

# JEFFERSON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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# LEGAL NOTICE Advertisement for Request for Proposal

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Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be accepted by the Jefferson County Purchasing Department for RFP 18-059/YS, Food Service Consulting and Management Services for Jefferson County Correctional Facility. 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. Offerors 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 Commissioners' Courtroom at the time and date below. Proposals shall be opened in a manner that avoids disclosure of the contents to competing offerors 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. Offerors are invited to attend the sealed proposal opening.

There will be a **mandatory** pre-proposal conference on Wednesday, February 6, 2019, at 10:00 am CDT at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, 5030 Highway 69 South, Beaumont TX, 77705.

PROPOSAL NAME: Food Service Consulting and Management Services for Jefferson

**County Correctional Facility** 

PROPOSAL NO: RFP 18-059/YS

DUE DATE/TIME: 11:00 AM CDT, Tuesday, March 19, 2019
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 Yea-Mei Sauer, Contract Specialist, ysauer@co.jefferson.tx.us.

Jefferson County encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprises to participate in the proposal submission 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 409-835-8593 to make arrangements no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the submittal deadline. Jefferson County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities and to take whatever action is in the best interest of Jefferson County.

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

RESPONDENTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO CAREFULLY READ THE ENTIRE INVITATION.

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# **Proposal Submissions:**

# Offeror is responsible for submitting:

- One (1) *original* proposal copy to include a <u>completed copy</u> of this specifications packet, <u>in its entirety</u>.
- Five (5) numbered proposal *copies* to include <u>at a minimum</u> all pages requiring completion and/or marked with instructions to be returned with proposal submission and any other documentation requested within these specifications.

Additionally, Offeror must monitor the Jefferson County Purchasing Department Website (below) to see if addenda or additional instructions have been posted. Failure to return all required forms could result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

https://www.co.jefferson.tx.us/Purchasing/

# **Proposal Submittal Checklist**

The Offeror'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.

Offeror shall check each box indicating compliance.

#### THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF YOUR PACKAGE

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	Cover sheet identifying the contract/project being proposed, the name and address of the Offer the date of the proposal, and the email address, telephone, and facsimile numbers of Offeror.			
$\boxtimes$	An acknowledgment and/or response to each section of the proposal.			
$\boxtimes$	Form of business (e.g., corporation, sole proprietorship, partnership); if corporation the date a state of incorporation.			
	Identification of three (3) entities for which the Offeror is providing or has provided Food Service Consulting and Management Services of the type requested, including the name, position, and telephone number of a contact person at each entity.			
	Identification of all legal claims, demands, contracts terminated or lawsuits filed, threatened, of pending against the Offeror and/or its principal/officers for the last three (3) years, as well as identification of any administrative actions or warnings taken or issued by any federal, state, or local governmental agency to Offeror and/or its principals/officers with regard to the provision of the same or similar service as covered by this RFP, or the payment of moneys under the terms of any agreement(s) relating to such services.			
	One (1) <i>original</i> proposal to include a <u>completed copy</u> of this specifications packet <u>in its entirety</u> ; <b>and</b> five (5) numbered proposal <i>hard copies</i> to include <u>at a minimum</u> all pages requiring completion and/or marked with instructions to be returned with proposal and any other documentation requested within these specifications.			
	Each Offeror shall ensure that required parts of the response are completed with accuracy and submitted as per the requirements within this specifications packet, including any addenda.			
	PLEASE READ THE "PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL CHECKLIST" INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE.			
Cor	npany Telephone Number			
Add	lress Fax Number			
Aut	norized Representative (Please print)  Title			

Offeror Must Complete and Return This Page With Offer.

Date

Authorized Signature

# 1. Introduction to Offerors

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to receive proposals from qualified firms regarding services for Food Service Consulting and Management.

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. You are responsible for fulfilling all requirements and specifications. Be sure you have a clear understanding of the proposal.

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

Offeror 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 Offeror discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error in the RFP, Offeror 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 Offeror 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 Offeror, or an error or ambiguity that reasonably should have been known to Offeror, then Offeror 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 Offerors 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 Offeror contractually. If the Offeror 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 Offeror 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 Offeror 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 Offeror 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 Offeror, shall be included in the proposal.

# 1.12 Compliance with RFP Specifications

It is intended that this RFP describe the requirements and the response format in sufficient detail to secure comparable proposals. Failure to comply with all provisions of the RFP may 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>

Offerors are strongly encouraged to review their firm's SAM (System for Award Management) status prior to Proposal Submission.

## 1.14 Awarded Vendor(s): Submission of FORM 1295 (Texas Ethics Commission)

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

Upon entering into a contract or professional agreement, the Jefferson County Purchasing Department will submit a request to the Vendor to both:

- 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.

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

## 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 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Mandated Contract Clauses

If applicable to the work and services being performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT, the following provisions are adopted and form part of this AGREEMENT:

#### (A) DAMAGES, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (A)

- (1) All work to be performed under this AGREEMENT shall be timely commenced. A breach of this AGREEMENT by Contractor would cause substantial delay in the completion of the required services affecting the safety and welfare of the public.
- (2) In the event of Contractor's breach of its performance obligations, County shall have all rights and remedies against Contractor as provided by law.

#### (B) TERMINATION RIGHTS, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (B)

Termination for Convenience: Whenever the interests of the County so require, County may terminate the parties' Agreement, in whole or in part, for the convenience of the County. County shall give Contractor thirty (30) days prior written notice of termination specifying the portions of the Agreement to be terminated and when such termination will become effective. If only portions of the parties' agreement are terminated, Contractor has the right to withdraw from the parties' Agreement, without adverse action or claims. In the event of a termination for convenience by County, Contractor shall be entitled to payment for all work and services performed by it up to the effective date of such termination.

Termination for Cause: The County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate the parties' Agreement, in whole or in part, if the Contractor fails to satisfactorily perform any provisions of the parties' agreement after a period of ten (10) following Contractor's receipt of a Notice of Deficiency provided by County.

# (C) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (C))

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the AGREEMENT, during the performance of the AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity Clause (41 CFR 60-1.4(b)):

- (1) CONTRACTOR will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. 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, 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. AGREEMENTOR 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) CONTRACTOR will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (3) CONTRACTOR will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other agreement 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.
- (4) 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.
- (5) 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 for purpose of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (6) In the event of the CONTRACTOR'S noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this AGREEMENT or with any of the said rules, regulations or orders, this AGREEMENT 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.
- (7) CONTRACTOR will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of subparagraphs 1 through 7 in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or contractor. 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 CONTRACTOR becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or contractor 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 interest of the United States.

# D. DAVIS-BACON ACT AND COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK" ACT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appen. II to Part 200 (D)

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT:

(1) Bacon-Davis Act: Applicable to construction or repair of public buildings or public works. see FEMA Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide, Ch.2(V)(G)(2), page 32 (FP 104-009-2/January 2016):

(2) Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act: In contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act, CONTRACTOR shall comply 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 the contractor and subcontractor 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 GOVERNMENT must report all suspected or reported violations to the appropriate Federal agency.

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT:

- (a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this AGREEMENT.
- (b) CONTRACTOR or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontract the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontract with all of these contract clauses.
- (c) A breach of the AGREEMENT clause above may be grounds for termination of the AGREEMENT, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. §5.12.

# E. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (E) (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)

Contracts in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers shall comply 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 and its subcontractors shall 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.

- (1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-halftimes the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- (2) Violation: liability for unpaid wages: liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (I) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (I) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (I) of this section.
- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The GOVERNMENT shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or (RFP 18-059/YS), Food Service Consulting and Management Services

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subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) The contractor and subcontractor shall insert in any subcontract the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts.

# F. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (F)

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT and if the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the GOVERNMENT 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 GOVERNMENT must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business."

# G. CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (G)

CONTRACTOR shall 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).

CONTRACTOR shall include the foregoing requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100.000.

### H. ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (H)

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies of the state regulation promulgated in accordance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. § 6201).

#### I. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (I)

- (1) This AGREEMENT is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the CONTRACTOR is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disgualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The CONTRACTOR must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by GOVERNMENT. If it is later determined that the CONTRACTOR did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to GOVERNMENT, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C AGREEMENT is valid and throughout the period of performance. The

CONTRACTOR further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

#### J. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (J)

CONTRACTOR must file with the GOVERNMENT the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier 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. If not provided with the bid response, CONTRACTOR must complete and submit the Certification Regarding Lobbying Form.

# K. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (K) and 2 CFR §200.322)

- (1) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired-
  - (a) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
  - (b) Meeting contract performance requirements; or
  - (c) At a reasonable price.
- (2) Information about this requirement is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, http://www.epa.gov/cpg/.

The list of EPA-designate items is available at http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products/htm.

# L. AGREEMENTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS (2 CFR §200.321)

Should the CONTRACTOR subcontract any of the work under this AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall take the following affirmative steps: place qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists; assure that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources; divide total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; establish delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and use 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.

#### M. ACCESS TO RECORDS

- (1) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide GOVERNMENT, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representative's access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this AGREEMENT for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- (2) CONTRACTOR agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(3) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

#### N. SEAL, LOGO AND FLAGS

CONTRACTOR shall not use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's agency officials without specific FEMA preapproval.

#### O. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS

This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the AGREEMENT only. CONTRACTOR will comply will all federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

#### P. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal Government is not a party to this AGREEMENT and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to GOVERNMENT, CONTRACTOR, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

#### Q. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS

CONTRACTOR acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the CONTRACTOR'S actions pertaining to this contract.

#### 1.17 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 Offeror. 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 right to conduct written and/or oral Jefferson County reserves the discussions/interviews after the proposal opening. The purpose such discussions/interviews is to provide clarification and/or additional information to make an award is in the best interest of Jefferson County.

# 1.18 Withdrawal of Proposal

The Offeror 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 Offeror 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.

# 1.19 Minority-Women Business Enterprise Participation

It is the desire of Jefferson County to increase the participation of Minority (MBE) and womenowned (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.

#### **1.20** 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 Offeror, and/or to reject any or all proposals. In the event the highest dollar Offeror meeting specifications is not awarded a contract, the Offeror may appear before Commissioners' Court and present evidence concerning his responsibility.

## 1.21 Ownership of Proposal

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

# 1.22 Disqualification of Offeror

Upon signing this proposal document, a contractor offering to sell supplies, materials, services, or equipment to Jefferson County certifies that the Offeror 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 Offerors.

# 1.23 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 Offeror 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.

# 1.24 Assignment

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

# 1.25 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 Offeror. **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.

## 1.26 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 Offeror, or if the Offeror 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.

## 1.27 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 Offeror as inadequate.

# 1.28 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.

# 1.29 Loss, Damage, or Claim

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

#### 1.30 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.

#### 1.31 Non-Discrimination

The successful offeror 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.

#### 1.32 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.

# 1.33 Waiver of Subrogation

Offeror and Offeror'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 Offeror's performance under this agreement.

## 1.34 Acknowledgment of Insurance Requirements

By signing its proposal, Offeror acknowledges that it has read and understands the insurance requirements for this proposal. Offeror 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 Offeror's proposal. The insurance requirements are part of this package.

#### 1.35 Insurance

The contractor (including any and all subcontractors as defined in Section 1.36.1.3 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 companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity which 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 deliveries, and 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 <u>1.36.1. 1.36.7.</u>, 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.

## 1.37 Pre-Proposal Conference

There will be a pre-proposal conference on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 10:00 AM CDT, at the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, 5030 Highway 69 South, Beaumont TX, 77705.

## 1.38 Delivery of Proposals

All proposals are to be delivered by 11:00 AM CDT, Tuesday, March 19, 2019, to:

Jefferson County Purchasing Department Attention: Deborah L. Clark, Purchasing Agent 1149 Pearl Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Beaumont, Texas 77701

<u>Courthouse Security</u>: Offerors are advised that all visitors to the Courthouse must pass through Security. Offerors planning to hand deliver proposal 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. Offerors are strongly urged to plan accordingly.

#### County Holidays – 2019:

January 1	Tuesday	New Year's
January 21	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 18	Monday	President's Day
April 19	Friday	Good Friday
May 27	Monday	Memorial Day
July 4	Thursday	Independence Day
September 2	Monday	Labor Day
November 11	Monday	Veteran's Day
November 28 & 29	Thursday & Friday	Thanksgiving
December 24 & 25	Tuesday & Wednesday	Christmas
January 1, 2020	Wednesday	New Year's

Jefferson County will not accept any proposals received after the stated time and date, and shall return such proposals unopened to the Offeror.

Jefferson County will not accept any responsibility for proposals being delivered by third party carriers.

Proposal Submissions shall be tightly sealed in an opaque envelope or box and plainly marked "SEALED PROPOSAL." The outside of the envelope or box shall also include: Proposal Number, Proposal Name, Proposal Due Date, Offeror's Name and Address; and shall be addressed to the Purchasing Agent.

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

# 1.39 Proposal 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/request for statement of qualifications submission deadline, the bid/proposal/request 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 proposal 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.

#### 1.40 Questions

Questions may be emailed to Yea-Mei Sauer, Contract Specialist, <a href="mailed:ysauer@co.jefferson.tx.us">ysauer@co.jefferson.tx.us</a>.

#### 1.41 Tentative Schedule of Events

January 14, 2019	Issuance of Request for Proposal
February 6, 2019	Mandatory Pre Proposal Conference
March 19, 2019	Deadline Submission (late proposals will not be considered)
March 21, 2019	Proposals distributed to Evaluation Committee
March 27, 2019	Evaluation Committee Convenes to Tabulate Scoring and Determines Short List
Week of April 1, 2019	Conduct Interview/Best and Final Offer/Short List
April 8, 2019	Recommendation for Award

#### Please note:

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

# 2. Response Format

### 2.1 Introduction

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.

# 2.2 Organization of Proposal Contents

Each proposal must be organized in the manner described below.

- a. Transmittal Letter
- b. Executive Summary
- c. Table of Contents
- d. Offeror Identifying Information
- e. Offeror Personnel and Organization
- f. Project Requirements
- g. Cost Proposal (Appendix A of RFP)
- h. Other information that may be helpful in the evaluation

#### 2.3 Transmittal Letter

The Offeror 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 ninety (90) days from the deadline for delivery of proposals to the County. Any proposal containing a term of less than ninety (90) days for acceptance will be rejected as non-responsive.

The transmittal letter must be signed by a person legally authorized to bind the Offeror to the representations in the response. In the case of a joint proposal, each party must sign the transmittal letter. The Offeror also must indicate, in its transmittal letter, why it believes that it is the most qualified Offeror 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 Offeror takes exception to any of the proposed terms and conditions stated in this RFP, those exceptions must be noted in the transmittal letter.

However, Offeror must realize that failure to accept the terms specified in this proposal may result in disqualification of the proposal.

## 2.4 Executive Summary

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

#### 2.5 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.

# 2.6 Offeror Identifying Information

Offerors must provide the following identifying information:

- a. Name and address of business entity submitting the proposal;
- b. Type of business entity (i.e., corporation, partnership);
- Place of incorporation, if applicable;
- d. Name and location of major offices and other facilities that relate to the Offeror's performance under the terms of this RFP;
- e. Name, address, business and fax number of the Offeror's principal contact person regarding all contractual matters relating to this RFP;
- f. The Offeror'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 Offeror (and any subcontractors) who will perform service's on this project; and
- h. A statement regarding the financial stability of the Offeror, including the ability of the Offeror to perform the functions required by this RFP and to provide those services represented by the Offeror in its response.

#### 2.7 Conflict of Interest

Each Offeror 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 Offeror, 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 Offeror, 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.

Each Offeror must reveal any past or existing relationship between the Offeror, its principal, employees, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with any county agency, entity, county employee, or other person in anyway involved in the county's procurement and/or contracting processes. It shall be the sole prerogative of the County to determine if such relationship constitutes a conflict of interest.

By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, all Offerors 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.

# 2.8 Confidential/Proprietary Information

If any material in the proposal submission is considered by Offeror to be confidential or proprietary information (including manufacturing and/or design processes exclusive to the Offeror), Offeror <u>must</u> clearly mark the applicable pages of Offeror's proposal submission to indicate each claim of confidentiality. Additionally, Offeror 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, Offeror agrees to reproduction by Jefferson County, without cost or liability, of any copyrighted portions of Offeror's proposal submission or other information submitted by Offeror.

FAILURE BY OFFEROR TO INCLUDE ALL LISTED ITEMS MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF ITS PROPOSAL.

# 3. Proposal Submittal

The Proposal is due no later than 11:00 AM CDT, Tuesday, March 19, 2019, and shall include the following:

- Cover sheet identifying the contract/project being proposed, the name and address of Offeror, the date of the proposal, and the telephone and facsimile numbers of Offeror.
- 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 Offeror is providing or has provided Food Service Consulting and Management of the type requested, including the name, position, and telephone number of a contact person at each entity.
- Identification of all legal claims, demands, contracts terminated or lawsuits filed, threatened, or pending against the Offeror and/or its principal/officers for the last three (3) years, as well as identification of any administrative actions or warnings taken or issued by any federal, state, or local governmental agency to Offeror and/or its principals/officers with regard to the provision of the same or similar service as covered by this RFP, or the payment of moneys under the terms of any agreement(s) relating to such services.
- One (1) original proposal to include a <u>completed copy</u> of this specifications packet <u>in its entirety</u>; and five (5) numbered proposal hard copies to include <u>at a minimum</u> all pages requiring completion and/or marked with instructions to be returned with proposal and any other documentation requested within these specifications, should be mailed or delivered to:

Jefferson County Purchasing Department 1149 Pearl Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Beaumont, TX 77701

 Explanations, exceptions, comments, etc., pertaining to the specific sections of the specifications. All comments shall be listed and numbered in order of the respective article of the specification.

# 4. Scope of Services

## 4.1 Objective

The Jefferson County Correctional Facility is seeking responses to a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a management system, menu development, dietary services, staff training and the ability to assist with reducing food and equipment purchase costs. Jefferson County has an approximate Average Daily Population (ADP) of 1050 inmates and 260 staff. The population fluctuates daily and includes the inmate count of the LaSalle Unit a leased facility. Jefferson County Correctional Facility guarantees no population, either inmate or staff at any given time.

The contract will be for a term of 3 years commencing from the date it is approved and signed by both parties. The parties may mutually agree to continue the contract for 2 consecutive one (1) year terms thereafter.

The Jefferson County Correctional facility is primarily a detention facility for adult male and female inmates awaiting case adjudication.

The Jefferson County Correctional facility seeks a contract with the successful respondent to meet the following objectives:

Jefferson County will continue to operate the food service program utilizing the currently employed Food Services Department staff;

The Contractor will provide food service consulting services to assist the Jefferson County Correctional Facility operate its food service program in a cost-effective manner. Consultation services will include:

Review of policies, procedures and practices to assure the food service operation is safe, cost effective and meets all applicable local and national standards. Provide training, instruction and recommendations on food handling, safety procedures and industry best practices. Regular reviews and recommendations to repair and/or replacement of food service equipment.

To assist the Jefferson County Correctional Facility in annual or other periodic audits of its food service operations relative to established local and state standards and the written food service plan to assure the department has clear objectives, policies, procedures, and an annual evaluation of compliance with the plan;

To assist the Jefferson County Correctional Facility staff in developing a food service contingency plan in order to insure continuation of service in the event of a natural or man-made disaster, emergency situations or other circumstances which prevent normal meal production;

To provide training and process recommendations to Food Services Department staff in food receiving, storage and inventory management.

To provide the services of a registered dietician who will assist in the creation, certification and monitoring of a standard set of menus, including menus for religious and medical diets, specifying sizes, weight, count or volume:

To purchase food items and equipment through the Contractor's established buying power network to include: dish washing, floor cleaning, degreaser and other such products including paper products required for food service operations

To maintain an open collaborative relationship with Jefferson County Correctional Facility staff in administering and monitoring the services contained in the contract established by the Jefferson County Correctional Facility and the Contractor.

## **CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS**

The Contractor must meet the following minimum qualifications:

The Contractor must be organized for the purpose of providing correctional facility food service programs, and must have five (5) years of previous correctional feeding experience with proven effectiveness in providing management and dietician consultation, purchasing support and provide menu management software for use with large scale correctional food service programs.

The Contractor must have a proven ability for a start-up of operations within 30 days from the date the contract is approved and signed by both parties.

The Contractor must have qualified and trained staff with sufficient back-up personnel to successfully meet the contract requirements menu approval and substitution recommendation, and special diet reviews.

The Contractor must have a central office capability to supervise and monitor the program in order to ensure satisfactory provision of services.

The Contractor must submit a list of five (5) references. At least two (2) must be current references, preferably of a size and service complexity comparable to the Jefferson County Correctional facility. The name of the institution, address, contact person, and phone number must be provided for each of the five references.

#### MANDATORY REQUIREMENT

The contractor must be able to provide the Jefferson County Correctional Facility with menu management software that at a minimum provides inventory management, creates product orders and will provide account payable and receivable information.

Offerors with menu management software that is developed specifically for correctional facility or correctional facilities is strongly desired.

#### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The Contractor must provide a detailed description about how they will provide the management system for food service operations as specified in the following sections of the RFP:

#### Service Requirements

Contractor will be expected to provide the following services as part of the food service program:

1. Food Supplies and Equipment

The Contractor will provide access to the Contractor's purchasing network and bulk pricing, including kitchen cleaning supplies. The Contractor will purchase food products required for food service operations. These food products shall remain the property of the Jefferson County Correctional Facility. The Contractor will also provide access to its vendor purchasing network for kitchen equipment. The Contractor will provide beverage and ice dispensers and vending machines for the Officer's Dining hall this cost will be figured in the cost per meal.

#### 2. Licenses, Fees, and Taxes

The Jefferson County Correctional Facility will be responsible to secure and pay for licenses and fees associated with local regulations and licensing required preparing and serving meals to the inmate population.

The Contractor is responsible for any licenses, fees, and taxes for food products purchased and consumable supplies. These costs will be included in the proposed price per meal.

#### 3. Billing Process/Record Keeping

The Contractor shall submit an invoice to the Jefferson County Correctional Facility on the first day of each week for the preceding week for the products purchased through the Contractor's network and the Contractor services provided during the week.

The Contractor will pay all invoices for food products listed in the section entitled Objective of the RFP.

Equipment purchased through the Contractor's network may be separately invoiced by the contractor or invoiced to the Jefferson County Correctional Facility by the equipment provider.

Final inmate Price Per Meal will include the cost for food, beverages, vending and services provided by the Contractor.

The Contractor shall keep full and accurate records of the costs for its services. A copy of the record shall be supplied to the Correctional facility Chief or designee on a monthly basis on the first working day of the subsequent month. All such records shall be available for auditing by the Jefferson County Correctional Facility at any time during regular working hours.

#### 4. Additional Food Service Requirements

The Contractor will agree to provide additional food services as mutually agreed upon at mutually agreed prices.

#### 5. Training

The Contractor shall provide training on receiving and handling food and managing inventory. The proposal shall outline what the training will entail. At a minimum, the Contractor will provide training on the following:

Food handling, preparation and serving procedures

Inventory and equipment management

Menu management software

- 6. Jefferson County Correctional Facility staff will be responsible for all operations and the resolving inmate and staff grievances.
- 7. Menu Specifications

Nutritional analysis of equality;

Serving size

A registered dietitian certification of both the menu and nutritional analysis;

Summary of specifications that will be adhered to for all food products; and

All proposals must meet or exceed quality of food service as detailed in the "Scope of Work."

8. Menu Cycle

Each Contractor shall submit a 2 (two) week cycle menu and a 4 (four) week cycle menu for consideration.

Each week will include 21 meals

9. Menu Description Requirements. Menus submitted in the proposal must include clearly defined descriptions of food items.

All menu items must be listed by weight or volume measurements (e.g. ½ cup, 3 oz. wt., etc.). All cake, muffin and cornbread portions that are cut in a pan must indicate the size (e.g. 1/60 cut).

Meat portions in casseroles must include cooked weight measurements of meat or meat equivalent per portion (e.g. a 10 oz. casserole planned to include 2 oz. of meat or meat equivalent should be written on the menu as 10 oz. (2 oz. meat)).

Weights of entrees on menus must be indicated as cooked or raw weights. For those items purchased already fully cooked, it shall be indicated as either prior to reheating or following reheating.

If imitation cheese is intended to be served, it must be indicated on the menu.

Appropriate condiments to be served must be included on the written menu.

10. Balanced Menu Planning Requirements

The menu shall be planned with products and recipes with proven inmate acceptability. The Contractor shall include in the proposal a method to monitor inmate preferences and to make acceptability adjustments.

A variety of food flavors, textures, temperatures, and appearances shall be used.

Fruit and vegetable requirements:

To assure a minimum level of menu quality, at least five ½ cups of fruit and vegetable equivalents are required each day on the menu. A minimum daily variety of four different fruits and vegetables shall

be used to meet the requirement. Items such as fruit drink, rice and noodles do not qualify as fruit or vegetable equivalents.

Menus will provide a minimum of one fruit or fruit equivalent (1/2 cup) serving per day (which will count as one of the five minimum fruit and vegetable portions).

Avoid excessive fat calories:

To avoid excessive fat calories, and provide more stomach filling bulk on the menu, portions for margarine, butter, salad dressing, and mayonnaise shall be restricted on the menu. A maximum of ½ oz. shall be used as a margarine or salad dressing portion. Sandwich meals shall include appropriate mustard and catsup condiments, not unnecessary margarine.

#### 11. Nutritional requirements

Menus will provide a weekly average of 2000 calories per day. This will be met by providing a minimum of 4 oz. of meat or meat equivalent per day, excluding breading. A meat or meat equivalent may include meat, eggs, cheese, peanut butter, or soy.

Menus will provide a minimum of three (8 oz.) of fluid milk per week.

A nutritional analysis tied to the actual recipes and products proposed.

#### 12. Menu Certification by a Registered Dietician

A registered dietitian shall certify the inmate menu in the proposal with a signed nutritional compliance statement for the age and gender of the population. A copy of the dietitian's registration card shall be submitted with the proposal.

A registered dietitian will approve all menus prior to service and annually thereafter unless there is a significant change in the menu when at that time a new approval will be needed. All meals served will be in compliance with the most recently published Recommended Dietary Allowances and Dietary Reference Intakes for adult males as established by the National Academy of Sciences.

#### 13. Snack Meals

For approximately 390 inmates, 7 days per week, sack meals are prepared for inmates that are pregnant, diabetic, out of the facility for court appearances, on work release, serving on community work crews, in transit to another facility, or other type of temporary release.

Sack meals shall meet the minimum USDA daily caloric allowances for the portion of the daily meal consumed as a sack lunch.

#### 14. Medical and Religious Diets

Medical diets must conform to physician-ordered specifications.

Average number and type. There are approximately 165 medical diet meals per day. They are mainly "no fish" diets and "double diets" (HIV, Low Weight, Pregnant Inmates, and Drug Withdrawal Inmates)

The most common medical diet orders are: "No Fish" diets and "Double Diets" (HIV, Low Weight, Pregnant Inmates, and Drug Withdrawal Inmates)

The average daily number of inmates receiving religious diets is four (4) at this time not including religious holidays such as Ramadan and the Eid al-Fitr.

#### 15. Staff/Visitor Meals

- a. Staff and visitors are able to eat all meals served during their duty hours. However, most staff and visitors only eat the lunch meal. It is estimated that approximately 80 staff/visitors eat lunch 7 days a week. The average meals served to staff is 100 per day. These meals will be charged to the Jefferson County Sheriff's office and should be included in the price per meal.
- b. Staff should be offered an ala carte menu for their own purchase. Please submit an ala carte menu. Ala carte items are not available now.

#### 16. Special Meals

The Jefferson County Correctional facility provides special meals to the inmate population on the following holidays Thanksgiving & Christmas. Any other special meals will be mutually agreed upon by the Contractor and the Jefferson County Correctional Facility.

#### **Cost Summary**

The cost per meal prepared shall be indicated on the bid summary sheet (see Attachment). NOTE: County should consider requiring a scale for population changes.

The per meal prices stated in this RFP will be firm for the period beginning on the date of execution and acceptance of an agreed contract and ending on the first anniversary of that date. Per meal prices for each subsequent 12-month period shall be adjusted on the anniversary of the Effective Date by an amount to be determined utilizing the local CPI to calculate changes in food costs.

# 5. Project Requirements

## 5.1 Objective

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.

## 5.2 Offeror Experience

The successful Offeror 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 Offeror must describe in detail the current and historical experience the Offeror and its subcontractors have that would be relevant to completing the project. The Offeror 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 Offeror and its subcontractors, as applicable, have had and all experience similar to this contract that qualifies the Offeror 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 Offeror must indicate whether the organizations so listed are included for the purpose of verifying the Offeror'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 Offeror under the contract, and whether the Offeror was the contractor or subcontractor.

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

# 5.3 Offeror Personnel and Organization

The Offeror 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;

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

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

# 6. Proposal Evaluation and Selection Process

#### 6.1 Introduction

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.

# 6.2 Cost Proposal

The Offeror must utilize the form provided in Appendix A 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 Appendix A that is intended to be a substitute for Appendix A, that is provided by a Offeror may be determined as non-responsive, and may result in the proposal's disqualification.

# 6.3 Proposal Evaluation and Selection

Prior to the receipt of proposals, the County will establish an Evaluation Committee. The Committee is expected to include representatives from: Jeffferson County Correctional Facility and Jefferson County Sheriff's Department.

### 6.4 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. Offeror Qualifications – 25%

This refers to the overall qualifications of Offeror and its past experience in providing similar services to those requested by this RFP. It also refers to an evaluation of the quality of Offeror'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 Offeror'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.

The Evaluation Committee may elect to require an oral presentation from each qualified Offeror of the information contained in their proposal. Any invitation for an oral presentation will be solely for the purpose of clarifying proposals received from each qualifying Offeror, and will not represent any decision on the part of the evaluation committee as to the selection of a successful Offeror.

Upon completion of their review and any oral presentations, the Evaluation Committee will convene one or more times to discuss the proposals as a group. Each Evaluation Committee member will individually score each proposal independently. Jefferson County Purchasing Department will collect all scores and aggregate the scores of all Committee members. The Purchasing Department will then prepare a report identifying the proposal that scored the highest in the selection process according to the evaluation criteria described in this RFP and

Upon the selection of an apparent successful Offeror, the Court shall appoint the Purchasing Agent to proceed with contract negotiations and attempt to finalize a written contract with the apparent successful Offeror. If a contract cannot be successfully negotiated within a reasonable period of time, negotiations will be terminated, and negotiations with the next highest-ranking Offeror may commence. This process may continue until a contract is signed or the RFP is withdrawn. However, the County may, in its sole judgment and at any time upon failure of negotiations, choose to reissue or withdraw the RFP rather than continue with negotiations. A notice of award will be sent to all Offeror s immediately following execution of a written contract.

Key staff of the County will be available to the successful Offeror on a reasonable basis, but may not be available on holidays or weekends.

# **Cost Proposal**

Using this form, each Offeror must state its proposed charges. Each Offeror's charges must include the entire cost of providing the services identified in this RFP.

Cost/Fee Proposals may be submitted in any form(s). Cost will be a factor in the County's selection process.

Per meal, per specific	\$	
Name of Offeror:		
Signature:		
Title:		

Offeror Must Complete and Return This Page With Offer.

#### **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 to 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]

Ву:	 	 
Title: _	 	 
Date:	 	 

### **Vendor References**

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.

#### THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED WITH YOUR OFFER.

REFERENCE ONE				
Government/Company Name:				
Address:				
Phone:	Fax:			
Email Address:	Contract Period:			
Scope of Work:				
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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 Offeror be willing to allow other governmental entities to piggyback off this contract, if awarded, under the same terms and conditions? ...... Yes This offer shall remain in effect for ninety (90) days from proposal 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 Proposal. Conditions of Request for Proposal, 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 proposal in collusion with any other Offeror, and that the contents of this proposal as to prices, terms or conditions of said proposal have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any other Offeror or to any other person(s) engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this proposal. And further, that neither the Offeror 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 submit a proposal or not to submit a proposal thereon. Offeror (Entity Name) Signature Street & Mailing Address Print Name City, State & Zip Date Signed Telephone Number Fax Number E-mail Address

### **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 applater than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the origincomplete or inaccurate.)	
Name of local government officer about whom the information in this section is being discl	osed.
Name of Officer	
This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C, & D) must be completed for each officer vemployment 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 income, from the vendor?	ment Code. Attach additional
Yes No	
B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local section.	
Yes No	
C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity wi 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.
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Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date

Adopted 8/7/2015

# Local Government Officer Conflicts Disclosure Statement - OFFICE USE ONLY

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	Signature of officer administering oath	Printed name of office	administering oath	Title of officer administering oath

Adopted 8/7/2015

### **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.

		Die	d the Prime Contractor/Consultant	
☐ Yes	□No	1.	To the extent practical, and consistent with standard and prudent indust standards, divide the contract work into the smallest feasible portions, to allow for maximum HUB Subcontractor participation?	
☐ Yes	□No	2.	<b>Notify</b> in writing a reasonable number of HUBs, allowing sufficient time f effective participation of the planned work to be subcontracted?	or
☐ 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, scop of work, bonding and insurance requirements, and a point of contract with the Prime Contractor/Consultant's organization)?	рe
☐ Yes	□No	4.	<b>Negotiate</b> in good faith with interested HUBs, and not reject bids from HUB that qualify as lowest and responsive bidders?	}s
☐ Yes	□No	5.	<b>Document</b> reasons HUBs were rejected? Was a written rejection notic including the reason for rejection, provided to the rejected HUBs?	e,
☐ Yes	□No	6.	If Prime Contractor/Consultant has zero (0) HUB participation, <b>please expla</b> the reasons why.	in
If "No"			d, please explain and include any pertinent documentation with your bid. ry, please use a separate sheet to answer the above questions.	
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(RFP 18-059/YS), Food Service Consulting and Management Services for Jefferson County Correctional Facility

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

#### This information must be submitted with your bid.

Bidder intends to utilize subcontractors.  ☐ Yes ☐ No	/sub-consultants in	the fulfillment	of this contract (if aw	arded).
Instructions for Prime Contractor/Coninformation below may be submitted a contract. Please submit one form for each the terms and conditions of your contract	fter contract award ch HUB Subcontract	, but prior to b	eginning performance	e on the
Contractor Name:			HUB: p Yes p No	
Address:				
Street	City	State	Zip	
Phone (with area code):	Fax	(with area code): _		
Project Title & No.:				
Prime Contract Amount: \$				
HUB Subcontractor Name:				
HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity):				
Certifying Agency:   Tx. Bldg & Procurement				
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Printed Name of HUB	Signature of Rep	resentative	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/Subconsultant Change Form" must be completed and faxed to 409-835-8456.

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#### This information must be submitted with your bid.

Prime Contractor:			HIIR: TVas TNo
HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity):			
Address: Street		State	Zip
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Phone (with area code):			
Project Title & No.:	IFB/I	RFP No.:	
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#### **HUB SUBCONTRACTOR DISCLOSURE**

**PART I: Continuation Sheet** (Duplicate as Needed) HUB Subcontractor Name: HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity): Certifying Agency: Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. Jefferson County Tx Unified Certification Prog. Address: State City 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): Certifying Agency: 

Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. 

Jefferson County 

Tx Unified Certification Prog. City State Zip Contact person: Title: Phone (with area code): \_\_\_\_\_ Fax (with area code): \_\_\_\_\_ 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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# PART II: STATEMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE FOR NOT MEETING HUB SUBCONTRACTING GOALS

Please complete Good Faith Effort (GFE) Checklist and	d attach any supporting documentation.
Our firm was unable to meet the HUB goals for this projec	t for the following reasons:
<ul> <li>All subcontractors to be utilized are "Non-HUBs."</li> <li>HUBs were solicited but did not respond.</li> <li>HUBs solicited were not competitive.</li> <li>HUBs were unavailable for the following trade(s)</li> <li>Other:</li> </ul>	:
Was the Jefferson County HUB Office contacted for assist	ance in locating HUBs?
PART III: DISCLOSURE OF OTHER "NON-HI	UB" SUBCONTRACTS
The bidder shall use this area to provide a listing of all "N perform under this project. A list of those "Non-HUB" Su shall be provided to the Purchasing Office not later than f the apparent low bidder. A list of those "Non-HUB" Subc be provided <b>immediately</b> after their selection.	ubcontractors the bidder selects, after bid submission, ive (5) calendar days after being notified that bidder is
Subcontractor Name:	
Address:	
Street City	State Zip
Contact person:	Title:
Phone (with area code):	Fax (with area code):
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$	Percentage of Prime Contract:
Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:	
Subcontractor Name:	
Address:	
Street City	State Zip
Contact person:	Title:
Phone (with area code):	Fax (with area code):
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$	Percentage of Prime Contract:
Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:	

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Address:	
Street City	
Contact person:	Title:
Phone (with area code):	Fax (with area code):
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$	Percentage of Prime Contract:
Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:	
	ons and Information, truthfully completed all applicable parts of ation as required. I fully understand that intentionally falsifying a contract award or termination of any resulting contract.
Name (print or type):	
Title:	
Signature:	
Date:	
E-mail address:	
Contact person that will be in charge of invoicing for this	s project:
Name (print or type):	
Title:	
Date:	
E-mail address:	

#### **Residence Certification/Tax Form**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2252.001 et seq., as amended, Jefferson County requests Resident Certification. §2252.001 et seq.

of the below		nment Code	provides some restri	ctions on the	warding of governmental c	contracts; pertinent provisions	s of §2252.001 are st	ated
	(3)	"Nonresid	ent bidder" refers to a	a person who	s not a resident.			
	(4)				rincipal place of business is ncipal place of business in	s in this state, including a conthis state.	ntractor whose ultima	ite
		fy that 2.001.		[compa	name] is a Resident Bidde	er of Texas as defined in Go	vernment Code	
	I certi our pi	fy that rincipal place	e of business is	[compa	name] is a Nonresident Bi	idder as defined in Governm d state).	ient Code §2252.001	and
			on Number (T.I.I					
Com	pany	Name sub	omitting bid/propo	osal:		_		
Maili	ng ad	dress:						
If you		an indivi	dual, list the nar	mes and a	Idresses of any partr	nership of which you a	are a general	
Prop	erty	: List all	taxable propert	y owned	y you or above part	nerships in Jefferson	n County.	
Jeffe	efferson County Tax Acct. No.* Property address or location**							

\* 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.

#### **Bid Affidavit**

The undersigned certifies that the bid prices contained in this bid have been carefully reviewed and

are submitted as correct and final. Bidder further certifies and agrees to furnish any and/or all commodities upon which prices are extended at the price offered, and upon the conditions contained in the specifications and the Notice to Bidders. COUNTY OF BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for the State of \_\_\_\_\_\_, on this day personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_\_, who (name) after being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: "I, \_\_\_\_\_(name) \_\_\_\_\_ am a duly authorized officer of/agent and have been duly authorized to execute the (name of firm) foregoing on behalf of the said\_\_\_\_\_ (name of firm) I hereby certify that the foregoing bid has not been prepared in collusion with any other bidder or other person or persons engaged in the same line of business prior to the official opening of this bid. Further, I certify that the bidder is not now, nor has been for the past six (6) months, directly or indirectly concerned in any pool or agreement or combination, to control the price of services/commodities bid on, or to influence any person or persons to bid or not to bid thereon." Name and address of bidder: Telephone#\_\_\_\_\_ Title:\_\_\_\_\_ (print name)

Offeror Must Complete and Return This Page With Offer.

Notary Public in and for the State of

Signature:

this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ , 2019.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me by the above-named

### **House Bill 89 Verification**

I,	, the undersigned representative of (company or business
name)(heretofore referred to as co	ompany) being an adult over the age of eighteen (18) years of age, after ndersigned notary, do hereby depose and verify under oath that the
	er the provisions of Subtitle F, Title 10, Government Code Chapter 2270:
1. Does not boycott Israel co	urrently; and
2. Will not boycott Israel dur	ing the term of the contract.
Pursuant to Section 2270.00	1, Texas Government Code:
taking any action that is interspecifically with Israel, or w	refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise ended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations ith a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled an action made ordinary business purposes; and
partnership, joint venture, company, including a wholly	for-profit sole proprietorship, organization, association, corporation, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or an limited liability owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate association that exist to make a profit.
Signature of Company Repre	esentative
Date	
On this day of	, 20, personally appeared
me being duly sworn, did s	, the above named person, who after by swear and confirm that the above is true and correct.
Notary Seal	
Hotary Ocal	Notary Signature
	Date

## **Bidder Shall Return Completed Form with Offer.**

### **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	
FB/RFP/RFQ number	
Certification check performed by:	
Purchasing Representative	
 Date	

## **Bidder Shall Return Completed Form with Offer.**