additional features, aspects, or advantages of its services in any relevant area not covered elsewhere in its proposal.

### 6.3 TYPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED BY PROPOSER

A. A description of services that may be utilized under this RFP includes:

1. Security Personnel Services

#### 6.4 LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Security Personnel Firm(s) must comply with all laws, ordinances, and rules and regulations which govern the work specified in this contract.

## SECTION 7. PROPOSAL EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

#### 7.1 INTRODUCTION TO EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

The proposal evaluation and selection process is detailed in this section, as are other factors, and the format in which the cost response of each proposal must be submitted.

#### 7.2 COST PROPOSAL

The Proposer must utilize the form provided on **PAGE 44** of these specifications in its submission of a cost proposal in response to this RFP. The cost proposal must be included in each copy of the proposal. Any reworked version of this provided form that is intended to be a substitute for **PAGE 44** of these specifications, that is provided by a Proposer may be determined as non-responsive, and may result in the proposal's disqualification.

## 7.3 EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Because of the diversity of the departments and activities of the County, the Purchasing Agent will appoint the Evaluation Committee for this Request for Proposals. The Purchasing Agent may appoint a chairperson and no less than two (2) other members for the committee. Typically, the committee will consist of at least one professional in the task required, a person knowledgeable about procurement practices, and either a representative of the department requesting the project, or the department executing the project. However, this structure is not binding and subject to change at the discretion of the Purchasing Agent. Other members may be appointed to the Evaluation Committee as necessary and appropriate, but the total number of persons committee shall not exceed five (5) persons. Committee appointments shall be in writing and shall briefly describe the scope of the project and, if necessary, the primary disciplines required to accomplish the project in order to assist the committee in developing a list of firms that might best accomplish the work required. Committee membership and project requirements will vary from project to project. Therefore, a firm rated number one for one project could be considered not qualified or ranked lower on another project.

## 7.4. EVALUATION PROCESS

RFP Submittals that do not conform to the instructions or which do not address all the services as specified within this RFP specifications packet may be eliminated from consideration. However, Jefferson County reserves the right to accept such a submittal if it is determined to be in the best interest of the County.

While Jefferson County appreciates a brief, straight-forward, and concise reply; proposer must fully understand that the evaluation is based on the information provided. Accuracy and completeness are essential. Omissions, ambiguous, and equivocal statements may be construed against the proposer. The proposal document may be incorporated into any contract which results from this RFP, and vendor(s) are cautioned not to make claims or statements it is not prepared to commit to contractually. Failure of the vendor to meet such claims will result in a requirement that the vendor provide resources necessary to meet submitted claims.

The Jefferson County Purchasing Department may initiate discussions with selected vendors; however, discussions <u>may not</u> be initiated by vendors.

The Jefferson County Purchasing Department expects to conduct discussions with vendor's representatives authorized to contractually obligate the vendor with an offer. Vendors shall not contact any Jefferson County personnel during the RFP process without the express permission from the Jefferson County Purchasing Agent. The Purchasing Agent will disqualify any vendor who has made site visits, contacted Jefferson County personnel, or distributed any literature without authorization from the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.

All correspondence relating to this RFP, from advertisement to award shall be sent to the Jefferson County Purchasing Department. All presentations and/or meetings between Jefferson County and the vendor relating to this RFP shall be coordinated by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department.

Selected vendors may be expected to make a presentation/product demonstration to an Evaluation Committee <u>and</u> Commissioners' Court. Proposals, vendor presentations, and product/service evaluations may develop into negotiating sessions with the vendor(s) as selected by the Evaluation Committee. Jefferson County expects to conduct negotiations with vendor

representatives authorized to contractually obligate the vendor with an offer. If vendor is unable to agree to contract terms and conditions, Jefferson County reserves the right to terminate contract negotiations with that vendor and initiate negotiations with another vendor. In addition to a presentation, visits by the Evaluation Committee to representative vendor client sites may be conducted where the proposed solution can be demonstrated in a production environment.

### 7.5 PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA:

## a. RESPONSIVENESS – 15%

This refers to the proposal's complete responsiveness to all written specifications and requirements contained in this RFP.

#### b. **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN – 25%**

Emphasis is on the efficiency and comprehensiveness of the methods to be used in performing the services requested by this RFP and in managing the project.

## c. PROPOSER QUALIFICATIONS – 25%

This refers to the overall qualifications of Proposer and its past experience in providing similar services to those requested by this RFP. It also refers to an evaluation of the quality of Proposer's performance on previous local government projects.

## d. PERSONNEL QUALIFICATIONS – 15%

This refers to the number and qualifications of the professional personnel who would be assigned to the job. Consideration will be given to the percentage of time that each would spend on the project. It also refers to an evaluation of the quality of the performance by each member of the Proposer's project team on previous projects with the County and similar projects.

## e. COST OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – 20%

This is the expected amount your firm would be compensated for services provided to the County. The County will consider hourly rates, retainer amounts, flat fees or other methods. While this will be an important factor, it will be considered as just one factor in the evaluation and selection process.

PROPOSER: INSERT ALL ADDENDA BEHIND THIS PAGE.
PLEASE BE SURE TO COMPLETE, SIGN, ATTEST, AND DATE EACH ADDENDUM.

## **COST PROPOSAL FORM**

-	each Proposer must state in vices identified in this RFP.	ts proposed charges.	Each Proposer's charges	must include the entire cost of
Cost/Fee Proposa	als may be submitted in any f	form(s). Cost will be a	factor in the County's sele	ection process.
Uniformed Securi	ity Officer (unarmed)	\$	/hour	
Uniformed Security Officer (armed)		\$	/hour	
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-	Name of Proposer:			
	Signature: Title:			

**REQUIRED FORM** 

**Proposer:** 

## **NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT**

In consideration of Jefferson County retaining the services of a consultant and because of the sensitivity of certain information which may come under the care and control of Consultant, both parties agree that all information regarding the County or any selected County agency subject to this Contract; or gathered, produced, or derived from this project (Confidential Information) must remain confidential subject to release only by permission of the County, and more specifically agree as follows:

Media releases pertaining to this RFP and/or any resulting contract, or the services to which they relate, will not be made without the prior written consent of the County, and then only in accordance with explicit written instructions from the County. The disclosure of the contents of proposals prior to the award of a contract under this RFP, or any other violation of this section, may result in disqualification.

- 1. The Information may be used by Consultant only to assist Consultant in connection with its engagement with the County.
- 2. Consultant will not, at any time, use the Information in any fashion, form, or manner except in its capacity as independent consultant to the County.
- 3. Consultant agrees to maintain the confidentiality of any and all deliverables resulting from this Contract in the same manner that it protects the confidentiality of its own proprietary products of like kind.
- 4. The Information may not be copied or reproduced without the County's written consent.
- 5. All materials made available to Consultant, including copies thereof, must be returned to County upon the first to occur of; (a) completion of the project, or (b) request by the County.
- 6. The foregoing must not prohibit or limit Consultant use of the information (including, but not limited to, ideas, concepts, know-how, techniques and methodologies) (a) previously known to it, (b) independently developed by it, (c) acquired by it from a third party, or (d) which is or becomes part of the public domain through no breach to Consultant of this agreement.
- 7. This agreement shall become effective as of the date Information is first made available to Consultant and must survive the contract and be a continuing requirement.
- 8. The breach of this Nondisclosure Agreement by Consultant shall entitle the County to immediately terminate the Agreement upon written notice to Contractor for such breach. The parties acknowledge that the measure of damages in the event of a breach of this Nondisclosure Agreement may be difficult or impossible to calculate, depending on the nature of the breach. Regardless of whether the County elects terminate the Agreement upon the breach hereof, the County may require Consultant to pay to the County the sum of \$1,000 for each breach as liquidated damages. This amount is not intended to be in the nature of a penalty, but is intended to be a reasonable estimate of the amount of damages to the County in the event of a breach hereof by Consultant. Comptroller does not waive any right to seek additional relief, either equitable or otherwise, concerning any breach of this Agreement.

[Printed Name of Consultant]		
	By:	
REQUIRED FORM Proposer:	Date:	

## **RESPONDENT INFORMATION FORM**

Instructions: Complete the form below. Please provide legible, accurate, and complete contact information. PLEASE PRINT.

RFP Number & Name: (R	FP 24-049/CG) Security Services	s and Personnel for Jefferson County
Proposer's Company/Bus	iness Name:	
Proposer's TAX ID Number	er:	
If Applicable: HUB Ven	dor No	DBE Vendor No
Contact Person:		Title:
Phone Number (with area	a code):	
Alternate Phone Number	if available (with area code):_	
Fax Number (with area co	ode):	
Email Address:		
Mailing Address (Please p	provide a <u>physical address for b</u>	oid bond return, if applicable):
Address		
City, State, Zip Code		<del></del>

**REQUIRED FORM** 

**Proposer:** 

## **VENDOR REFERENCES FORM**

**REQUIRED FORM** 

<u>Proposer:</u> Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.

Proposer: Please list at least three (3) companies or governmental agencies (preferably a municipality) where the same or similar products and/or services as contained in this specification package were recently provided.

REFERENCE ONE						
Government/Company Name:						
Address:						
Contact Person and Title:						
Phone:	Fax:					
Email Address:	Contract Period:					
Scope of Work:						
REFERENCE TWO						
Government/Company Name:						
Address:						
Contact Person and Title:						
Phone:	Fax:					
Email Address:	Contract Period:					
Scope of Work:						
REFERENCE THREE						
Government/Company Name:						
Address:						
Contact Person and Title:						
Phone:	Fax:					
Email Address:	Contract Period:					
Scope of Work:						

## SIGNATURE PAGE

As permitted under Article 4413 (32c) V.A.C.S., other governmental entities may wish to participate under the same terms and conditions contained in this contract (i.e., piggyback). In the event any other entity participates, all purchase orders will be issued directly from and shipped directly to the entity requiring supplies/services. Jefferson County shall not be held responsible for any orders placed, deliveries made or payment for supplies/services ordered by another entity. Each entity reserves the right to determine their participation in this contract. Would Respondent be willing to allow other governmental entities to piggyback off this contract, if awarded, under the same terms and conditions? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Yes This Proposal/RFP Response shall remain in effect for 90 days from RFP opening and shall be exclusive of federal excise and state and local sales tax (exempt). The undersigned agrees, if this proposal is accepted, to furnish any and all items upon which prices are offered, at the price and upon the terms and conditions contained in the Request for Statements of Qualification, Conditions of RFP Response, Terms of Contract, and Specifications and all other items made a part of the accepted contract. The undersigned affirms that they are duly authorized to execute the contract, that this company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual has not prepared this RFP response in collusion with any other Respondent, and that the contents of this RFP response as to prices, terms or conditions of said response have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any other RFP Respondent or to any other person(s) engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this RFP. And further, that neither the Respondent nor their employees nor agents have been for the past six (6) months directly nor indirectly concerned in any pool or agreement or combination to control the price of goods or services on, nor to influence any person to respond or not to respond thereon. RFP Respondent (Entity Name) Signature Street & Mailing Address Print Name Date Signed City, State & Zip Telephone Number Fax Number

**REQUIRED FORM** 

**Proposer:** 

E-mail Address

## **CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING**

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

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

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

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

The Contractor, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official (Please Print)
Date

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**Proposer:** 

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether sub-awardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the sub-awardee, e.g., the first sub-awardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Sub-awardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
- (b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
- 11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503

# Approved by OMB 0348-0046

# **Disclosure of Lobbying Activities**

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public burden disclosure)

Type of Federal Action:  a. contract  b. grant c. cooperative agreement d. loan e. loan guarantee f. loan insurance		offer/application al award	Report Type: a. initial filing b. material change	
Name and Address of Reporting Entity: Prime Sub-awardee Tier, if Known:		If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Sub-awardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:		
Congressional District, if kno	wn:	Congression	onal District, if known:	
Federal Department/Agency:		7. Federal Program Name/Description:  CFDA Number, if applicable:		
Federal Action Number, if known:		9. Award Amount, if known: \$		
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant (if individual, last name, first name, MI):		b. Individuals F address if differe (last name, firs	,	
11. Information requested through the authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 13 disclosure of lobbying activities is a narepresentation of fact upon which reliably the tier above when this transaction entered into. This disclosure is require U.S.C. 1352. This information will be a inspection. Any person who fails to fill disclosure shall be subject to a civil put than \$10,000 and not more than \$100, failure.	352. This naterial ance was placed n was made or ed pursuant to 31 eported to the vailable for public the required enalty of not less	Signature: Print Name: Title: Telephone No.:		
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# CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

## Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:
  - (2) the vendor:
    - (A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
      - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed;
      - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor:
    - (B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:
      - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
      - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

## Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

- (a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:
  - (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
  - (2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
  - (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.
- (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:
  - (1) the date that the vendor:
    - (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or
    - (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or
  - (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:
    - (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);
    - (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or
    - (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

www.ethics.state.tx.us

Revised 11/30/2015

# **CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE**

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	FORM CIQ				
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY				
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received				
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity 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), Local Government Code.					
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.					
Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.					
2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.  (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the applicater than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the original to the first product of the					
incomplete or inaccurate.)					
Name of local government officer about whom the information in this section is being disc	osea.				
Name of Officer					
This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C, & D) must be completed for each officer employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Govern pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.  A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable	ment Code. Attach additional				
income, from the vendor?					
Yes No					
B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?					
Yes No					
C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity w government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one per					
Yes No					
D. Describe each employment or business and family relationship with the local government	officer named in this section.				
4					
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date				

Adopted 8/7/2015

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# Proposer:

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER CONFLICTS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT – OFFICE USE ONLY

	LOCAL GOVERNMEN		FORM CIS
т	nis questionnaire reflects changes mad	de to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
g		local governmental entity that the following local e of facts that require the officer to file this statement I Government Code.	Date Received
1	Name of Local Government Office	r	
2	Office Held		
3	Name of vendor described by Sec	tions 176.001(7) and 176.003(a), Local Government	Code
4	Description of the nature and exte	ent of employment or other business relationship w	ith vendor named in item 3
5	from vendor named in item 3 exce	overnment officer and any family member, if aggregeds \$100 during the 12-month period described by	Section 176.003(a)(2)(B).
	Date Gill Accepted	Description of Gift	
	Date Gift Accepted	Description of Gift	
	Date Gift Accepted	Description of Gift	
		(attach additional forms as necessary)	
6	AFFIDAVIT	I swear under penalty of perjury that the above statement that the disclosure applies to each family member (as def Government Code) of this local government officer. I also covers the 12-month period described by Section 176.003(	ined by Section 176.001(2), Local o acknowledge that this statement
		Signature of Local	Government Officer
	AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABO	VE	
	Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the		, this the day
	of, 20, to	certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.	
	Signature of officer administering oath	Printed name of officer administering oath	Title of officer administering oath

Adopted 8/7/2015

THIS FORM IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

## **GOOD FAITH EFFORT (GFE)**

## **Determination Checklist**

This information must be submitted with your proposal.

**Instructions:** In order to determine if a "Good Faith Effort" was made in soliciting HUBs for subcontracting opportunities, the following checklist and supporting documentation shall be completed by the Prime Contractor/Consultant, and returned with the Prime Contractor/Consultant's bid. This list contains the **minimum** efforts that should be put forth by the Prime Contractor/Consultant when attempting to achieve or exceed the goals of HUB Subcontractor participation. The Prime Contractor/Consultant may extend his/her efforts in soliciting HUB Subcontractor participation beyond what is listed below.

		Dic	d the Prime Contractor/Cor	isultant					
Yes	No	1.		d consistent with standard and prudent industry standards, divide the nallest feasible portions, to allow for maximum HUB Subcontractor					
Yes	☐ No	2.	<b>Notify</b> in writing a reasonable number of HUBs, allowing sufficient time for effective participation of the planned work to be subcontracted?						
Yes	□No	3.	<b>Provide</b> HUBs that were genuinely interested in bidding on a subcontractor, adequate information regarding the project (i.e., plans, specifications, scope of work, bonding and insurance requirements, and a point of contract within the Prime Contractor/Consultant's organization)?						
Yes	☐ No	4.	_	<b>Negotiate</b> in good faith with interested HUBs, and not reject bids from HUBs that qualify as lowest and responsive bidders?					
Yes	☐ No	5.		<b>Document</b> reasons HUBs were rejected? Was a written rejection notice, including the reason for rejection, provided to the rejected HUBs?					
Yes	☐ No	6.	If Prime Contractor/Consultant has zero (0) HUB participation, please explain the reasons why.						
	If "No" wa		•	include any pertinent documentation with your proposal. parate sheet to answer the above questions.					
Printed	l Name of A	Autho	orized Representative	Signature					
		Titl	le	Date					
Propos Please	complete	this	form and Il submission.						

# Notice of Intent (NOI) to Subcontract with Historically Underutilized Business (HUB)

# This information must be submitted with your proposal. Proposer intends to utilize subcontractors/sub-consultants in the fulfillment of this contract (if awarded). Yes No Instructions for Prime Contractor/Consultant: Proposer shall submit this form with the bid; however, the information below may be submitted after contract award, but prior to beginning performance on the contract. Please submit one form for each HUB Subcontractor/Sub-consultant with proper signatures, per the terms and conditions of your contract. Contractor Name: HUB: p Yes p No Address: City Street State Phone (with area code): Fax (with area code): Prime Contract Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_ **HUB Subcontractor Name:** HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): $\square$ Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. $\square$ Jefferson County $\square$ Tx Unified Certification Prog. Certifying Agency: Address: Street Citv State Zip Fax (with area code): Phone (with area code): **Proposed Subcontract Amount:** \$ Percentage of Prime Contract: % Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: Printed Name of Contractor Representative Signature of Representative Date Printed Name of HUB Signature of Representative Date

NOTE: NOTHING ON THIS NOTICE OF INTENT FORM IS INTENDED TO CONFER ANY RIGHTS, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, TO ANY THIRD PARTIES.

Pre-Approval for Subcontractor Substitutions must be obtained from the Jefferson County Purchasing Agent's Representative. The "HUB Subcontractor/Sub-consultant Change Form" must be completed and faxed to 409-835-8456.

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	This infor	mation must be s	ubmitte	d with your prop	osal.
Proposer intends to uti Yes No	lize subcontractors/	sub-consultants	in the fu	ulfillment of this	contract (if awarded).
Prime Contractor:					_ HUB:
HUB Status (Gender & Ethr	nicity):				
Address:					
Stree	t	City	State	Zip	
Phone (with area code):			Fax (w	rith area code):	
Project Title & No.:				IFB/RFP No.:	
Total Contract: \$		To	otal HUB :	Subcontract(s): \$	
Construction HUB Goals: 1	.2.8% MBE::		%	12.6% WBE:	%_
S	ub-goals: 1.7 African-Ar	nerican, 9.7% Hispan Use these goals as			3% Asian American.
Verification date HUB Program  PART I. HUB SUCON  HUB Subcontractor Name:	TRACTOR DISCLOS			Date:	Initials:
HUB Status (Gender & Ethi	-1-14. A.				<u> </u>
_	Texas Bldg & Procureme				
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Contact person:			Titl	e:	
Phone (with area code):			Fax (w	rith area code):	
Proposed Subcontract Amo	ount: \$		Per	centage of Prime Co	ontract:%_
Description of Subcontract	Work to be Performed:				
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# **HUB Subcontractor Disclosure** PART I: Continuation Sheet (Duplicate as Needed) **HUB Subcontractor Name:** HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): Certifying Agency: Address: Street City State Zip Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (with area code): Fax (with area code): Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed: **HUB Subcontractor Name:** HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. Jefferson County Tx Unified Certification Prog. Certifying Agency: Address: City State Contact person: Title: Fax (with area code): Phone (with area code): Percentage of Prime Contract: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:

All HUB Subcontractor Participation may be verified with the **HUB Subcontractor(s) listed on PART I.** 

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Address: Street	City	State Zip	
Contact person:	•	Title:	
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Phone (with area code):			
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$		Percentage of Prime Contract:	
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Phone (with area code):		Fax (with area code):	
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Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed	d:		
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Title:			
Signature:			
Date:			
E-mail address:			
Contact person that will be in charge of invoice	cing for this pro	roject:	
Name (print or type):			
Title:			
Date:			
E-mail address:			
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**Proposer:** 

## **RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION/TAX FORM**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2252.001 et seq., as amended, Jefferson County requests Resident Certificatio	n.
§2252.001 et seq. of the Government Code provides some restrictions on the awarding of governmental contract	s;
pertinent provisions of §2252.001 are stated below:	

	(3) "Non-res	rs to a person who is not a resident.				
	(4) "Resident RFP Respondent" refers to a person whose principal place of business is in this contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business.					
	I certify that Government Code §2252.001.			_ [company name] is a Resident Respondent of Texas	as defined ir	
	I certify that Government Co state).	ode §2252.001 a	and our prin	[company name] is a Non-Resident Respondent ancipal place of business is	is defined ir (city and	
Tax	payer Identificatio	n Number (T.I.N.):				
Con	npany Name subm	itting bid/proposa	al/response:			
Mai	iling address:					
If yo	ou are an individua	al, list the names a	nd addresses	s of any partnership of which you are a general partner:		
Prop	erty: List all taxa	able property ow	vned by you	or above partnerships in Jefferson County.	I	
Jeff	Jefferson County Tax Acct. No.* Property ad		Property ac	ddress or location**		

# **REQUIRED FORM**

**Proposer:** 

<sup>\*</sup> This is the property amount identification number assigned by the Jefferson County Appraisal District.

<sup>\*\*</sup> For real property, specify the property address or legal description. For business property, specify the address where the property is located. For example, office equipment will normally be at your office, but inventory may be stored as a warehouse or other location.

# **HOUSE BILL 89 VERIFICATION**

l,, name)	the	undersigned	representative	of	(company (heretofore		siness to as
company) being an adult over the age of ei hereby depose and verify under oath the Government Code Chapter 2270:	_				by the undersi	gned nota	ıry, do
1. Does not boycott Israel currently; and							
2. Will not boycott Israel during the term of	of the o	contract.					
Pursuant to Section 2270.002, Texas Gove	rnmen	t Code:					
<ol> <li>"Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal is intended to penalize, inflict economic ha entity doing business in Israel or in an Israel purposes; and</li> </ol>	rm on,	or limit commerc	ial relations speci	fically v	with Israel, or v	with a pers	son or
<ol> <li>"Company" means a for-profit sole pro limited partnership, limited liability partn majority-owned subsidiary, parent compar</li> </ol>	ership,	or an limited lia	bility company, in	ncludin	g a wholly ow	ned subsi	idiary,
Signature of Company Representative							
Date							
On this day of,	20	_, personally ap	peared				
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Date					<del></del>		
REQUIRED FORM  Proposer:  Please complete this form and include with proposal submission.							

## **SENATE BILL 252 CERTIFICATION**

On this day, I, Deborah L. Clark, Purchasing Agent for Jefferson County, Texas, pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Section 2252.152 and Section 2252.153, certify that I did review the website of the Comptroller of the State of Texas concerning the listing of companies that is identified under Section 806.051, Section 807.051, or Section 2253.253 and I have ascertained that the below named company is not contained on said listing of companies which do business with Iran, Sudan, or any Foreign Terrorist Organization.

Company Name	
IFB/RFP/RFQ number	
Certification check performed by:	
Purchasing Representative	

## **RESPONDENT'S AFFIDAVIT**

I have carefully examined the Request for Proposal Specifications, and any other documents accompanying or made a part of this Request for Proposals.

I hereby propose to furnish the goods or services specified in the Request for Proposal. I agree that my proposal will remain firm for a period of up to **90 days** in order to allow Jefferson County adequate time to evaluate the qualifications submitted.

I verify that all information contained in this proposal is truthful to the best of my knowledge and belief. I further certify that I am duly authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the firm as its act and deed and that the firm is ready, willing and able to perform if awarded the contract.

I further certify, under oath, that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, connection, discussion, or collusion with any other person, firm or corporation submitting a proposal for the same product or service: no officer, employee or agent of Jefferson County or any other Respondent is interested in said proposal: and that the undersigned executed this Respondent's Certification with full knowledge and understanding of the matters therein contained and was duly authorized to do so.

NAME OF BUSINESS	
BY:	Sworn to and subscribed before me thisday of
SIGNATURE	
NAME & TITLE, TYPED OR PRINTED	
MAILING ADDRESS	Notary Public
	State of
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	My Commission Expires:
( )	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	

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Proposer: