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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION OR NEW CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING FOR HOME-ARP QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

Sealed proposals for <u>ACQUISITION</u>, <u>REHABILITATION OR NEW CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL</u> <u>HOUSING FOR HOME-ARP QUALIFYING POPULATIONS</u>, <u>RFP #61121823</u> will be received by the Director of Purchasing, City of Tampa, until <u>December 18, 2023, 3:00pm</u>; then to be opened.

A <u>PRE-PROPOSAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY CONFERENCE</u> will be held at <u>10:00AM</u>, <u>November 14th</u>, <u>2023</u>, at <u>2555 E. Hanna Avenue – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor</u> to discuss the above referenced subject. MANDATORY SITE VISIT.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in these public hearings or meetings should contact the City of Tampa's ADA Coordinator at least 48 hours prior to the proceeding. The ADA Coordinator may be contacted by phone at 813-274-3964, email at <a href="mailto:TampaADA@tampagov.net">TampaADA@tampagov.net</a>, or by submitting an ADA - Accommodations Request online form available at <a href="https://tampagov.net/ADARequest">https://tampagov.net/ADARequest</a> "Please note that the City of Tampa may not be able to accommodate any request received less than 48 hours before the scheduled hearing or meeting.

Attached are important instructions and specifications regarding responses to this Request for Proposals. Failure to follow these instructions may result in Proposer's disqualification.

Questions regarding Vendor Registration, accessing RFP documents or submission assistance within the GetAll system shall be emailed to <a href="mailto:support@getall.com">support@getall.com</a>. Reference RFP # and name in email subject line. Questions pertaining to the RFP document/specifications will be accepted up to ten days prior to the scheduled opening date and time and shall be submitted within the GetAll system. Per the City of Tampa's Communication Policy during any solicitation period including any protest and/or appeal, there should be no contact with City officials or employees, other than the Analyst, the Director of Purchasing or the Legal Department, permitted from any Proposer. Such communication shall result in an automatic disqualification for selection in the pending solicitation and any subsequent City solicitations for a period of six (6) months, no matter the outcome of the solicitation or any protest and/or appeal.

Proposals shall be accepted no later than the time and date specified above. The RFP Opening shall be thereafter and published on GETALL. All proposals received after the due date and time shall be rejected. **Offers by mail, hand delivery or express mail, telephone, email or transmitted by facsimile (FAX) machine are not acceptable.** All submittals are uploaded electronically into the GETALL system. **No file shall have a special character**. No proposal may be withdrawn or modified after the time fixed for the opening of proposals.

Electronic submittals shall be performed in the GetAll system via link <a href="https://erfp.integratise.com/getall/registration\_initial\_tmp.asp?c=&p=61121823&d=12/18/2023">https://erfp.integratise.com/getall/registration\_initial\_tmp.asp?c=&p=61121823&d=12/18/2023</a>. To ensure that an electronic submittal is received by the opening date and time, it is recommended that the Proposer submit their documents with adequate time allowed prior to the deadline. Proposer shall receive an email confirmation of their proposal submittal after clicking on the Confirm Bid button in the GetAll system. The Proposer shall be responsible for confirming that their submittal is received by the deadline. Any submittal received after the closing date and time will not be considered.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS**

City of Tampa solicitations are issued electronically via GetAll's system. Obtaining solicitations through GetAll will ensure that proposers will have the following capabilities: receipt of solicitation documents electronically, track the status of solicitation award activity, receive addenda, receive the results of solicitation awards and view plans and blueprints online electronically. Proposers who obtain specifications and plans from sources other than GetAll are cautioned that the solicitation packages may be incomplete. The City will not accept incomplete proposals. Contact GetAll at <a href="mailto:support@getall.com">support@getall.com</a> for more information.

The City is not responsible for errors and omissions occurring in the transmission or downloading of any solicitation documents, plans, or specifications from the GetAll system. GetAll has no affiliation with the City of Tampa other than as a service that facilitates communication and solicitation submittals between the City and its proposers. GetAll is an independent entity and is not an agent or representative of the City. Communications to GetAll does not constitute communications to the City. Contact GetAll at <a href="mailto:support@qetall.com">support@qetall.com</a> for more information.

Proposers discovering any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other error in this RFP, shall immediately notify the City of such error in writing and request modification or clarification of the RFP within the GetAll system. Modifications will be made by issuing an addendum and will be given by written notice to all prospective Proposers who received an original RFP from GetAll (those who are on the Plan Holders List). Addenda will be posted and disseminated by GetAll at least five days prior to this RFP opening date. The Proposer is responsible for clarifying any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other error in the RFP prior to submitting the offer or it shall be deemed waived.

Tabulations (results) will be posted in the GetAll system and made available to proposers after the scheduled public opening of the sealed proposals.

The Proposer shall comply with the applicable requirements of Federal and state laws, all Codes and Ordinances of the City of Tampa as amended from time to time and any applicable professional regulations.

The Proposer is expected to carefully examine the entire solicitation package, including but not limited to all the provisions, terms, and conditions. **Failure to do so will be at the Proposer's risk.** 

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#### **SECTION 1 – BACKGROUND**

The City of Tampa, FLORIDA (the "City") through its Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) is now accepting proposals on behalf of the City of Tampa for the development of affordable rental housing for HOME-ARP Qualifying Populations.

These funds will be made available at below market interest rates for rental housing production projects. Each proposal will be competitively evaluated, and funding will be determined based on alignment with priorities established in the City of Tampa's Plan <a href="https://www.tampagov.net/hcd">www.tampagov.net/hcd</a>.

The purpose of the program is to increase the supply of affordable rental housing for HOME American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Qualifying Populations through public/private partnerships.

#### **SECTION 2 – OVERVIEW OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

By issuing this Request for Proposals, it is the City's intent to identify those projects which significantly address priorities which can be preliminary qualified and supported by HCD, and which can be fully underwritten for recommendation of funding to Tampa's City Council. Before projects are recommended to the City Council, all information requested in the Project Application must be provided.

HUD expects its loans to be leveraged with other resources that may include private equity, loans from lending institutions, and/or funds from Federal, State, or local programs such as Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTCs), Tax-Exempt Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds, Supportive Housing Program, Federal Home Loan Bank Affordable Housing Program and/or the Florida Housing Trust Fund.

Qualified non-profit and for-profit developers who can demonstrate their ability to construct, acquire, rehabilitate, and operate affordable housing developments for homeless, and/or other qualifying populations, are encouraged to respond to this Request for Proposals.

#### **SECTION 3 – CITY PRIORITIES**

Projects that propose to provide rental housing for permanent supportive housing for qualifying populations will be eligible to receive up to 10 preference points. To receive maximum preference points, the project must propose to dedicate at least 30% of all HOME-ARP assisted units will be designated to provide rental housing for permanent supportive housing for persons experiencing homelessness (refer to Section 6 below for a definition of Qualifying Populations).

#### SECTION 4 – FUNDING AVAILABLE AND SOURCE OF FUNDS

Multiple applications may be submitted by a single applicant for different projects, but no more than one application may be submitted per development project. Awards made under this solicitation will be funded using supplemental HOME Investment Partnership Program funds awarded through the American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP).

Awards are subject to the requirements of the HOME Investment Partnership Program (CFDA #14.239) as amended by the HUD Notice CPD-21-10: Requirements for the Use of Funds in the HOME-ARP Program and its Appendix: Waivers and Alternative Requirements for Implementation of the HOME-ARP Program.

#### **SECTION 5 – SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Friday November 14, 2023: Pre-Proposal Technical Assistance

Housing and Community Development

2555 E Hanna Avenue - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Tampa, FL 33610

Friday November 30, 2023: Clarification questions due by 11:59am (EST)

Thursday December 18, 2023: Proposals due on or before 3:00pm (EST)

<u>Wednesday December 20, 2023:</u> Preliminary commitment letters will be sent to selected projects within two business days of announcement. Preliminary commitments are contingent upon HUD approval of Tampa's final project underwriting.

#### **Pre-Proposal Technical Assistance**

The City of Tampa shall conduct a virtual pre-proposal technical assistance at 10:00 AM (EST) on November 3, 2023. All offers are strongly encouraged to review this Request for Proposals in full and to attend the pre-proposal conference. Offerors will be provided with an opportunity to ask specific questions related to this Request for Proposals and the scope of work solicited during the pre-proposal conference.

A link to the Virtual Technical Assistance Workshop will be placed on the City's website where the RFP Announcement is located. After the Technical Assistance Workshop, all questions regarding the RFP must be submitted in writing to: <a href="mailto:constance.andrews@tampagov.net">constance.andrews@tampagov.net</a>. Questions shall only be submitted by GetAll; no other inquiries will be responded to.

Questions received via email regarding the RFP will be addressed by the City and answers will be provided by Addendum per the schedule noted above. The City reserves the right to notify the Developer by Addendum that the City will no longer allow additional questions regarding the RFP.

#### **SECTION 6 – ELIGIBLE BENEFICIARIES**

#### **Qualifying Populations**

HOME-ARP requires that funds be used to primarily benefit individuals and families in the following specified "qualifying populations." Any individual or family who meets the criteria for these populations are eligible to reside in a unit funded through HOME-ARP without meeting additional criteria (e.g., additional income criteria).

Not less than 70 percent of affordable rental housing units acquired or constructed with HOME-ARP funds must be occupied by households in the qualifying populations. Qualifying Populations include:

- 1. Homeless, as defined in 24 CFR 91.5 Homeless (1), (2), or (3):
  - a. An individual or family who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, meaning:
    - i. An individual or family with a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground;
    - ii. An individual or family living in a supervised publicly or privately operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); or
    - iii. An individual who is exiting an institution where he or she resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution.
  - b. An individual or family who will imminently lose their primary nighttime residence, provided that:

- i. The primary nighttime residence will be lost within 14 days of the date of application for homeless assistance;
- ii. No subsequent residence has been identified; and
- iii. The individual or family lacks the resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based, or other social networks needed to obtain other permanent housing.
- c. Unaccompanied youth under 25 years of age or families with children and youth, who do not otherwise qualify as homeless under this definition, but who:
  - i. Are defined as homeless under section 387 of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a), section 637 of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832), section 41403 of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2), section 330(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)), section 3 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012), section 17(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)), or section 725 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a);
  - ii. Have not had a lease, ownership interest, or occupancy agreement in permanent housing at any time during the 60 days immediately preceding the date of application for homeless assistance;
  - iii. Have experienced persistent instability as measured by two moves or more during the 60-day period immediately preceding the date of applying for homeless assistance; and
  - iv. Can be expected to continue in such status for an extended period of time because of chronic disabilities, chronic physical health or mental health conditions, substance addiction, histories of domestic violence or childhood abuse (including neglect), the presence of a child or youth with a disability, or two or more barriers to employment, which include the lack of a high school degree or General Education Development (GED), illiteracy, low English proficiency, a history of incarceration or detention for criminal activity, and a history of unstable employment;
- 2. At risk of Homelessness, as defined in 24 CFR 91.5 At risk of homelessness:
  - a. An individual or family who:
    - Has an annual income below 30 percent of median family income for the area, as determined by HUD;
    - ii. Does not have sufficient resources or support networks, e.g., family, friends, faith-based or other social networks, immediately available to prevent them from moving to an emergency shelter or another place described in paragraph (1) of the "Homeless" definition in this section; and
    - iii. Meets one of the following conditions:
      - 1. Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
      - 2. Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
      - 3. Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;

- 4. Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
- 5. Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 people per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;
- 6. Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (ex. health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or
- 7. Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the City of Tampa Consolidated Plan;
- b. A child or youth who does not qualify as "homeless" under this section, but qualifies as "homeless" under section 387(3) of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (42 U.S.C. 5732a(3)), section 637(11) of the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9832(11)), section 41403(6) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (42 U.S.C. 14043e-2(6)), section 330(h)(5)(A) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254b(h)(5)(A)), section 3(l) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2012(l)), or section 17(b)(15) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1786(b)(15)); or
- c. A child or youth who does not qualify as "homeless" under this section but qualifies as "homeless" under section 725(2) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11434a(2)), and the parent(s) or quardian(s) of that child or youth if living with her or him).
- 3. <u>Fleeing, or Attempting to Flee, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, or Human Trafficking, as defined by HUD.</u>
  - a. For HOME-ARP assisted units, this population includes any individual or family who is fleeing, or is attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking. This population includes cases where an individual or family reasonably believes that there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence due to dangerous or life-threatening conditions that relate to violence against the individual or a family member, including a child, that has either taken place within the individual's or family's primary nighttime residence or has made the individual or family afraid to return or remain within the same dwelling unit. In the case of sexual assault, this also includes cases where an individual reasonably believes there is a threat of imminent harm from further violence if the individual remains within the same dwelling unit that the individual is currently occupying, or the sexual assault occurred on the premises during the 90-day period preceding the date of the request for transfer.
  - b. <u>Domestic violence</u>, which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by:
    - i. A current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim (the term "spouse or intimate partner of the victim" includes a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim, as determined by the length of the relationship, the type of the relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship);
    - ii. A person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
    - iii. A person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
    - iv. A person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction receiving HOME-ARP funds; or

- v. Any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction/
- c. <u>Dating violence</u> which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 means violence committed by a person:
  - i. Who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and
  - ii. Where the existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on a consideration of the following factors:
    - 1. The length of the relationship;
    - 2. The type of relationship; and
    - 3. The frequency of interaction between the person(s) involved in the relationship.
- d. <u>Sexual assault</u> which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 means any nonconsensual sexual act proscribed by Federal, Tribal, or State law, including when the victim lacks capacity to consent.
- e. <u>Stalking</u> which is defined in 24 CFR 5.2003 means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to:
  - i. Fear for the person's individual safety or the safety of others; or
  - ii. Suffer substantial emotional distress.
- f. <u>Human Trafficking</u> includes both sex and labor trafficking, as outlined in the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7102). These are defined as:
  - Sex trafficking means the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, obtaining, patronizing, or soliciting of a person for the purpose of a commercial sex act, in which the commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained 18 years of age; or
  - ii. Labor trafficking means the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.
- 4. Other Populations where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of NAHA (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)) would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability. HUD defines these populations as individuals and households who do not qualify under any of the populations above but meet one of the following criteria:
  - a. Other Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Homelessness is defined as households (i.e., individuals and families) who have previously been qualified as "homeless" as defined in 24 CFR 91.5, are currently housed due to temporary or emergency assistance, including financial assistance, services, temporary rental assistance or some type of other assistance to allow the household to be housed, and who need additional housing assistance or supportive services to avoid a return to homelessness.
  - b. At Greatest Risk of Housing Instability is defined as household who meets either paragraph (i) or (ii) below:
    - i. Has annual income that is less than or equal to 30% of the area median income, as determined by HUD, and is experiencing severe cost burden (i.e., is paying more than 50% of monthly household income toward housing costs).

- ii. Has annual income that is less than or equal to 50% of the area median income, as determined by HUD, AND meets one of the following conditions from paragraph (iii) of the "At risk of homelessness" definition established at 24 CFR 91.5:
  - 1. Has moved because of economic reasons two or more times during the 60 days immediately preceding the application for homelessness prevention assistance;
  - 2. Is living in the home of another because of economic hardship;
  - 3. Has been notified in writing that their right to occupy their current housing or living situation will be terminated within 21 days after the date of application for assistance;
  - 4. Lives in a hotel or motel and the cost of the hotel or motel stay is not paid by charitable organizations or by Federal, State, or local government programs for low-income individuals;
  - 5. Lives in a single-room occupancy or efficiency apartment unit in which there reside more than two persons or lives in a larger housing unit in which there reside more than 1.5 persons reside per room, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau;
  - 6. Is exiting a publicly funded institution, or system of care (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution); or
  - 7. Otherwise lives in housing that has characteristics associated with instability and an increased risk of homelessness, as identified in the recipient's approved consolidated plan.
- 5. <u>Veterans and Families that include a Veteran Family</u> Member that meets the criteria for one of the qualifying populations described above are eligible to receive HOME-ARP assistance.

#### **LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS**

Up to 30 percent of units assisted with HOME-ARP funds can be occupied by households defined as low-income. Such units are subject to income targeting and rent requirements established under the HOME-ARP Rental Program rules and are only permitted in projects with rental units restricted for occupancy by qualifying populations.

At initial occupancy, units restricted for low-income households must be occupied by households that meet the definition of low-income in 24 CFR 92.2. If a tenant's income increases above the applicable low-income limit during the compliance period, the unit will be considered temporarily out of compliance.

In accordance with 24 CFR 92.252(h), the income of each low-income household must be determined initially in accordance with 24 CFR 92.203(a)(1)(i), and each year following the initial determination during the minimum compliance period in the manner specified by the City of Tampa.

#### **SECTION 7 – LIMITING ELIGIBILITY TO SUBPOPULATIONS**

Recipients must follow all applicable fair housing, civil rights, and nondiscrimination requirements, including but not limited to those requirements listed in 24 CFR 5.105(a). This includes but is not limited to, the Fair Housing Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, section 504 of

Rehabilitation Act, HUD's Equal Access Rule, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, as applicable.

HOME-ARP rental housing may be limited to a specific subpopulation of a qualifying population identified in Section IV of this solicitation, so long as admission does not discriminate against any protected class under federal nondiscrimination laws in 24 CFR 5.105 (e.g.,

the housing may be limited to homeless households and at risk of homelessness households.

Recipients may limit admission to or provide a preference for HOME-ARP rental housing to households who need the specialized supportive services that are provided (e.g., domestic violence services). However, no otherwise eligible individuals with disabilities or families including an individual with a disability who may benefit from the services provided may be excluded on the grounds that they do not have a particular disability.

#### **SECTION 8 – RENT LIMITATIONS**

<u>Units Restricted for Occupancy by Qualifying Households:</u> In no case can the HOME-ARP rents exceed 30% of the adjusted income of a household whose annual income is equal to or less than 50% of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for a number of bedrooms in the unit. HUD will publish the HOME-ARP rent limits on an annual basis.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a unit that receives a Federal or state project-based rental subsidy and is occupied by a qualifying household that pays as a contribution to rent no more than 30 percent of the household's adjusted income, may charge the rent allowable under the Federal or state project-based rental subsidy program (i.e., the tenant rental contribution plus the rental subsidy allowable under that program). If a household receives tenant-based rental assistance, the rent is permissible under the applicable rental assistance program (i.e., the tenant rental contribution plus the rental subsidy allowable under that rental assistance program).

The rent limits for HOME-ARP units for qualifying households include the rent plus the utility allowance established and published annually.

<u>Units for Low-Income Households:</u> HOME-ARP rental units occupied by low-income households must comply with the rent limitations in 24 CFR 92.252(a) (i.e., the lesser of the Fair Market Rent for existing housing for comparable units in the area, as established by HUD, or a rent equal to 30 percent of the income of a family at 65 percent of median income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for the number of bedrooms in the unit). Notwithstanding the foregoing, when a household receives a form of Federal tenant-based rental assistance (e.g., housing choice vouchers), the rent is the rent permissible under the applicable rental assistance program (i.e., the tenant rental contribution plus the rent subsidy allowable under the rental assistance program). The rent limits for low-income households apply to the rent plus the utility allowance established by the City of Tampa and published annually.

<u>Single Room Occupancy (SRO) Units</u>: A HOME-ARP rental project may consist of SRO units. For the purposes of HOME-ARP rental, an SRO unit is defined as a unit that is the primary residence of the occupant(s) and must at least contain sanitary facilities but may also contain food preparation facilities. A project's designation as an SRO cannot be inconsistent with the building's zoning and building code classification.

If the SRO units have both sanitary and food preparation facilities, the maximum HOME-ARP rent is based on the zero-bedroom fair market rent. If the SRO unit has only sanitary facilities, the maximum HOME-ARP rent is based on 75 percent of the zero-bedroom fair market rent. The rent limits for SRO units must also include the utility allowance established by the City of Tampa and published annually.

<u>Changes In Income and Over-Income Households</u>: A household that met the definition of one of the HOME-ARP qualifying populations at initial occupancy and whose annual income at the time of income re-certification is above 50 percent of median income for the area but at or below 80 percent of the median income for the area must pay the rent specified in 24 CFR 92.252(a).

HOME-ARP-assisted units restricted for low-income households continue to qualify as HOME-ARP rental housing despite temporary noncompliance caused by increases in the income of existing households if actions satisfactory to HUD are taken so that all vacancies are filled in accordance with HOME-ARP requirements until the noncompliance is corrected.

Qualifying or low-income household that is not low-income at the time of income recertification (i.e., whose income is above 80 percent of the median income for the area) must pay rent that complies with the over-income regulatory

requirements at 24 CFR 92.252(i)(2), which includes requirements applicable to HOME units that also have LIHTC restrictions.

#### **SECTION 9 – REFERRAL PROCESS AND WAIT LIST**

<u>Low-Income Households</u>: The project shall maintain a waiting list for units restricted to low-income households. Households shall be added to the project waiting list in order of application date adjusted for any project-specific priorities (e.g., households containing an older adult and/or person with disability if project targets older adults and/or persons with disabilities, etc.)

#### **SECTION 10 – MINIMUM COMPLIANCE PERIOD**

HOME-ARP rental units must comply with the HOME-ARP rental requirements for a minimum of 50 years, irrespective of the amount of HOME-ARP funds invested in the project or the activity is undertaken. If a project-based rental assistance Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) contract is awarded to a HOME-ARP rental project, the minimum compliance period is greater of 50 years or the term of eligible HAP contract renewals.

Units assisted with HOME-ARP funds must comply with the requirements of HUD Notice CPD-21-10 throughout the minimum 50-year compliance period, including:

- 1. Units restricted for qualifying populations must be occupied by households that met the definition of a qualifying population at the time of initial occupancy. The household's contribution towards rent during this period must be affordable in accordance with Section VI.B.14 of HUD Notice CPD-21-10. The rent for these units must comply with the rent limitations established in the aforementioned Notice, including the rent provisions specified in 24 CFR 92.252(i)(2) for households whose income increases above 80 percent of area median income and whose contribution to rent complies with the requirements in Section VI.B.15 of the Notice.
- 2. Units available for low-income households must be continuously occupied by households who are income eligible. The rent for these units must comply with the rent limitations established in HUD Notice CPD-21-10, including the rent provisions specified in 24 CFR 92.252(i)(2) for households whose income increases above 80 percent of the area median income.
- 3. The units must comply with the ongoing property condition standards of 24 CFR 92.251(f) throughout the compliance period as demonstrated by an on-site inspection within 12 months of project completion and an on-site inspection at least once every three years thereafter as required by 24 CFR 92.504.
- 4. Each household that occupies a HOME-ARP unit has an executed lease that complies with the tenant protections required in Section VI.B.19 of HUD Notice CPD-21-10.

#### **SECTION 11 – ACCEPTANCE OF HOUSING SUBSIDY**

Projects may not discriminate against potential tenants based on their source of income. Project may not deny applicants on the sole basis of having a Housing Choice Voucher or rental subsidy provided by a government or not-for-profit organization. Projects are not required to accept all tenants with such subsidies if they do not otherwise meet tenancy requirements.

#### **SECTION 12 – ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES**

HOME-ARP funds may be used to acquire, rehabilitate, or construct affordable rental housing primarily for occupancy by households of individuals and families that meet the definition of

one or more of the qualifying populations described in Section IV of this Request for Proposals ("qualifying households"). Unlike the regular HOME Program, which targets HOME-assisted rental units based on tenant income, 70 percent of all HOME-ARP units will admit households based only upon their status as qualifying households. This complicates the underwriting and operation of projects that include HOME-ARP units. As a result, the requirements for HOME-ARP rental

housing provide significant flexibilities to enable HOME-ARP rental projects to remain financially viable and affordable for the qualifying populations throughout the minimum compliance period.

Eligible HOME-ARP rental housing includes "housing" as defined at 24 CFR 92.2, including but not limited to manufactured housing, single-room occupancy (SRO) units, and permanent supportive housing.

Emergency shelters, hotels, and motels (including those currently operating as non-congregate shelters), facilities such as nursing homes, residential treatment facilities, correctional facilities, halfway houses, and housing for students or dormitories <u>do not</u> constitute housing in the HOME-ARP program. However, HOME-ARP funds may be used to acquire and rehabilitate such structures into HOME-ARP rental housing.

Developing financially feasible rental housing for qualifying households is challenging in the absence of project-based rental assistance. Most HOME-assisted rental projects rely on tenant rents to cover all or a portion of the debt service and project operating costs. Most HOME-ARP qualifying households will be unable to pay rent that covers allocated debt service or operating costs, requiring PJs to use other techniques to determine that HOME-ARP units are affordable and that projects containing HOME-ARP units are sustainable throughout the minimum compliance period.

The American Rescue Plan suspended the maximum per-unit subsidy limit for HOME-ARP units, enabling HOME-ARP funds to pay the entire cost to acquire, rehabilitate and/or construct the HOME-ARP rental units, eliminating the need for the HOME-ARP units to support debt. In mixed-income developments, revenue from market rate or higher income-restricted units may also provide an internal subsidy to cover a portion of the operating costs of HOME-ARP units.

To address these challenges and maintain affordability, HUD has used its HOME-ARP statutory authority to:

- Establish alternative rent requirements to 24 CFR 92.252(b) and extend an owner's ability to charge the maximum rent permissible under a rental assistance program (to units occupied by recipients of tenant-based rental assistance (e.g., Housing Choice Vouchers, HOME TBRA, HOME-ARP TBRA).
- Establish a minimum compliance period of 50 years for all HOME-ARP rental units irrespective of the amount of subsidy per unit or whether the units are acquired, rehabilitated, and/or newly constructed.
- Permit the use of HOME-ARP funds to provide ongoing operating cost assistance or capitalize a project operating
  cost assistance reserve to address operating deficits of the HOME-ARP units restricted for qualifying households
  during the compliance period.
- Allow not more than 30 percent of the total number of rental units assisted with HOME-ARP funds to be restricted to households that are low-income as defined in 24 CFR 92.2 ("low-income households"). These units may only be located in projects containing HOME-ARP units restricted for qualifying households. The HOME-ARP rental units occupied by low-income households must operate under the regulations applicable to HOME rental units at 24 CFR 92.252 (i.e., be occupied by low-income households and bearing a rent not greater than the lesser of:
  - The Fair Market Rent for existing housing for comparable units in the area, as established by HUD, or
  - A rent equal to 30 percent of the adjusted income of a family with annual income at 65 percent of median income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for the number of bedrooms in the unit).

#### **SECTION 13 – FORM OF ASSISTANCE**

The primary aim of this solicitation is to provide gap financing for the acquisition of standard property, acquisition, and rehabilitation of substandard units a developer already owns, or construction of new units.

#### **SECTION 14 - MINIMUM ASSISTANCE**

The minimum amount of HOME-ARP funds that must be invested in a rental housing project is \$1,000 times the number of HOME-ARP-assisted units in the project as established in 24 CFR 92.205(c).

#### **SECTION 15 – ELIGIBLE COSTS**

HOME-ARP funds may be used to pay for up to 100% of the following eligible costs associated with the acquisition, development, and operation of HOME-ARP rental units:

- 1. Development hard costs as defined in 24 CFR 92.206(a).
- 2. Acquisition including the costs of acquiring improved or unimproved real property.
- 3. Related soft costs as defined in 24 CFR 92.206(d).
- 4. Relocation costs as defined in 24 CFR 92.206(f), 24 CFR 92.353, and described in HUD Notice CPD-21-10.
- 5. Costs relating to payment of loans If the HOME-ARP funds are not used to directly pay a cost specified in this HOME-ARP rental housing section, but are used to pay off a construction loan, bridge financing loan, or guaranteed loan, the payment of principal and interest for such loan is an eligible cost only if:
  - a. The loan was used for eligible costs specified in this HOME-ARP rental housing section, and
  - b. The HOME-ARP funds are part of the original financing for the project and the project meets the requirements of HUD Notice CPD-21-10.
- 6. Operating assistance including ongoing operating cost assistance or capitalizing an operating cost assistance reserve for HOME-ARP-assisted units restricted for occupancy by qualifying populations in a project where the City determines in its underwriting that the reserve is necessary to maintain the HOME-ARP units' long-term operational feasibility. HOME-ARP funds cannot be used for both a capitalized operating cost assistance reserve and ongoing payments for operating cost assistance during the minimum compliance period. The allowable amount of the reserve shall not exceed the amount determined by the City to be necessary to provide operating cost assistance for HOME-ARP units restricted for occupancy by qualifying populations for the 15-year HOME-ARP minimum compliance period. If awarded, operating assistance must adhere to all requirements outlined in HUD Notice CPD-21-10.

#### **SECTION 16 – PROPERTY STANDARDS**

HOME-ARP rental units must comply with all property standards applicable to rental projects required in 24 CFR 92.251 paragraphs (a) new construction, (b) rehabilitation projects, (c)(1) and (2) acquisition of standard housing, (e) manufactured housing, and (f) on-going property condition standards.

#### **SECTION 17 – TENANT PROTECTIONS**

Each household that occupies a HOME-ARP assisted unit has an executed lease that complies with the tenant protection requirements of HUD Notice CPD-21-10. The lease must be between the project owner and the household or between the project owner and a HOME-ARP sponsor with a sublease between the qualifying household and the HOME-ARP sponsor. A HOME-ARP sponsor is a nonprofit organization that provides housing or supportive services to qualifying households and facilitates the leasing of a HOME-ARP rental unit to a qualifying household. The City may permit a HOME-ARP sponsor to lease a HOME-ARP unit from an owner or execute a master lease with the owner of a HOME-ARP project for HOME-ARP units restricted for occupancy by qualifying households. The HOME-ARP sponsor may then sublease the HOME-ARP rental unit to the qualifying household. The sublease between the HOME-ARP sponsor and the qualifying household must comply with the rent limitations and tenant protection requirements defined in this Request for Proposals and by HUD Notice.

1. Lease Requirement: There must be a lease between the qualifying household or the low-income household and the owner of the HOME-ARP-assisted project in accordance with 24 CFR 92.253(a), except that a sublease is permitted

if a HOME-ARP sponsor has executed a master lease or lease with the project owner for the leasing of the units restricted for occupancy by qualifying households.

- 2. Prohibited Lease Terms: The lease between the low-income household, qualifying household, or HOME-ARP sponsor and the HOME-ARP project owner or the sublease between the HOME-ARP sponsor and a qualifying household may not contain any of the prohibited lease terms specified in 24 CFR 92.253(b).
- 3. Termination of tenancy: An owner may not terminate the tenancy or refuse to renew the lease of a tenant of a HOME-ARP unit or of a HOME-ARP sponsor with a sublease with a qualifying household except for serious or repeated violation of the terms and conditions of the lease; for violation of applicable Federal, State, or local laws; or for other good cause. Similarly, a HOME-ARP sponsor may not refuse to renew a sublease with a qualifying household except for serious or repeated violation of the terms and conditions of the sublease; for violation of applicable Federal, State, or local laws; or for other good cause. An increase in the tenant's or sublessee's income does not constitute good cause.

In addition, an owner may not terminate the tenancy or refuse to renew the lease of a qualifying household because of the household's inability to pay rent during the minimum compliance period if HOME-ARP funds were or are used to capitalize an operating cost assistance reserve or there is a current contract for the City to provide operating cost assistance to the project. A qualifying household's inability to pay rent shall mean that the qualifying household cannot pay more than 30 percent of the qualifying household's income toward rent, based on an income determination made by the City in the last 30 days.

The above tenant protections are necessary as HOME-ARP requires the City to perform underwriting that reviews the operating feasibility of units occupied by qualifying households for the 15-year compliance period to determine how HOME-ARP funds may address the potential for qualifying households to have little to no income to contribute toward rent.

To terminate or refuse to renew the tenancy for any household occupying a HOME-ARP unit, the owner must serve written notice upon the tenant (and the HOME-ARP sponsor if the lease is between an owner and HOME-ARP sponsor) at least 30 days before termination of tenancy, specifying the grounds for the action. In the case of a sublease, to terminate or refuse to renew tenancy of a qualifying household, the HOME-ARP sponsor must notify the City in advance of serving written notice to the qualifying household and must serve written notice upon the qualifying household at least 30 days before termination of tenancy, specifying the grounds for the action.

#### **SECTION 18 - PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS**

The fillable application form including a list of required attachments is available for download at <a href="https://www.tampa.gov/hcd">www.tampa.gov/hcd</a>

## **SECTION 19 – EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Responses to this solicitation shall be competitively evaluated by a review panel established by the City of Tampa. Projects will be evaluated using the following criteria.

SCORING CRITERIA	MAX SCORE
Program Overview	
Project goals and population to be served align with the City of	
Tampa's <u>Housing Affordability Strategy for Tampa.</u>	
Project location is located in or near Community Revitalization Areas	
defined in the Housing Affordability Strategy for Tampa.	
The project will utilize green building techniques.	25 points
The project design will reflect and enhance the natural surroundings	20 μοπτο
and built environment.	
The project has convenient access to areas outside the project and	
neighborhood.	
The project design reflects a compact urban form which conserves land	
and other natural and environmental resources.	

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<ul> <li>Use of HOME-ARP Funds</li> <li>Extent to which proposed use of HOME-ARP funds is eligible, necessary, and reasonable.</li> <li>The project will provide matching and leveraged funds for the project.</li> <li>The project funding will assist in the creation of additional affordable rental units.</li> </ul>	15 points
Site Description  The project design and configuration is appropriate to the site.  The project has a plan that addresses zoning issues, if present.	15 points
<ul> <li>Utilities Serving the Property</li> <li>The Project has a thorough accounting outline for the utilities to be paid by owner and the utilities to be paid by tenant.</li> <li>The proposed utility payment arrangements are appropriate to the qualifying populations as defined in the Request for Proposals.</li> </ul>	5 points
Market Demand     The Project will have a Market Demand Analysis that follows the instructions provided in the Application with sufficient evidence that justifies the market demand for the proposed project.	10 points
<ul> <li>Construction History of Property and Property/Lien Documents</li> <li>Extent to which the applicant provided the date of original construction of the property and, if over 45 years old, described current placement or nomination for the Historic Register, if applicable.</li> <li>If the applicant is applying for funds to assist in the rehabilitation of property already owned, the applicant provided property and lien documents as required by the Application.</li> </ul>	5 points
<ul> <li>Site Acquisition</li> <li>The applicant has site control of the proposed property or provide a reasonable plan to obtain site control within a reasonable time period.</li> <li>Extent to which supporting documentation related to obtaining site control, initial investments, contingencies, and financing are reasonable and demonstrate that the applicant will have ownership and site control of the project within a reasonable timeframe.</li> </ul>	10 points
Readiness to Proceed     The Project Schedule and cash flow denotes that the project can be completed within two years of the execution date.     The Project prior activities related to site control, environmental studies, marketing plans, project entitlements, and design are timely and supports the applicant's project schedule.	10 points
<ul> <li>Section 3/Vicinity Hiring</li> <li>The Applicant plans provides the number of new employees to be hired and subcontractors to be utilized throughout the project as required by the Project Application.</li> <li>The applicant plan provides new staffing and subcontractor utilization that are sufficient to deliver the proposed project.</li> </ul>	5 points
Relocation     The proposed project by the applicant will not result in relocation or the applicant will provide all current residents the required documentation regarding units requiring relocation; as defined in the Application. The current residents will be provided the General Information Notice under the Uniform Relocation Act prior to submitting the Application if units require relocation.	5 points

Property Management  The applicant provided a detailed plan for project management that addresses all requirements listed in the Application.  The proposed property management plan is appropriate to the project and qualifying populations.	15 points	
<ul> <li>Experience Developing Similar Projects and Project Team</li> <li>The applicant has experience in developing and managing housing for HOME-ARP qualifying populations and low-/moderate-income households.</li> <li>The applicants' prior projects have demonstrated success in providing affordable rental housing on time and in compliance with federal program requirements.</li> <li>The applicants' project team is comprised of experienced professionals with relevant experience and expertise to deliver the project, and the applicant and project team members have successfully delivered on prior development projects, including any projects funded by the City of Tampa.</li> </ul>	20 points	
Proposed Development Schedule  The applicant's proposed development schedule is reasonable and ensures timely completion of the project within two years of contract execution.  The project development schedule demonstrates the project will proceed quickly upon execution of the project agreement.	15 points	
<ul> <li>Cost Estimate and Financial Projections - Budget</li> <li>The applicant provided a detailed cost estimate for rehabilitation or new construction, and the cost(s) estimate are appropriate to the project design, and the cost (s) estimate are appropriate to the project design.</li> <li>The project budget, pro-forma, and other supporting documents indicate the project will meet underwriting guidelines.</li> <li>The applicant provided a plan to ensure sufficient operating funds to maintain the project during the compliance period.</li> <li>The project income plan is reasonable and realistic, and the proposed use of HOME-ARP funds are eligible, reasonable, and necessary.</li> <li>HOME-ARP funds will be leveraged by other sources for maximum community benefit.</li> </ul>	25 points	
<ul> <li>Applicant and Co-Applicant Materials</li> <li>The applicant and any co-applicant(s), if applicable, provided a complete Board of Directors List, Articles of Incorporation, and By-Laws as required.</li> <li>The applicant and any co-applicant(s), if applicable, provided a corporate resolution approving the HOME-ARP application.</li> <li>The applicant and any co-applicant(s), if applicable, provided the organization's most recently completed fiscal audit and the audit demonstrates sound fiscal oversight and management practices.</li> <li>The applicant provided funding commitment letters from other source(s).</li> </ul>	15 points	
Preference Points  The Project demonstrates that at least 30% of units proposed are designated for rental housing to permanently support housing for persons in qualifying populations who are experiencing homelessness.	10 points	
Total Available Points	205	

## **SECTION 20 - ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS**

Questions regarding this solicitation should be submitted to Constance Andrews Constance.Andrews@Tampagov.net. Questions will be answered in the order received. Please allow up to two business days for a response. Questions received less than three business days prior to the submission deadline may not receive a response. Applicants are strongly encouraged to attend the pre-proposal conference and ask questions at that time.

End of Section I

#### **SECTION II. GENERAL CONDITIONS**

#### 21. GENERAL INFORMATION

**21.1 Proposal Due Date.** Sealed proposals will be received no later than the date and time indicated on page one of this document. Proposals will not be accepted after this time. All proposals shall be submitted thru the GETALL system (electronically). File name should not have special characters. Proposer must wait for confirmation of successful upload.

City of Tampa Requests for Proposals are issued electronically via GetAll's system. Obtaining proposals through GetAll will ensure that proposer will have the following capabilities: receipt of proposal documents electronically, track the status of award activity, receive addenda, receive the results of awards and view plans and blueprints online electronically. Proposers who obtain specifications and plans from sources other than GetAll are cautioned that the proposal packages may be incomplete. The City will not accept incomplete proposals. Contact GetAll at <a href="mailto:support@getall.com">support@getall.com</a> for more information.

The City is not responsible for errors and omissions occurring in the transmission or downloading of any solicitation documents, plans, or specifications from the GetAll system. GetAll has no affiliation with the City of Tampa other than as a service that facilitates communication and proposal submittals between the City and its vendors. GetAll is an independent entity and is not an agent or representative of the City. Communications to GetAll does not constitute communications to the City. Contact GetAll at <a href="mailto:support@getall.com">support@getall.com</a> for more information.

**21.2 Addendum and Amendment to RFP.** If it becomes necessary to revise or amend any part of this RFP, GetAll will provide notification of the Addendum to all prospective Proposers who received an original RFP notification making them a plan-holder. Addenda will be posted and disseminated by GetAll at least five days prior to the RFP opening date.

It will be the responsibility of the Proposer to review GetAll prior to submitting a proposal to ascertain if any addenda has been issued, to obtain all such addenda, and to return the executed addenda with the proposal.

- **21.3 Errors and Omissions.** Proposers discovering any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other errors in this RFP, shall immediately notify the City of such error via email within Get All's system and request modification or clarification of the RFP. Modifications will be made by issuing an addendum and will be given by written notice to all prospective Proposers who queried the solicitation in Get All's system. Addenda will be posted and disseminated by GetAll at least five days prior to the RFP opening date. The Proposer is responsible for clarifying any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other error in this RFP prior to submitting the proposal or it shall be deemed waived.
- 21.4 Florida Public Records Law. In accordance with Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes, and, except as may be provided by Chapter 119 of the Florida Statutes and other applicable State and Federal Laws, all Proposers should be aware that the Proposal and the responses thereto are in the public domain and are available for public inspection and copying. Using Attachment B - Public Records Declaration or Claim of Exemption, Proposer is required to acknowledge whether or not they are asserting that certain information in its proposal is confidential and/or proprietary and/or exempt from public disclosure. If the Proposer is asserting that certain information in its Proposal is confidential and/or proprietary and/or exempt from public disclosure, then the Proposer is required to do the following: (1) identify, with specificity, the information which the Proposer asserts is confidential and/or proprietary and/or exempt from public disclosure, (2) place such information in a separate file labeled "REDACTED, EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE" this uploaded document must be separate from the Proposer's other Proposal documents, (3) specifically cite the applicable Florida Statute(s) that exempts such information from public disclosure - such citation must be placed within the redacted file. The "REDACTED" file that contains the Proposer's confidential/proprietary/exempt information must be submitted with the Proposer's other Proposal documents. Proposer is advised that failure to follow the aforementioned instructions may result in Proposer's alleged confidential/proprietary/exempt information being disclosed to the public. This will be the Proposer's "REDACTED" copy. All submittals received in response to this Proposal will become the property of the City of Tampa and will not be returned. In the event of an award, all documentation produced as part of the contract will become the exclusive property of the City.\* All uploaded documents may not have special characters in the file name, #,\*,@, etc....

Be aware that the designation of an item as exempt from public disclosure by a Proposer may be challenged in court by any person or entity. By designation of material in your Proposal submittal as exempt from public disclosure, Proposer agrees to defend the City of Tampa (and its employees, agents and elected and appointed officials) against all claims and actions (whether or not a lawsuit is commenced) related to Proposer's designation of material as exempt from public disclosure and to hold harmless the City of Tampa (and its employees, agents and elected and appointed officials) for any award to a

plaintiff for damages, costs and attorneys' fees, and for costs and attorneys' fees incurred by the City by reason of any claim or action related to your designation of material as exempt from public disclosure.

\*Note: The City will not accept Proposal submittals when the entire submittal is labeled as exempt from public disclosure and the proposal will be deemed non-responsive. Proposer's References and Cost or Price information will be deemed a public record, and if a claim of confidentiality/proprietary information is made, the City may deem the Proposal submittal as "non-responsive".

- **21.4.1** In accordance with Section 119.071(1)(b)2, Florida Statutes, sealed bids, proposals, or replies received by the City of Tampa pursuant to a competitive solicitation are exempt from section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes and section 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution until such time as the City of Tampa provides notice of an intended decision or until 30 days after opening the bids, proposals, or final replies, whichever is earlier.
- **21.4.2** In accordance with Section 119.071(1)(b)3, Florida Statutes, if the City of Tampa rejects all bids, proposals, or replies submitted in response to a competitive solicitation and the City of Tampa concurrently provides notice of its intent to reissue the competitive solicitation, the rejected bids, proposals, or replies remain exempt from section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes and section 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution until such time as the City of Tampa provides notice of an intended decision concerning the reissued competitive solicitation or until the City of Tampa withdraws the reissued competitive solicitation. A bid, proposal, or reply is not exempt for longer than 21 months after the initial City of Tampa notice rejecting all bids, proposals, or replies.
- **21.4.3** The City of Tampa is a public agency subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. In accordance with Florida Statutes, 119.0701, Successful Proposer agrees to comply with Florida's Public Records Law, including the following:
  - **1.** Successful Proposer shall keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the services;
  - **2.** Upon request from the City, Successful Proposer shall provide the City with copies of the requested records, having redacted records in total or in part that are exempt from disclosure by law or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time (with provision of a copy of such records to the City) on the same terms and conditions that the City would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed that provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law;
  - **3.** Ensure that public records, in part or in total that are exempt or that are confidential and exempt from public record requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion (or early termination) of the contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City;
  - **4.** Upon completion (or earlier termination) of the award, Successful Proposer shall within 30 days after such event either transfer to the City, at no cost, all public records in possession of the Successful Proposer or keep and maintain the public records in compliance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. If Successful Proposer transfers all public records to the City upon completion (or earlier termination) of the award, Successful Proposer shall destroy any duplicate records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If Successful Proposer keeps and maintains public records upon completion (or earlier termination) of the award, Successful Proposer shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the agency.
  - **5.** The failure of Successful Proposer to comply with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and/or the provisions set forth above shall be grounds for immediate unilateral termination of the contract by the City; the City shall also have the option to withhold compensation due Successful Proposer until records are received as provided herein.
  - 6. IF THE SUCCESSFUL PROPOSER HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES TO THE SUCCESSFUL PROPOSER'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AWARD, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 813/274-8351, COTPurchasingPRR@tampagov.net, AND

# MAILING ADDRESS OF PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, TAMPA MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, 306 E. JACKSON STREET, TAMPA, FL 33602.

**Note:** Acknowledgement of the Florida Public Records Law must be submitted with the proposal, under Section II. General Conditions, Section 14. Content of Proposal, Tab 2.

21.5 City Of Tampa Ethics Code. The Proposer shall comply with all applicable governmental and city rules and regulations including the City's Ethics Code which is available on the City's Website. (City of Tampa Code, Chapter 2, Article VIII. - Section 2-522)

Moreover, each Proposer responding to this Request for Proposal acknowledges and understands that the City's Charter and Ethics Code prohibit any City employee from receiving any substantial benefit or profit out of any contract or obligation entered into with the City, or from having any direct or indirect financial interest in effecting any such contract or obligation. The Successful Proposer shall ensure that no City employee receives any such benefit or interest as a result of the award of this Request for Proposal. (City of Tampa Code, Chapter 2, Article VIII. - Section 2-514(d))

Please note that the City's Ethics Code may be accessed on the Internet by utilizing the website link http://www.tampagov.net/human-resources/info/lobbyist-information or can be found in the City of Tampa's municipal codes published online the Municipal Code Corporation by at the website link https://www.municode.com/library/fl/tampa/codes/code of ordinances. Printed copies of the Ethics Code can also be obtained from the City Clerk's Office for a fee of \$0.15 cents a page.

**21.6 Warranties and Guarantee**. The City of Tampa will not accept any disclaimer of the warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose for the products offered. Proposals will clearly state any additional warranties and guarantees against defective materials and workmanship. A copy of the complete manufacturer's warranty statement is to be submitted with the proposal.

The material(s) supplied shall be guaranteed to be free from defect of composition, conception, and workmanship for a minimum period one-year from the date of installation and final acceptance by the City. Any parts or portions found not in accordance with this RFP will be rejected by the City and returned to the Successful Proposer at the Successful Proposer's expense for immediate replacement.

- **21.7 Copyrights and Patent Rights**. Proposer warrants that there has been no violation of copyrights, patent or other intellectual or proprietary rights in manufacturing, producing and/or selling the item(s) ordered or shipped as a result of this Proposal, and Successful Proposer agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless from any and all liability, loss or expense by any such violation including litigation costs and attorneys' fees through the appellate process, and damages which may be incurred by reason of any infringement at any time during the prosecution or after the completion of work.
- **21.8 Procurement Protest Procedures.** A protest must be filed with the Director of the soliciting Department within five (5) business days of posting the City's intent to award and may be filed by an actual Proposer, who is allegedly aggrieved in connection with the issuance of a proposal solicitation or pending award of any contract in any competitive process utilized by the City of Tampa for procurements of supplies, materials or services and construction of public improvements and has standing to protest under Florida Law. Any protest must be filed in accordance with the City of Tampa Code, Chapter 2, Article V, Division 3, Purchases and Contracts, Section 2-282, Procurement Protest Procedures. Protests not complying with the provisions of this Section shall not be reviewed.

All dates and times specified in the Protest Procedures in Section 2-282 are calculated as city business days. A City business day shall mean 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday, with the exception of city holidays. In all instances any document required to be transmitted by a certain date must be received in the required office by 4:30 pm. An envelope which is postmarked by the required date is not sufficient. Transmittal by fax, email or other electronic means may be accepted. However, it shall be the responsibility of the party transmitting the document(s) to ensure that the document(s) were received, and the transmitting party shall bear any risk of interruption or failure in the electronic transmission.

**21.9 WMBE Participation.** The City of Tampa EBO office administers the Women/Minority Business Enterprise (WMBE) Program to promote the inclusion of WMBE Companies in procurement solicitations and contract awards. The City actively solicits participation in this project by City Certified WMBE Companies deemed **underutilized.** To obtain a list of the City's Certified WMBE Companies, visit the Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Office website at <a href="http://www.tampagov.net/ebo.">http://www.tampagov.net/ebo.</a> Under Programs and Services select WMBE and SLBE Directories. These directories include WMBE Certified Companies which are listed by Type of Services and by Company Names.

**NOTE:** In accordance with the Equal Business Opportunity Ordinance 26.5, The City of Tampa's WMBE policies are narrowly tailored to identify <u>underutilized</u> WMBEs by Industry Category. Proposers who are certified within the <u>underutilized</u> category for the work/scope detailed herein or subcontract with firms that are certified within the <u>underutilized</u> category will be eligible for weighted points in the selection process. Refer to <u>MBD Form 70</u> to identify <u>underutilized</u> WMBEs by Industry Category and MBD Form 71 for the WMBE Participation scoring criteria for this RFP. **For this RFP the underutilized WMBE Industry Category is "<u>Professional Services</u>".** 

**21.10 SLBE Participation.** In an effort to promote increased opportunities for Small Local Business Enterprises (SLBEs), the City actively solicits the participation of certified SLBE firms in the performance of contracts. To obtain a list of the City's Certified SLBE Companies, visit the Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Office website at <a href="http://www.tampagov.net/ebo">http://www.tampagov.net/ebo</a>. Under programs and Services select WMBE and SLBE Directories. These directories include SLBE Certified Companies which are listed by Type of Services and by Company Names.

**NOTE:** In accordance with the Equal Business Opportunity Ordinance Chapter 26.5, SLBE vendors are eligible for weighted points in the selection process. Refer to MBD Form 71 for the SLBE participation scoring criteria for this RFP.

## For additional information visit the Equal Business Opportunity Office website at <a href="https://www.tampagov.net/ebo">www.tampagov.net/ebo</a>

- **21.11 Incurred Expenses.** The City is not responsible for any expenses which Proposers may incur in the preparation and submittal of proposals requested by this RFP, including but not limited to, costs associated with travel, accommodations, interviews, or presentations of proposals.
  - **21.12 Proposals Binding.** All proposals submitted shall be binding for 180 calendar days following the opening.
- **21.13 Non-Discrimination in Contracting and Employment.** The following provisions are hereby incorporated into any contract executed by or on behalf of the City of Tampa (City).

The Successful Proposer shall comply with the following Statement of Assurance:

During the performance of this Contract, the Successful Proposer herein assures the City, that said Successful Proposer is in compliance with Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, as amended, the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992, and the City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12, in that the Successful Proposer does not on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, familial status, or marital status, discriminate in any form or manner against said Successful Proposer's employees or applicants for employment.

The Successful Proposer understands and agrees that this Contract is conditioned upon the veracity of this Statement of Assurance, and that violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach of this Contract. Furthermore, the Successful Proposer herein assures the City that said Successful Proposer will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 when federal grant(s) are involved. This Statement of Assurance shall be interpreted to include Vietnam-Era Veterans and Disabled Veterans within its protective range of applicability.

The Successful Proposer further acknowledges and agrees to provide the City with all information and documentation that may be requested by the City from time to time regarding the solicitation, selection, treatment and payment of subcontractors, suppliers, and vendors in connection with this Contract. The Successful Proposer further acknowledges that it must comply with City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, Chapter 26.5.

**21.14 Proposer's Criminal History Screening Practices.** Per City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, Section 2-284, Proposer is requested to provide information as to whether Proposer has criminal history screenings similar in nature to the practices contained in Chapter 21, Article VI, City of Tampa Code of Ordinances. For Procurement of \$100,000 or more, If the Proposer voluntarily agrees to comply with the City's criminal screening practices as provided in Chapter 12, Article IV of the City Code, Proposer will be awarded an **additional 5-points** as part of the evaluation of its proposal if Proposer submits notarized documentation with its proposal, and an assurance of compliance with Section 2-284 if awarded the contract ("Ban the Box Requirements"). The City of Tampa's municipal codes are published online by the Municipal Code Corporation at the website link

https://library.municode.com/fl/tampa/ordinances/code of ordinances?nodeId=1171018

- **21.15 Equal Opportunity.** The City of Tampa hereby notifies all Proposers that all eligible businesses, including Small Local Business Enterprises (SLBEs) and Women/Minority Business Enterprises (WMBEs) will be afforded a full opportunity to participate in any Contract made by the City of Tampa pursuant to this present proposal matter and will not be subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, familial status, or marital status. The City of Tampa prohibits any person involved in City of Tampa contracting and procurement activities, to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, familial status, or marital status.
- **21.16 Governing Law/Venue.** The laws of the State of Florida (without giving effect to its conflicts of law principles) govern all matters arising out of or relating to this Agreement, including, without limitation, its interpretation, construction, performance, and enforcement. The parties hereto submit to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the state and federal courts located in Hillsborough County, Florida.
- **21.17 Compliance with Laws.** The Successful Proposer shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and codes of the Federal Government, State of Florida, Hillsborough County, and the City of Tampa. It shall be the responsibility of the Successful Proposer to be knowledgeable of all federal, state, county and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations that in any manner affect the items covered herein which may apply. Failure to comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and codes may lead to termination of the contract.
- **21.18 Force Majeure.** If a Force Majeure Event occurs, the party that is prevented by that Force Majeure Event from performing any one or more obligations under this contract (the "Nonperforming Party") will be excused from performing those obligations, on condition that it complies with its obligations herein. "Force Majeure Event" means, with respect to the Nonperforming Party, any event or circumstance, regardless of whether it was foreseeable, which was not caused by the Nonperforming Party, which prevents the Nonperforming Party from complying with any of its obligations under this contract, on condition that the Nonperforming Party uses reasonable efforts to comply with its obligations, except that a Force Majeure Event will not include any strike or other labor unrest that affects only one party, economic hardship of a party, an increase in prices, changes in market conditions, or a change of law. Upon the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event, the Nonperforming Party shall notify the other party in writing within ten (10) days of the occurrence of that the Force Majeure Event, its effect on performance, and how long that party expects the Force Majeure Event to last. Thereafter the Nonperforming Party shall update the other party as reasonably necessary. During a Force Majeure Event, the Nonperforming Party shall use reasonable efforts to limit damages to the other party and to resume its performance under this contract. The other party has the right to terminate the contract if the Non-Performing Party's Force Majeure Event continues for more than a reasonable time.
- **21.19 Survival.** Provisions in regard to licensing, indemnification, governing law venue and confidentiality shall survive termination of contract.
- **21.20 Conflict of Interest.** The City requires that the Successful Proposer provide professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold the City's interest's paramount, strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own corporate interests and act without any consideration for future work. The Successful Proposer has an obligation to disclose any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts their capacity to serve the best interest of the City, or that may reasonably be perceived as having this effect. If the City, in its sole discretion, determines that a conflict of interest exists, such Successful Proposer shall not be considered for award of this Contract. Failure to disclose said situations may lead to the disqualification of the Successful Proposer or the termination of its Contract.

Any such interests on the part of the Successful Proposer or their employees, must be disclosed in writing to the City on **ATTACHMENT C - CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM** that is included with this solicitation document and should be included under Section 14. Content of Proposals, Tab 3. Also, the Successful Proposer is aware of the conflict-of-interest laws of the State of Florida and the City of Tampa and agrees that they shall fully comply in all respects with the terms of said laws.

**21.21 Audit Rights.** Successful Proposer agrees that the City or its authorized representative shall have access to, and the right to audit, examine, or reproduce, the financial books and records of Successful Proposer related to Successful Proposer's performance under the contract. Successful Proposer shall retain all such records for a minimum period of six (6) years from the date of termination of the contract, including any renewal or extension hereof, or for such longer period of time as required by federal or state law, and shall be extended until the completion of any audit in progress. Successful Proposer must keep all financial records in a manner consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Successful Proposer must provide access during normal business hours to the requested records no later than ten (10) calendar days after the written request by the City or its authorized representative. If any audit reveals any material

deviation from the contract requirements, any misrepresentations or any overcharges to the City, the City will be entitled to recover damages, as well as the cost of the audit. Any adjustments or payments which must be made as a result of any such audit or inspection of the Successful Proposer's invoices or records must be made within a reasonable amount of time, but in no event may the time exceed ninety (90) calendar days, from presentation of the City's audit findings to the Successful Proposer. Successful Proposer shall include this right to audit section in any subcontractor agreements entered into in connection with this contract.

**21.22 Scrutinized Companies.** Section 287.135, Florida Statutes prohibits agencies from contracting with companies for goods or services of any amount that are (1) on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes or are engaged in a boycott of Israel, and (2) with companies for goods or services of \$1 million or more, that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to section 215.473, Florida Statutes or are engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

A company that is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel may not submit a proposal for or enter into a contract or renew a contract with an agency or local government entity for goods or services of any amount.

A company that is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria may not submit a proposal for or enter into a contract or renew a contract with an agency or local government entity for goods or services of \$1 million or more.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned, the City may on a case-by-case basis permit a company on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or are engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria to be eligible to submit a proposal for, or enter into or renew a contract for goods or services if the conditions set forth in Section 287.135(4) of the Florida Statutes are met.

If the City determines the Successful Proposer submitted a false certification under Section 287.135(5) of the Florida Statutes upon submission of a proposal, entering into a contract, on contract renewal, or if the Successful Proposer has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, the City shall either terminate the contract after it has given the Successful Proposer notice and an opportunity to demonstrate the City's determination of false certification was in error pursuant to Section 287.135(5)(a) of the Florida Statutes.

**21.23 Data Collection.** Pursuant to Section 119.071(5)(a), Florida Statutes, social security numbers collected from Successful Proposers are used for identification, verification, and tax reporting purposes.

21.24 Indemnification. The Contractor/Successful Proposer/Contractor/Firm (collectively the "Firm") releases and agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Tampa, its officers, elected and appointed officials, and employees from and against any and all liabilities, losses, claims, suits, actions, causes of action, either at law or in equity, damages, charges, judgments, or expenses (including attorney's fees and court costs, whether at trial or appeal) which the City may suffer, sustain, incur, or in any way be subjected to by reason of or as a result of any act, negligence, or omission on the part of the Firm, its agents or employees, in the execution or performance of the obligations assumed under or incidental to, the Award/Contract/Agreement (collectively the "Agreement") into which the Firm and the City will enter, except when caused solely by the fault, failure, or negligence of the City, its agents, or employees. Firm's duty to defend is separate and apart from Firm's duty to indemnify and hold harmless and exists immediately upon presentation of written notice of a suit, claim or action of any nature to the Firm by a party entitled to a defense hereunder. If the above indemnity or defense provisions or any part of the above indemnity or defense provisions are limited by the provisions of Section 725.06, Florida Statutes or any other applicable law, then this section 12.24 shall be so limited to said section 725.06 and with respect to the part so limited, the monetary limitation on the extent of the indemnification shall be the greater of (i) the monetary value of this contract, (ii) the coverage amount of Commercial general liability insurance required under the contract, or (iii) \$1 Million Dollars. Otherwise, the obligations under this section 12.24 will not be limited by the amount of any insurance required to be obtained or maintained under this contract. Contractor's duties to defend and indemnify pursuant to this section 12.24 shall survive the early termination or expiration of the contract and shall continue in full force and effect so long as the possibility of any liability, claim or loss exists, unless otherwise prohibited by law.

Nothing in this section or in the contract shall be construed as a waiver of any immunity from or limitation of liability the City, its officers, agents, and employees may have under the doctrine of sovereign immunity under common law or statute.

- **21.25 Contractor Background Checks.** When assigning employees to work on City property, the Successful Proposer shall check the backgrounds of each employee and notify the City's Employment Services Manager prior to assignment if candidates fall into one or more of the following categories:
  - Unable to pass 8 Panel Drug Screen
  - Has a felony or misdemeanor conviction involving violence, weapons, or crimes against a public official
  - Is a former City of Tampa employee"
- **21.26 Employee Verification.** In accordance with Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, the Successful Proposer agrees to register with and utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired during the term of the contract for the services specified in the contract. The Successful Proposer must also include a requirement in subcontracts that the subcontractor must register with and utilize the E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the contract term. If the Successful Proposer enters into a contract with a subcontractor, the subcontractor must provide the Successful Proposer with an affidavit stating that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. The Successful Proposer shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract. If the City has a good faith belief that the Successful Proposer, and the Contractor may not be awarded a contract with the City for at least 1 year after the date on which the contract was terminated. The Successful Proposer is liable for any additional costs incurred by the City as a result of the termination of the contract. If the City has a good faith belief that a subcontractor knowingly violated the law, but the Successful Proposer has otherwise complied with the law, the City shall promptly notify the Successful Proposer and order the Successful Proposer to immediately terminate the contract with the subcontractor.
- **21.27 Responsible Vendor Determination.** The City of Tampa will not request documentation of or consider a Proposer's social, political, or ideological interests when determining if the Proposer is a responsible vendor and will not give preference to a Proposer based on the Proposer's social, political, or ideological interests.

#### 22. QUESTIONS REGARDING SPECIFICATIONS OR PROPOSAL PROCESS

- **22.1** To ensure fair consideration for all Proposers, the City prohibits prospective Proposers' communication with any department or employee during the submission process. Questions relative to the interpretation of the Scope of Services or the proposal process shall be addressed to the City during the pre-proposal conference, or questions can be submitted via the GETALL system up to ten days prior to the RFP opening date and time.
- **22.2 Communication Policy.** During any solicitation period including any protest and/or appeal, no contact with City officials or employees, other than with the Analyst, the Director of Purchasing or the Legal Department, is permitted from any proposer. Such communication shall result in an automatic disqualification for selection in the pending solicitation and any subsequent City solicitations for a period of six (6) months, no matter the outcome of the solicitation or any protest and/or appeal.

#### 23. CONTENT OF PROPOSALS

**23.1 Proposer Responsibility.** Proposers are advised that the City's ability to evaluate proposals is dependent in part on the Proposer's ability and willingness to submit proposals which are well ordered, detailed, comprehensive and readable. Clarity of language and adequate, accessible documentation is essential. Proposers should maintain the sequence of sections as they are depicted in the RFP. It is the Proposer's responsibility to examine all specifications and conditions thoroughly and comply fully with specifications and all attached terms and conditions.

It is the Proposer's responsibility to provide a full and complete written response that does not require interpretation or clarification by the City Representative. The Proposer is to provide all requested materials, forms, and information. The Proposer is responsible to ensure the materials submitted will properly and accurately reflect the Proposer specifications and offering. During scoring and evaluation (prior to any interviews), the City Representative will rely upon the submitted materials and shall not accept materials from the Proposer after the RFP deadline; however, this does not limit the right of the City Representative to consider additional information (such as references that are not provided by the Proposer but are known to the City, or past experience by the City in assessing responsibility), or to seek clarifications as needed by the City.

**23.2** Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of the Proposer's ability to fulfill the requirements of the proposal. The proposal submitted is the City's official record and recording of the RFP. Submit electronic copies in Acrobat Adobe PDF format. Pages must be identified with page numbers. File name should not contain special characters. Proposer must wait for confirmation of successful document upload.

If Proposer is declaring any portion of the proposal is Confidential and/or Proprietary a copy of proposal marked "REDACTED" should also be provided to the City with the original following the instructions stated under Section II. General Conditions, Subsection 12.4 Florida Public Records Law.

In order to ensure a uniform review process and to obtain the maximum degree of comparability, it is required that proposals be organized in the following manner and <u>identified with tabs (headings)</u>:

# IN GETALL, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD BE GROUPED AND UPLOADED INTO THE "MAIN SOLICITATION RESPONSE" SECTION:

- **Title Page.** Type the name of Proposer's firm, address, telephone number, name of contact person, email address, date, and the title of the RFP.
- **Table of Contents.** Include a clear identification of the written material by section and by page number.
- Proposal Submittal Check List. Complete and submit Attachment A. for compliance of certain requirements identified in the RFP package.
- **Tab 1. Addenda.** Include a copy of the addendum, or addenda associated with the RFP, if applicable. Incomplete proposals will not be considered.
- **Tab 2. Florida Public Records Law.** Include a written acknowledgement of the Florida Public Records Law requirements from Section II. General Conditions, Section 1. General Information, Subsection 21.4 including executed copy of Attachment B Public Records Declaration or Claim of Exemption.
- **Tab 3. Conflict of Interest.** Include executed copy of Attachment C Conflict of Interest Form.
- **Tab 4. Response to Proposal.** Specifically state the Proposer's understanding of the work to be accomplished and make a positive commitment to perform the work in Section I. Scope of Services.
- **Tab 5. Section I, Scope of Services.** Include all the requirements and/or documentation requested under Section I. Scope of Services, sub-section XX Proposer Submittals.
- **Tab 6. References.** Include a reference list of at least three clients to whom the Proposer has provided services similar to those being proposed to the City. This list will include the following information:

Name of Client Date of Services Address Contact Person Telephone Number Email Address

- **Tab 7. General Statement of Experience.** Include a written, verifiable statement of experience in providing and managing similar services. If the Proposer does not possess any experience similar to the services required, Proposer shall provide any pertinent information or experience Proposer feels may qualify Proposer for consideration of award.
- **Tab 8. Operational Plan.** Include a narrative description and/or organizational chart outlining the methods of operation, operational structure, and services to be provided by the Proposer. This description should fully and completely demonstrate the Proposer's intended methods for servicing the

requirements. Proposers are also encouraged to provide any other pertinent information that will assist the City in evaluating the proposed method of operation.

- Tab 9. Sub-Contracting Submittals. No Successful Proposer shall assign the contract or any rights or obligations thereunder without the written consent of the City. The Successful Proposer shall be required to perform with its own forces at least fifty-one (51) percent of the work, unless prior written consent to subcontract a greater percentage of the work first obtained by the City. In the event of such approved subcontracting, the Successful Proposer agrees to provide the City with written documentation relative to the Subcontractor(s) solicited, or that will be employed in this award, including but not limited to submittal of attached the following Schedule of Sub-Contracting Forms:
  - Schedule of All Sub-Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers Solicited MBD 10
  - Schedule of Sub-Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers to be Utilized MBD 20

These forms must be completed (including signatures) and submitted with all proposals. Submittals that do not contain these completed forms shall be deemed "non-responsive". Instructions on completing the forms are included after each form in this RFP package.

Subcontractor shall be defined as; a business enterprise, firm, partnership, corporation, consultant, or combination thereof having a direct contract with a prime contractor for any portion of the advertised work that is awarded by the owner/owner's representative.

Supplier shall be defined as; a business enterprise that either directly contracts with a Prime Contractor/Consultant or directly contracts with a Subcontractor under such Prime Contractor/Consultant to provide materials, supplies or equipment in connection with a Contract awarded by the owner/owner representative. A Supplier may be a regular dealer, distributor, or manufacturer.

#### IN GETALL, THE FOLLOWING ITEM SHOULD BE UPLOADED IN THE "COST PROPOSAL SECTION":

• **Tab 10. Compensation.** Submit an all-inclusive cost statement. Provide a detailed cost statement for providing the services indicated in Section I. Scope of Services. Itemize fees, expenses, and any optional costs separately.

# IN GETALL, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD BE GROUPED AND UPLOADED IN THE "SOLICITATION SUBMITTAL SECTION":

- **Tab 11. Proposer's Affidavit.** Complete, submit and have notarized the Proposer's Affirmation form provided in the RFP Package. This form must be signed by an authorized representative of the firm as defined below.
- **Tab 12. Proposal Signature Form.** Complete and submit the Proposal Signature form and Requested Voluntary Information Regarding Proposer's Initial Employment Application Content form provided in the RFP Package. These forms must be signed by an authorized representative of the firm as defined below:

When Proposer is a corporation, the president, vice president or other person duly authorized to bind the corporation shall set out the corporate name in full beneath which he/she shall sign his/her name and give the title of his/her office or position. The proposal shall also bear the seal of the corporation attested by its corporate secretary. Proposals signed by a person other than an officer of the corporation, shall be accompanied by evidence of authority.

When the Proposer is a partnership, the proposal shall be signed in the name of the partnership by a general partner or other person duly authorized to bind the partnership. The capacity and authority of the person signing shall also be given.

When the Proposer is an individual or sole proprietorship, the proposal shall be signed by the individual owner, stating name and style under which the Proposer is doing business.

If the Proposer is doing business under a fictitious name, the Proposer must submit a copy of Certificate of Registration with the Florida Secretary of State.

When the Proposer is a joint venture, each joint venturer must sign the proposal as hereinabove indicated.

**NOTE:** Failure to submit the Proposal Signature Form **executed** or failure to **submit** the Proposal Signature Form in the proposal package will result in the proposal being <u>non-responsive</u>. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** 

• Tab 13. Per Section 21.14 Proposer's Criminal History Screening Practices. Include documentation under as referenced.

#### 24. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

**24.1** The City will not be under any requirement to complete the evaluation by any specific date and reserves the right to suspend or postpone the evaluation process should the need arise due to budget constraints, time constraints or other factors as directed by the City. However, it is anticipated that the review/evaluation process will be completed in a timely manner.

A Proposal Evaluation Committee will be established to review and evaluate all proposals submitted in response to this RFP. The Committee shall conduct a preliminary evaluation of all proposals on the basis of the information provided and other evaluation criteria as set forth in this RFP. The contract will be awarded to the most qualified Successful Proposer per the evaluation criteria listed below.

- **24.2 Application of WMBE and SLBE Evaluation Points.** During the evaluation of proposals for WMBE and SLBE participation, the Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Office will be responsible for assigning the points under these criteria. Points are determined per MBD Form 71 (EBO Guidelines for Evaluation Points on Request for Proposals) which is attached to this RFP document.
- **24.3** Proposals will be evaluated and rated based on the criteria stated in this RFP, including but not limited to the following:
  - **24.3.1** Responsiveness of the Proposal to the scope of work.
  - **24.3.2** Ability, capacity, and skill of the Proposer to perform the scope of work.
- **24.3.3** Experience of the business and individual members of the business in accomplishing similar services.
  - **24.3.4** Responses of the client references.
  - **24.3.5** Such other information that may be required or secured.

#### 24.4 SHORT-LISTING

The Evaluation Committee at its sole discretion may create a short-list of the highest scored proposals based on the preliminary evaluation against the evaluation criteria. Only those short-listed Proposers would be invited to participate in interviews and/or presentations, demonstrations, or product testing. Upon conclusion of any interviews and/or presentations, demonstrations or product testing, the Evaluation Committee will finalize the scoring against the evaluation criteria.

#### 24.5 INTERVIEWS/DEMONSTRATIONS

If requested, Proposers may be required to participate in on-site interviews and conduct demonstrations to the City's Evaluation Committee and other City representatives, in order to clarify the proposal submitted and present the

Proposer's proposed solution. Additionally, the Proposer's key personnel may be required to be in attendance during this process.

Proposers should be prepared to discuss and substantiate any of the areas of the proposal submitted, as well as its qualifications to furnish the specified products and services. The interviews and demonstrations will be scored by the Evaluation Committee.

Notwithstanding the possibility of a request for an on-site interview and demonstrations, Proposers shall not rely on the possibility of such a request and shall submit a complete and comprehensive written response to this solicitation. Any costs incurred for the interviews and the oral demonstrations are the responsibility of the Proposer.

#### **24.6** The City reserves the following rights to:

- **24.6.1** Conduct pre-award discussion and/or pre-award negotiations with any or all responsive and responsible Proposers who submit proposals determined to be reasonably acceptable of being selected for award; conduct personal interviews or require presentations of any or all Proposers prior to selection; and make investigations of the qualifications of Proposers as it deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, a background investigation conducted by the Tampa Police Department or any other law enforcement agency.
- **24.6.2** Request that Proposer(s) modify its proposal to meet the needs of the City more fully, including Best and Final Offer(s) (BAFO), or to furnish additional information as the City may reasonably require.
- **24.6.3** Accord fair and equal treatment with respect to any opportunity for discussions and revisions of proposals. Such revisions may be permitted after submission of proposals and prior to award.
- **24.6.4** Negotiate any modifications to a proposal that it deems acceptable, waive minor irregularities in the procedures, and reject any and all proposals.
  - **24.6.5** Process the selection of the successful Proposer without further discussion.
- **24.6.6** Waive any irregularity in any proposal, or reject any and all proposals, should it be deemed in its best interest to do so. The City shall be the sole judge of Proposers' qualifications and reserves the right to verify all information submitted by the Proposers. The proposal selected will be that proposal which is judged to be the most beneficial to the City.
- **24.7 Financial Statements.** The City Representative reserves the right to request that Proposers submit their annual financial statements for the last three fiscal years, including company financial statement summaries, certified by a Certified Public Accountant. If the organization has been in business for a period of less than three years, Proposers may be required to submit a detailed business plan in addition to any pertinent information that would allow the City to evaluate the sufficiency of financial resources and the ability of the business to successfully perform the services enumerated in the contract. Unless otherwise stated, such requests would be made after the submission of the proposals and prior to award of a contract.

#### 25. ADDITIONAL CONTRACT TERMS

**25.1 Basis of Award.** A contract will be awarded to the most responsible and responsive Proposer whose proposal meets the needs of the City to the best degree. **OFFICIAL AWARD WILL BE MADE BY CITY OF TAMPA PURCHASE ORDER ONLY.** 

Prior to award resulting from this solicitation, the Successful Proposer shall be registered to transact business in the State of Florida and shall furnish the City with proof of registration with ten days of the notice to do so by the City. Failure to promptly submit this evidence of qualification to transact business in the State of Florida may be a basis for rejection of the proposal.

Any Proposer who is owing to the City of Tampa upon any debt, contract, or other obligation to the City, or who is a defaulter as a surety or otherwise, will not be eligible for consideration for contract award regarding this solicitation.

25.2	Contract Term.	The period of the contract shall be for	from the effective date	of the award, and
may, by mutual	written agreement	, be renewed at the same terms and condition	ns for additional	periods.

- **25.2.1 Supplemental Unilateral Renewal Periods.** The City, through its Director of Purchasing, has the option and reserves the right to unilaterally extend the original contract term or any renewal term for up to three (3) additional thirty (30) day periods, at the same terms and conditions. Notice of the City's intent to renew shall be provided by the City in writing to the Successful Proposer prior to the expiration of the contract, or the renewal period if the contract has been previously renewed.
- **25.3 Non-Appropriation of Funds**. In the event no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated for expenditures under this award, the City will notify the Successful Proposal in writing of such occurrence and the award shall terminate without penalty or expense to the City on the last day of the fiscal year in which sufficient funds have been appropriated.
- **25.4 Contract Termination.** When deemed to be in the best interest of the City, the City may cancel any award resulting from this specification by the following means:

10-day written notice with cause; or

30-day written notice without cause.

- **25.5 Addition/Deletion.** The City reserves the right to add to or delete any service/item from this proposal or resulting agreements when deemed to be in the best interest of the City.
- **25.6 Proposal Prices.** Prices quoted in the proposal shall include any and all shipping costs, shipped F.O.B. Tampa, FL, or to the facility location specified by the requestor or the purchase order.

All taxes of any kind and character payable on account of the work done and materials furnished under the contract shall be paid by the Successful Proposer and shall be deemed to be included in the proposal. The laws of the State of Florida provide that sales tax and use taxes are payable by the Successful Proposer upon the tangible personal property incorporated in the work and such taxes shall be paid by the Successful Proposer and shall be deemed to have been included in the proposal. The City is exempt from all State and Federal sales, use and transportation taxes.

Proposal prices include all royalties and costs arising from patents, trademarks, and copyrights in any way involved in the work. Whenever the Successful Proposer is required or desires to use any design, device, material or process covered by letters of patent or copyright, the Successful Proposer shall indemnify, defend and save harmless the City, its officers, agents and employees from any and all claims for infringement by reason of the use of any such patented design, tool, material, equipment, or process, to be performed under the contract, and shall indemnify the said City, its officers, agents, and employees for any costs, expenses and damages which may be incurred by reason of any infringement at any time during the prosecution or after the completion of the work. The duty to defend under this paragraph is independent and separate from the duty to indemnify, and the duty to defend exists regardless of any ultimate liability of the Successful Proposal, the City, and any indemnified party. This provision shall survive the termination of this contract and shall continue in full force and effect so long as the possibility of any liability, claim or loss exists, unless otherwise prohibited by law.

**25.7 Government Purchasing Council.** Hillsborough County Government Purchasing Council ("GPC") members, may, at their discretion or option, utilize this proposal as they require. Estimated quantities for Hillsborough County GPC members have not been included in the solicitation. Purchases by these entities may increase the value of the award. A list of the members of the GPC is contained within this solicitation document.

Any Hillsborough County GPC member which avails itself of this contract will establish its own contract, place its own orders, issue its own purchase orders, and issue its own exemption certificates as required by the Proposer. It is understood and agreed that the City of Tampa is not a legally bound party to any contractual agreement made between any other governmental entity and the Successful Proposer as a result of this RFP.

**25.8 Use of Contract by Other Governmental Agencies.** Unless otherwise stipulated by the Successful Proposer in its proposal, the Successful Proposer agrees to make available to all government agencies, departments, and municipalities the proposed prices submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Solicitation Document, should any governmental entity desire to buy under the Contract resulting from this Solicitation Document.

Any other governmental agency, department, or municipality which avails itself of this contract will establish its own contract, place its own orders, issue its own purchase orders, and issue its own exemption certificates as required by the

Proposer. It is understood and agreed that the City of Tampa is not a legally bound party to any contractual agreement made between any other governmental entity and the Proposer as a result of this solicitation.

- **25.9 Use of State Contract, GPC, Or Cooperative Purchasing Bids.** The City of Tampa reserves the right to utilize applicable State of Florida Contracts, GPC Bids, or those contracts of any other federal, state, or local governmental entity under the terms of a bid submitted to such entity, provided that such contract is procured in compliance with the procuring entity's law, bylaws, regulations, or ordinances regarding competitive solicitation, which must provide for full and open competition for any items covered by this specification when the use of same is in the best interest of the City of Tampa.
- **25.10 Payment.** Full payment will be made by the City after receipt and acceptance of materials/services and proper invoice in accordance with Florida Statutes § 218.70, et. seq., the Florida's Local Government Prompt Payment Act. Proposers that accept Visa/Mastercard payments can be enrolled in the City's ePayments program for faster payment turnaround, by contacting the City's Accounts Payable Department at <a href="mailto:acctspayable@tampagov.net">acctspayable@tampagov.net</a>.
- **25.11 Minimum Wage Amendment.** The Successful Proposer shall comply with the minimum wage requirements as required in Article X, Section 24, Constitution of the State of Florida.

The rate of wages for all persons employed by the Successful Proposer on the work covered shall not be less than the rate of wages required by the Fair Labor Standards Act (Public Law 104-188).

- **25.12 Invoicing.** The Successful Proposer shall furnish the City complete itemized invoices for work performed. Invoices are to reflect the prices stipulated on the purchase order and as outlined in this proposal itemizing parts, labor hours, materials, etc. The City will not accept an aggregate invoice. As part of the award process, the City may request a sample invoice. Invoices shall contain, but not be limited to the following information:
  - Invoice number;
  - Company Name;
  - City work order number (if applicable);
  - Purchase order number;
  - Location and dates of work;
  - Cost of work as stated on Pricing/Proposal pages and extended price to reflect total cost.

At the time of submission of its invoices, the Successful Proposer shall submit to the City a report on Form MBD-30, "DMI-Payments" of all sub-contracted amounts and payments along with any other completed reports or forms as may be required by the CITY. In the event the Successful Proposer uses any WMBE and/or SLBE sub-contractors, the Successful Proposer shall provide form MBD-40 "Letter of Intent" (LOI) for all WMBE and/or SLBE sub-contractors the Successful Proposer intends to utilize.

- Form MBD-30-DMI Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers) Payments
- Form MBD-40 Letter of Intent (LOI)
- **25.13 Contract Changes.** No changes, over the contract period, shall be permitted unless prior written approval is given by the Director of Purchasing and, an amendment to the Agreement is executed by the City and Contractor and approved by resolution of the City Council of the City of Tampa.
- **25.14 Assignment.** To the extent permitted by applicable law, this contract, and all rights or obligations hereunder, is not assignable, in whole or in part, by operation of law, acquisition of assets, merger, consolidation, dissolution or otherwise without the advance written approval of the other party to this contract. Any attempted assignment of this contract by a party without the advance written approval of the other party shall be invalid and unenforceable against the other party. Any approved assignment of this contract by the Successful Proposer will not relieve the Successful Proposer from the performance of its duties, covenants, agreements, obligations, and undertakings under this contract, unless the assignment expressly provides otherwise. No assignment by the Successful Proposer shall be effective unless the assignee confirms in writing to the City that the assignee accepts and shall comply with all of the duties, responsibilities, and obligations of the Successful Proposer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City may assign its rights under this contract (without the Successful Proposer's consent or approval) to a governmental successor of the City. An assignment by the City of its rights under this contract to a governmental successor of the City will relieve the City from the performance of its duties, covenants, agreements, and obligations under this contract after the effective date of the assignment. However, the City shall continue to be liable for the obligations it incurred under this contract prior to the effective date of the

assignment. Action by the City in awarding a proposal to a proposer, which has disclosed its intent to assign or subcontract in its response to the RFP, without exception shall constitute approval for purposes of this contract.

In the event of such approved Sub-Contracting, the Successful Proposer agrees to provide the City with written documentation relative to the Subcontractor(s) solicited, or that will be employed in this contract, including but not limited to submittal of attached Schedule of Sub-Contracting forms, with the proposal response.

- Schedule of All Sub-Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers Solicited MBD 10
- Schedule of Sub-Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers to be Utilized MBD 20

These forms must be completed (including signatures) and submitted with all proposals. Submittals that do not contain these completed forms shall be deemed "non-responsive". Instructions on completing the forms are included after each form in this RFP package.

Subcontractor shall be defined as; a business enterprise, firm, partnership, corporation, consultant, or combination thereof having a direct contract with a prime contractor for any portion of the advertised work that is awarded by the owner/owner's representative.

Supplier shall be defined as; a business enterprise that either directly contracts with a Prime Contractor/Consultant or directly contracts with a Subcontractor under such Prime Contractor/Consultant to provide materials, supplies or equipment in connection with a Contract awarded by the owner/owner representative. A Supplier may be a regular dealer, distributor, or manufacturer.

**25.15 Default/Re-award.** Any contract resulting from this specification may be cancelled by the Director of Purchasing in whole or in part by written notice of default to the Successful Proposer upon non-performance or violation of contract terms, including the failure of the Successful Proposer to deliver materials or services within the time stipulated in this specification, unless extended in writing by the Director of Purchasing. In the event a contract is cancelled because of the default of the Successful Proposer, the Director of Purchasing may: (i) purchase the materials or services specified in this specification on the open market; or (ii) make an award to the next best Proposer and establish the period of such contract, provided such period is no longer than the contract period set forth in this specification.

**25.16 Convicted Vendor List (Public Entity Crime).** A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a proposal on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit proposals on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 for Category Two (\$10,000.00 and greater) for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list. [See Florida State Statute 287.133 (2)(a)]

#### 26. NON-DISCRIMINATION IN CONTRACTING AND EMPLOYMENT

The following provisions are hereby incorporated into any contract executed by or on behalf of the City of Tampa. The Successful Proposer shall comply with the following Statement of Assurance:

During the performance of this contract, the Successful Proposer herein assures the City, that said Successful Proposer is in compliance with Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, as amended, the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992, and the City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, Chapter 12, in that the Successful Proposer does not on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, familial status, or marital status, discriminate in any form or manner against said Successful Proposer's employees or applicants for employment.

Successful Proposer understands and agrees that this contract is conditioned upon the veracity of this Statement of Assurance, and that violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach of this contract. Furthermore, the Successful Proposer herein assures the City that said Successful Proposer will comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 when federal grant(s) is/are involved. This Statement of Assurance shall be interpreted to include Vietnam-Era Veterans and Disabled Veterans within its protective range of applicability.

Successful Proposer further acknowledges and agrees to provide the City with all information and documentation that may be requested by the City from time to time regarding the solicitation, selection, treatment and payment of subcontractors, suppliers, and vendors in connection with this contract. Successful Proposer further acknowledges that it must comply with City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, Chapter 26.5.

Per City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, Section 2-284, Bidder(s) are requested to provide information as to whether Proposer(s) has criminal history screenings similar in nature to the practices contained in Chapter 12, Article VI, City of Tampa Code of Ordinances. The City of Tampa's municipal codes are published online by the Municipal Code Corporation at the website link <a href="https://www.municode.com/library/fl/tampa/codes/code">https://www.municode.com/library/fl/tampa/codes/code</a> of ordinances.

**27. INSURANCE**. This contract is subject to the attached and incorporated CITY OF TAMPA INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS included as Exhibit 1 of this RFP document which should be reviewed for complete insurance details and coverage requirements.

End of Section II

#### SECTION III. PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT AND PROPOSAL SIGNATURE FORMS

#### **PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT**

Before me, the undersigned authority who is duly authorized by law to administer oaths and take acknowledgements, personally appeared

## AFFIANT'S NAME (Person's Name)

Who, after being duly cautioned and sworn, and being fully aware of the penalties of perjury, does hereby depose and declare, on his own behalf or as a representative on behalf of a partnership or corporation, or other entity that is the Proposer in the matter at hand, as follows:

- 1. That the Proposer, if a natural person, is of lawful age.
- 2. That if the Proposer is a partnership, or a corporation, or other legal person or entity recognized in the State of Florida, it has complied with all laws and ordinances governing the formation and continued existence of such entities, including but not limited to, if a Florida corporation, to the filing of its Articles of Incorporation with the Florida Secretary of State and if a corporation incorporated under the laws of a state other than Florida, that it is duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida; that it is currently an active corporation or entity fully authorized to do business; and that the undersigned is representative of the corporation or entity authorized to make this affirmation and declaration and who has the power to bind said corporation or entity.
- 3. That if the Proposer is operating under a fictitious name, Proposer has currently complied with and any and all laws and procedures governing the operation of businesses under fictitious names in the State of Florida;
- 4. That the Proposer has not submitted a rigged proposal, nor engaged in collusive bidding, or a collusive bidding arrangement, or fraudulent bidding, or entered into a conspiracy in connection with this RFP with any other natural person, partnership, corporation or other entity making a proposal for the same purpose. The Proposer has not entered into any understanding or agreement with any other person or entity where one or more such persons or entities agrees not to bid or fixing the prices to be bid.
- 5. In the event that the City determines that the Proposer has participated in any collusive, deceptive, or fraudulent practices in derogation of the statements in this Affidavit the City, in addition to any other remedy it may exercise, will have the right to debar the Proposer. The contract let under such circumstances shall be deemed invalid.
- 6. That the Proposer is not in arrears to the City of Tampa upon debt or contract and is not in default, as surety or otherwise, of any obligation to the City, Hillsborough County, or the State of Florida
- 7. That no officer or employee of the City, either individually or through any firm, corporation, or business of which he/she is a stockholder or holds office, shall receive any substantial benefit, or profit out of the contract to this Proposer; nor does the Proposer know of any City officer or employee having any financial interest in assisting the Proposer to obtain, or in any other way effecting, the award of the contract to this Proposer.
- 8. That, by submitting this proposal, the Proposer certifies that he/she has fully read and understands the RFP method and has full knowledge of the scope, nature, and quality of work to be performed or the services to be rendered.
- 9. That, by submitting this proposal, Affiant certifies compliance with Section 287.135, Florida Statutes and for contracts for goods or services of \$1 million or more, that the Proposer is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Sudan List, the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, and is not engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, and that for contracts for goods or services of any amount, that the Proposer is not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, and is not engaged in a boycott of Israel. Affiant understands that pursuant to Section 287.135, Florida Statutes, the submission of a false certification may subject Proposer to civil penalties, attorney's fees, other costs, and termination of any contract that is awarded.

The Proposer shall comply with the applicable requirements of Federal and state laws, all Codes and Ordinances of the City of Tampa as amended from time to time and any applicable professional regulations.

## FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Proposer: Complete the applicable acknowledgement for an Individual Acting in His/Her Own Right or an Entity (by type):

FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ACT	TING IN HIS/HER OWN RIGHT
State of County of	
The foregoing instrument was sworn to (or affirmed)	and subscribed before me by means of $\hfill\Box$ physical presence or
□ online notarization this day of	20, by, who
is personally known to me or who has produced identifica	tion and who did (did not) take an oath.
Signature of Notary Public	Signature of Affiant
Notary Public	
State of:	
My Commission Expires:	
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Printed, typed, or stamped Commissioned name of notary public	Printed or typed name of Affiant
	AN ENTITY
State of County of The foregoing instrument was sworn to (or affirmed)	and subscribed before me by means of $\Box$ physical presence or
	a $\square$ Partnership, $\square$ Joint Venture, $\square$ Corporation,
	, on behalf of such entity. Such individual is
personally known to me or has produced identification.  Type of identification produced:	
Signature of Notary Public	Signature of Affiant
Notary Public State of: My Commission Expires:	
Printed, typed, or stamped Commissioned name of notary public	Printed or typed name of Affiant

# PROPOSAL SIGNATURE FORM FOR

## ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION OR NEW CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING FOR HOME-ARP QUALIFYING POPULATIONS

In compliance with this RFP and to all the conditions imposed herein, the undersigned offers and agrees to provide RFP# 61121823, ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION OR NEW CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING FOR HOME-ARP QUALIFYING POPULATIONS, in accordance with the attached signed proposal, or as mutually agreed upon by subsequent negotiation. This completed Proposal Signature form must be submitted with the Proposer's written proposal and will become a part of any agreement that may be awarded. This Proposal Signature Form must be signed by an authorized representative, as defined in Section II. General Conditions, Subsection 21. Content of Proposal of this RFP. If the Proposal Signature Form is not signed by an authorized representative (accompanied by evidence of authority) or submitted with the proposal, the proposal is considered non-responsive.

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Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Contact Person:			Title:
Federal ID #.:		Telephone No.:	Email:
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Attach copies of all suc	h licenses, permits or	certificates issued to the bu	usiness entity.
		cable law) permitted or certi	fied to do business in the State of Florida:
Minority Business Statu	s: [ ] Black [ ] His	panic [] Woman [] Othe	er
Is your business certified [ ] Yes [ ] No. If yes,		ess (WMBE) or small busine	ss enterprise (SLBE) with any government agency?
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#### SECTION IV. SUB-CONTRACTING FORMS AND PAYMENT FORM



Failure to Complete, Sign and Submit Both Forms 10 & 20 SHALL render the Proposal Non-Responsive

# Page 1 of 4 – DMI Solicited/Utilized Schedules City of Tampa – Schedule of All Solicited Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers) (FORM MBD-10)

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Failure to Complete, Sign and Submit Both Forms 10 & 20 SHALL render the Proposal Non-Responsive

Forms must be included with Proposal

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## Page 2 of 4 – DMI Solicited/Utilized

# Instructions for completing The Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/ Suppliers) Solicited Form (Form MBD-10)

<u>This form must be submitted with all proposals</u>. <u>All</u> subcontractors (regardless of ownership or size) solicited and subcontractors from whom unsolicited quotations were received must be included on this form. The instructions that follow correspond to the headings on the form required to be completed. <u>Note:</u> Ability or desire to self-perform all work shall not exempt the prime from Good Faith Efforts to achieve participation.

- Contract No. This is the number assigned by the City of Tampa for the proposal.
- Contract Name. This is the name of the contract assigned by the City of Tampa for the proposal.
- Contractor Name. The name of your business and/or doing business as (dba) if applicable.
- Address. The physical address of your business.
- Federal ID. FIN. A number assigned to your business for tax reporting purposes.
- **Phone.** Telephone number to contact business.
- Fax. Fax number for business.
- **Email.** Provide email address for electronic correspondence.
- No Firms were contacted or solicited for this contract. Checking the box indicates that a pre-determined <a href="Subcontract Goal or Participation Plan Requirement was not set">Subcontract Goal or Participation Plan Requirement was not set</a> by the City resulting in your business not using subcontractors and will self-perform all work. If during the performance of the contract you employ subcontractors, the City must pre-approve subcontractors. Use of the "Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers) Payments" form (MBD Form-30) must be submitted with every pay application and invoice. <a href="Note: Certified SLBE or WMBE firms">Note: Certified SLBE or WMBE firms</a> bidding as Primes are not exempt from outreach and solicitation of subcontractors.
- No Firms were contacted because. Provide brief explanation why no firms were contacted or solicited.
- See attached documents. Check box, if after you have completed the DMI Form in its entirety, you need more space to list additional firms and/or if you have supplemental information/documentation relating to the form. All DMI data not submitted on the MBD Form-10 must be in the same format and have all requested data from MBD Form-10 included.

#### The following instructions are for information of any and all subcontractors solicited.

- "S" = SLBE, "W" = WMBE. Enter "S" for firms Certified by the City as Small Local Business Enterprises and/or "W" for firms Certified by the City as either Women/Minority Business Enterprise; "O" = Non-certified others.
- **Federal ID.** FIN. A number assigned to a business for tax reporting purposes. This information is critical in proper identification and payment of the contractor/subcontractor.
- Company Name, Address, Phone & Fax. Provide company information for verification of payments.
- Type of Ownership. Indicate the Ethnicity and Gender of the owner of the subcontracting business.
- Trade, Services, or Materials indicate the trade, service, or materials provided by the subcontractor. NIGP codes aka "National Institute of Governmental Purchasing" are listed at top section of document.
- Contact Method L=letter, F=fax, E=Email, P=Phone. Indicate with letter the method(s) of soliciting for bid.
- Quote or Resp. (response) Rec'd (received) Y/N. Indicate "Y" Yes if you received a quotation or if you received a response to your solicitation. Indicate "N" No if you received no response to your solicitation from the subcontractor. Must keep records: log, ledger, documentation, etc. that can validate/verify.

For additional information visit the Equal Business Opportunity Office website at <a href="www.tampagov.net/ebo">www.tampagov.net/ebo</a>



## Failure to Complete, Sign and Submit Both Forms 10 & 20 SHALL render the Proposal Non-Responsive

## Page 3 of 4 – DMI Solicited/Utilized Schedules

City of Tampa – Schedule of All To-Be-Utilized Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers)
(FORM MBD-20)

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Forms must be included with Proposal



## Page 4 of 4 DMI – Solicited/Utilized

# Instructions for completing The Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/ Suppliers) to be Utilized Form (Form MBD-20)

This form must be submitted with all bids or proposals. All subcontractors (regardless of ownership or size) projected to be utilized must be included on this form. Note: Ability or desire to self-perform all work shall not exempt the prime from Good Faith Efforts to achieve participation.

**Contract No.** This is the number assigned by the City of Tampa for the bid or proposal.

- Contract Name. This is the name of the contract assigned by the City of Tampa for the bid or proposal.
- Contractor Name. The name of your business and/or doing business as (dba) if applicable.
- Address. The physical address of your business.
- Federal ID. FIN. A number assigned to your business for tax reporting purposes.
- **Phone.** Telephone number to contact business.
- Fax. Fax number for business.
- **Email.** Provide email address for electronic correspondence.
- No Subcontracting/consulting (of any kind) will be performed on this contract. Checking box indicates your business will not use subcontractors when no Subcontract Goal or Participation Plan Requirement was set by the City but will self-perform all work. When subcontractors are utilized during the performance of the contract, the "Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers) Payments" form (MBD Form-30) must be submitted with every pay application and invoice. Note: certified SLBE or WMBE firms bidding as Primes are not exempt from outreach and solicitation of subcontractors, including completion and submitting Form-10 and Form-20.
- No Firms listed To-Be-Utilized. Check box; provide brief explanation why no firms were retained when a goal or participation plan requirement was set on the contract. Note: mandatory compliance with Good Faith Effort outreach (GFECP) requirements applies (MBD Form-50) and supporting documentation must accompany the bid.
- See attached documents. Check box, if after completing the DMI Form in its entirety, you need more space to list additional firms and/or if you have supplemental information/documentation relating to the scope/value/percent utilization of subcontractors. Reproduce copies of MBD-20 and attach. All data not submitted on duplicate forms must be in the same format and content as specified in these instructions.

#### The following instructions are for information of Any and All subcontractors To Be Utilized.

- **Federal ID.** FIN. A number assigned to a business for tax reporting purposes. This information is critical in proper identification of the subcontractor.
- "S" = SLBE, "W" = WMBE. Enter "S" for firms Certified by the City as Small Local Business Enterprises and/or "W" for firms Certified by the City as Women/Minority Business Enterprise; "O" = Non-certified others.
- Company Name, Address, Phone & Fax. Provide company information for verification of payments.
- Type of Ownership. Indicate the Ethnicity and Gender of the owner of the subcontracting business.
- Trade, Services, or Materials (NIGP code if Known) Indicate the trade, service, or material provided by the subcontractor. Abbreviated list of NIGP is available at http://www.tampagov.net/mbd "Information Resources".
- Amount of Quote, Letters of Intent (required for both SLBEs and WMBEs).
- **Percent of Work/Contract.** Indicate the percent of the total contract price the subcontract(s) represent. For CCNA only (i.e., Consultant A/E Services) you must indicate subcontracts as percent of total scope/contract.
- **Total Subcontract/Supplier Utilization.** Provide total dollar amount of all subcontractors/suppliers projected to be used for the contract. (Dollar amounts may be optional in CCNA depending on solicitation format).
- **Total SLBE Utilization.** Provide total dollar amount for all projected SLBE subcontractors/Suppliers used for this contract. (Dollar amounts may be optional in CCNA proposals depending on the solicitation format).
- **Total WMBE Utilization.** Provide total dollar amount for all projected WMBE subcontractors/Suppliers used for this contract. (Dollar amounts may be optional in CCNA proposals depending on the solicitation format).
- **Percent SLBE Utilization.** Total amount allocated to SLBEs divided by the total bid/proposal amount.
- **Percent WMBE Utilization.** Total amount allocated to WMBEs divided by the total bid/proposal amount.

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# City of Tampa – DMI Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers) Payments [] Partial [] Final (FORM MBD-30)

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# Instructions for completing The DMI Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/ Suppliers) Payment Form (Form MBD-30)

This form must be submitted with all invoicing or payment requests where there has been subcontracting rendered for the pay period. If applicable, after payment has been made to the subcontractor, "Waiver and Release of Lien upon Progress Payment", "Affidavit of Contractor in Connection with Final Payment", or an affidavit of payment must be submitted with the amount paid for the pay period. The following will detail what data is required for this form. The instructions that follow correspond to the headings on the form required to be completed. (Modifying or omitted information from this form my result in non-compliance).

- Contract No. This is the number assigned by the City of Tampa for the bid or proposal.
- W.O.# If the report covers a work order number (W.O.#) for the contract, please indicate it in that space.
- Contract Name. This is the name of the contract assigned by the City of Tampa for the bid or proposal.
- Contractor Name. The name of your business.
- Address. The physical address of your business.
- **Federal ID.** A number assigned to a business for tax reporting purposes.
- **Phone.** Telephone number to contact business.
- Fax. Fax number for business.
- Email. Provide email address for electronic correspondence.
- Pay Period. Provide start and finish dates for pay period. (e.g. 05/01/13 05/31/13)
- **Payment Request/Invoice Number.** Provide sequence number for payment requests. (ex. Payment one, write 1 in space, payment three, write 3 in space provided.)
- City Department. The City of Tampa department to which the contract pertains.
- Total Amount Requested for pay period. Provide all dollars you are expecting to receive for the pay period.
- Total Contract Amount (including change orders). Provide expected total contract amount. This includes any change orders that may increase or decrease the original contract amount.
- Signed/Name/Title/Date. This is your certification that the information provided on the form is accurate.
- See attached documents. Check if you have provided any additional documentation relating to the payment data. Located at the bottom middle of the form.
- Partial Payment. Check if the payment period is a partial payment, not a final payment. Located at the top right of the form.
- Final Payment. Check of this period is the final payment period. Located at the top right of the form.

The following instructions are for information of any and all subcontractors used for the pay period.

- (Type) of Ownership. Indicate the Ethnicity and Gender of the owner of the subcontracting business or SLBE.
- Trade/Work Activity. Indicate the trade, service, or material provided by the subcontractor.
- Subcontractor/Subconsultant/Supplier. Please indicate status of firm on this contract.
- Federal ID. A number assigned to a business for tax reporting purposes. This information is critical in proper identification of
  the subcontractor.
- Company Name, Address, Phone & Fax. Provide company information for verification of payments.
- Total Subcontract Amount. Provide total amount of subcontract for subcontractor including change orders.
- Amount Paid To Date. Indicate all dollars paid to date for the subcontractor.
- Amount Pending, Previously Reported. Indicate any amount previously reported that payments are pending.
- Amount To Be Paid for this Period. Provide dollar amount of dollars requested for the pay period.
- Sub Pay Period Ending Date. Provide date for which subcontractor invoiced performed work.

Forms must be signed and dated or will be considered incomplete. The company authorized representative must sign and certify the information is true and accurate. Failure to sign this document or return the document unsigned can be cause for determining a company is in non-compliance of Ordinance 2008-89.

For additional information visit the Equal Business Opportunity Office website at <a href="https://www.tampagov.net/ebo">www.tampagov.net/ebo</a>



#### City of Tampa Official Letter of Intent (Form MBD-40)

A Letter of Intent is required for each WMBE/SLBE listed on the Schedule of Subcontractors to be Utilized (MBD 20 Form). Letter of Intent must be signed by both the Proposer and WMBE/SLBE firm.

Prop	osal/Contract Number:	
Prop	osal/Contract Name:	
A.	To be completed by the Proposer	
	Name of Bidder:	
	Address:	
	Contact Person:	
	Telephone: Fax:	
	Email:	
В.	To be completed by WMBE/SLBE	
	Name of WMBE/SLBE:	
	Address:	
	Contact Person:	
	Telephone: Fax:	
	Email:	
C.	Identify the scope of work to be performed or item(s) to be supplied by the WMBE/SI price bids, identify to which bid line item the WMBE/SLBE's work scope or supply corres	
D. E.	Cost of work to be performed by WMBE/SLBE:  Cost of work to be performed by WMBE/SLBE as a percent of total City contract amount	:\$
is ac orde	oser certifies that it intends to utilize the WMBE/SLBE listed above, and that the work descurate. Proposer will provide City with copy of the related subcontract agreement and, reprior to commencement of the WMBE/SLBE's work. The WMBE/SLBE firm certifies that it ovide such work/supplies for the amount stated above.	cribed above
Propo	oser: Date:	
	oser: Date: Signature and Title	
MINRI	E/SLBE Firm: Date: Signature and Title	
	10/12/12 MBD 40	

#### Official Letter of Intent Instructions City of Tampa Equal Business Opportunity Program

The Official Letter of Intent must be submitted to the soliciting department within ten (10) workdays of the RFP opening, prior to award. Not providing all letters of intent within the prescribed time frame may be caused to delay award or declare the bid to be non-responsive.

**Proposal/Contract Number**- Please provide proposal/contract number provided by City of Tampa procuring department.

**Proposal/Contract Name** – Please provide proposal/contract name provided by City of Tampa procuring department.

<u>To be Completed by the Proposer</u> – Please provide prime contractor or proposers detailed company information as indicated.

**To be completed by the WMBE/SLBE** – Please provide WMBE/SLBE subcontractor detailed company information as indicated.

<u>Proposer is to Identify the scope of work to be performed or item(s) to be supplied by the WMBE/SLBE. On unit price bids identify, which bid line item the WMBE/SLBE's scope of work or supply corresponds</u> – Please provide details of the services or supplies the WMBE/SLBE will provide.

<u>Cost of work to be performed by WMBE/SLBE</u> – Provide agreed upon estimate of work or supplies total price (Unit prices are accepted if specific quantities have yet to be determined).

**<u>Proposer</u>** – Signature of authorized agent for the prime contractor or Proposer with date signed.

**WMBE/SLBE firm** – Signature of authorized agent for the WMBE/SLBE subcontractor or supplier with date signed.

<u>Contract Confirmation</u> – A copy of the executed subcontract agreement and/or purchase order with the WMBE/SLBE must be filed with the City of Tampa immediately upon execution and/or prior to commencement of work by WMBE/SLBE.

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## **Procurement Guidelines**

## To Implement

## **Minority & Small Business Participation**

## **Underutilized WMBE Primes by Industry Category**

<u> </u>	Construction	Construction- Related	Professional	Non-Professional	Goods
PROCUREMENT	Black	Asian	Black	Black	Black
CUR	Hispanic	Native Am.	Hispanic	Asian	Hispanic
	Native Am.	Woman	Asian	Native Am.	Asian
FORMA	Woman		Native Am.		Native Am.
Ŧ			Woman		Woman

## **Underutilized WMBE Sub-Contractors / Sub-Consultants**

	Construction	Construction- Related	Professional	Non-Professional	Goods
	Black	Black	Black	Black	Black
WORK		Asian	Hispanic	Asian	Asian
SUB V		Native Am.	Asian	Native Am.	Native Am.
		Woman	Native Am.		Woman
			Woman		

#### **Policy**

The Guidelines apply to formal procurements and solicitations. WMBE participation will be narrowly-tailored.

#### Index

- Black = Black/African-American Business Enterprise
- Hispanic = Hispanic Business Enterprise
- Asian = Asian Business Enterprise
- Native Am. = Native American Business Enterprise
- Woman = Woman Business Enterprise (Caucasian)

#### **Industry Categories**

Construction is defined as: new construction, renovation, restoration, maintenance of public improvements and underground utilities.

<u>Construction-Related Services</u> are defined as: architecture, professional engineering, landscape architecture, design build, construction management services, or registered surveying and mapping.

<u>Professional Services</u> are defined as: attorney, accountant, medical doctor, veterinarian, miscellaneous consultant, etc.

Non-Professional Services are defined as: lawn maintenance, painting, janitorial, printing, hauling, security guard, etc.

Goods are defined as: all supplies, materials, pipes, equipment, machinery, appliances, and other commodities.

#### MBD Form-70



## EBO Guidelines for Evaluation Points on Request for Proposals

Points	Pursuant to Designated Industry Category: <u>Prof</u> FORM MBD-71 (Refer to MBD Form)	
	Evaluation Criteria	Point Values
A.	Underutilized WMBE Firms participating as the Prime Contractor (City of Tampa Certified Only)	20
B.	City of Tampa Certified SLBE firms participating as the Prime Contractor, which include City of Tampa Certified WMBE/SLBE sub-(contractor, consultant) participation	5 - 15
C.	Non-City of Tampa Certified WMBE/SLBE Prime Contractor with meaningful sub-(contractor, consultant) participation by City Certified Underutilized WMBE and/or SLBE firms	1 - 15
D.	* External agency WMBE/SLBE/DBE certifications recognized by City of Tampa for designated RFP, RFQ, RFI solicitations	0 – 7

NOTE: The maximum points available for WMBE and/or SLBE participation will not exceed twenty (20)

#### Points are determined as follows (Requires Form 50-GFE):

- A. A maximum of twenty (20) rating points <u>may</u> be awarded when the Proposer is a City of Tampa Certified WMBE firm deemed underutilized within the Industry category established by the RFQ.
- B. A maximum of fifteen (15) rating points <u>may</u> be awarded when the Proposer is a City of Tampa certified SLBE with meaningful participation by City certified WMBE/SLBE sub- contractors/consultants.
- C. One to Fifteen (1-15) rating points <u>may</u> be awarded when the <u>Proposer is not</u> a City of Tampa certified WMBE/SLBE prime contractor but utilizes either Underutilized WMBE and/or SLBEcertified firm(s) as subcontractors/consultants and assigned to perform meaningful segments of the <u>contractual services detailed</u> herein and documented on the enclosed MBD Form 10-20.
- D. A maximum of seven (7) "discretionary" rating points <u>may</u> be awarded when the Proposer provides WMBE/SLBE participation from an external agency recognized by the City. Discretionary points may be awarded for ancillary participation (see definition). The point values for ancillary participation may be subordinate to weighted values outlined in categories A, B and C above.

NOTE: \*WMBE participation is narrowly tailored (per policy) to target <u>underutilization</u> of affected groups in specific trade/industry categories. Any WMBE/SLBE achievement that was not designated on MBD Form 70 is considered ancillary. Ancillary participation may be counted with overall participation and credited to your rating points when underutilization criteria are met.

The maximum number of points available for WMBE and/or SLBE participation will not exceed a total of twenty (20) points.

Such inclusion shall be clearly addressed and documented utilizing Forms MBD 10 & 20. Proof of certification shall include copies of current certification certificates. In order to ensure the maximum points, a proposermust **clearly identify and quantify** its planned participation without ambiguity. Simply marking "To Be Determined" (TBD) will not satisfy this requirement and may receive significantly lower ratings. Finally, additional favorable consideration will be granted to the firm(s) that beyond all others, provide(s) the highest *relevant* and most binding participation.

The evaluation includes but is not limited to the following criteria:

- Diversity of WMBE/SLBE subcontractors listed to be utilized (MBD Form 20)
- Percentage of proposal/scope committed to WMBE/SLBE subcontracting
- The collective factors in determining the total points awarded will be based on the overall weightof evidence in the proposal that specified the participation.

In all cases, the Proposer and/or subcontractor(s) must be WMBE and/or SLBE certified prior to the opening date and time of the RFP to be eligible to earn WMBE/SLBE rating points. The evaluation process of WMBE and SLBE participation will be evaluated by the City of Tampa's Office of Equal Business Opportunity. The Successful Proposer will be required to execute MBD Form 40 (Letter of Intent-LOI) with their subcontractors/sub-consultants prior to award.

#### **ATTACHMENT A - PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL CHECK LIST**

The Proposer is cautioned to read and become familiar with all sections of the City of Tampa's (City) RFP package. Failure to do so may result in the submission of an irregular RFP response by the Proposer resulting in its possible rejection by the City. The following itemized checklist identifies various items that are mandatory requirements in order to accept the Proposer's response to the City's RFP. No representation is made that the following checklist is a complete guide to every requirement for consideration by the Proposer.

It is the responsibility of the Proposer to complete the Check List, identify the proposal page number and submit in the proposal under Section II. General Conditions, Section 21. Content of Proposal.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS PROPOSAL	PAGE	NUMBER	IN
TAB 1 ADDENDA			
TAB 2 FLORIDA PUBLIC RECORDS LAW  ATTACHMENT B.  Form is filled out and executed.			
TAB 3 CONFLICT OF INTEREST  ATTACHMENT C.  Form is filled out and executed.			
TAB 4 RESPONSE TO PROPOSAL	_		
TAB 5 SECTION 1, SCOPE OF SERVICES	_		
TAB 6 REFERENCES			
TAB 7 GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPERIENCE			
TAB 8 GENERAL OPERATING PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES (OPERATIONAL PLAN)	_		
TAB 9 SECTION IV. SUB-CONTRACTING FORMS Form MBD 10 - Solicited Form is filled out and executed.			
Form MBD 20 - Utilized Form is filled out and executed. Failure to submit these forms shall result in your bid being deemed as "non-re	sponsive"	<del>,</del>	
TAB 10 COMPENSATION	_		
SECTION III. PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT FORM (TAB 11) Form is filled out, executed and notarized.	_		
SECTION III. PROPOSAL SIGNATURE FORM (TAB 12) Form is filled out and executed.			
TAB 13 Proposer's Criminal History Screening Practices, documentation if applicable	_		
Proposal is submitted in the format required under Section 11. Content of Proposal?			

# Requested Voluntary Information Regarding Proposer's Initial Employment Application Content

Per Section 21.14 Proposer's Criminal History	ory Screening Practices, Proposer will comply with ("ban th	ne box requirements")
YES ( ) if yes, required documentation mupoints. NO ( )	ust be submitted with your proposal in order to be considere	ed for the 5 evaluation
NO ( ) However, Proposer has Criminal H 12, Article VI, City of Tampa Code of Ordin	listory Screening practices similar in nature to the practices nances.	s contained in Chapter
Firm Name:		
Authorized signatures	Dato	

#### ATTACHMENT B - PUBLIC RECORD DECLARATION OR CLAIM OF EXEMPTION

As a Proposer, any document you submit to the City of Tampa may be public record and be open for personal inspection or copying by any person. In Florida "public records" are defined as all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made, or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business by any agency. Section 119.011(11), F.S. A document is subject to personal inspection and copying unless it falls under one of the public records exemptions created under Florida law. Please designate what portion of your proposal, if any, qualifies to be exempt from inspection and copying:

**Note:** Execute either section I. or II., but not both; Proposer may not modify language.

Information regarding the Florida Public Records Law can be located in the RFP under Section II. General Conditions, Section 1. General Information, Subsection 21.4 Florida Public Records Law.

I.	NO EXEMPTION FROM PUBLIC RECORDS LAW	
No pa	art of the proposal submitted is exempt from disclosure und	der the Florida public records law, Ch. 119, F.S.
Propo	oser's Signature	Date
II.	EXEMPTIOM FROM PUBLIC RECORDS LAW AND A OF TAMPA	AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY AND DEFEND THE CITY
	following parts of the proposal submitted are exempt from exempt parts and statutory citation):	n disclosure under the Florida public records law because:
defendand a handlup to City o	id, indemnify, and hold the City of Tampa, its officers, emp all claims arising out of a request to inspect or copy the p e respond to, provide defense (including payment of attorn and including any appeal) for and defend any such claim a	ic records law, the undersigned Proposer agrees to protect, loyees, and agents free and harmless from and against any proposal. The undersigned Proposer agrees to investigate, ney fees, court costs, and expert witness fees and expenses at its sole cost and expense through counsel chosen by the related thereto, even if they (claims, etc.) are groundless,
Propo	oser's Signature	 Date

#### ATTACHMENT C - CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM

For purposes of determining any possible conflict of interest, all proposers, must disclose if any elected or appointed officer of the City of Tampa, City of Tampa employee(s), or any immediate family member\* or close personal relation\*\* of an elected or appointed officer of the City of Tampa or City employee(s) is also an owner, corporate officer, agent, employee, stockholder, or has a controlling financial interest\*\*\*, etc., of their business.

\*Immediate family means spouse, parents and children of the person involved.

\*\*Close personal relationship means dating, cohabitation, and/or having an intimate sexual relationship. Dating includes but is not limited to casual dating, serious dating, or casual sexual involvement where the parties have no intention of carrying on a long-term relationship, cohabitation, and any other conduct or behavior normally associated with romantic or sexual relationships. This definition applies regardless of the sexual orientation of the employees involved. Persons involved in a close personal relationship shall be referred to as a "close personal relation."

\*\*\*Controlling financial interest means ownership, directly or indirectly, to ten (10) percent or more of the outstanding capital stock in any corporation or a direct or indirect interest of ten (10) percent or more in a firm, partnership, or other business entity or such other interest or position in a business entity sufficient to allow him or her to control its operations.

Indicate either "yes" (a City employee, elected or appointed official is also associated with your business), or "no". If yes, give person(s) name(s) and position(s) with your business.

YES NO		
NAME(S) / POSITION(S)		
FIRM NAME:		
BY (PRINTED NAME):		
BY (SIGNATURE):		
TITLE:		
DATE:		

#### **ATTTACHMENT D**

#### **GPC LISTING**

#### **City of Plant City**

Purchasing Manager Drawer C Plant City, FL 33563 813-659-4270 -Telephone 813-659-4216 - Fax

#### **City of Temple Terrace**

P.O. Box 16930 Temple Terrace, FL 33687 813-506-6420 – Telephone 813-989-7185 – Fax

#### **Clerk of Circuit Court**

www.hillsclerk.com

601 E. Kennedy Blvd.-13th Floor P.O. Box 1110 Tampa, FL 33601 Phone: (813) 276-8100 Ext.7721 FAX: (813) 272-5521

# Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority

1104 East Twiggs St. Suite #300 Tampa, Florida 33602 813-272-6740 – Telephone 813-276-2492 – Fax

# Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority

4305 E. 21st Street Tampa, FL 33605 813-623-5835 – Telephone 813-664-1119 – Fax

# Hillsborough Co. Aviation Authority

P. O. Box 22287 Tampa International Airport Tampa, FL 33622-2287 Phone: (813) 870-8730 FAX: (813) 875-6670 www.tampaairport.com

#### **Hillsborough County School Board**

P. O. Box 3408 Tampa, FL 33601-3408 Phone: (813) 272-4329 FAX: (813) 272-4007 www.sdhc.k12.fl.us

#### **Hillsborough Community College**

39 Columbia Drive Tampa, FL 33606 813-253-7060 – Telephone 813-253-7561 – Fax

# Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners

601 E. Kennedy Blvd., 25th Floor Tampa, FL 33601 Phone: (813) 272-5790 FAX: (813) 272-6290 procurementservices@hillsboroughco unty.org

#### Hillsborough Co. Sheriff's Office

P.O. Box 3371 Tampa, FL 33601 813-247-8032 – Telephone 813-242-1825 – Fax

#### **State Attorney's Office**

800 E. Kennedy Blvd., 5th Floor Tampa, FL 33602 813-272-5400 – Telephone 813-272-7014 – Fax

#### **Tampa Port Authority**

P.O. Box 2192 Tampa, FL 33601 813-905-5164 – Telephone 813-905-5109 – Fax

#### **Supervisor of Elections**

601 E. Kennedy Blvd., 16th Floor Tampa, FL 33602 Phone: (813) 276-8274 FAX: (813) 272-7043 www.votehillsborough.org

#### **Tampa Sports Authority**

4201 N. Dale Mabry Highway Tampa, FL 33607 813-673-4300 – Telephone 813-673-4312 – Fax

#### **Tax Collector**

601 E. Kennedy Blvd., 14th Floor Tampa, FL 33602 Phone: (813) 307-6222 FAX: (813) 307-6521 www.hillstax.org

# The Children's Board of Hills. County

1002 E. Palm Avenue Tampa, FL 33605 Phone: (813) 229-2884 FAX: (813) 228-8122 www.childrensboard.org

#### **University of South Florida**

Purchasing Services 4202 E Fowler Ave SVC-1072 Tampa, FL 33620 813-971-3340 – Telephone

#### **Property Appraiser**

601 E. Kennedy Blvd., 16th Floor Tampa, FL 33602 Phone: (813) 272-6100 FAX: (813) 272-5519 www.hcpafl.org

# Tampa Palms Community Dev. Dist.

16311 Tampa Palms Blvd W Tampa, FL 33647 Phone: (813) 977-3933 Fax: (813) 977-6571 www.tpoa.net

#### **City of Tampa Housing Auth.**

1514 Union Street Tampa, FL 33607 813-253-0551 – Telephone 813-4522 – Fax

#### **EXHIBIT 1 - CITY OF TAMPA INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Prior to commencing any work or services or taking occupancy under that certain written agreement or award (for purposes of this document, Agreement) between the City of Tampa, Florida (City) and Firm/Awardee/Successful Proposer/Contractor/Consultant/Lessee/non-City party, etc. (for purposes of this document, Firm) to which this document is attached and incorporated as an Exhibit or otherwise, and continuing during the term of said Agreement (or longer if the Agreement and/or this document so requires), Firm shall provide, pay for, and maintain insurance against claims which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the Agreement (including without limitation occupancy and/or use of certain property/premises) by Firm, its agents, representatives, employees, suppliers, subtenants, or subcontractors (which term includes sub-consultants, as applicable) of any tier subject to the terms and conditions of this document. Should at any time Firm not maintain the insurance coverages required, City at its sole option (but without any obligation or waiver of its rights) may terminate the Agreement. All provisions intended to survive or to be performed subsequent to the expiration or termination of the Agreement shall survive, including without limitation Firm's obligation to maintain or renew coverage, provide evidence of coverage and certified copies of policies, etc. upon City's request and/or in response to a potential claim, litigation, etc.

The following coverages are required: ("M" indicates million(s), for example \$1M is \$1,000,000)

- A. <u>Commercial General Liability (CGL) Insurance</u> on the most current Insurance Services Office (ISO) Form CG 00 01 or its equivalent on an "occurrence" basis (Modified Occurrence or Claims Made forms are not acceptable without prior written consent of the City). Coverage must be provided to cover liability contemplated by the Agreement including without limitation premises and operations, independent contractors, contractual liability, products and completed operations, property damage, bodily, personal, and advertising injury, contractual liability, explosion, collapse, underground coverages, personal injury liability, death, employees-as-insureds. Products and completed operations liability coverage maintained for at least 3 years after completion of work. Limits shall not be less than \$1M per occurrence and \$2M general aggregate for Agreements valued at \$2M or less; if valued over \$2M, a general aggregate limit that equals or exceeds the Agreement's value. If a general aggregate limit applies, it shall apply separately to the project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04 or equivalent).
- B. <u>Automobile Liability (AL) Insurance</u> in accordance with Florida law, as to the ownership, maintenance, and use of all owned, non-owned, leased, or hired vehicles. **AL insurance shall not be less than: (a) \$500,000** combined single limit each occurrence bodily injury and property damage for Agreements valued at \$100,000 or less or (b) \$1M combined single limit each occurrence bodily injury and property damage for Agreements valued over \$100,000. If transportation of hazardous material involved, the MCS-90 endorsement (or equivalent).
- C. <u>Worker's Compensation (WC) & Employer's Liability Insurance</u> for all employees engaged under the Agreement, Worker's Compensation as required by Florida law. **Employer's Liability with minimum limits of (a)** \$500,000 bodily injury by accident and each accident, bodily injury by disease policy limit, and bodily injury by disease each employee for Agreements valued at \$100,000 and under or (b) \$1M bodily injury by accident and each accident, bodily injury by disease policy limit, and bodily injury by disease each for all other Agreements.
- **D.** <u>Excess (Umbrella) Liability Insurance</u> for Agreements valued at \$2M or more, at least \$4M per occurrence in excess of underlying limits and no more restrictive than underlying coverage for all work performed by Firm. May also compensate for a deficiency in CGL, AL, or WC.

Firm affirmatively states that the insurance requirements as set forth above are of adequate types and amounts of insurance coverage for any type of claim/loss for the proposed work or services.

**ACCEPTABILITY OF INSURERS** - Insurance is to be placed with insurers admitted in the State of Florida and who have a current A.M. Best rating of no less than **A-:VII** or, if not rated by A.M. Best, as otherwise approved by the City in advance and in writing.

<u>ADDITIONAL INSURED</u> - City, its elected officials, departments, officers, officials, and employees shall be covered as additional insureds on all liability coverage (e.g., CGL, AL, and Excess (Umbrella) Liability) as to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of Firm including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations and automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by or on behalf of Firm. Coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to Firm's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or **both** CG 10 20, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38 **and** CG 20 37 if later revisions used).

<u>CANCELLATION/NON-RENEWAL</u> — Each insurance policy shall provide that at least 30 days written notice must be given to City of any cancellation, intent to non-renew, or material reduction in coverage (except aggregate liability limits) and at least 10 days' notice for non-payment of premium. Firm shall also have an independent duty to notify City in like manner, within 5 business days of Firm's receipt from its insurer of any notices of same. If any policy's aggregate limit is reduced, Firm shall directly take steps to have it reinstated. Notice and proof of renewal/continued coverage/certifications, etc. shall be sent to the City's notice (or Award contact) address as stated in the Agreement with a copy to the following:

- (1) Purchasing Department, 306 E Jackson Street, Tampa, FL 33602
- (2) Other: City of Tampa Insurance Compliance c/o Ebix BPO, PO Box 100085- ZS, Duluth, GA 30096

<u>CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (COI) AND ENDORSEMENTS</u> – to be provided to City by insurance carrier prior to Firm beginning any work/services or taking occupancy and, if the insurance expires prior to completion of the work or services or Agreement term (as may be extended), a renewal COI at least 30 days before expiration to the above address(es). COIs shall specifically identify the Agreement and its subject (project, lease, etc.), shall be sufficiently comprehensive to ensure City (named as additional insured) and Firm and to certify that coverage extends to subcontractors' acts or omissions, and as to permit the City to determine the required coverages are in place without the responsibility of examining individual policies. **Certificate Holder must be The City of Tampa, Florida**.

<u>CLAIMS MADE</u> – If any liability insurance is issued on a claims made form, Firm agrees to maintain such coverage uninterrupted for at least 3 years following completion and acceptance of the work either through purchase of an extended reporting provision or purchase of successive renewals. The Retroactive Date must be shown and be a date not later than the earlier of the Agreement date or the date performance/occupancy began thereunder.

**DEDUCTIBLES/ SELF-INSURED RETENTIONS (SIR)** – must be disclosed to City and, if over \$500,000, approved by the City in advance and in writing, including at City's option being guaranteed, reduced, or eliminated (additionally if an SIR provides a financial guarantee guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses). Firm shall be fully responsible for any deductible or SIR (without limiting the foregoing a policy with an SIR shall provide or be endorsed to provide that the SIR may be satisfied by either the City or named insured). In the event of loss which would have been covered but for a deductible or SIR, City may withhold from any payment due Firm, under any agreement with the City, an amount equal to same to cover such loss should full recovery not be obtained under the policy.

**PERFORMANCE** – All insurance policies shall be fully performable in Hillsborough County, Florida (the County), and construed in accordance with Florida law. Further, all insurance policies must expressly state that the insurance company will accept service of process in the County and that the exclusive venue for any action concerning any matter under those policies shall be in the appropriate state court of the County.

**PRIMARY POLICIES** - Firm's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance coverage at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as to the City, its elected officials, departments, officers, and employees. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its elected officials, departments, officers, and employees shall be excess of the Firm's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

**UNAVAILABILITY** – To the fullest extent permitted by law, if Firm is out of business or otherwise unavailable at the time a claim is presented to City, Firm hereby assigns to the City all of its right, title, and interest (but not any liabilities or obligations) under any applicable policies of insurance.

**WAIVER OF SUBROGATION** – With regard to any policy of insurance that would pay third party losses, Firm hereby grants City a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of Firm may acquire against the City by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Firm agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect such waiver, but this provision shall apply to such policies regardless.

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