



SECTION 00010
REQUEST FOR QUOTES
EAST ANDREWS DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS-PHASE 1
GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA

BID NUMBER 23-016
EDA Project No. 04-79-07486
D&F Project No.: 031969-00

QUOTE SUBMITTAL - Email questions & quotes to Nancy Silver, Purchasing Officer, at nsilver@gtcounty.org.

Date Posted: Friday, March 31, 2023

Deadline for Questions: 5:00 PM ET on Wednesday, April 5, 2023

Deadline for Quotes: 9:00 AM ET on Monday, April 10, 2023

BID FORM:

ITEM NO.	PAY ITEM	UNIT	QUANTITY	UNIT COST	TOTAL COST
1031000	MOBILIZATION	LS	NEC	\$	\$
1050800	CONSTRUCTION STAKES, LINES & GRADES	EA	1	\$	\$
2031000	UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION	CY	12	\$	\$
2033000	BORROW EXCAVATION	CY	12	\$	\$
8100100	PERMANENT COVER	ACRE	0.037	\$	\$
8151112	TEMPORARY EROSION CONTROL BLANKET (CLASS B)	MSY	0.378	\$	\$
S000001	CLEARING DITCHES	LF	100	\$	\$
S000002	CLEARING ADJACENT TO DITCH BANK	LS	1	\$	\$
TOTAL:					\$

All quoted prices must remain valid for sixty (60) days from the deadline for quotes.

Number of days for mobilization after receipt of PO: _____

Please note that time is of the essence for this project and work is expected to begin as soon as possible.

Company Name: _____

Printed Name of Officer: _____

Signature of Officer: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

1) **Scope of Work:**

BASE BID:

The work to be completed as part of the Phase 1 East Andrews Drainage Improvements is to begin approximately 77' south of Gapway Road at station 29+00.00 of Lester Creek and end at station 30+00.00 on Lester Creek. The work is limited to channel stabilization, clearing and the necessary mobilization for these efforts. There will be no grubbing as part of this project.

2) **Grant Requirements:**

This project will be partially funded with Federal funds from the United States Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration and therefore is subject to the Federal laws and regulations associated with that program.

Due to the nature of funding for this project, the County's local vendor preference will be waived for this solicitation.

The awarded Contractor and their sub-contractors shall conform to all EDA and Federal policies and procedures as if written out in full. All activities will be completed in strict compliance with Federal, State and Local rules and regulations.

The Contractor shall immediately notify the Engineer and Owner in writing of any discrepancies between the above referenced standards and other parts of the documents, and shall proceed with all portions of the work affected by such discrepancies as directed by the Engineer and Owner.

GOALS FOR WOMEN AND MINORITIES IN CONSTRUCTION: Department of Labor regulations set forth in 41 CFR 60-4 establish goals and timetables for participation of minorities and women in the construction industry. These regulations apply to all Federally assisted construction contracts in excess of \$10,000. The Recipient shall comply with these regulations and shall obtain compliance with 41 CFR 60-4 from contractors and subcontractors employed in the completion of the Project by including such notices, clauses and provisions in the Solicitations for Offers or Bids as required by 41 CFR 60-4. The goal for the participation of women in each trade area shall be as follows: From April 1, 1981, until further notice: **6.9 %**. The goal for the participation of minorities for each trade shall be as follows: **33 %**.

All changes to this goal, as published in the Federal Register in accordance with the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs regulations at 41 CFR 60-4.6, or any successor regulations, shall hereafter be incorporated by reference into these Special Award Conditions. Goals for minority participation shall be as prescribed by Appendix B-80, Federal Register, Volume 45, No. 194, October 3, 1980, or subsequent publications. The Recipient shall include the "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications" (or cause them to be included, if appropriate) in all Federally assisted contracts and subcontracts. The goals and timetables for minority and female participation may not be less than those published pursuant to 41 CFR 60-4.6

Award shall be to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder.

There will be a 10% retainage held until work is completed.

All work must be completed within 30 calendar days.

There will be a liquidated damages held in the amount of \$25 for each day of overage.

3) **Site Inspection:**

- a) The bidder is expected to have become familiar with and take into consideration, site conditions which may affect the work and to check all dimensions at the site.
- b) Each bidder shall acquaint themselves thoroughly as to the character and nature of the work to be done. Each bidder furthermore shall make a careful examination of the site of the work and inform themselves fully as to the difficulties to be encountered in performance of the work, the facilities for delivering, storing and placing materials and equipment and other conditions relating to construction and labor.
- c) The bidder shall examine the premises and the site and compare them with any applicable drawings and specifications. He/she shall familiarize themselves with the existing conditions such as obstructive area levels and any problems related to erecting the required systems.
- d) No plea of ignorance of conditions that exist or may hereafter exist on the site of the work, or difficulties that may be encountered in the execution of the work, as a result of failure to make necessary investigations and examinations, will be accepted as an excuse for any failure or omission on the part of the Contractor to fulfill in every detail all the requirements of the contract documents and to complete the work for the consideration set forth therein, or as a basis for any claim whatsoever.
- e) Insofar as possible, the Contractor, in carrying out his/her work, must employ such methods or means as will not cause interruption of or interference with the work of any other Contractor, or County personnel at the site.
- f) When boring data is provided by the Owner, the Bidder shall assume responsibility for any conclusions he/she may draw from such data. (S)he may employ his/her own consultants to analyze available information and shall be responsible for any conclusions drawn from that information. The cost of such employment shall be borne solely by the Bidder.

4) **Permits:**

Permits have been provided by the County.

5) **Geotechnical Report:**

There is no geotechnical report available for this project.

- 6) This solicitation does not commit Georgetown County to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of the bid, or to procure or contract for goods or services. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities and technicalities in the bid process.
- 7) Throughout this document all references to the "Owner" shall mean the County of Georgetown, SC or its Designated Representative.
- 8) The Project has been designed by Davis & Floyd, Inc. whose office is located at 1940 Algonquin Rd., Suite 301, Charleston, SC 29405 and who will act as ENGINEER in connection with completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

END OF SECTION 00010



EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT OF EXPERIENCE OF THE BIDDER

The Bidder/Proposer is requested to state below what work of similar scope and complexity he/she has successfully completed, and to provide references that will enable the Owner to judge his/her experience, skill and business standing and his/her ability to conduct the Work in conformance with the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents. The County requests a minimum of three (3) references. The Bidder/Proposer may print as many pages as necessary to fulfill this requirement.

<u>Project and Location</u>	<u>Reference</u>
1) _____ _____	_____ _____
2) _____ _____	_____ _____
3) _____ _____	_____ _____

Company: _____

Name of Officer: _____
(printed)

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



EXHIBIT B

**DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES (DBE)
COMMITTAL SHEET**

Information must be shown on this sheet as required by the supplemental specifications entitled “Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Supplemental Specification” included in this proposal.

FAILURE TO PROVIDE ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED ON THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN THE AWARD BEING MADE TO THE NEXT LOWEST RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE BIDDER. FOR DESIGN BUILD PROJECTS, FAILURE TO PROVIDE ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED ON THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN SANCTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART B OF THE DBE SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS.

¹ Name & Address of DBE's (Sub-contractor/Sub-consultant or Supplier)	² Percent	³ Description of Work and Approximate Quantity ⁶ (show percent when appropriate)				⁵ Dollar Value
		Item	Qty.	Unit	⁴ Unit Price	

Total amount committed \$ _____

BASED ON THE ABOVE, TOTAL COMMITTAL FOR THIS CONTRACT: _____% Minority Goal: 33%

BASED ON THE ABOVE, TOTAL COMMITTAL FOR THIS CONTRACT: _____% Women Goal: 6.9%

- ¹ The designation of Firm A and/or B is not considered acceptable. I hereby certify that this company has communicated with and received quotes from the DBE's listed above and that they are willing to perform the work as listed above and that this company is committed to utilizing the above firm(s) on this contract.
- ² Percent – show percent of total contract amount committed to each DBE listed.
- ³ All information requested must be included unless item is listed in proposal on a lump sum basis.
- ⁴ Unit Price – show unit price quoted by DBE.
- ⁵ Dollar Value – extended amount based on Quantity and Unit Price.
- ⁶ Applies to lump sum items only.

The form may be reproduced or additional sheets added in order to provide all requested information.

Company: _____

Printed Name of Officer: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



EXHIBIT C

DAVIS – BACON and RELATED ACTS-CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

By entering into this Contract, the Contractor hereby certifies that neither it (nor he or she) nor any person or firm who has an interest in the Contractor's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded Government contracts by virtue of Section 3(a) of the Davis – Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12 (a) (1).

No part of this Contract shall be sub-contracted to any person or firm ineligible for award of a Government contract by virtue of Section 3(a) of the Davis – Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12 (a) (1).

The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the United States Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 100.1.

Company: _____

Printed Name of Officer: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____



EXHIBIT D

CERTIFICATE REGARDING DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

By submitting a bid/proposal under this solicitation, the bidder or offeror certifies that at the time the bidder or offeror submits its proposal that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred or suspended by any Federal department or agency from participation in this transaction.

Company: _____

Printed Name of Officer: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

(Reference: 2 CFR part 180 (Subpart C), 2 CFR part 1200, DOT Order 4200.5 DOT Suspension & Debarment Procedures & Ineligibility)



EXHIBIT E
ANTI-LOBBYING CERTIFICATION

The bidder or offeror certifies by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the bidder or offeror, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

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

Company: _____

Printed Name of Officer: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

(Reference: 49 CFR part 20, Appendix A)



SECTION 00100
INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
EAST ANDREWS DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS-PHASE 1
Bid# 23-016

These are general instructions and conditions that accompany each bid package. If more specific instructions are given in the individual bid package, those instructions should prevail.

1. Submission of Questions

Questions must be submitted in writing via electronic mail to the Issuing Officer no later than the “Deadline for Questions” cutoff identified on page one (1) in order to generate an official answer. All written questions will receive an official written response from the Georgetown County Purchasing Office (GCPO) and will become addenda to the solicitation.

GCPO reserves the right to reject or deny any requests made by the provider.

Impromptu, unwritten questions are permitted and verbal answers may be provided, but are only intended as general direction and will not represent the official GCPO position. The only official position of GCPO is that which is stated in writing and issued in the solicitation as addenda thereto.

No other means of communication, whether oral or written, shall be construed as a formal or official response/statement and may not be relied upon. **SEND QUESTIONS TO:**

Nancy Silver, Purchasing Officer
Post Office Box 421270, Georgetown, SC 29442-4200
Fax: (843) 545-3500
Email: nsilver@gtcounty.org

2. Bids that are not received prior to the stated date and time may be considered **NON RESPONSIVE**. An official authorized to bind the offer must sign all proposals submitted.
3. **NON EXCLUSIVITY**
Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with Contractor. Any resulting contract shall not restrict the County from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources, when Staff determines internally that this resulting action is in the best interest of Georgetown County.
4. No Bidder may submit more than one bid. Multiple bids for different manufacturers but represented by the same firm will not be accepted. Bids offered directly from manufacturers shall indicate if a local dealer/representative will be involved.
5. Definitions:
 - a) The terms “Proposer”, “Offeror”, “Vendor” or “Bidder” refer to those parties who are submitting sealed responses for the work set forth in this document to the OWNER, as distinct from a sub-bidder who provides a bid to the Bidder. The term “Contractor” refers to the successful Bidder.

- b) The term “Drainage Improvements” or “Work” refers to the **complete set of services** as specified in this document, in every aspect.
- c) The terms “Owner” and “County” refer to the County of Georgetown, South Carolina.
- d) Where the words “shall” or “must” are used, it signifies an absolute minimum function or capacity that, if not satisfied, may result in disqualification.
- e) Where the words “should”, “may”, or “is desirable” are used, it signifies desirable, but not mandatory functions or capacities. Bidders who are able to provide these functions or capacities may be evaluated more favorably than those who cannot.

6. Correction or Withdrawal of Bids; Cancellation of Awards

An offeror must submit in writing a request to either correct or withdraw a bid to the Procurement Officer. Each written request must document the fact that the offeror’s mistake is clearly an error that will cause him substantial loss.

- a) Correction of awards : An offeror shall not be permitted to correct a bid mistake after bid opening that would cause such offeror to have the low bid unless the mistake in the judgment of the Procurement Officer is clearly evident from examining the bid document; for example, extension of unit prices or errors in addition.
- b) Cancellation of awards prior to performance: When it is determined after an award has been issued but before performance has begun that Georgetown County’s requirements for the goods or services have changed or have not been met, the award or contract may be canceled and either re-awarded or a new solicitation issued.

- 7. If you need any reasonable accommodation for any type of disability in order to participate in this procurement, please contact the purchasing office as soon as possible.
- 8. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964: Georgetown County hereby gives public notice that it is the policy of the agency to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Executive Order 12898 on Environmental Justice, and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. Title VI requires that no person in the United States of America shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which Georgetown County receives federal financial assistance. Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice under Title VI has a right to file a formal complaint with Georgetown County. Any such complaint must be in writing and filed with Georgetown County’s Title VI Coordinator within one hundred and eighty (180) days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. For more information, or to obtain a Title VI Discriminatory Complaint Form, please see our website at <http://www.gtcounty.org/about/faqs.html>.
- 9. Any deviations from the specifications or modification of this bid and any extra or incidental work or reductions in work shall be set forth in writing and signed by both parties prior to making such change. Any increase or decrease in the bid price resulting from such change shall be included in writing.

10. Exceptions: The bidder shall list on a separate sheet of paper any variations from, or exceptions to, the conditions and specifications of this bid. This sheet shall be labeled "Exception(s) to Bid Conditions and Specifications," and shall be attached to the bid. When Proposers find instances where they must take exception with certain requirements or specifications of the bid, all exceptions shall be clearly identified. Written explanations shall include the scope of the exceptions, the ramifications of the exceptions for the County of Georgetown, and a description of the advantage to be gained or disadvantages to be incurred by the County as a result of these exceptions.
11. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive as an informality any irregularities contained in any bid as may be deemed in the best interest of the County. Georgetown County further reserves the right to reject any bid submitted, at its sole option, that the vendor may not be able to meet the service requirements of the bid.
12. Publicity releases: contractor agrees not to refer to award of any resulting contract in commercial advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the products or services provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.
13. Material Safety Data Sheets: The County of Georgetown will not receive any materials, products, or chemicals which may be hazardous to an employee's health unless accompanied by a Material Data Sheet when received.
14. Ownership of Copyright: All right, title and interest in all copyrightable materials which vendor shall create in the performance of its obligations hereunder shall be the property of the procurer. Vendor agrees to assign and hereby does assign any and all interest it has in and to such material to procurer. Vendor agrees, upon the request of procurer to execute all papers and perform all other such acts necessary to assist procurer to obtain and register copyrights on such materials. Where applicable, works of authorship created by the vendor in the performance of its obligations hereunder, shall be considered "works for hire" as defined in the U.S. Copyright Act.
15. Ownership of Documents: Any reports, studies, photographs, negatives or other documents prepared by vendor in the performance of its obligations shall be the exclusive property of the procurer and all such material shall be remitted to the procurer by the vendor upon completion, termination or cancellation of this order. Vendor shall not use, willingly allow or cause to have such material used for any purpose other than performance of its obligations under this order without the prior written consent of the procurer.
16. Affirmative Action: The contractor will take affirmative action in complying with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment and employment of the handicapped, and concerning the treatment of all employees, without regard or discrimination by reason of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin or physical handicap. The following are incorporated herein by reference: 41 C.F.R. 60-1.4, 60-250.4 and 60-741.4.
17. Inclusion and participation of disadvantaged, small, and local business entities is strongly encouraged, see goal percentages and minimum participation requirements under the grant requirements.

18. All Construction Contracts Over \$2,000:

- A. Davis-Bacon Requirements. These contracts need to include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a to a—7) and the Department of Labor implementing regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under this Act, Contractors are required to include the contract provisions in Section 5.5 (a) of 29 CFR Part 5, and to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the minimum wages specified in the wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, Contractors shall be required to pay wages not less than the minimum wages specified in the wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, Contractors shall be required to pay wages not less often than once a week. Current Wage Determination for Georgetown County in South Carolina is available on-line at: <http://www.wdol.gov/dba.aspx#14>
- B. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standard Act Requirements. The contracts must include a provision for compliance with Sections 103 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 USC 327-330) as supplemented by the Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under Section 103 of the Act, each Contractor shall be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard workweek of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard workweek is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate not less than one times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the workweek. Section 107 of the Act is applicable to construction work and provides that no laborer or mechanic shall be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to health and safety as determined under construction, safety and health standards promulgated by the Secretary of Labor. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies, materials, or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
- C. Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act Requirements. All construction contracts over \$2,000.00 must include a provision for compliance with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3). This act provides that each Contractor shall be prohibited from inducing, by any means, persons employed in the construction, completion, or repaid of public work to give up any part of their compensation.

19. Bidders must clearly mark as "confidential" each part of their bid which they consider to be proprietary information that could be exempt from disclosure under section 30-4-40, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (Freedom of Information Act). If any part is designated as confidential, there must be attached to that part an explanation of how this information fits within one or more categories listed in section 30-4-40. The County reserves the right to determine whether this information should be exempt from disclosure and no legal action may be brought against the County or its agents for its determination in this regard.

20. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:

The contractor certifies that the vendor(s) will provide a “drug-free workplace” as that term is defined in Section 44-107-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, by the complying with the requirements set forth in title 44, Chapter 107.

21. Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities

The federally-assisted construction contractor certifies that he does not maintain or provide, for his employees, any segregated facilities at any of his establishments and that he does not

permit his employees to perform their services at any location, under his control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The federally-assisted construction contractor certifies that he will not maintain or provide, for his employees, segregated facilities at any of his establishments and that he will not permit his employees to perform their services at any location under his control where segregated facilities are maintained. The federally-assisted construction contractor agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Opportunity Clause in this Contract.

As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms, and washrooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or any other reason. The federally assisted construction contractor agrees that (except where he has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) he will obtain identical certifications from proposed subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause and that he will retain such certifications in his files.

22. Nothing herein is intended to exclude any responsible vendor, his product or service or in any way restrain or restrict competition. On the contrary, all responsible vendors are encouraged to bid and their bids are solicited.

23. Acknowledgement of Addenda

Each contractor is responsible to verify the number of total addenda issued prior to bid. **Failure to acknowledge all addenda may disqualify the bidder.** All addenda are posted by the County at the website located at www.georgetowncountysc.org, select "Purchasing" and "Current Bids". It is each proposer's responsibility to verify that all addenda have been received and acknowledged.

24. Form and Style of Bids

- a) Bids in the form of sealed proposals for the Construction of the Project will be received until the time and the date stated in Section 00010, Notice to Bidders.
- b) The Bid shall be submitted on the Bid Form provided; no other form is acceptable.
- c) The successful Bidder will be required to provide verified breakdown of costs of all services and work in a manner acceptable to the Owner.
- d) All blanks on the Bid Form shall be filled in, either typed or printed in ink. The person signing the bid shall initial all corrections or erasures.
- e) Where so indicated on the Bid Form, the Bid Sum shall be expressed in both words and figures; in case of a discrepancy between the two, the Sums expressed in words shall govern.
- f) Bid unit price on quantity specified -- extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern.
- g) Bidder shall quote all Alternates in the Bidding Documents. If Bidder fails to bid on all Alternates, then his/her Bid may be considered irregular, non-responsive and may be disqualified.

- h) Bids containing qualifications will be considered irregular, non-responsive and may be disqualified.
- i) A Bid Form submitted by a partnership shall list the names of all partners and shall be signed in the partnership name by one of the members of the partnership who is authorized to sign for the partnership.
- j) A Bid Form submitted by a corporation shall be executed in the legal name of the corporation, followed by the state of incorporation and signed by the President or Vice President or other authorized officer. The name of each person signing the Bid Form shall be typed or printed below the signature.
- k) When the person signing for a corporation is other than the President or Vice President and when requested by the Owner, a resolution or other satisfactory evidence of the authority of the officer signing in behalf of the corporation shall be furnished for the Owner's records. The name of each person signing the Bid Form shall be typed or printed below the signature.

25. This Request for Quotes covers the estimated requirements to provide EAST ANDREWS DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS-PHASE 1 for the Georgetown County Capital Projects and Public Services. The purpose is to establish a Construction Contract with firm pricing and delivery.

26. **PRICE ESCALATION/DE-ESCALATION:**

Prices are to remain firm for the first contract period. In subsequent terms, the contractor may request, in writing at least sixty (60) days in advance of the contract ending date, an increase/decrease. Should the County elect to exercise the option to renew the contract for additional year(s), the contract prices for the additional years shall not exceed the percentage increase/decrease of the "Services" category of the CPI-W SECTION OF THE COMSUMER PRICE INDEX of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the latest twelve month for which statistics are available. Should the price change be granted and the County elects to renew the contract, the purchase order will reflect the changes.

27. Insurance

The successful bidder shall procure, maintain, and provide proof of, insurance coverage for injuries to persons and/or property damage as may arise from or in conjunction with, the work performed on behalf of the County by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. Proof of coverage as contained herein shall be submitted fifteen (15) days prior to the commencement of work and such coverage shall be maintained by the bidder for the duration of the contract period; for occurrence policies.

a. General Liability

Coverage shall be as broad as: Comprehensive General Liability endorsed to include Broad Form, Commercial General Liability form including Products/Completed Operations.

1. Minimum Limits

General Liability:

\$1,000,000 General Aggregate Limit

\$1,000,000 Products & Completed Operations

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit
\$50,000 Fire Damage Limit
\$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

b. Automobile Liability

Coverage sufficient to cover all vehicles owned, used, or hired by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

1. Minimum Limits

Automobile Liability:

\$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit
\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit
\$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

c. Workers' Compensation

Limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC. Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

d. Owners' & Contractors' Protective Liability

Policy will be in name of County. Minimum limits required are \$1,000,000.

e. Professional Liability (a/k/a Errors and Omissions)

N/A.

f. Coverage Provisions

1. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s).
2. The County of Georgetown, its officers/ officials, employees, agents and volunteers shall be added as "additional insured" as their interests may appear. This provision does not apply to Professional Liability or Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability.
3. The offeror's insurance shall be primary over any applicable insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County.
4. Shall provide 30 days written notice to the County before any cancellation, suspension, or void of coverage in whole or part, where such provision is reasonable.
5. All coverage for subcontractors of the bidder shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.
6. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s) and shall be subject to approval by the County. At the option of the County, either; the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductible or self-insured retention; or the bidder shall be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.
7. Failure to comply with any reporting provisions of the policy(s) shall not affect coverage provided the County, its officers/officials, agents, employees and volunteers.
8. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its' officers/officials, agents, employees or volunteers for any act, omission or condition of premises which the parties may be held liable by reason of negligence.

9. The bidder shall furnish the County certificates of insurance including endorsements affecting coverage. The certificates are to be signed by a person authorized by the insurance company(s) to bind coverage on its' behalf, if executed by a broker, notarized copy of authorization to bind, or certify coverage must be attached.
10. All insurance shall be placed with insurers maintaining an A.M. Best rating of no less than an A:VII. If A.M. Best rating is less than A:VII, approval must be received from County's Risk Officer.

28. Workman's Compensation Coverage

Georgetown County, SC will require each contractor and service provider to maintain on file with the purchasing officer, a current Certificate of Insurance showing limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC: Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

The law also recognizes "statutory employees." These are employees who work for a subcontractor who may be working for a business or another contractor. Employers should inquire whether or not a subcontractor working for them has workers' compensation insurance, regardless of the number of employees employed by the subcontractor. If the subcontractor does not, the subcontractor's injured employees would be covered under the employer's workers' compensation insurance. If the subcontractor does not carry workers' compensation insurance, then the owner or the principal contractor would be liable just as if the subcontractor's employee was one of their employees.

For answers to additional questions, visit the SC Worker's Compensation Commission website, at:

<http://www.wcc.sc.gov/Pages/FrequentlyAskedQuestions.aspx#empl>

29. Hold Harmless Clause

The Contractor shall, during the term of the contract including any warranty period, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its officials, employees, agents, and representatives thereof from all suits, actions, or claims of any kind, including attorney's fees, brought on account of any personal injuries, damages, or violations of rights, sustained by any person or property in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding contract work or on account of any act or omission by the contractor or his employees, or from any claims or amounts arising from violation of any law, bylaw, ordinance, regulation or decree. The vendor agrees that this clause shall include claims involving infringement of patent or copyright.

30. Condition of Items

All items shall be new, in first class condition, including containers suitable for shipment and storage, unless otherwise indicated herein. Verbal agreements to the contrary will not be recognized.

31. Workmanship and Inspection

All work under this contract shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The County may, in writing, require the Contractor to remove any employee from work that the County deems incompetent or careless.

Further, the County may, from time to time, make inspections of the work performed under this contract. Any inspection by the County does not relieve the Contractor from any responsibility regarding defects or other failures to meet the contract requirements.

32. Progress Payments

Contractor's Application for Payment shall be submitted to the Owner on the County's pay application form, AIA Document, or such other form as may be mutually agreed upon. The period covered by each Application for Payment shall be not less than one calendar month. The Owner shall make progress payments to the Contractor on undisputed amounts certified by the Architect within twenty-one (21) days from receipt of the Application for Payment by the Owner in accordance with Title 29, Chapter 6 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended.

33. South Carolina Sales Tax

The County of Georgetown, SC is not exempt and pays the appropriate SC sales tax on all applicable purchases.

34. Assignment of Contract

This contract may not be assigned in whole or part without the written consent of the Purchasing Officer.

35. Termination

Subject to the provisions below, the contract may be terminated by the County upon sixty (60) days advance written notice to the other party; but if any work or service hereunder is in progress, but not completed as of the date of termination, then this contract may be extended upon written approval of the County until said work or services are completed and accepted.

a. Termination for Convenience

In the event that this contract is terminated or canceled upon request and for the convenience of the County, without the required sixty (60) days advance written notice, then the County shall negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

b. Termination for Cause

Termination by the County for cause, default or negligence on the part of the contractor shall be excluded from the foregoing provision; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The sixty (60) days advance notice requirement is waived in the event of Termination for Cause.

c. Non-Appropriation:

It is understood and agreed by the parties that in the event funds are not appropriated in the current fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal years, this contract will become null and void and the County will only be required to pay for services completed to the satisfaction of the County.

36. Default

In case of default by the contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the County may procure the goods or services from another source and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law

37. Severability

In the event that any provision shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Agreement but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding and in full force and effect.

38. Applicable Laws

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina, U.S.A.

39. Claims and Disputes:

All claims, disputes and other matters in question between parties arising out of, or relating to, this Agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be decided in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial circuit in Georgetown County, South Carolina. By executing this Agreement, all parties specifically consent to venue and jurisdiction in Georgetown County, South Carolina and waive any right to contest jurisdiction and venue in said Court.

40. Rights of County

The County reserves the right to reject all or any part of any bid, waive informalities and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to best serve the interest of the County.

41. Award of Bid

In determining the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in addition to price, there shall be considered the following:

- (a) The ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform the contract.
- (b) Whether the bidder can perform the contract within the time specified, without delay of interference.
- (c) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder.
- (d) The quality of performance on previous contracts.
- (e) The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws and ordinances relating to the contract.

42. Notice of Award

A *Notice of Intent to Award* will be mailed to all respondents.

43. Protest

Bidders may refer to Sections 2-67, 2-73, and 2-74 of Ordinance #20-32, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process. The failure to be awarded a bid shall not be valid grounds for protest.

44. Debarment

By submitting a bid, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals, sub-contractors and assigns are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal, State or local department or agency. A copy of the County's debarment procedure in accordance with Section 2-68 of Ordinance #20-32, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy is available upon request.

45. Brand Name or Equal:

- (a) The use of a "Brand Name Only" specification is for the purpose of describing the sole item that will satisfy the county's requirements. Bids offering alternate products will be declared non-responsive.
- (b) The use of a "Brand Name Or Equal" specification is for the purpose of describing the standard of quality, performance and characteristics desired and is not intended to limit or restrict competition. An item shall be considered to be substantially equivalent, or "equal" to the specified brand in the opinion of the Chief Procurement Officer, the County can reasonably anticipate sufficiently similar quality, capacity, durability, performance, utility and productivity as provided by the specified brand.

- (c) The use of a “Brand Name Or Approved Equal” specification with a reference to a brand name or model number does not preclude an offer of a comparable or better product, if full specifications and descriptive literature are provided for the product. Bidder shall submit a Substitution Request form for a proposed equal to Purchasing at least ten (10) days prior to the bid opening date and time to allow Georgetown County to make a determination of equality to the brand specified. If the county approves the proposed equal, an amendment to the bid will be issued specifically identifying the item as an approved equivalent. Failure to provide such specifications and descriptive literature may be cause for rejection of the offer.

46. Substitutions and Product Options

Written requests for changes in products, materials, equipment and methods of construction required by the Contract Documents shall be submitted to the Owner prior to effecting such requested changes.

47. Mobilization After Notice to Proceed

Bid must show the number of days required to mobilize after receiving a Notice to Proceed under normal conditions. Failure to state delivery time obligates bidder to complete delivery in fourteen (14) calendar days. Unrealistically short or long delivery promised may cause bid to be disregarded. Consistent failure to meet delivery promises without valid reason may be cause for removal from bid list.

48. Environmental Management:

Vendor/Supplier/Contractor will be responsible for complying with all federal, state and local environmental regulations relating to transportation, handling, storage, spillage and any other aspect of providing the services specified herein, as applicable.

49. The Bidder hereby certifies that he or she has carefully examined all of the Documents for the project, has carefully and thoroughly reviewed this Request for Bid/Quotation, has inspected the location of the project (if applicable), and understands the nature and scope of the work to be done; and that this Bid is based upon the terms, specifications, requirements, and conditions of the Request for Bid/ Documents. The Bidder further agrees that the performance time specified is a reasonable time, having carefully considered the nature and scope of the project as aforesaid.

50. Any attempt by the vendor to influence the opinion of County Staff or County Council by discussion, promotion, advertising, misrepresentation of the submittal or purchasing process or any procedure to promote their offer will constitute a violation of the vendor submittal conditions and will cause the vendor’s submittal to be declared null and void.

51. Apparent omission of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning the best commercial practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the finest quality are to be used.

52. Response Clarification

Georgetown County reserves the right to request additional written or oral information from Bidders in order to obtain clarification of their Responses.

53. Due to state funding involvement in this project, the County’s normal local preference will be waived.

54. BUY-AMERICAN PREFERENCES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS: Contractor is encouraged to use, to the greatest extent practicable, iron and aluminum as well as steel, cement, and other manufactured products produced in the United States.

55. Bidding Documents

- a) Each Bidder shall carefully examine the Bidding and Contract Documents, General Requirements, Drawings and Technical Specifications and all addenda or other revisions and thoroughly familiarize themselves with the detailed requirements prior to submitting a Bid. Bidders shall

promptly notify the Owner in writing of any ambiguity, inconsistency, error or omission, which they may discover upon examination of the Bidding and Contract Documents, Project Site and / or local conditions. The Owner shall make such interpretations, corrections or changes to the Bidding Documents and will reply to all questions submitted by the Bidders. The Owner will log all responses and issue an addendum as may be appropriate. The Owner will not be responsible for any oral instructions and / or responses. Interpretations, corrections or changes made in any other manner will not be binding. All addenda sent to Bidders will become a part of the Bidding and Contract Documents. All inquiries shall be directed in writing or transmitted by facsimile to the office of the Owner. No allowance will be made after Bids are received due to oversight and / or error by bidder.

- b) Each Bidder shall carefully review the Table of Contents and the List of Drawings in the Project Manual to determine if any instrument is missing from the Bidding Documents. Bidders shall promptly notify the Owner, in writing, of any discrepancy.
- c) Addenda will be mailed or faxed to all Bidders. Copies of Addenda will be made available for inspection at the office of the County Purchasing Officer. Prior to submitting a Bid each Bidder shall ascertain that he/she has received all Addenda issued.
- d) Owner does not assume any responsibility for errors, omissions or misinterpretations resulting from the Bidder's use of incomplete Bidding Documents.

56. Federal Procurement Regulations

The following clauses contained in the [Federal Procurement Regulations \(FPR\)](#) or the [Defense Acquisition Regulations \(DAR\)](#) apply to all federal fund expenditures and are a part of the County's field order terms and conditions.

Special Terms and Conditions -- Federal Grants Special Terms and Conditions -- Federal Contracts	
The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) apply regardless of the amount of the order.	
Anti-Kickback Procedures	52.203-7
Buy American Act-- Free Trade Agreements--Israeli Trade Act	52.225-3
Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act--Overtime Compensation	52.222-4
Integrity of Unit Prices	52.215-14(a)(b)
Equal Opportunity	52.222-26
Notice to the Government of Labor Disputes	52.222-1
Preference for U.S. - Flag Air Carriers (for international air travel only)	52.247-63
Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government	52.203-6
Service Contract Act of 1965, as Amended	52.222-41
Termination for Convenience of Government (Education and Other Nonprofit Institutions)	52.249-5 (a)-(f)
The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) also apply if the amount of the order exceeds \$2,500.	

Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities	52.222-36	
Instructions to Offerors--Competitive Acquisition	52.215-1	
The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) also apply if the amount of the order exceeds \$10,000.		
Affirmative Action for Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans	52.222-35	
Audits and Records--Negotiation	52.215-2	
Employment Reports on Disabled Veterans, Veterans of the Vietnam Era, and Other Eligible Veterans	52.222.37	
Instructions to Offerors--Competitive Acquisition	52.215-1	
Utilization of Small Business Concerns	52.219-8	
Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns	52.219.23	
Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act	52.222-20	
The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) also apply if the amount of the order exceeds \$25,000.		
Authorization and Consent	52.227-1	
Notice and Assistance Regarding Patent and Copyright Infringement	52.227-2	
Preference for Privately Owned U.S.- Flag Commercial Vessels	52.247-64	
Utilization of Labor Surplus Area Concerns (Reserved)	52.220-3	
Utilization of Women-Owned Small Business (Reserved)	52.219-13	
The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) also apply if the amount of the order exceeds \$100,000.		
Clean Air and Water (Reserved)	52.223-1,2	
Price Reduction for Defective Cost or Pricing Data--Modifications--Sealed Bidding	52.214-27 or	
Subcontractor Cost or Pricing Data--Modifications--Sealed Bidding	52.214-28	
NOTE: 52.214-27 applies if cost or pricing data is initially required; if not, 52.214-28 applies to transactions over \$100,000.		
The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) also apply if the amount of the order exceeds \$500,000.		
Labor Surplus Area Subcontracting Program (Reserved)	52.220-4	
Small Business Subcontracting Plan	52.219-9	
Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program--Incentive Subcontracting	52.219.26	
The following provisions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) apply when noted:		
Filing of Patent Applications-- Classified Subject Matter	When subcontract involves classified matters	52.227-10

Hazardous Material Identification and Material Safety Data	When subcontract involves hazardous material	52.223-3
Patent Rights--Retention by the Contractor	When the subcontract or purchase order involves experimental research and development work.	52.227-11,12
NOTE: 52.227-11 applies to small business and nonprofit organizations; 52.227-12 applies to others.		
Representation of Limited Rights Data and Restricted Computer Software	When subcontract includes technical data or software acquisition requirements (DOD only)**	52.227-15
Rights in Data--General	Same as ** above.	52.227-14
Technical Data Declaration, Revision, and Withholding of Payment--Major Systems	Same as ** above.	52.227-21
Required Sources for Jewel Bearings (Reserved)	When subcontract or purchase order requires use of jewel bearings.	52.208-1
Security Requirements	When subcontract involves access to classified information.	52.204-2
The County reserves all administrative, contractual, and legal remedies against the contractor or vendor who breaches any of the contract terms.		

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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 GEORGETOWN COUNTY)

CONSTRUCTION
 CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT made and entered into this ____ day of _____ 2023, by and between Georgetown County, hereinafter referred to as the “Owner”, a body politic and corporate and political subdivision of the State of South Carolina, whose administrative address is: 129 Screven Street, Georgetown, South Carolina 29440; and _____ hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”, a corporation formed and existing under the laws of the State of South Carolina and authorized to do business within the State of South Carolina whose administrative address is: _____.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF:

WHEREAS the Owner has a project entitled “_____” hereinafter referred to as the “Project”, and;

WHEREAS, the Contractor has submitted a proposal for the Project at \$_____ which is the Lump Sum Base Bid and the Owner has awarded the Project to the Contractor; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, as well as other good and valuable consideration not specifically mentioned, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Contractor, for and in consideration of the payments hereinafter specified and agreed to be made by the Owner, hereby covenants and agrees to furnish and deliver all materials required, to do and perform all the work and labor, in a satisfactory and workmanlike manner, required to complete the Project within the time specified, in strict and entire conformity with the Plans, Technical Specifications and other Contract documents, on file at Georgetown County, which are duly approved by the Owner and which said Plans, Specifications and other Contract documents are hereby made part of this Contract as fully and with the same effects as if the same had been set forth at length in the body of this Contract.
2. The Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Owner and, the Engineer, and each of their agents, representatives, directors, officers, and employees harmless from any and all liabilities, losses, damages, penalties, judgments, awards, claims, demands, costs, expenses, (including reasonable attorney’s fees and court costs), actions, lawsuits or other proceedings arising directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, out of the negligence or willful acts or omissions of the Contractor, Trade Subcontractors, or their respective agents, directors, officers or employees in connection with this Agreement or in any way with the services or Work described herein, any occurrence at the Project site, or any occurrence arising in connection with or at the Project site or in connection with the Work, whether within or beyond the scope of its duties hereunder.
3. The Project has been designed by the _____, whose office is located at _____ and who will act as the ENGINEER in connection with completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
4. The project will be considered substantially complete upon completion of all items listed in the Bid Form and appurtenances in accordance with the Contract Documents, including successful performance of all testing requirements.
5. The Contractor’s indemnity and defense obligations under this Contract shall be absolute notwithstanding any provision contained herein or elsewhere to the contrary, and shall survive Final Completion and Final Payment for a period equal to the statute of limitations for any action which could

be brought against the Owner or its agents, officers, directors and employees and shall continue through the duration of any action brought during the applicable time periods.

6. The Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Owner, and the Engineer, and each of their agents, representatives, officers, directors and employees, harmless from all costs, damages and expenses, including reasonable attorneys fees, incurred by the Owner and its consultants by virtue of any claim or claims filed by any Trade Subcontractor, mechanic, laborer, or materialman making claims arising from the performance of the Work by, through, or under the Contractor, provided the Contractor has received from the Owner all amounts properly due under this Contract concerning the claim. The Contractor shall execute and deliver to the Owner's title insurer similar indemnifications or such other document as such title insurer shall reasonably request in order to protect it against lien claims from Trade Subcontractors. The Contractor also hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless, protect and defend the Owner and its consultants from and against any liability, claim, judgment, loss or damage, including, but not limited, to direct damages, attorney's fees, court costs and expenses of collection, occasioned in whole or in part by the sole failure of the Contractor, and its Trade Subcontractors to comply with any of the terms or provisions of this Contract.
7. In any and all claims against the Owner, by any employee of the Contractor or Trade Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, their agent or anyone for whose acts any of the Contractor or Trade Subcontractors may be liable, the indemnification obligation under this Paragraph 2 shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or any Trade Subcontractor under workers' or workmen's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.
8. The Owner hereby agrees to pay to the Contractor for the said work, when fully completed, the total sum of \$ _____ (the said sum being the total of the Contractor's bid, a copy of which is attached hereto and, pro tanto, made a part hereof for all purposes), subject to such additions and deductions as may be provided for in the Contract Documents. In the event the bid contains multiple pay items, it is understood that the amount to be paid shall be the total based on the unit prices, together with lump sum prices, contained in said bid, for the work actually completed. Payments on accounts will be made as customarily provided by the County and consistent with applicable County procedures. The Contractor shall submit bills for fees or other compensation for services or expenses in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post audit thereof. Any unit of provision of goods and services must be approved in writing by the Owner prior to payment.
9. The Owner may unilaterally cancel this Contract and the goods and services there under in the event that the Contractor fails and refuses to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material subject to the provisions of the applicable South Carolina Code of Laws, made or received by the Contractor in conjunction with this Contract.
10. This Contract has been executed by the parties prior to the rendering of any goods or services by the Contractor.
11. The Contractor shall provide a payment and performance bond (the "Bond") to the Owner meeting the requirements of applicable South Carolina Code of Laws, The Georgetown County Procurement Ordinance, as amended, and associated bid documents referenced herein, which by virtue of executing this contract the Contractor has accepted in the sum of \$ _____ and shall cause the Bond to be recorded with the Notice of Commencement in the Public Records of Georgetown County, South Carolina.
12. This Contract shall be subordinate to any rule, regulation, order or law of the United States of America, or the State of South Carolina, respectively.

13. Contractor and its employees shall promptly observe and comply with all applicable provisions of any Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, rules or regulations which govern or apply to the goods or services rendered by Contractor hereunder including the wages paid by Contractor to its employees. Contractors shall require all of its Subcontractors to comply with the provisions of this paragraph.
14. Contractor shall procure and keep in force during the term of this contract all necessary insurance (including but not limited to general liability, casualty, workers compensation, and automobile), licenses, registrations, certificates, permits and other authorizations as are required by law in order for Contractor to render its services hereunder. Contractor shall require all of its Subcontractors to comply with the provisions of this paragraph.
15. All remedies provided in this Contract shall be deemed cumulative and additional and not in lieu of or exclusive of each other or of any other remedy available to any party at law or in equity. In the event one party shall prevail in any action (including appellate proceedings), at law or in equity arising hereunder, the losing party will pay all costs, expense, reasonable attorneys' fees and all other actual and reasonable expenses incurred in the defense and/or prosecution of any legal or arbitration proceedings, including, but not limited to, those for paralegal, investigative, legal support services and actual fees charged by expert witnesses for testimony and analysis, incurred by the prevailing party referable thereto.
16. Contractor represents and warrants unto Owner that no officer, employee or agent of Owner has any interest, either directly or indirectly, in the business or property for/on which the Contractor to conduct activities hereunder. Contractor further represents and warrants to Owner that it has not employed or retained any third party person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Contractor, to bid, solicit or secure this Contract, that it has not paid or agreed to any person, company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Contractor, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Contract, and that it has not agreed, as an express or implied condition for obtaining this Contract, to employ or retain the services of any firm or person in connection with carrying out this Contract. Contractor assures that it will insert the above provision in each of its Subcontractor agreements relating to the services to be performed hereunder.
17. The headings of the sections of this Contract are for the purpose of convenience only and shall not be deemed to expand or limit the provisions contained in such sections.
18. This Contract, including all Contract documents such as, but not limited to, bid documents and procurement packages, constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and shall supersede and replace all prior agreements or understandings, written or oral, relating to the matters set forth herein.
19. This Contract shall not be amended or modified other than in writing signed by the parties hereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Amendments that are not being paid for, in whole or in part, with funds granted by the United States or State of South Carolina need not be approved by them.
20. The validity, interpretation, construction and effect of this Contract shall be in accordance with and be governed by the laws of the State of South Carolina. In the event any provision hereof shall be finally determined to be unenforceable, or invalid, such unenforceability or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Contract which shall remain in full force and effect.
21. Termination of Contract
 - a) The Owner may, by written notice, terminate this Contract in whole or in part at any time, either for the Owner's convenience or because of failure to fulfill the Contract obligations. Upon receipt of such notice, services shall be immediately discontinued (unless the notice

directs otherwise) and all materials as may have been accumulated in performed this Contract, whether completed or in process, delivered to the Owner.

- b) If the termination is due to failure to fulfill the Contractor's obligations, the Owner may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or otherwise. In such case, the Contractor shall be liable to the Owner for any additional cost occasioned to the Owner thereby.
- c) If, after notice of termination for failure to fulfill its Contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor had not failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been effected for the convenience of the Owner. In such event, adjustment in the Contract price shall be made as provided in paragraph 21.a of this clause.
- d) The rights and remedies of the Owner provided in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.
- e) Non-Appropriation:
It is understood and agreed by the parties that in the event funds are not appropriated in the current fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal years, this contract will become null and void and the County will only be required to pay for services completed to the satisfaction of the County.

22. Waiver or Forbearance

Any delay or failure of County to insist upon strict performance of any obligation under this Agreement or to exercise any right or remedy provided under this Agreement shall not be a waiver of County's right to demand strict compliance, irrespective of the number or duration of any delay(s) or failure(s). No term or condition imposed on Contractor under this Agreement shall be waived and no breach by Contractor shall be excused unless that waiver or excuse of a breach has been put in writing and signed by both parties. No waiver in any instance of any right or remedy shall constitute waiver of any other right or remedy under this Agreement. No consent to or forbearance of any breach or substandard performance of any obligation under this Agreement shall constitute consent to modification or reduction of the other obligations or forbearance of any other breach.

23. Title VI Compliance:

Georgetown County hereby gives public notice that it is the policy of the agency to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Executive Order 12898 on Environmental Justice, and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. Title VI requires that no person in the United States of America shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which Georgetown County receives federal financial assistance. Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice under Title VI has a right to file a formal complaint with Georgetown County. Any such complaint must be in writing and filed with Georgetown County's Title VI Coordinator within one hundred and eighty (180) days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. For more information, or to obtain a Title VI Discriminatory Complaint Form, please see our website at <http://www.gtcounty.org>.

24. Federal & Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant Contract Provisions:

Due to the grant funding associated with this project, all EDA requirements will apply to this project as if written out in full herein. Provider must hereby agree to comply with any and all contract provisions as set forth in the " EDA Contracting Provisions for Construction Projects" as well as Appendix II to 2 CFR Part 200 – Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts under Federal awards.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Owner and Contractor hereto have signed and sealed this Contract on the day and date first above written. To facilitate execution, this Agreement may be executed, including electronically, in as many counterparts as may be required. It shall not be necessary that the signature on behalf of both parties hereto appear on each counterpart hereof. All counterparts hereof shall collectively constitute a single agreement.

APPROVED:

APPROVED:

CONTRACTOR

GEORGETOWN COUNTY

By: _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Angela Christian, County Administrator

Date: _____

Date: _____

SAMPLE