

# City of Myrtle Beach Request for Proposal

## RFP 21-R0003 Disaster Recovery Consultant

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL	
RFP # 21-R0003 Disaster Recovery Consultant	
Buyer Contact:	Ann Sowers 843-918-2172 asowers@cityofmyrtlebeach.com
<b>Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference:</b> On-time attendance/sign-in is required for proposal consideration.	<b>Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 1:30PM (local time)</b> Mary C. Canty Recreation Center 971 Canal Street, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577
<b>Opening Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 2:00PM (local time)</b>
Proposal Delivery Location:	3231 Mr. Joe White Avenue Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

**Bonds:** Proposals for a service only that is \$25,000.00 or greater must be accompanied by a bidder's bond or cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total dollar amount of the proposal submitted, payable to the City of Myrtle Beach. No other forms of security will be accepted.

**Public Disclosure:** If proposal contains proprietary, privileged, or confidential information, Offeror **MUST** check box. Failure to check box may be cause for public disclosure. See Section 3.09 for further details.

No proposals will be accepted unless submitted on the forms furnished herein. All pages of the proposal must be in a sealed envelope and delivered in accordance with these instructions:

- The envelope must be marked with company name, proposal number/name, and time/date of proposal opening.
- Proposal packages shall be delivered to the address listed above. The City of Myrtle Beach is not responsible for late or misdirected mail.

If the above criteria are not met, your proposal shall be rejected. Proposals are not subject to public reading.

Offerors are advised that from the date of issue of this solicitation until award of the contract, no contact with City personnel related to this solicitation is permitted. All communications/requests for clarification are to be directed to the Buyer listed above.

It is the intent and purpose of the City of Myrtle Beach that this Request for Proposal promotes competitive proposals. It shall be the Offeror's responsibility to advise the Purchasing Division if any language, requirements, etc., or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this Request for Proposal to a single source. Such notification must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Purchasing Division no later than three (3) City of Myrtle Beach business days prior to the proposal opening date.

**Offeror to complete this section:**

Name of Offeror: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please note:** Signature is required on page 16.

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1.02 DEFINITIONS:

- A. City of Myrtle Beach – herein referred to as “City.”
- B. RFP – Request for Proposal
- C. Offeror – any vendor, proprietor, business, company, service provider, or corporation who submits a proposal to the City.
- D. Proposal – the collection of documents that includes these general instructions, the scope of work and/or specifications, a written offer, and signature page to be used for consideration in negotiations and/or contract development.
- E. Addendum – a written change, addition, alteration, correction, or revision to a proposal document.

2.0 AUTHORITY:

- 2.01 **Equal Weight and Force.** The instructions herein contained are given for the purpose of guidance in properly preparing an applicable proposal. These directions have equal weight and force with the specifications and strict compliance is required with all of the provisions. Unless otherwise stated in the special instructions of the proposal, these general instructions shall apply.
  
- 2.02 **Written Explanations.** Only written information from the procurement manager or an authorized representative of the purchasing division is binding; therefore no verbal instructions or verbal information from any other source shall be binding on the City. The

City shall not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretation and the decision of the procurement manager or an authorized representative of the purchasing division shall be final and binding upon each Offeror.

**2.03 Disputes with Written Explanations.** The written specifications are considered clear and complete. Failure of the Offeror to call attention in writing to any disputes, definitions, discrepancies, inconsistencies or incompleteness before the opening of the proposal in the time and manner set forth herein is a waiver of right to do so upon opening of the proposals. Clarifications requested by Offerors must be in writing not less than three (3) days before date and time set for receipt of proposals.

**2.04 Written Addenda.** Should the procurement manager deem it necessary to alter proposal specifications, those alterations shall be made in the form of written addenda that shall be posted on the City website, and may be advertised in the South Carolina Business Opportunities (SCBO) online publication and the local newspaper. The Offeror is responsible for monitoring all of these sources and should not rely on a single source for updates. These addenda shall then be considered as part of these specifications. No interpretations of the meaning of the proposal specifications shall be made orally.

### **3.0 REQUIREMENTS FOR WRITTEN DOCUMENTS:**

**3.01 Availability of Documents.** Proposal documents may be obtained through the City of Myrtle Beach website ([www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com](http://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com)), or in person at the City of Myrtle Beach Purchasing Office, 3231 Mr. Joe White Avenue, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577, Monday through Friday (excluding City holidays), from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Proposal documents may be mailed or sent via e-mail by vendor request only.

**3.02 Responsive Proposals.** The City of Myrtle Beach will review proposals on a pass/fail basis to determine whether the proposal is “responsive” to this RFP. A responsive proposal will contain all required documents and forms that are completed in their entirety. Documents and forms must be unaltered, legible, signed, sealed appropriately, and free from errors without noted corrections. The City reserves the right (at its sole discretion) to determine whether a proposal is responsive.

**3.03 Non-Responsive Proposals.** Proposals that are incomplete, unsigned, improperly signed or sealed, conditional, illegible, obscure, contain arithmetical errors, corrections without initials, ambiguities, alterations, and/or irregularities of any kind, may be declared non-responsive.

**3.04 Document Completion.** A proposal and signature document is provided as part of the solicitation. This form must be used in submitting a proposal and all pages of the proposal document must be completely filled out in blue or black ink and signed by the Offeror. No proposal shall be accepted unless submitted on the forms furnished herein. The format of the proposal documents shall not be altered in any way. Written errors made on the proposal documents prior to submission must be corrected by marking through the entry in blue or black ink and making the correct entry adjacent to the written error and initialed by

the Offeror in blue or black ink.

- 3.05 Contents of Proposal Packet.** The general instructions, scope of work and/or specifications, and the proposal and signature document constitute the proposal packet. By submitting a proposal, the Offeror is deemed to have accepted all of the terms and conditions set forth in the proposal packet documents. Alternative proposals shall not be considered. All proposal packet documents, after completion by the Offeror, must be returned with the proposal in the same order as received by the Offeror.
- 3.06 Single Package Requirement.** Unless otherwise stated in the special instructions section of this proposal request, submit one complete proposal package using the attached form(s), for proposed pricing. The City will not be liable for any costs incurred by the Offeror to prepare, submit, or present proposals.
- 3.07 Proposal Submission.** Each proposal must be enclosed in a sealed envelope, clearly marked on the outside with the company name/address in the upper left-hand corner and proposal number/name and time/date of opening in the lower left-hand corner. This sealed envelope must be delivered to the procurement buyer. If the required information is not clearly stated on the outside of the envelope, the proposal is considered nonresponsive. It is the Offeror's responsibility to ensure that the proposal is delivered by the official opening date and time. Proposals submitted after the date and time set for receipt shall be considered late, regardless of the degree of lateness or the reason related thereto, including causes beyond the control of the Offeror. Late proposals shall not be opened and will be returned to the Offeror unopened. The City of Myrtle Beach is not responsible for late or misdirected mail.
- 3.08 Proposal Delivery/Opening.** All proposals must be sealed, marked and delivered in accordance with these instructions to Purchasing Division, City of Myrtle Beach, 3231 Mr. Joe White Avenue, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. Proposals received prior to the advertised hour of opening shall be securely kept sealed. Proposals are not subject to public opening.
- 3.09 Document and Content Ownership.** All documents, reports, proposals, submittals, working papers or other material submitted to the City from the Offeror shall become the sole and exclusive property of the City and in the public domain. However, as per the South Carolina State Procurement Code, Section 11-35-410, commercial/financial/price information and design concepts, methods, procedures, and recommendations can be held privileged and confidential, provided that the Offeror clearly marks that information as such. This includes biographical data on key employees. It will be the Offeror's responsibility to label information as proprietary. Failure to clearly identify information as privileged, confidential, and/or proprietary may be cause for public disclosure. The Offeror shall not copyright, or cause to be copyrighted, any portion of any of said documents submitted to the City as a result of this solicitation.

**3.10 Intellectual Property Rights.** All documents prepared and furnished by the Offeror shall become the property of the City of Myrtle Beach upon approval in writing. In the event that the City of Myrtle Beach uses such documents on any extension to this work, the Offeror shall have no liability or responsibility whatsoever for the acts, errors, or omissions for any persons, firm, or individual performing such extension or for any consequences arising therefrom. The Offeror shall not issue a press release, advertisement, publicity material, or similar matter, or participate in a media interview concerning the project or documents without the prior consent in writing of the City of Myrtle Beach.

#### **4.0 FULL EXAMINATION:**

**4.01 Thorough Investigation.** Offerors shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding plant and facilities for delivery of material and equipment and/or service to be performed as required by the proposal conditions. No plea of ignorance by the Offeror of conditions that exist or that may hereafter exist as a result of failure or omission on the part of the Offeror to make the necessary examination and investigations, or failure to fulfill in every detail the requirements of the contract documents, shall in no way relieve the Offeror from any obligation in respect to the proposal.

**4.02 Pre-Proposal Meetings.** When Offerors are required to make site visits or attend mandatory pre-proposal meetings, all expenses shall be paid for by the Offeror, unless previous written arrangements are made with the City. Offeror must be physically present at the sign-in location with the Buyer at the start of the scheduled meeting time. The official start of each pre-proposal meeting will be determined by the Buyer with an announcement of the time and the final closing for Offerors to sign-in. Any Offeror arriving after the declared time announcement and closing of sign-in shall not be admitted to the pre-proposal meeting, and any proposals received shall be considered non-responsive.

**4.03 Evidence of Examination.** Submission of a proposal will be considered as conclusive evidence of the Offeror's complete examination, understanding and acceptance of the specifications.

#### **5.0 CHANGES IN SPECIFICATIONS:**

**5.01 Authority of Specifications.** It shall be understood that in all cases the terms and conditions, as detailed in the specifications, shall supersede terms and conditions, as detailed in the general instructions. No verbal agreement or conversation with any officer, agent, or employee of the City shall affect or modify any of the terms and conditions.

**5.02 Deviation from Specifications.** Any deviation from specifications must be noted in detail and submitted in writing with this proposal. Complete specifications should be attached for any substitutions offered, or when amplifications are desirable or necessary. The absence of a specification deviation statement and accompanying specifications shall hold the Offeror strictly accountable to the specifications as written herein.



**5.03 Changes after Award.** Any changes in specifications, after the purchase order/contract has been awarded, must be with the written consent of the purchasing division; otherwise, the responsibility for such changes shall be with the Offeror.

## **6.0 MODIFICATIONS:**

**6.01 Additional Work.** The proposal shall not contain any unauthorized additions. No additional work shall be allowed or paid for unless such extra or additional work is ordered in writing by the purchasing division and with the price for such established and agreed upon before such extras are delivered or work is performed.

**6.02 Adjustments to Items/Work.** The City of Myrtle Beach shall have the right, without invalidating the contract, to make additions to or deductions from the items or work covered by the specifications. In case such deductions or additions are made, an equitable price adjustment shall be made between the City and the contractor. Any such adjustments in price shall be made in writing.

## **7.0 AWARD CRITERIA/TIMELINE:**

**7.01 Independent Contractor Status.** The Offeror is an independent contractor and shall not be deemed an agent, employee, or partner of the City of Myrtle Beach.

**7.02 Contract Issuance.** The award of a contract is accomplished by executing a written agreement that incorporates the entire proposal, Offeror's response, clarifications, addenda, and additions. All such materials constitute the contract documents. The Offeror agrees to accept the contract terms unless substantive changes are made without the approval of the Offeror. Offeror shall not add any provisions reserving the right to accept or reject an award. The procurement office is the sole point of contact for the issuance of the contract.

**7.03 Commencement of Work.** Upon execution and delivery of the contract and insurance certificates, the Offeror shall be notified to proceed with the work of the contract. The work of the contract shall be commenced within one (1) City business day following such notification, or as otherwise specified in the Notice to Proceed. The performance period shall be from date of issuance of Notice to Proceed through ninety (90) calendar days. Contract prices shall remain firm for the duration of the contract period. The City of Myrtle Beach reserves the right to adjust the performance period to meet the best interests of the City. Any such adjustment will be made in writing through the Purchasing Office.

**7.04 Contract Timeline.** In the event the successful Offeror fails or refuses to execute a formal written contract with the City of Myrtle Beach in form and content acceptable to the City, within ten (10) City business days after notice of acceptance of the proposal, the proposal may be revoked, and all obligations of the City in connection with the proposal may be canceled.

**7.05 Notification.** Proposal tabulations will be available on-line at [www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/purchasing.html](http://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/purchasing.html). Winning Offeror shall be notified five (5) City business days after proposal tabulations are posted.

**7.06 City Business License.** The successful Offeror must obtain a City of Myrtle Beach business license in order to conduct business within our city. A business license is not required to submit a proposal; however, any offeror that receives an award under this proposal shall be required to obtain a City business license before work can begin. For further information on obtaining a city business license, contact the City Business License Office at 843-918-1200.

## **8.0 OFFEROR RESPONSIBILITIES:**

**8.01 Duration of Proposal.** Proposal prices, terms and conditions shall be firm for a period of at least one hundred twenty (120) calendar days from the deadline for receipt of submittal, or until such time as established in the proposal. The successful proposal shall not be subject to future price escalation or changes of terms if accepted during the one hundred twenty (120) day period, or the specified proposal time. Price decreases or changes in terms by others after the acceptance of a proposal shall not be considered.

**8.02 Transfer of Responsibilities.** The contractor shall not assign or otherwise transfer any of its responsibilities or obligations under the contract to any other person or entity without prior written consent of the City.

**8.03 Drug-Free Workplace.** In accordance with the provisions of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, the City of Myrtle Beach shall promote a drug-free workplace. Illegal drugs or narcotics in the workplace are strictly prohibited. The manufacture, possession, use, and/or distribution of a controlled substance of any kind while working on City property is subject to disciplinary action up to and including immediate discharge. As such, Offerors are required to insure that a drug-free workplace is provided in the performance of any City contracts. By submitting a proposal, Offeror certifies that, if awarded the contract, they and their subcontractors shall comply with the City's Drug-Free Workplace Policy. The failure of any Offeror to uphold and enforce this policy is subject to termination of contract.

**8.04 Subcontractors.** The contractor shall be wholly responsible for the performance of all subcontractors and for their acts and omissions, and those of persons either directly or indirectly employed by the contractor, and the fact that subcontractors are subject to the approval of the City of Myrtle Beach shall not affect the contractor's responsibility in this regard. The Offeror shall bind every subcontractor to all terms and conditions anywhere contained in the contract documents as far as applicable to the work of such subcontractor so that the subcontractor assumes toward the contractor and toward the work all the obligations and responsibilities that the contract assumes toward the City as to the performance of the subcontractor's portion of the work.

**8.05 Coordination and Contact.** The selected Offeror shall be required to assume responsibility for coordination, engineering, delivery, installation, and maintenance of all

equipment, software and services offered in their proposal, whether they are the manufacturer or producer of them. Offeror shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet, or otherwise dispose of the contract or their right, title, or interest therein without prior written consent of the City. Further, the City of Myrtle Beach shall consider the selected Offeror to be the sole point of contact with regard to contractual matters, including payment of any and all charges resulting from the lease or purchase of the entire service equipment and software configuration, when applicable. Only service and equipment offered by Offerors who have installed similar systems of comparable size shall be considered. All service and equipment offered shall be in current standard production and of the latest design.

**8.06 Force Majeure.** Neither party shall be held responsible for failure to perform the responsibilities imposed by this proposal due to circumstances beyond reasonable control, including natural forces (fires, floods, tsunamis, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes), political unrest (military action, embargoes, acts of terrorism, war), civil unrest (insurrections, riots, strikes, rebellions), public health crises (epidemics, pandemics), acts of God, and/or orders of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over such.

## **9.0 INDEMNITY CLAUSE:**

**9.01 Hold Harmless.** The contractor agrees to indemnify and save harmless the City of Myrtle Beach, its officers, representatives, departments, agencies, employees, and agents, from all claims, loss, damage, injury, fines, penalties, demands, actions, suits, and liabilities arising from the contractor's own fault or negligence or through the negligence or fault of the manufacturer of goods supplied by the contractor. This obligation shall extend to and include, all litigation costs, court costs, and reasonable attorney fees incurred by the City in response to such claims.

**9.02. Failure to Enforce.** Failure by the City at any time to enforce the provisions of the proposal shall not be construed as a waiver of any provisions. The failure to enforce shall not affect the validity of any part of the proposal.

## **10.0 FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS:**

**10.01 Employment Discrimination.** During the performance of this proposal, the Offeror agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, LGBTQ, age, disability, or national origin; however, some conditions may be a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary for the completion of this proposal. Furthermore, the Offeror agrees that this non-discriminatory agreement shall be incorporated by the Offeror in all contracts entered into with suppliers, subcontractors, and all labor organizations furnishing skilled, unskilled, and craft union skilled labor, or who may perform any such labor or services.

**10.02 Compliance with Laws.** The Offeror shall, in the performance of work under this proposal, fully comply with all applicable federal, state, county, or municipal laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances, and shall hold the City harmless from any liability resulting

from failure of such compliance.

## **11.0 FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING:**

**11.01 Availability of Funds.** Unless cancelled prior to the RFP opening date, all proposals received on time will be opened as indicated in this solicitation. The City's obligation under this requirement is contingent upon the availability of funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the City for any payment may arise until funds are made available and until the Offeror receives notice of such availability from the City's Purchasing Division. If funding is not made available, the RFP will be cancelled.

**11.02 Representation.** The selected Offeror shall assign a competent account representative acceptable to the City of Myrtle Beach who will represent the Offeror in providing contracted services to the City. The account representative shall maintain accurate and detailed records, correspondence, and accounts relating all parts of the proposal. Records shall be kept in accordance with sound, generally accepted accounting principles. The City shall have the right to audit all records pertaining to the costs incurred under this proposal. If the account representative is removed by the Offeror, the new representative must be acceptable to the City.

**11.03 Payment.** Inspection and acceptance of the material, goods, and/or service by an authorized representative of the City shall be required prior to any payment. After acceptance by the City, payments shall be made to the contractor within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of invoice.

## **12.0 PROPOSAL REJECTION/WITHDRAWAL:**

**12.01 Reasons for Rejection.** The City of Myrtle Beach may reject a proposal if:

- A. The Offeror misstates or conceals any material fact in the proposal; or if,
- B. The proposal does not strictly conform to the law or requirements of the proposal.

**12.02 Best Interest of City of Myrtle Beach.** The City may, however, reject all proposals whenever it is deemed in the best interest of the City to do so, and may reject any part of a proposal unless the proposal has been qualified as provided in statement. The City may also waive any minor informalities or irregularities in any proposal.

**12.03 Determination of Responsibility.** The City may make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of an Offeror to furnish the required goods/services, and the Offeror shall furnish to the City any requested information and data for this purpose at the Offeror's expense. Information requested may include, but not be limited to: financial statements, credit ratings, criminal histories, references, records of past performance, and/or on-site inspections. The City reserves the right to reject any Offeror if the evidence fails to satisfy the City that such Offeror is properly qualified to carry out the terms of this proposal.

**12.04 Disqualification.** Any of the following factors may be considered just cause to disqualify a proposal without further consideration: evidence of either direct or indirect collusion among offerors in regard to the amount, terms, or conditions of the proposal; attempts to improperly influence any member of the evaluation team; evidence of offeror's inability to successfully complete required responsibilities and obligations of the proposal; existence of any lawsuit, unresolved contractual claim, or dispute between the offeror and the City; and/or default under any previous agreement with the City that resulted in the termination of the agreement.

**12.05 Withdrawal Timeline.** Proposals may be withdrawn on a written request, received from Offerors prior to the proposal closing date and time. Negligence on the part of the Offeror in preparing the proposal creates no right for withdrawal of the proposal after the proposal has been opened. No modifications, clarifications, or explanations of any proposals shall be allowed after the date and time of closing.

### **13.0 DISPUTES AND PROTESTS:**

**13.01 Informal Dispute Resolution.** An Offeror who has a concern with a decision made by the Purchasing Agent or designee, shall first inform the Purchasing Agent, or designee, within five (5) calendar days after the date the City posts a bid tab on the City's website stating its intention to make a contract award, or the contract is awarded, whichever occurs first, unless the proposal document specified a shorter time period. The Purchasing Agent or designee shall discuss the issue(s) with the Offeror in an attempt to resolve the dispute.

**13.02 Formal Dispute Resolution.** An Offeror who has a dispute that cannot be resolved by informal efforts may file a written protest with the City of Myrtle Beach in connection with any of the following:

- A. A solicitation or other request for a contract or agreement for the acquisition of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services.
- B. An award of a contract or agreement for the acquisition of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services.
- C. A termination or cancellation of the award of a contract or agreement for the acquisition of materials, supplies, equipment, and/or services if the objection is based, in whole or in part, on the allegation that the award of the contract or agreement was improper.

**13.03 Procedures/Timelines.** A formal protest may be filed in the following manner:

- A. A protest must be submitted in writing, filed by an Interested Party, and addressed to the Purchasing Agent or designee. An e-mail is not acceptable as a written protest.
- B. The protest must be signed by an authorized agent or representative of the Interested Party.
- C. An administrative fee shall be submitted with the written protest and shall be made in the form of a certified check or money order made payable to the City of Myrtle Beach. The administrative fee will be calculated as five percent (5%)

of the protestor's proposal amount. In a case where the protestor did not submit a proposal, the administrative fee will be calculated as five percent (5%) of the lowest responsive and responsible proposal received by the City. The Administrative fee shall be returned if the protest is upheld; otherwise the fee is non-refundable.

- D. Within five (5) calendar days of discussing the dispute with the Purchasing Agent or designee, the written protest and administrative fee must be received by the Purchasing Agent or designee. A protest received after the five (5) calendar days, or without the appropriate administrative fee, will not be considered.
- E. The written protest shall include:
  - 1. The name and address to which certified mail is received on behalf of the protestor.
  - 2. An appropriate identification of the solicitation, and if a contract has been awarded, the contract number.
  - 3. A complete statement of the reasons for the protest, including exhibits, documents, or other evidence in support of the reasons for the protest.
  - 4. A request for a remedy sought by the protestor.
- F. Upon receipt of the protest, the Purchasing Agent or designee shall promptly deliver a copy of the protest to the City Attorney, and notify the Director of Financial Services and any/all other representatives of City departments associated with the solicitation.

**13.04 Stay of the Procurement.** When a protest has been timely and appropriately filed before the award of a contract or agreement, the contract or agreement shall not be awarded unless the Purchasing Agent or designee determines that the award of the contract or agreement during the pendency of the protest is necessary to protect substantial interests of the City.

When a protest has been timely and appropriately filed after the award of a contract or agreement, the Purchasing Agent or the designee shall direct the contractor not to engage in any further performance of the contract or agreement, unless the Purchasing Agent or designee determines that the performance under the contract or agreement during the pendency of protest is necessary to protect substantial interest of the City.

**13.05 Confidentiality of Information.** The Purchasing Agent or designee shall, upon written request, make available to any other interested party information submitted that bears on the substance of the protest, except where information is proprietary, confidential, or otherwise permitted or required to be withheld from disclosure by law or regulation. Persons or other entities that are involved in the protest that want to keep information submitted by them as confidential should request that the information not be disclosed by specifically identifying the confidential information within the documents submitted by indicating on the front page of each document that it contains confidential information.

**13.06 Post-Filing Formal Protest Process.** Once a protest has been filed appropriately, the Purchasing Agent or designee may, in its sole discretion, may engage in any or all of the following:

- A. Hold a conference between all parties to the protest in which resolution options are explored.
- B. Conduct an investigation of the merits of the protest allegations.
- C. Order the parties to the protest to engage in certain methods of discovery and set limits in terms of discovery scope and time.
- D. Schedule and conduct a protest hearing.

The Purchasing Agent or designee will render a decision on the merits of the protest after engaging in some or none of the activities listed above.

**13.07 Formal Protest Decision Timeline and Notification.** A decision on a protest shall be made by the Purchasing Agent or designee as expeditiously as possible, but no later than ten (10) City of Myrtle Beach business days after receiving the protest. In determining the protest, the Purchasing Agent or designee may terminate the contract or agreement, issue a new solicitation or other request for contract or agreement, or award a contract or agreement. The protest decision shall be mailed to the protester by certified mail, return receipt requested.

**13.08 Appeals.** To the extent permitted by law or court rules regarding appeals, an appeal of the decision regarding the protest may be made to a court of competent jurisdiction within the time set forth in the Rules.

#### **14.0 CITY RESERVED RIGHTS:**

**14.01 Reserved Rights.** The City of Myrtle Beach expressly reserves the following rights:

- A. To reject any and/or all irregularities in the proposals submitted
- B. To reject any and all proposals, or parts thereof, as deemed in the best interest of the City.
- C. To base awards due with regard on quality of services, experiences, compliance with specifications, and other such factors as may be necessary in the circumstances.
- D. To make the award to any Offeror who, in the opinion of senior management, is in the best interest of the City.
- E. To make award based on negotiations conducted in accordance with this solicitation or on the basis of a best and final offer by the Offeror.
- F. Only the evaluation factors specified in this solicitation may be used as a basis for award.

**14.02 Final Judgment.** If any doubt or difference of opinion arises between the City of Myrtle Beach and the Offeror as to the interpretation of this request for proposal, the decision of the City will be final and binding upon all parties.

**14.03 Clarification.** The City of Myrtle Beach reserves the right to obtain clarification on any point in the Offeror's proposal. The failure of the Offeror to make additional information available could result in the rejection of the response. Such clarification might involve the delivery of demonstration equipment to the City for evaluation purposes. Such hardware shall be provided at no cost to the City. The City is not obliged to evaluate any or all

products.

- 14.04 Price Increase.** The City of Myrtle Beach reserves the right to accept or reject any price increase(s) and to cancel any and all item(s) under the contract for which price increase(s) is/are considered unacceptable.
- 14.05 Loss/Damage.** The City of Myrtle Beach shall not be responsible for the loss or damage of any items during the RFP process.
- 14.06 Negotiation.** Prior to the notice of award to any offeror, the City of Myrtle Beach may elect to open negotiations and ultimately reach an agreement with the highest-ranked Offeror who demonstrates the best combination of attributes to conduct the project, and who also negotiates a project cost with the City that is fair and reasonable. The negotiation period shall be no more than five (5) City business days. In these negotiations, the City may address scope of work, unit pricing, or any other contractual requirements fairly contained within the proposal documents. In the event that negotiations with the highest-ranked Offeror should commence but fail, the City reserves the right to negotiate with the next highest-ranked Offeror. This process of negotiation with Offerors in succession of their ranking may continue until such time as an agreement is reached, or until the project is resolicited.

## **15.0 SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION**

- 15.01 Suspension of Work.** The City of Myrtle Beach shall have the right at any time to suspend the project upon written notice to the Offeror. If the project is suspended for more than ninety (90) calendar days, then the Offeror shall be compensated for services performed prior to notice of such suspension. When the project is resumed, the Offeror's compensation shall be equitably adjusted to provide for expenses incurred in the interruption and resumption of services. The foregoing equitable adjustment shall take into account any actual, direct, documentable increase in the Offeror's cost of performing services as a result of such suspension.
- 15.02 Performance Failure.** In the event that the Offeror fails to perform any material obligations, the City of Myrtle Beach reserves the right to give the Offeror written cure notice of such failure. The Offeror shall then have five (5) calendar days to resolve the failure. If the failure is not resolved within five (5) calendar days, the City reserves the right to withhold all money that is due and payable to the Offeror. Such a remedy is in addition to other remedies that might be available to the City. Moreover, the City reserves the right to terminate the contract if the Offeror exceeds the five (5) calendar days of non-performance without the approval of the purchasing manager.
- 15.03 Termination for Convenience.** The City of Myrtle Beach reserves the right to terminate the contract with the Contractor when it is in the best interest of the City. If the contract is so terminated, the City shall provide the Contractor with thirty (30) calendar days written notice and shall compensate the Contractor for all necessary and reasonable direct costs of performing the services actually accomplished as of the date of termination. No



other costs shall be allowed for a termination for convenience. No damages shall be allowed for a termination of convenience.

**15.04 Termination for Default.** The performance of work under this proposal may be terminated by the City in whole, or in part, upon non-performance, violation of contract terms, delivery failure, bankruptcy or insolvency, or whenever the City determines that termination is in the City's best interest. Any such termination shall be communicated by a written notice of default, delivered to the Offeror, at least fifteen calendar (15) days before the date of termination, specifying the extent to which performance of the work is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The City of Myrtle Beach shall be entitled to recover all fees, costs, claims, or damages incurred as a result of the Contractor's breach of this Agreement, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs of legal action instituted by the City to collect such fees, costs, claims, or damages.

**15.05 Dispute Resolution.** Any dispute related to this contract that persists beyond the protocols listed in Section 13 of these terms and condition shall be governed by the laws of the State of South Carolina, except for that body of law known as "conflict of laws." Any disputes concerning this agreement of the parties' rights hereunder shall be determined in a state or federal court in the State of South Carolina.

**15.06 Remedies.** The rights and remedies of the City of Myrtle Beach shall be cumulative and in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

## **16.0 ADA COMPLIANCE:**

**16.01 Contact Information.** Questions concerning the proposal requirements or specifications should be directed in writing to the procurement buyer shown on the front page of this proposal package. If you need disability-related accommodations, please contact (843) 918-2170.

## **17.0 SIGNATURES:**

**17.01 Accuracy and Completeness.** The authorized signer of the proposal shall represent and warrant that they have been sufficiently informed in all matters relating to the specified products; that they have checked their proposal for errors and omissions; that the prices stated in their proposal are correct and as intended are a complete and correct statement of prices.

**17.02 Non-Collusion.** The authorized signer of the proposal certifies that the proposal is made without collusion or fraud, and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other offeror, supplier, manufacturer, or subcontractor in connection with their proposal. Furthermore, the authorized signer certifies 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. Prior compensated consulting shall not preclude an Offeror from submitting a proposal.

**17.03 Conflict of Interest.** Offeror, including any officer, director, trustee, partner, or employee, must not have a business interest or a close family or domestic relationship with any City official, officer, or employee who was, is, or will be involved in selection, negotiation, drafting, signing, administrating, or evaluating performance. If any such relationship exists, or has existed in the past, Offeror must disclose that relationship as part of their proposal package. Failure to disclose any such relationship may be cause for proposal rejection or project termination. The City shall make the sole determination as to compliance with this mandate.

**17.04 Compliance.** By Signature below the Offeror affirms that they have examined, understands and accepts all instructions, specifications and conditions, and shall provide for appropriate insurance, deposits, and performance bonds if required, and shall comply fully with specifications as attached for the agreed contract, especially where materials and work are involved, and that any and all registration requirements where required for Offerors as set forth in law are met.

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Signature of Offeror

Date of Signing

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Print Name of Offeror

If more convenient, tabulations are available for pick-up after final award. No proposal tabulations will be faxed.

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**NOTICE TO OFFERORS:** A mandatory pre-proposal meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 1:30PM (local time) in the Mary C. Canty Recreation Center. This will be an in-person meeting, with no remote attendance options available. Face masks will be required to enter the building. Please plan to arrive early to comply with COVID safety protocols for entry into the facility.

## **1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

The City of Myrtle Beach, Office of Emergency Management (OEM), with funding from the U.S. Economic Development Administration and City Council, is building on an initial phase in the important process of planning for all-hazards disaster recovery. OEM seeks the services of a firm or team to develop a short and long range disaster recovery plan. This plan will complement several of the City's current plans and programs for disaster response, mitigation, and preparedness. Additional resources include the American Planning Association's (APA) succinct Post-Disaster Recovery Briefing Papers for an overview of essential recovery planning topics. See FEMA's checklist for conducting a Community Recovery Planning Process for a quick synopsis of the steps involved in a Community Recovery Planning Process.

The City's objective in recovery planning is to increase the entire community's resilience to the impacts of a major natural or man-made disaster, and for the City and its partners to be better prepared to manage long term recovery and redevelopment. The intention for the plan is that it will be all-hazards in scope and guide the recovery not only of city government, but the broader Myrtle Beach business community. It will be applicable to catastrophic disasters, but scalable to smaller events. In addition, it will dovetail with other city and state planning processes to the greatest extent possible.

Because the development of a full plan is a major endeavor, it has been broken down to two phases. Phase 1, now completed, involved the development of an initial plan scope and framework. It included the identification of core values, stakeholders, recovery issues, decision-making processes, key policy issues, best practices, and a draft scope of work outline for a full recovery plan. The intent of Phase 2 is to build on the conceptual work completed in Phase 1 to arrive at a fully-vetted and actionable plan that the City can train and exercise with its partners.

Federal Funding is used for this contract. The contract amount is not to exceed \$75,000.

## **2. SOLICITATION OBJECTIVES**

The City expects to achieve the following outcomes through this consultant solicitation:

- City of Myrtle Beach OEM is seeking an experienced and knowledgeable consulting team that includes subject matter experts in a wide scope of disaster recovery issues.
- The successful consulting team will include personnel with proven facilitation, writing, research, policy development, and project management skills that will produce a high quality, well coordinated plan within the budget and timeframe of this contract.
- The plan will serve as a guide to leaders of City government and the Myrtle Beach business community as they face disaster recovery for all hazards, to include a catastrophic event from which it may take years to reach a new state of normal.

### **3. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

Minimum qualifications are required for a Consultant to be eligible to submit a RFP response. Your submittal response must show compliance to these minimum qualifications. Those that are not responsive to these minimum qualifications shall be rejected by the City without further consideration:

- Knowledge and experience in professional emergency management and all-hazards disaster recovery fields
- Understanding of current disaster recovery and resilience concepts
- Experience with plan development for a public and/or governmental entity or agency
- Strong ability to facilitate successful stakeholder input processes
- Ability to write in a way that is understandable to both professionals in the field and to lay people

### **4. SCOPE OF WORK**

The selected Consultant, under the supervision of the City Project Manager (Director of Office of Emergency Management), will carry out the following scope of work:

#### **Task 1 – Project Management**

- Submit a proposed schedule and work plan within three (3) weeks of contract award showing how you will complete all tasks, including the sequence and/or integration of those tasks
- Provide monthly (or more frequently, if requested) written project updates to the City Project Manager

#### **Task 2 – Planning Team**

- Work with City Project Manager to identify core and extended planning team members from internal City departments, as well as those from other governmental agencies, business representatives, human service organizations, and others that represent the community
- Assist City Project Manager with developing objectives and agendas for planning team meetings
- Assist City Project Manager with scheduling, facilitating, and documenting planning team meetings

#### **Task 3 – Stakeholder Engagement and Outreach**

- Design and implement a stakeholder engagement strategy to gather plan input from a wide array of public, private, non-profit, and community groups
- Facilitate and document stakeholder meetings and design charrettes
- Assist City Project Manager with development and delivery of presentations to various groups of stakeholders that include members of human service organizations, community based groups, business, and government

#### **Task 4 – Disaster Recovery Plan Development**

Develop a Disaster Recovery Plan that provides a flexible roadmap that addresses both expected and unexpected problems and opportunities in short to long term disaster recovery. The plan must include the following standard planning components:

- Purpose, scope, and/or goals and objectives

- Authority
- Situation and assumptions
- Functional roles and responsibilities for internal and external agencies, organizations, departments, and positions
- Logistics support and resource requirements necessary to implement the plan
- Concept of operations
- Plan maintenance

Additional sub-tasks that must also be incorporated:

- Establish a vision, mission, and goals
- Define recovery governance structure, authorities, and the decision-making process, including dispute resolution processes
- Define the form, function, and representatives for a Community Recover Task Force; include structure of focus areas or “recovery support functions for Task Force (housing, infrastructure, human services, etc.)
- Identify strategies for effective recovery and disaster resilience
- Address short and long term recovery priorities and provide guidance for restoration of critical community functions, services, vital resources, facilities, programs, and infrastructure of the impacted areas
- Develop policy compendium identifying key disaster recovery policy issues and pre-considered options and solutions
- Develop performance metrics for disaster recovery
- Create a strategy to fund and staff recovery processes, including both financial and non-financial resources within the City and the wider community
- Define links to other City plans and planning processes
- Include all standard elements of an emergency management plan
- Sync plan with relevant city, county, state, and federal plans and planning resources
- Incorporate best practices in recovery planning

## **5. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS**

Proposal shall be organized in the following manner and provide a concise description of the Offeror’s capabilities to address the objectives of the RFP. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content. Proposal shall be no more than 20 pages in length. Pages may be double-sided. Organizational features such as section dividers/tabs will not count toward the 20-page limit. However, no information printed on the organizational features will be considered for evaluation. Offerors must submit seven (7) copies of their proposal.

- A. Letter of Interest and Minimum Qualifications (2 pages)
  - Provide a one-page letter of interest/introduction and a one-page brief statement on how each minimum qualification is achieved. Include at least three (3) references (with current contact information) as appropriate.
- B. Experience of the Firm/Principal(s) who will manage this engagement (4 pages)

- Address the experience or skills that include meeting facilitation, building collaboration, plan development and writing, and project management. Include any additional information that you feel would make your firm/team the best qualified candidate for completing this work.
  - Provide brief biography/curriculum vitae of team leader/principals
- C. Description of project approach (12 pages)
- Describe your plan to evaluate the strengths/needs of our community as a whole
  - Discuss how the tasks for each objective will be carried out, including your plan for obtaining stakeholder input and public review of the draft plan
  - Outline the strategies/skills that will be used to manage the project's expectations, resources, and quality control
  - Provide a timetable outline of tasks to meet each objective, including proposed milestones (Note: The City desires a 160-day performance period, but is open to the consultant's thoughts on the feasibility of such a timeline.)
  - Describe how you can identify anything that may delay completion of the project by the anticipated end date.
- D. Proposed study compensation breakdown (1 page)
- Firm fee (expressed as a lump sum)
  - Include number of hours per week and the hourly rate for each principal assigned to the project
- E. Description of anticipated incidental expenses, excluding travel (1 page)
- Any incidental expense must be pre-approved by the City prior to billing and payment.

## **6. REVIEW OF PROPOSALS/PROJECT AWARD**

All responsive proposals will be reviewed by an evaluation team. The City of Myrtle Beach will award a contract resulting from the solicitation to the responsible Offeror whose offer will be most advantageous to the City; price and other factors will be considered. The following items in each proposal shall be used to evaluate offers:

- Minimum Qualifications – 15%
- Experience of Firm/Principal(s) – 15%
- Technical Approach (project approach) – 40%
- Price – 30%

The City will conduct a direct comparison of one proposal with another in order to determine which proposal best provides what the City needs, as identified in this solicitation. The City reserves the right to select a proposal that exceeds the minimum, but is not required to do so. Proposals may exceed the requirements, but the City is not requesting or accepting alternate proposals. Each proposal must respond to the solicitation requirements.

Exhibit 1 (page 23) shows the rubric that will be used to evaluate and compare all responsive proposals.

## 7. DELIVERABLES

The selected consultant shall meet directly with the City Project Manager, and the Public Information staff before proceeding. After such meetings, the consultant shall meet at least weekly with the City Project Manager, and any other stakeholder as may be necessary. Such meetings may be conducted electronically as the topic/need dictates.

Upon completion of the study, the selected consultant will provide a draft of their recommendations in electronic form. Upon approval of the draft report, the final report will be delivered both electronically AND in hard copy (3 bound documents.) The consultant will also present the final report to the City Council in open session.

## 8. RFP SCHEDULE

Action	Date
Release of Proposal	Tuesday, September 8, 2020
Pre-Proposal Meeting	Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 1:30PM (local time)
Offeror Questions Due	Friday, September 18, 2020 at 12:00 noon (local time)
City Response to Questions	Monday, September 28, 2020
Proposals Due	Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 2:00PM (local time)
Proposal Evaluation Period Ends (includes Reference Checks)	Tuesday, October 20, 2020
Notify Short List Firms or Individuals (if necessary)	Wednesday, October 21, 2020
Interviews (if requested by City)	October 22-23, 2020
Negotiations/Selection of Finalist	October 26-27, 2020
Contract Effective Date	October 30, 2020
Project Completion Date	April 15, 2021

The City of Myrtle Beach reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to adjust the schedule as it deems necessary. Notification of any delay to the RFP schedule will be posted on the City's website as an addendum to the RFP.



### Exhibit 1 – Evaluation Rubric

Evaluator’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Evaluation: \_\_\_\_\_

Offeror’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Category</b>	<b>Maximum Score</b>	<b>Assigned Score</b>
<u>Minimum Qualifications</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Letter of interest</li> <li>• Minimum qualifications statement</li> </ul>	15 points	
<u>Relevant Experience</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detailed description of firm</li> <li>• Curriculum vitae of principals</li> </ul>	15 points	
<u>Technical Approach</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strength/need evaluation</li> <li>• Task completion scheme</li> <li>• Resource management</li> <li>• Timetable</li> </ul>	40 points	
<u>Price</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Firm’s fee expressed as lump sum</li> <li>• Hours/rate for each principal</li> <li>• Incidental fees (must be pre-approved by City)</li> </ul>	30 points	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>100 points</b>	

**City of Myrtle Beach  
INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

**PUBLIC LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE**

The Contractor shall purchase and thereafter maintain for the term of this agreement, and any subsequent extensions hereto, public liability insurance to protect Contractor from claims for bodily injury and/or property damage which may result from Contractor's performance of this agreement. The policy shall provide a combined single limit of liability of \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage with an aggregated limit of not less than \$1,000,000.

**AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY**

The Contractor shall purchase and thereafter maintain for the term of this agreement and any subsequent extensions hereto, comprehensive automobile liability insurance to protect the Contractor from claims for bodily injury and property damage which may arise from Contractor's use of motor vehicles in the performance of this agreement. The policy shall provide for a combined single limit of \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

Prior to beginning the work, the Contractor shall take out full compensation insurance for all persons which may be employed directly or indirectly in the performance of this agreement, coverage is to apply to all employees for statutory limits in compliance with the applicable state and federal laws. The policy must provide Employers Liability coverage in the amount of \$500,000 each accident; \$500,000 bodily injury by disease each employee and \$500,000 bodily injury by disease policy limit and shall be maintained in full force and effect during the term and any subsequent extensions hereto.

**EXCESS LIABILITY POLICY**

At the option of the Contractor, the limits of the primary general liability, automobile liability and employer's liability policies may be less than stipulated herein, with an excess policy providing the additional limits needed. This form of coverage must be approved by the City and will only be acceptable when both the primary and excess policies include the coverage and endorsements required herein.

**POLICY ENDORSEMENTS**

The following requirements shall apply to the policy(s) indicated below:

**A. General Liability and Automobile Liability**

It is understood and agreed that the City of Myrtle Beach, its officials, agents and employees are recognized as additional insured under the policy and, as such, will be provided thirty (30) days written notice by mail of non-renewal, exhaustion of aggregate limit, modification of coverage or cancellation for any reason, and the company hereby agrees to provide such notice. Failure of the company to provide the required notice shall cause the coverage to continue in force for the benefit of the City, its officials, agents and employees until proper notification, as required herein, is provided, the provisions of the policy or any Certificate of Insurance to the contrary notwithstanding.

**B. Workers' Compensation**

The cancellation provision is hereby amended to provide that the City of Myrtle Beach will be provided thirty (30) days written notice via mail in the event of coverage cancellation.

## **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS continued**

### **NOTIFICATION OF INSURANCE COMPANIES**

It is the responsibility of the Contractor to notify all insurance companies to familiarize themselves with all the terms and conditions of this agreement. The insurance companies shall waive their right of notification by the City of any change or modification of this contract, or of decreased or increased work, or of the cancellation of this agreement or of any other acts by the City or its authorized employees or agents under the terms of this agreement. The waiver by the insurance companies shall in no way relieve them of their obligations under this agreement.

### **CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE**

Contractor shall file with the City a Certificate of Insurance, which shall be approved by the City prior to the inception of any work. Renewal certificates shall be sent to the City thirty (30) days prior to any expiration date.

### **INSURER LICENSING AND RATING**

All insurance companies providing coverage to the City, shall be licensed to do business in the State and have an A.M. Best rating of "A-" or better.

### **INSURANCE COVERAGE ADJUSTMENTS**

In response to changing circumstance of loss exposures, the City reserves the right to modify the insurance coverage, limits of liability, policy endorsements and policy terms required in this contract. The City will provide written notice to the Contractor, which outlines such changes and allow Contractor a reasonable period of time in which to comply with the new requirements. However, in no event shall Contractor compliance period be longer than thirty (30) days.

### **COVERAGE CANCELLATION OR UNSATISFACTORY COVERAGE**

If at any time any of the foregoing policies shall be or become unsatisfactory to the City, as to form or substance, or if a company issuing any such policy shall be or become unsatisfactory to the City, the Contractor shall, upon notice to that effect from the City, promptly obtain a new policy and submit the same for approval to the City. Upon failure of the Contractor to furnish, deliver and maintain the insurance coverage's required herein, this agreement, at the sole discretion of the City, may be forthwith declared suspended, discontinued or terminated. Failure of the Contractor to take out and/or maintain any required insurance shall not relieve the Contractor from any liability under this agreement, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with or otherwise limit the obligations of the Contractor concerning indemnification.

### **HOLD HARMLESS**

Contractor agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold the City, its officers, employees and agents free and harmless from and against any and all losses, penalties, damages, settlements, cost, charges, professional fees or other expenses and liabilities of every kind and character arising out of, or relating to, any and all claims, liens, demands, obligations, actions, proceedings or causes of action of every kind in connection with or arising out of this agreement, and/or the performance hereof, that are due to the negligence of the Contractor, its officers, employees or agents. The Contractor further agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for and defend the same at its sole expense and agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related thereto.

## INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS continued

### SAMPLE

<i>CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE</i>					CERTIFICATE NUMBER	
<b>PRODUCER</b> Insurance Agent Name 4000 Insurance Pkwy Anytown, USA 99999			THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER OTHER THAN THOSE PROVIDED IN THE POLICY. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN.			
<i>COMPANIES AFFORDING COVERAGE</i>						
<b>INSURED</b> Bidding Firm's Name 1000 Any Street Anytown, USA 99999			<b>COMPANY A      ABC INSURANCE COMPANY</b> COMPANY B COMPANY C COMPANY D			
<i>COVERAGES-THIS CERTIFICATE SUPERCEDES AND REPLACES ANY PREVIOUSLY ISSUED CERTIFICATE FOR THE POLICY NOTED BELOW</i>						
This is to certify that policies of insurance described herein have been issued to the insured named herein for the policy indicated. Notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which the certificate may be issued or may pertain, the insurance afforded by the policies described herein is subject to all the terms, conditions and exclusions of such policies. Aggregate limits shown may have been reduced by paid claims.						
CO LTR	<i>TYPE OF INSURANCE</i>	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YY)	POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YY)	LIMITS	
A	<i>General Liability</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial General Liability <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Made <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occur <input type="checkbox"/> Owners & Contractor's Prot	XYZ1234	00/00/00	00/00/00	General Aggregate Products-Comp/Op Agg Personal & Adv Injury Each Occurrence Fire Damage (any 1 fire)	\$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 1,000,000 \$ 50,000
A	<i>Automobile Liability</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Any Auto <input type="checkbox"/> All Owned Autos <input type="checkbox"/> Scheduled Autos <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hired Autos <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Owned Autos	XYZ1234	00/00/00	00/00/00	Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury (Per person) Bodily Injury (Per accident) Property Damage	\$ 1,000,000 \$ \$ \$
	<i>Garage Liability</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Any Auto		00/00/00	00/00/00	Auto Only-Ea Accident Other than auto only: Each Accident Aggregate	\$ \$ \$
	<i>Excess Liability</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Umbrella Form <input type="checkbox"/> Other than Umbrella Form		00/00/00	00/00/00	Each Occurrence Aggregate	\$ \$
A	<i>Workers Compensation (and Employer's Liability)</i> The Proprietor/Partners Executive Officers Are: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inc <input type="checkbox"/> Excl	XYZ1234	00/00/00	00/00/00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WC Statutory Limits <input type="checkbox"/> Other EL Each Accident EL Disease-Policy Ltd EL Disease-Ea Employee	\$ 500,000 \$ 500,000 \$ 500,000
	<i>Other</i>					
<b>Description of Operations/Locations/Vehicles/Special Items:</b> City of Myrtle Beach is named as additional insured with respect to General and Automobile Liability						
<b>CERTIFICATE HOLDER</b>				<b>CANCELLATION</b>		
City of Myrtle Beach Attn: Purchasing Division Drawer 2468 Myrtle Beach, SC 29578-2468				Should any of the policies described herein be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, the insurer affording coverage will endeavor to mail <b>30</b> days written notice to the certificate holder named herein, but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the insurer affording coverage, its agents or representatives, or the issuer of this certificate.		
<i>INSURANCE AGENT SIGNATURE</i>						

**ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

1. Include with your proposal at least three (3) references of similar products/services provided by your company. Telephone number and person to contact must be included for proposal consideration.

1) \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. List any exceptions to specifications:

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**PROPOSAL AND SIGNATURE DOCUMENT**

**Proposal Number: 21-R0003**

The undersigned, as Offeror, declare that we have examined all proposal documents contained herein and will contract, thereon, with the City of Myrtle Beach (hereinafter referred to as the "City") and do everything necessary for the fulfillment of this contract. We agree any addenda received are part of the proposal documents. (If no addenda have been received, please place a zero in the space provided.)

In addition, we propose to furnish the following services in strict conformance to the proposal specifications and proposal invitation issued by the City of Myrtle Beach for this proposal. Any exceptions are clearly noted as required.

We understand that any false statement made to meet any requirements may result in contract cancellation or initiation of action under federal or state laws, or both.

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**Offeror – Company Name**

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**Mailing Address**

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**Remittance Address (if different from mailing address)**

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**Telephone Number**

**Fax Number**

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**E-mail**

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**Authorized Signature**

**Date**

Addenda Numbers Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City Business License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

South Carolina Sales Tax Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_

If no SC Sales Tax Number, please give reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Tax ID Number (FEIN): \_\_\_\_\_



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**CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH  
LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE  
TO QUALIFY FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE  
FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH BID**

APPLICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO QUALIFY FOR LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE WITHIN THE DEFINED BOUNDARIES: MYRTLE BEACH CITY LIMITS, HORRY COUNTY, NESA AREA (NESA area is comprised of Horry, Georgetown, Williamsburg, Florence, Marion, Darlington, Dillon, Chesterfield, and Marlboro Counties).

City of Myrtle Beach Business License: (To qualify for Local Vendor Preference vendor must have had a **City of Myrtle Beach Business License** a minimum of ninety (90) days prior to the request for bid/ proposal being made public)

City of MB Business License Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date issued: \_\_\_\_\_  
**\*NOT Horry County License Number**

*Complete all areas below. Incomplete forms may be rejected.*

1. LEGAL NAME OF BUSINESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(To qualify vendor must have maintained a physical address and office as a principal place of business within the defined boundaries of the category sought for at least one (1) year, and during that time have had a majority of full-time employees, chief officers and managers regularly conducting work and business from this office.)

2. Year business was established in the City of Myrtle Beach / Horry County / NESA area:

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of County)

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Under penalty of perjury, the undersigned states that the foregoing statements are true and correct. The undersigned also acknowledges that any person, firm, corporation or entity intentionally submitting false information to the City in an attempt to qualify for local preference shall be prohibited from bidding on City of Myrtle Beach products and services for a period of one (1) year.

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE continued**

<b><u>Bid Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Within City Limits</u></b>	<b><u>Within Horry County</u></b>	<b><u>Within NESAs Area</u></b>
From \$7,500.01 to \$25,000.00	5% of Bid	4% of Bid	3% of Bid
\$25,000.01 and up	\$500.00 plus 4% of amount above \$25,000.00 with the maximum being \$2,000.00 including the \$500.00	\$400.00 plus 3% of amount above \$25,000.00 with the maximum being \$1,800.00 including the \$400.00	\$300.00 plus 2% of amount above \$25,000.00 with the maximum being \$1,600.00 including the \$300.00

If company/individual performs services on City property a Certificate of Insurance **must be** provided prior to commencement of work meeting requirements of the City.

**The vendor must submit this copy of the Local Vendor Preference Certificate with their proposal.**

An eligible business shall maintain such status throughout the term of any contract with the City. Failure to maintain such status or to keep current on all fees and taxes owed the City shall be grounds to terminate the contract.