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Request for Proposals – RFP-22-072321

REVENUE AND TAX MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

This procurement is governed by the Virginia Public Procurement Act and the Dinwiddie County Purchasing Policies and Procedures. All terms and conditions of the Act and the Policies and Procedures are hereby adopted and incorporated by references as a part of this notice.

Contact Information:

Questions concerning sealed proposals should be in writing addressed to

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1. PURPOSE

Request for Proposals Prepared By:

Hollie R. Casey Procurement Officer

Request for Proposals Number:

RFP-22-072321

Release date: July 22, 2021

Deadline: August 18, 2021 at 2 p.m.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Request for Proposals is to solicit sealed proposals for a Taxation Management System (TMS) and Revenue Management System (RMS) for Dinwiddie County.

If you are an individual with a disability and require a reasonable accommodation, please notify Hollie R. Casey at (804) 469-4500 ext. 2150, at least three working days prior to the date due.

Proposals, to include addenda or changes to a response, shall not be accepted via Fax machine or by E-mail, orally, or by telephone.

Nothing herein is intended to exclude any qualified responsible vendor, his/her product or service, or in any way restrain, or restrict competition. On the contrary, all responsible qualified vendors are encouraged to submit proposals.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. Dinwiddie County is a rural jurisdiction of 504 square miles with a population of approximately 28,000 located in south central Virginia.
- 2.2. The County manages approximately 24,883 personal property accounts averaging 63,349 items, 20,573 real estate parcels, 1,764 business personal property accounts, 1,455 business (contractor's) licenses, 36 public service accounts, and approximately 69 excise tax accounts. Some accounts are self-reporting with various billing and collection cycles. County of Dinwiddie is a prorating locality for personal property taxes on automobiles, trucks, boats, recreational vehicles, motorcycles and trailers. The county bills and collects on all accounts, as well as other licenses and fees required by Virginia Code and County Code. All taxes are considered delinquent on the day following the due date. A two percent (2%) penalty is due if the tax is paid after the due date but on or before the end of the month. A ten percent (10%) penalty is due if not paid by the end of the month and interest begins to accrue at a rate of ten percent (10%) per year.
- 2.3. Currently the County utilizes BAI Municipal Software modules supported by Bright & Associates, which has been in place since 1988, as well as various manual processes. The software operates on an iSeries Platform utilizing a data tape backup. The following BAI modules are currently utilized by the County:

- a. General Ledger
- b. Accounts Payable
- c. Revenue and Cash Receipting (Cashiering and Treasury Functions)
- d. Personal Property (including Business Personal Property)
- e. Real Estate
- f. Business License (Contractor's License, Utility Gross Receipts)
- g. Income and Estimated Taxes
- h. BAI.Net (online web payment portal)
- i. Delinquent Tax Collection
- j. Consumer Tax Module
- 2.4. Other software systems used in conjunction with the BAI modules are:
 - a. LaserFiche, a digital document content management System
 - b. Financial Management System. The County plans to award a contract to Tyler Technologies in August 2021 for implementation of Munis for the County's new ERP System.
 - c. Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal (CAMA) System. The County is in the process of soliciting for a new CAMA System. The County currently uses Stonewall Technologies, Inc.
- 2.5. <u>IT Operating Environment</u>: Dinwiddie County operates in a Windows based environment running on Intel architecture. Software solutions run in a 64-bit architecture virtual (VM Ware) environment. The County uses open architecture and open database compliant (ODBC) compatibility. The County runs Microsoft SQL Server 2016 as its database. Servers are Windows Server 2016, web servers run IIS 8.0, and personal computers run Windows 10 (64 bit). The County uses Microsoft Office 2016 64-bit. The County runs its enterprise network on a switched ethernet environment. The County uses GeoDecisions as third-party GIS provider.

3. <u>STATEMENT OF NEEDS</u>

Dinwiddie County is seeking a new Revenue and Tax Management System for Dinwiddie County to meet the needs of the Commissioner of the Revenue and the Treasurer. A new system will successfully manage customer administration, assessments, tax books, licenses, miscellaneous charges, billing and print services, abatements, deferrals and supplements, cash receipts and processing, delinquent collections, and provide online services.

The proposed solution shall:

- A. Identify and implement a single software package that can meet the statutory requirements for all taxation and revenue functions and that can provide efficiencies and opportunities for the County to deliver what matters to our public partners, customers and citizens.
- B. Improve and streamline taxation and revenue process efficiency to leverage maximum system benefit.
- C. Work as a companion with other County systems, state agencies, and partner agencies, as well as enable interfaces and/or integrate with the following applications:
 - 1. Tyler Munis

- 2. Thomas Brothers Used by Social Services and Children's Services (This system will be replaced in the near future)
- 3. Keystone Used by Schools
- 4. Virginia Department of Taxation
- 5. Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles
- 6. Virginia Employment Commission
- 7. CAMA System
- 8. RemitPlus check scanning
- 9. Laserfiche
- D. Provide a data conversion plan for existing records.
- E. Provide a simplified, flexible reporting process with enhanced analytical capabilities, tracking, workflows and efficient deployment of all resources.
- F. Allow the County to replace its current systems and platforms with current technology.
- G. Increase public access to personal property, real estate, and business property data in a clear, concise way. Allow the County to provide more efficient and improved customer service.
- H. See Excel spreadsheet (Attachment A) for a list of system requirements.

4. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

4.1. General Instructions

- A. In order to be considered for selection, offerors must submit a complete response to this RFP in ONE of the following ways:
 - i. <u>Hard Copy Submission:</u>

Submit one (1) hardcopy proposal and one electronic copy via CD-ROM or USB Drive. Please include a redacted copy of the proposal in electronic form if applicable. The proposal shall be bond or contained in a single volume where practical. No 3-ring binders please.

Envelopes shall be marked with the following information:

- Name and Address of Offeror
- Due Date August 18, 2021 at 2 p.m.
- RFP Number RFP-22-072321
- RFP Title Revenue and Tax Management System

The envelope should be addressed to: Attn: Hollie Casey County of Dinwiddie 14010 Boydton Plank Road P.O. Drawer 70 Dinwiddie, Virginia 23841 If the proposal is not marked with the above information, the offeror takes the risk that the envelope may be inadvertently opened and the information compromised which may cause the proposal to be disqualified.

ii. <u>Electronic Submission:</u>

Electronic proposal submissions are now accepted through Vendor Registry. Go to <u>www.dinwiddieva.us/purchasing</u>, click Current Solicitations, click the solicitation and click Submit Bid. You will be asked to login or register with Dinwiddie County in order to submit a proposal. If applicable, please include a redacted copy of the proposal as a separate file.

No other distribution of the proposal shall be made by the offer. Electronic copies of the proposal shall be provided in a single file in PDF format, unless otherwise stated.

- B. All information requested should be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in the County requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal. Proposals which are substantially incomplete or lack key information may be rejected by the County.
- C. Proposals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the offeror. Proposals must give the full business address of the Offeror and be signed by him/her with his/her usual signature. Bids by partnerships must furnish the full name of all partners and must be signed in the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership or any authorized representative, followed by the designation of the person signing. Bids by corporations must be signed with the legal name of the corporation followed by the name of the State in which it is incorporated and by the signature and designation of the president, vice president, secretary, or other person authorized to bind it in the matter. The name of each person signing shall also be typed or printed below the signature. A bid by a person who affixes to the signature the word "President", "Vice President", "Secretary", "Agent" or other designation without disclosing the principal, may be held to be the bid of the individual signing. When requested by the County, satisfactory evidence of the authority of the officer signing on behalf of the corporation shall be furnished.
- D. Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content.
- E. Proposals should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. Each paragraph in the proposal should reference the paragraph number of the corresponding section of the RFP. It is also helpful to cite the paragraph number, and repeat the text of the requirement as it appears in the RFP. If a response covers more than one page, the paragraph number should be repeated at the top of the next page. The proposal should contain a table of contents, which cross-references the RFP requirements. Information which the offeror desires to present that does not fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material. Proposals that are not organized in this manner risk elimination from consideration if the evaluators are unable to find where the RFP requirements are specifically addressed.

- F. As used in this RFP, the terms "must", "shall", "should" and "may" identify the criticality of requirements. "Must" and "shall" identify requirements whose absence will have a major negative impact on the suitability of the proposed solution. Items labeled as "should" or "may" are highly desirable, although their absence will not have a large impact and would be useful, but are not necessary. Depending on the overall response to the RFP, some individual "must" and "shall" items may not be fully satisfied, but it is the intent to satisfy most, if not all, "must" and "shall" requirements. The inability of an Offeror to satisfy a "must" or "shall" requirement does not automatically remove that Offeror from consideration; however, it may seriously affect the overall rating of the Offerors' proposal.
- G. Ownership of all data, materials, and documentation originated and prepared for the County pursuant to the RFP shall belong exclusively to the County and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the offeror must invoke the protections of § 2.2-4342F of the Code of Virginia, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. The classification of an entire proposal document, line item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable and may result in rejection of the proposal.
- H. All proposals must be received at the proper location listed in this RFP and by the deadline time (Local Time Prevailing). Any proposals received after the announced time and date for submittal, whether by mail or otherwise, will be rejected. The time of receipt shall be determined solely by the County of Dinwiddie.

The County is not responsible for any delay in delivery by USPS, UPS, FedEx or other delivery services. It is the responsibility of the offeror to see that proposals are received on time and in the proper location.

- I. Oral Presentation: Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to give an oral presentation of their proposal to the County. This provides an opportunity for the offeror to clarify or elaborate on the proposal. This is a fact finding and explanation session only and does not include negotiation. The County will schedule the time and location of these presentations. Oral presentations are an option of the County and may or may not be conducted. *Note: Due to the pandemic, all presentations will be held via teleconference or video conference.*
- J. The Offeror shall be fully responsible for all costs incurred in the development and submission of the proposal. It is the responsibility of the offeror to ensure that their proposals reach the appropriate office prior to the closing time on the proposal.
- 4.2. Specific Proposal Instructions

Proposals should be as thorough and detailed as possible so that the County may properly evaluate your capabilities to provide the required goods/services. Offerors are required to submit the following items as a complete proposal. Failure by Offeror to provide the information shall render the proposal non-responsive.

- 1. Return Section 10 (Terms and Signature) from this RFP and all addenda acknowledgements, if any, signed and filled out as required.
- 2. Table of Contents

Provide a Table of Contents to indicate the material included in the proposal by tab and page number. The Table of Contents shall mirror the format set forth in this section and shall include all the items set forth below.

3. Tab I, Statement of Interest

Provide a statement of interest explaining the interest in providing an ERP Solution to the County, and the willingness and ability to accommodate the requirements of the County.

- 4. Tab II, Offeror Description Provide a description of the firm, which shall include experience, years in operation and owners and partners.
- 5. Tab III, Management Team Provide a description of the qualifications and experience of the management team.
- 6. Tab IV, Comparable Projects Provide a description of the experience with comparable operations.
- 7. Tab V, Client Contact Information Provide the name, address, and telephone number of at least three (3) local government entities for which the vendor has provided the ERP System.

8. Tab VI, Description of Services

Describe the product(s) and services available and answer the questions below. Please attach any supplementary materials that more fully describe the capabilities of your product.

- a. Experience
 - How long has your company been selling ERP software?
 - Do you have experience working with local government entities in Virginia?
- b. Product
 - Product name, version and URL (if applicable)
 - Is your project 100% Cloud based?
 - Does your software have existing mobile applications and/or services?
 - Do you provide a report writer/query tool?
 - How often are upgrades released?
 - What webinars, on-site or off-site training and help is available for users?

- c. System Functions
 - What architecture and framework does your software use?
 - What kind of Application Programming Interfaces (APIs) are there? Do you have experience interfacing with those applications listed in Section 3C?
 - Do you have experience integrating with BAI?
 - What language will future applications need in order to interface with your software?
- d. Requirements Spreadsheet (Attachment A) with responses. Complete the Excel spreadsheet and submit it as a separate file with your proposal.
- e. Budget Estimate
 - How is your software priced and what is the approximated price per available options?
 - How much are the estimated first year implementation costs?
 - What is the annual maintenance fee?
 - What is the total estimated cost of ownership over the first 5 years?
 - What is the estimated price increase after the first 5 years?
 - Do you provide consultancy services in the following areas: configuration, integration with other applications, data conversion, training, or other?
- f. Project Timeline

Provide an estimated project timeline for system implementation starting upon contract execution.

- 9. Tab VII, Additional Information
 - a. In addition to the required information stated above, describe other services, products, and tools that would add value to the County's activities.

5. Acceptance of Proposals / Award of Contract

5.1. Qualifications of Offerors

During the evaluation process, the County may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the Offerer(s) to perform the services/furnish the goods and the Offeror(s) shall furnish to the County all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. The County reserves the right to inspect Offeror's physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the Offeror's capabilities. The County further reserves the right to reject any proposal if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such Offeror fails to satisfy the County that such Offeror is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to provide the services and/or furnish the goods contemplated therein.

5.2. Ethics in Public Contracting

By submitting their proposal, Offerors certify that their proposal is made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other Offerors, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their proposal, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of

more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.

The Offeror shall identify any actual or potential conflicts of interest that exist, or which may arise if the Offeror is recommended for award, and propose how such conflicts might be resolved.

By his/her signature on the proposal documents submitted, each Offeror attests that his/her agents and/or employees, to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, have not in any way colluded with anyone for and on behalf of the Offeror, or themselves, to obtain information that would give the Offeror an unfair advantage over others, nor has he/she colluded with anyone for and on behalf of the Offeror, or itself, to gain any favoritism in the award of this solicitation.

5.3. <u>Tentative Award Schedule</u>

Proposals Due Shortlist Interviews/Presentations Intent to Award Contract County Board for Supervisors Meeting Notice of Award August 18, 2021 August 30-September 3, 2021 September 16, 2021 September 21, 2021 September 22, 2021

5.4. Clarification of Terms

If any prospective offeror has questions about the specifications or other solicitation documents, the prospective offeror should contact the procurement agent whose name appears on the face of the solicitation **by e-mail no later than five working days before the due date**. Any revisions to the solicitation will be made only by written addendum issued which shall be posted on the County's website at <u>http://www.dinwiddieva.us</u>, on the Purchasing page.

5.5. Withdrawal or Modification of Proposals

Proposals may be withdrawn or modified by written notice received from Offerors prior to the deadline fixed for proposal receipt. The withdrawal or modification may be made by the person signing the proposal or by an individual(s) who is authorized by him/her on the face of the proposal. Written modifications may be made on a separate document. Written modifications must be signed by the person making the modification or withdrawal.

5.6. Receipt and Opening of Proposals

- 5.6.1. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to assure that his/her proposal is delivered to the place designated for receipt of proposals and prior to the time set for receipt of proposals. Proposals received after the time designated for receipt of proposals will not be considered or opened.
- 5.6.2. The provisions of § 2.2-4342 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, shall be applicable to the inspection of proposals received.
- 5.6.3. In the event that the County of Dinwiddie offices are closed due to inclement weather and/or emergency situations prior to or at the time set aside for the receipt of proposals, the receipt of proposals date will default to the next open business day at the same time.

5.7. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated by the County using the following criteria. These criteria are to be utilized in the evaluation of qualifications for development of the shortlist of those offerors to be considered for interviews and/or negotiations.

		Point Value
1.	Experience on projects of similar scope and location	10
2.	Solution Functionality (meets functional requirements listed in Attachment A)	40
3.	Project Management (training, installation and implementation plans)	20
4.	Support offerings (availability of system support and customer service, including	20
	users groups, discussion forums, technical support, help desk, etc.)	
5.	Cost of ownership	<u>10</u>
	Total	100

The County reserves the right to cancel or reject any or all proposals, to waive any informalities in any proposal received and to negotiate and award a contract deemed to be in the County's best interest. It is not required to furnish a statement of the reasons why a particular proposal was not deemed to be the most advantageous (Code of Virginia, §2.2-4359D).

5.8. Announcement of Award

Following the award of a contract(s) or decision to award a contract(s), the County will announce such award of a contract or decision to award a contract on the County's website at http://www.dinwiddieva.us/purchasing. Subject to the provisions of *Code of Virginia Section* 2.2-4360, any offeror who desires to protest the award of a contract(s) or decision to award a contract(s) shall submit such protest in writing to the attention of Hollie R. Casey, 14010 Boydton Plank Rd, P O Drawer 70, Dinwiddie VA 23841 (hcasey@dinwiddieva.us) no later than ten (10) days after the announcement of the award of a contract(s) or the decision to award a contract(s), whichever occurs first. Such protest shall be clearly identified as a protest and shall include the basis for the protest and the relief sought.

5.9. Award of Contract

Selection shall be made of two or more offerors deemed to be fully qualified and best suited among those submitting proposals on the basis of the evaluation factors included in the Request for Proposals, including price, if so stated in the Request for Proposals. Negotiations shall be conducted with the offerors so selected. Price shall be considered, but need not be the sole determining factor. After negotiations have been conducted with each offeror so selected, the County shall select the offeror which, in its opinion, has made the best proposal and provides the best value, and shall award the contract to that offeror. The County may cancel this Request for Proposals or reject proposals at any time prior to the award, and is not required to furnish a statement of the reasons why a particular proposal was not deemed to be the most advantageous (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4359D). Should the County determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one offeror is fully qualified, or that one offeror is clearly more highly qualified than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that offeror.

5.10. Term of Contract

Contract will be awarded to the successful Offeror for an initial period of five (5) years with the option for automatic renewals under the terms and conditions of the original contract for up to

four (4) additional five (5) year periods, unless either party gives written notification to the other party sixty (60) days prior to expiration of the then-current term that they do not wish to renew. The contract(s) and any renewals of the contract(s) are subject to the availability of funds and annual appropriations by the Board of Supervisors. Price increases, if any, shall be in accordance with initial contract or negotiated at time of renewal.

5.11. Contract Documents

The contract entered into by the parties shall consist of the Request for Proposals, the proposal submitted by the Contractor; General Terms and Conditions, the Special Terms and Conditions; the specifications; the scope of services; and all modifications and addenda to the foregoing documents, all of which shall be referred to collectively as the Contract Documents.

All time limits stated in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the time for completion of the work, are of the essence of the contract.

6. <u>REPORTING AND DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS</u>

Once a contract has been awarded, all communication and documentation for the project shall be directly to the Project Managers:

- Lori Stevens, Commissioner of the Revenue, (804) 469-4500 Ext 2126
- Jennifer Perkins, Treasurer, (804) 469-4500 Ext 2129.

7. <u>GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS</u>

7.1. Definitions

Whenever used in this solicitation or in the Contract Documents, the following terms have the meanings indicated, which are applicable to both the singular and plural and the male and female gender thereof:

- A. Offeror: One who submits a response to this solicitation
- B. **County**: The term "County" shall mean the County which is the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia through the governing body, the Board, or other agent with authority to execute the contract for the County. The County's agent is the official with the authority to sign the contract on behalf of the County.
- C. **Contractor**: The person, firm or corporation with whom the County has entered into a contractual agreement and includes the plural number and the feminine gender when such are named in the contract as the Contractor.
- D. **Defective**: An adjective which refers to work that is unsatisfactory, faulty, or deficient, or does not conform to the Contract Documents, or does not meet the requirements of any inspections, standard, test, or approval referred to in the Contract Documents, or has been damaged prior to final payment.
- E. **Notice**: All written notices, demands, instructions, claims, approvals, and disapprovals required to obtain compliance with the contract requirements. Any written notice by either party to the contract shall be sufficiently given if delivered to or at the last known business

address of the person, firm or corporation constituting the party to the contract, or to his, their or its authorized agent, representative or officer, or when enclosed in a postage prepaid envelope addressed to such last known business address and deposited in a United States mailbox.

- F. Provide: Shall mean furnish and install ready for its intended use.
- G. **Subcontractor**: An individual, partnership or corporation having a direct contract with the Contractor or with any other subcontractor for the performance of the work. It includes one who provides on-site labor but does not include one who only furnishes or supplies materials for the project.

7.2. Laws, Regulations, and Courts

- A. This procurement is governed by the Virginia Public Procurement Act and the Dinwiddie County Purchasing Policies and Procedures.
- B. The Contractor shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and lawful orders of any public authority bearing on the performance of the work and shall give all notices required thereby.
- C. All solicitations or contracts issued by Dinwiddie County shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Jurisdiction and venue for any litigation arising out of or involving this agreement shall lie in the Circuit Court of the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia, and such litigation shall be brought only in such courts. The County and the Contractor are encouraged to resolve any issues in controversy arising from contractual dispute using Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) procedures (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4366).

7.3. <u>Taxes</u>.

Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 58.1-609.1(4), the county is exempt from the payment of Virginia state sales and use taxes. Vendors should not include such taxes in invoices presented to the County for payment. State sales and use tax certificates of exemption, Form ST-12, will be issued upon request.

7.4. Anti-Discrimination Statement by County.

The County certifies that it shall not discriminate against any bidder, offeror or contractor because of race, religion, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, status as a service disabled veteran, faith-based organizational status, any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment or because the bidder or offeror employs ex-offenders unless the County has made a written determination that employing ex-offenders on the specific contract is not in its best interest. If Contractor is a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4343.1E).

- 7.5. <u>Anti-Discrimination Statement by Contractor.</u>
 - A. During the performance of the contract, the Contractor agrees to the following provisions.
 - i. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service disabled veteran, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - ii. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - iii. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.
 - B. The Contractor also agrees to include the provisions in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or Contractor.
- 7.6. Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

Contractor certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of the contract knowingly employee unauthorized alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

7.7. Drug-Free Workplace.

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or Contractor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a Contractor, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

7.8. <u>Authorization to Transact Business in the Commonwealth.</u>

In order to contract with Dinwiddie County, contractors organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Code of Virginia, Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law. Pursuant to competitive negotiation, an offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 shall include in its proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission. Any offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required to be authorized to transact business in the

by law shall include in its proposal a statement describing why the offeror is not required to be so authorized. Any offeror that fails to provide the required information shall not be awarded a contract unless a waiver of this requirement is granted by the County Administrator. Any business entity as described above that enters into a contract with a public body pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth to be revoked or cancelled at anytime during the contract. Dinwiddie County may void any contract with a business entity if that entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.

7.9. Indemnification.

Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County of Dinwiddie, Virginia and their officers, agents, and employees from any claims, damages and actions of any kind or nature, whether at law or in equity, arising from or caused by the use of any materials, goods, or equipment of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor or any services of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor, provided that such liability is not attributable to the sole negligence of the County or to failure of the County to use the materials, goods, infrastructure or equipment in the manner already and permanently described by the Contractor on the materials, goods, infrastructure or equipment delivered.

7.10. Insurance.

Contractor certifies that it will have the following insurance coverage at the time the contract is awarded. If any subcontractors are involved, the subcontractor will have workers' compensation insurance in accordance with §§ 2.2-4332 and 65.2-800 et seq. of the Code of Virginia. Contractor further certifies that the Contractor and any subcontractors will maintain this insurance coverage during the entire term of the contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in Virginia by the Virginia State Corporation Commission. Subcontractors, if any, will maintain similar insurance coverage during the entire term of the contract.

Minimum Insurance Coverage and Limits Required:

- a. Workers' Compensation Statutory requirements and benefits. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Contractors who fail to notify the County of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the <u>Code of Virginia</u> during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract.
- b. Employer's Liability \$100,000.
- c. Commercial General Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products and completed operations coverage. The "County of Dinwiddie, Virginia, its Officers, agents, and employees" shall be added as additional insured on a primary basis and so endorsed on the policy. Such additional insured status shall be primary without participation by County's insurers.
- d. Automobile Liability \$1,000,000 combined single limit.
- e. Professional Liability \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
- 7.11. Debarment Status.

The Contractor certifies that it is not currently debarred from submitting proposals or bids on contracts by any department, agency or political subdivision of (i) the Commonwealth of

Virginia, (ii) any other state, or (iii) the federal government, nor is it an agent of any person or entity that is currently debarred from submitting bids or proposals on contracts by the same.

7.12. Payment.

- A. Contractor shall provide the county with a complete and accurate IRS form w-9.
- B. Invoices for products/services ordered, delivered, and accepted shall be submitted by the contractor to Dinwiddie County Accounts Payable via email to accounting@dinwiddieva.us or via postal mail to P.O. Drawer 70, Dinwiddie, VA 23841.
- C. Unless otherwise specified, any payment terms requiring payment in less than 30 days will be regarded as requiring payment 30 days after correct invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than 30 days, however.
- D. The preferred method of payment for invoices under \$5,000 is with a visa credit card. If the vendor accepts visa payments, they must do so without any fees.
- E. Unless otherwise provided under the terms of the contract, interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month.
- F. Date of payment is deemed to be (1) the date of postmark in all cases where payment is made by mail, or (2) the date of offset when offset proceedings have been instituted as authorized under the Virginia Debt Collection Act.
- G. Unreasonable charges. Under certain emergency procurements and for most time and material purchases, final job costs cannot be accurately determined at the time orders are placed. In such cases, contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges which appear to be unreasonable will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable, the county shall promptly notify the contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable and the basis for the determination. A contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty (30) days of notification. The provisions of this section do not relieve the county of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges which are not in dispute (Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4363).
- H. The contractor is obligated to: (1) pay the subcontractor(s) within seven (7) days of the contractor's receipt of payment from the county for the proportionate share of the payment received for work performed by the subcontractor(s) under the contract; or (2) notify the county and the subcontractor(s) within seven days, in writing of the contractor's intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment with the reason for nonpayment.
- I. The contractor is obligated to pay the subcontractor(s) interest at the rate of one percent (1%) per month on all amounts owed by the contractor that remain unpaid after seven days following receipt by the contractor of payments from the county, except for amounts withheld as states in section g above.
- J. These provisions apply to each sub-tier contractor performing under the primary contractor. A contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor shall not be construed to be an obligation of the County. A contract modification shall not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for the interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim shall not include any amount for reimbursement for the interest charge.

7.13. Availability of Funds.

It is understood and agreed between the parties that the County shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available, or which may hereafter become available. The contract will be contingent upon annual appropriations by the Board of Supervisors of Dinwiddie County. Failure of the Board of Supervisors to appropriate adequate funds for the terms of the contract shall result in the immediate cancellation of the contract. There shall be no penalty should the Board fail to make annual appropriations for the contract.

7.14. Assignment of Contract.

A contact shall not be assignable by the Contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of the County.

7.15. Default.

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to make sure that all work is adequately completed as required. In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract terms and conditions, the County, after five (5) days have passed from the date of delivery of written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the Contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which the County may have.

7.16. Changes to the Contract.

All contract modifications must be approved by the Dinwiddie County Administrator or his designee. The County will not assume responsibility for the cost of any changes made without proper consent. No fixed-price contract may be increased by more than twenty-five percent (25%) or \$50,000, whichever is greater, without advance approval of the Dinwiddie County Board of Supervisors.

Changes can be made to the contract in any of the following ways:

- A. The parties may agree in writing to modify the terms, conditions, or scope of the contract. Any additional goods or services to be provided shall be of a sort that is ancillary to the contract goods or services, or within the same broad product or service categories as were included in the contract award. Any increase or decrease in the price of the contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the contract.
- B. The County may order changes within the general scope of the contract at any time by written notice to the Contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place of delivery or installation. The Contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt, unless the Contractor intends to claim an adjustment to compensation, schedule, or other contractual impact that would be caused by complying with such notice, in which case the Contractor shall, in writing, promptly notify the County of the adjustment to be sought, and before proceeding to comply with the notice, shall await the County's written decision affirming, modifying, or revoking the prior written notice. If the County decides to issue a notice that requires an adjustment to compensation, the Contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such order and shall give the County a credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:
 - i. By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or
 - ii. By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the Contractor accounts for the number of units of

work performed, subject to the County's right to audit the Contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or

iii. By ordering the Contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed if provided by the contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The Contractor shall present the County with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. The County shall have the right to audit the records of the Contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to the County within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from the County. Neither the existence of a claim nor a dispute resolution process, litigation or any other provision of this contract shall excuse the Contractor from promptly complying with the changes ordered by the County or with the performance of the contract generally.

7.17. Termination of Contract.

- A. Termination for Cause.
 - i. If the Contractor should be adjudged as bankrupt, or if he should make a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed on account of his insolvency, the County may terminate the contract. If Contractor violates any provision of the Virginia Governmental Fraud Act, the County may terminate the contract. If the Contractor should persistently or repeatedly refuse or should fail, except in cases for which extension of time is provided, to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper materials, or if he should fail to make prompt payment to subcontractors or suppliers of material or labor, or persistently disregards laws, ordinances, or the written instructions of the County, or otherwise be guilty of a substantial violation of any provision of the contract, then the County may terminate the contract. The County retains the sole discretion to determine any violation of this section.
 - ii. Prior to termination of the contract, the County shall give the Contractor and his surety ten (10) calendar days written notice, during which the Contractor and/or his surety may rectify the cause of the termination. If rectified to the satisfaction of the County within said ten (10) days, the County may rescind its notice of termination. If it does not, the termination for cause shall become effective at the end of the ten-day (10) notice period. In the alternative, the County may postpone the effective date of the termination notice, at its sole discretion, if it should receive reassurances from the Contractor and/or its surety that the causes of termination will be remedied in a time and manner which the County finds acceptable. If at any time more than ten (10) days after the notice of termination, the County determines that Contractor and/or its surety has not or is not likely to rectify the causes of termination in an acceptable manner or within the time allowed, then the County may immediately terminate the contract for cause by giving written notice to the Contractor and its surety. This decision shall be final and not subject to an appeal to any court of law or equity. In no event shall termination for cause terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

- iii. Notice of terminations, whether initial or given after a period of postponement, may be served upon the Contractor and the surety by mail or any other means at their last known places of business in Virginia or elsewhere, by delivery to any officer or management/supervisory employee of either wherever they may be found, or, if no such officer, employee or place of business is known or can be found by reasonable inquiry within three (3) days, by posting the notice at the job site. Failure to accept or pick up registered or certified mail addressed to the last known address shall be deemed to be delivery.
- iv. Upon termination of the contract, the County shall take possession of its property and of all materials, tools, and appliances thereon and finish the work by whatever method the County may deem expedient. In such case, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment. If the expense of finishing the work, including compensation for additional managerial and administrative services shall exceed the unpaid balance of the contract price, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the County, together with any other expenses of terminating the contract and having it completed by others.
- v. Termination of the contract under this section is without prejudice to any other right or remedy of the County.
- B. Termination for Convenience
 - County may terminate this contract at any time without cause, in whole or in part, upon giving the Contractor notice of such termination. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall immediately cease work and remove from the project site all of its labor forces and such of its materials as County elects not to purchase or to assume in the manner hereinafter provided. Upon such termination, the Contractor shall take such steps as County may require to assign to the County the Contractor's interest in all subcontracts and purchase orders designated by County. After all such steps have been taken to County's satisfaction, the Contractor shall receive as full compensation for termination and assignment the following:
 - All amounts then otherwise due under the terms of this contract as of the latest request for payment,
 - Amounts due for work performed subsequent to the latest request for payment through the date of termination, and
 - Reasonable compensation for the actual cost of demobilization incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of such termination. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any compensation for lost profits or for any other type of contractual compensation or damage other than those provided by the preceding sentence. Upon payment of the forgoing, County shall have no further obligations to the Contractor of any nature.
 - ii. In no event shall termination for the convenience of the County terminate the obligations of the Contractor's surety on its payment and performance bonds.

7.18. Contractual Disputes.

Disputes and claims arising under this agreement shall be processed pursuant to the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-4363.

7.19. Audit.

The contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment from the County, or until audited by the County, whichever is sooner. The agency, its authorized agents, and/or state auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.

7.20. Patents, Copyright and Trademark.

The Contractor shall obtain all licenses necessary to use any invention, article, appliance, process, or technique of whatever kind and shall pay all royalties and license fees. The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, hold and save harmless the County, its officers, agents, and employees, from any loss or liability for or on account of such infringement.

7.21.<u>COVID-19.</u>

The Contractor is required to adhere in all respects to all federal, state, and local COVID-19 regulations, including, but not limited to, Executive Orders issued by the Governor of Virginia, the rules promulgated by the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry ("DOLI Rules"), and the Dinwiddie County Infectious Disease (COVID-19) Preparedness and Response Plan (the "Required Local Plan"). The Contractor acknowledges it will comply with the documents set forth on Dinwiddie County's Purchasing Page, which can be found at www.dinwiddieva.us/Purchasing including any changes that may be made to such documents in the future. In the event of conflict between COVID-19 provisions, the strictest provision shall govern. Without limiting the foregoing, the Contractor shall abide by the following:

- A. <u>Sick and Exposed Persons to Stay at Home.</u> Pursuant to the DOLI Rules and the Required Local Plan, employees or other persons associated with the Contractor who are known or suspected to be infected with the SARS-CoV-2 virus or who live with or have had close contact with individuals who have had COVID-19 symptoms or signs in the last 14 days shall be sent home, stay home, and stay away from the work site until they are cleared to return to work as set forth in the DOLI Rules or, in the case of exposed persons, the rules for return to work shall be the same as those for County employees in the Required Local Plan. Symptoms and signs of COVID-19 include the following: unexplained cough, fever (100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher) or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake, bluish lips or face, unexplained nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea. Other unexplained symptoms could also be an indication of COVID-19.
- B. <u>Notice to County Required of Positive COVID-19 Tests at County Government</u> <u>Sites.</u> Pursuant to the DOLI Rules and the Required Local Plan, the Contractor is required by law to advise the County within 24 hours in the event that an employee of the Contractor or someone associated with the Contractor who was present at a place of employment owned or operated by the Dinwiddie County Government tests positive for COVID-19. All such reports of positive COVID-19 tests shall be made to Crystal Spain, Director of Human Resources at (804) 469-4500, extension 2161.
- C. <u>Subcontractors</u>. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring that its subcontractors comply with all the foregoing requirements.

8. <u>SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS</u>

8.1. <u>Continuity of Services</u>

- A. The Contractor recognizes that the services under this contract are vital to the County and must be continued without interruption and that, upon contract expiration, a successor, either the County or another contractor, may continue them. The Contractor agrees:
 - (i) To exercise its best efforts and cooperation to effect an orderly and efficient transition to a successor;
 - (ii) To make all County owned facilities, equipment, and data available to any successor at an appropriate time prior to the expiration of the contract to facilitate transition to successor; and
 - (iii) That the County shall have final authority to resolve disputes related to the transition of the contract from the Contractor to its successor.
- B. The Contractor shall, upon written notice from the County, furnish phase-in/phase-out services for up to ninety (90) days after this contract expires and shall negotiate in good faith a plan with the successor to execute the phase-in/phase-out services. This plan shall be subject to County approval.
- C. The Contractor shall be reimbursed for all reasonable, pre-approved phase-in/phase-out costs (i.e., costs incurred within the agreed period after contract expiration that result from phase-in, phase-out operations) and a fee (profit) not to exceed a pro rata portion of the fee (profit) under this contract. All phase-in/phase-out work fees must be approved by the County in writing prior to commencement of said work.

8.2. Additional Users/Cooperative Procurement

This procurement is being conducted under the provisions of Section 2.2-4304 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA), "Cooperative Procurement". As stated, a public body may purchase from another public body's contract even if it did not participate in the Request For Proposals (RFP) or Invitation for Bids (RFP), if the RFP or RFP specified that the procurement was being conducted on behalf of other public bodies.

If authorized by the Offeror, the resultant contract may be extended to any jurisdiction/public body within the Commonwealth of Virginia to purchase at contract prices in accordance with contract terms. It is the Offeror's responsibility to notify the jurisdiction/public bodies of the availability of contract(s). Offerors desiring to offer to other jurisdictions/public bodies under this clause shall so indicate in their response.

8.3. Testing and Inspection

The County reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications. All products and services provided shall be in compliance/ accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations. If seasonal limitations prevent performance of any required testing of the product, the warranty period for such equipment shall begin after the tests have been successfully performed.

9. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Excel spreadsheet of Requirements

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10. <u>SIGNATURE SHEET</u>

RFP 22-072321 Revenue and Tax Management System

By signature, I certify that the proposal as submitted complies with all Terms and Conditions as set forth in RFP. If there are any parts of the terms and conditions that the company cannot meet, I have indicated which ones on an attached page.

By signature, I certify that this proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a proposal for the same material, equipment or services, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand collusive bidding is a violation of Virginia Governmental Fraud Act and Federal Law and can result in fines, prison sentences and civil damages awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of this proposal and certify that I am authorized to sign this proposal for the Offeror.

Signature:	Date:
Name (type or print):	_
Official Title:	_
Company Name:	_
FIN or SSN:	_
State of Incorporation:	_
Address:	_
Telephone:	_
E-Mail:	_
Fax:	_

10.1. State Corporation Commission Registration

Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) registration information. The Offeror:

is a corporation or other business entity with the following SCC identification number: _____ OR-

is not a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust **-OR-**

is an out-of-state business entity that does not regularly and continuously maintain as part of its ordinary and customary business any employees, agents, offices, facilities, or inventories in Virginia (not counting any employees or agents in Virginia who merely solicit orders that require acceptance outside Virginia before they become contracts, and not counting any incidental presence of the bidder in Virginia that is needed in order to assemble, maintain, and repair goods in accordance with the contracts by which such goods were sold and shipped into Virginia from bidder's out-of-state location) **-OR-**

is an out-of-state business entity that is including with this bid an opinion of legal counsel which accurately and completely discloses the undersigned bidder's current contacts with Virginia and describes why those contacts do not constitute the transaction of business in Virginia within the meaning of § 13.1-757 or other similar provisions in Titles 13.1 or 50 of the Code of Virginia.

****NOTE**** >> Check the following box if you have not completed any of the foregoing options but currently have pending before the SCC an application for authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and wish to be considered for a waiver to allow you to submit the SCC identification number after the due date for bids (the Commonwealth reserves the right to determine in its sole discretion whether to allow such waiver):