

# REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATION FOR DESIGN SERVICES

#### IT FIBER INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGN SERVICES

#### SOLICITATION INFORMATION AND SELECTION SCHEDULE

Solicitation Number: IT 22-002

Solicitation Title: IT Fiber Infrastructure Design Services

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NON-MANDATORY October 25, 2021, 2:00 p.m. (local time, Avondale, Arizona)

Pre-Submittal Conference: Please see City's Solicitation Page on Vendor Registry

Final Date for Inquiries: October 27, 2021

SOQ Due Date and Time: November 9, 2021, 2:00 p.m. (local time, Avondale, Arizona)

Short Listed Interviews: **December 7, 2021** 

Notice of Intent to Award: December 7, 2021

Anticipated Award Date: January 3, 2022

RFQ Administrator: Brian Garcia (bgarcia@avondaleaz.gov)

\*\* The City of Avondale reserves the right to amend the solicitation schedule, as necessary.

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#### PART I. RFQ PROCESS; AWARD OF AGREEMENT

- 1.1 <u>Purpose; Scope of Work.</u> The City of Avondale (the "City") is issuing this Request For Qualifications (this "RFQ") seeking statements of qualifications ("SOQ") from qualified, licensed firms ("Vendors") interested in providing professional services for the Information Technology Fiber Infrastructure Improvement Design (the "Services"), as more particularly described in Section B, Sample Professional Services Agreement, Exhibit B Scope of Work. **The construction of the Information Technology Fiber Infrastructure Improvement will be completed through a Design-Bid-Build (DBB) project delivery method.** The procurement for the RFQ will be solicited separately. In accordance with the City's Procurement Code, the City will accept sealed SOQ for the Services specified in the Scope of Work and sample Professional Services Agreement. The City intends to engage the service(s) of a firm having specific experience and qualifications in one or each of the areas identified in this RFQ. For consideration, SOQs for the project must provide evidence of the firm's experience and abilities in the specified area(s) and other disciplines directly related to the proposed service.
- 1.2 <u>Preparation/Submission of SOQ</u>. Vendors are invited to participate in the competitive selection process for the Services outlined in this RFQ. Responding parties shall review their SOQ submissions to ensure the following requirements are met.
- A. <u>Irregular or Non-responsive SOQ</u>. The City may consider as "irregular" or "non-responsive" and reject any SOQ not prepared and submitted in accordance with this RFQ, or any SOQ lacking sufficient information to enable the City to make a reasonable determination of compliance to the minimum qualifications. Unauthorized conditions, limitations, or provisions may be cause for rejection. An SOQ may be deemed non-responsive at any time during the evaluation process if, in the sole opinion of the City, any of the following are true:
  - (1) Vendor does not meet the minimum required skill, experience or requirements to perform or provide the Service.
  - (2) Vendor has a past record of failing to fully perform or fulfill contractual obligations.
    - (3) Vendor cannot demonstrate financial stability.
  - (4) Vendor's SOQ contains false, inaccurate or misleading statements that, in the opinion of the City Manager or authorized designee, are intended to mislead the City in its evaluation of the SOQ.
- B. <u>Submittal Quantities</u>. Interested Vendors must submit **one PDF copy** of the SOQ via the City's <u>Solicitation Webpage</u> on Vendor Registry. The PDF file must be in one file. Failure to adhere to the submittal quantity criteria shall result in the Proposal being determined non-responsive.
- C. <u>Required Submittal</u>. The SOQ shall be a maximum of **15** pages to address the SOQ criteria (excluding cover letter, resumes, Vendor Information Form, and Past Performance

<u>Verification Evaluation Submittals (Section C)</u>, but including the materials necessary to address Project understanding, general information, organizational chart, photos, tables, graphs, and diagrams). Each page side (maximum 8 1/2" x 11") with criteria information shall be counted. Cover, back, table of contents and tabs may be used and shall not be included in the page count, unless they include additional project-specific information or SOQ criteria responses. The preferred font for the SOQ is **11 pt., Arial or Times New Roman**. Failure to adhere to the page limit shall result in the SOQ being determined non-responsive. Each SOQ shall be submitted with the following documents:

- (1) Cover letter with a **signature** by a person authorized to bind the Vendor. Proposals submitted without a cover letter with a **signature** by a person authorized to bind the Vendor may be determined non-responsive.
  - (2) Vendor Information Form, with **signature**.
- (3) Past Performance Verification Evaluation Submittals (Section C. Exhibit A).
  - (4) Project Schedule.
  - (5) Resumes, Licenses and Certifications.
- (6) Acknowledgment page, with a **signature**, for any Addendum received.
- D. <u>Vendor Responsibilities</u>. All Vendors shall (1) examine the entire RFQ, (2) seek clarification of any item or requirement that may not be clear, (3) check all responses for accuracy before submitting an SOQ and (4) submit the entire SOQ by the official SOQ Due Date and Time. A late SOQ will not be accepted. A Vendor submitting a late SOQ shall be so notified. Negligence in preparing an SOQ shall not be good cause for withdrawal after the SOQ Due Date and Time.
- E. <u>Online Submittals Only</u>. All SOQ shall be submitted electronically via the City's <u>Solicitation Webpage</u> on Vendor Registry and shall be attached to the corresponding solicitation project and clearly marked with the RFQ number and title, "<u>IT 22-002 Request for Qualifications for IT Fiber Infrastructure Design Services</u>". The City is not responsible for the preopening of, post-opening of, or the failure to open, any SOQ not properly addressed or identified.
- F. <u>Address</u>. All SOQ shall be submitted electronically via the City's <u>Solicitation Webpage</u> on Vendor Registry. SOQ must be received by the SOQ Due Date and Time indicated on the cover page of this RFQ. Telegraphic (facsimile), electronic (e-mail) or mailgram SOQ will not be considered.
- G. <u>Amendment/Withdrawal of SOQ</u>. At any time prior to the specified SOQ Due Date and Time, a Vendor (or designated representative) may amend or withdraw its SOQ. Any

erasures, interlineations, or other modifications in the SOQ shall be initialed by the authorized person signing the SOQ. Facsimile, electronic (e-mail) or mailgram SOQ amendments or withdrawals will not be considered. No SOQ shall be altered, amended or withdrawn after the specified SOQ Due Date and Time.

1.3 <u>Cost of SOQ Preparation</u>. The City does not reimburse the cost of developing, presenting or providing any response to this solicitation. An SOQ submitted for consideration should be prepared simply and economically, providing adequate information in a straightforward and concise manner. The Vendor is responsible for all costs incurred in responding to this RFQ. All materials and documents submitted in response to this RFQ become the property of the City and will not be returned.

#### 1.4 Inquiries.

- A. <u>Written/Verbal Inquiries</u>. Any question related to the RFQ shall be directed to the City staff whose name appears on the cover page of this RFQ. Questions shall be submitted in writing, via e-mail or on the City's <u>Solicitation Webpage</u> on Vendor Registry, by the close of business on the Final Date for Inquiries indicated on the cover page of this RFQ. Any inquiries related to this RFQ shall refer to the title and number, page and paragraph. Any Vendor found to be communicating with any member of City staff about this solicitation shall be prohibited from submitting an SOQ, or if an SOQ is received, such SOQ shall be deemed non-responsive.
- B. <u>Inquiries Answered</u>. All inquiries must be directed to the RFQ Administrator. Verbal telephone inquiries **will not be answered** and Vendors attempting to do so will be directed to submit written inquiries. The RFQ Administrator shall provide a compilation of all questions received in writing with official answers that will be made available on the City's <u>Solicitation Webpage</u> on Vendor Registry. The City shall endeavor to post the compilation not later than five days after the inquiry deadline.
- C. <u>Pre-Submittal Conference</u>. A Pre-Submittal Conference may be held. If scheduled, the date and time of this conference will be indicated on the cover page of this RFQ. Vendors are strongly encouraged to attend the Pre-Submittal Conference, even if designated as non-mandatory. The purpose of this conference will be to clarify the contents of this RFQ in order to prevent any misunderstanding of the City's requirements. Any doubt as to the requirements of this RFQ or any apparent omission or discrepancy should be presented to the City at this conference. The City may issue a written amendment or addendum to this RFQ. Oral statements or instructions are provided for informational purposes only and do not become a part of this RFQ. Any change to the RFO shall be made in the form of an addendum.
- 1.5 <u>Addenda</u>. Any addendum issued as a result of any change in this RFQ shall become part of the RFQ and must be acknowledged in the SOQ submittal. Failure to indicate receipt of the addendum may result in the SOQ being rejected as non-responsive. It shall be the Vendor's responsibility to check for addenda issued to this RFQ. Any addendum issued by the City with respect to this RFQ will be posted on the City's <u>Solicitation Webpage</u> on Vendor Registry.

- 1.6 <u>Public Record</u>. All SOQ shall become the property of the City and shall become a matter of public record available for review, subsequent to the award notification, in accordance with the City's Procurement Code.
- 1.7 <u>Confidential Information</u>. If a Vendor believes that an SOQ or protest contains information that should be withheld from the public record, a statement advising the RFQ Administrator of this fact shall accompany the submission and the information shall be clearly identified. The information identified by the Vendor as confidential shall not be disclosed until the City Manager, or authorized designee, makes a written determination. The City Manager, or authorized designee shall review the statement and information with the City Attorney and shall determine in writing whether the information shall be withheld. If the City Attorney determines that it is proper to disclose the information, the RFQ Administrator shall inform the Vendor in writing of such determination.
- 1.8 <u>Vendor Licensing and Registration</u>. Prior to the award of the Agreement, the successful Vendor shall (A) be registered with the Arizona Corporation Commission and authorized to do business in Arizona and (B) have a completed Vendor Registration through Vendor Registry. The Vendor shall provide licensure information with the SOQ. Corporations and limited liability companies shall be able to provide a Certificate of Good Standing from the Arizona Corporation Commission.
  - 1.9 <u>Certification</u>. By submitting a SOQ, the Vendor certifies:
- A. <u>No Collusion</u>. The submission of the SOQ did not involve collusion or other anti-competitive practices.
- B. <u>No Discrimination</u>. It shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment in violation of Federal Executive Order 11246.
- C. <u>No Gratuity</u>. It has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip favor or service to a City employee, officer or agent in connection with the submitted SOQ. It (including the Vendor's employees, representatives, agents, lobbyists, attorneys, and subcontractors) has refrained, under penalty of disqualification, from direct or indirect contact for the purpose of influencing the selection or creating bias in the selection process with any person who may play a part in the selection process, including the Selection Committee, elected officials, the City Manager, Assistant City Managers, Department Heads, and other City staff. All inquiries must be addressed to the City's RFQ Administrator. Any attempt to influence the selection process by any means shall void the submitted SOQ and any resulting Agreement.
- D. <u>Financial Stability</u>. It is financially stable, solvent and has adequate cash reserves to meet all financial obligations including any potential costs resulting from an award of the Agreement.

- E. <u>No Signature/False or Misleading Statement</u>. The signature on the cover letter of the SOQ and the Vendor Information Form is genuine, and the person signing has the authority to bind the Vendor. Failure to sign the cover letter and the Vendor Information Form, or signing either with a false or misleading statement, shall void the submitted SOQ and any resulting Agreement.
- F. <u>Professional Services Agreement</u>. In addition to reviewing and understanding the submittal requirements, it has reviewed the attached sample Professional Services Agreement, including the Scope of Work and other Exhibits, and agrees to be bound by its terms.

#### 1.10 Award of Agreement.

- A. <u>Evaluation; Selection</u>. A Selection Committee composed of representatives from the City will conduct the selection process according to the schedule on the cover page of this RFQ. The Selection Committee will create a final ranking of the Vendors based strictly on qualifications and using the criteria and weighting shown in PART II of this RFQ. The Selection Committee will rank the SOQ, developing a single final (short) list of at least three (3) and not more than five (5) of the highest ranked Vendors. Total points will be utilized as a tiebreaker. No interviews will be conducted during this phase of the selection process. If there are less than three firms that submit SOQ, the number of firms ranked will be adjusted accordingly.
- B. <u>Oral Interviews</u>. The Selection Committee will provide interview criteria and conduct interviews with the firms on the short list. Interviews shall be for the purpose of clarification to assure full understanding of the solicitation requirements and for each firm to demonstrate why they are the best qualified to perform the services required.

After the interview, the Selection Committee shall select one to three firms for the final list using ordinal scores based only on the selection criteria and relative weight of the selection criteria specified as provided in PART III of this RFQ and rank the firms on the final list in order of preference, of one to three most qualified Vendors.

The City will select the firms on the final list and their order on the final list solely through the results of the interview process. **Interviews are tentatively scheduled for December 7, 2021.** 

C. <u>Form of Agreement</u>. The highest ranked Vendor will be required to immediately begin negotiations following the City's notice of intent to award, in order to meet the target award date as listed in this RFQ. The selected Vendor will be required to execute the City's standard Professional Services Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney. A sample of the Professional Services Agreement is included with this RFQ. The City may terminate negotiations at any time if the City determines that it will not be able to satisfactorily negotiate a contract by the target award date listed in this RFQ. If the City is unsuccessful in negotiating an Agreement with the highest-ranked Vendor, the City may then negotiate with the second, then third, highest-ranked Vendor until an Agreement is executed. City Council approval may be required. The City reserves the right to terminate the selection process at any time.

- C. Award. The City may award one (1) contract for Vendors to provide the Design Services, or multiple contracts for different phases of a single project.
- D. <u>Waiver; Rejection; Reissuance</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this RFQ, the City expressly reserves the right to: (1) waive any immaterial defect or informality, (2) reject any or all SOQ or portions thereof and (3) cancel or reissue an RFQ.
- E. <u>Protests</u>. Any Vendor may protest this RFQ, the proposed award of an Agreement, or the actual award of an Agreement. All protests will be considered in accordance with the City Procurement Code.
- 1.11 Offer. An SOQ submittal is an offer to contract with the City based upon the terms, conditions and specifications contained in this RFQ and the Vendor's responsive SOQ, unless any of the terms, conditions, or specifications are modified by a written addendum or agreement amendment. Provided, however, that no contractual relationship shall be established until the Vendor has signed, and the City has approved, a professional services agreement between the City and the Vendor in the form acceptable to the City Attorney. A sample Professional Services Agreement is included herein.
- 1.12 <u>Cancellation of RFQ</u>. The City reserves the right to cancel a RFQ, reject in whole or in part any or all submittals or determine not to enter into one or more of the multiple contracts as specified in the solicitation if the City determines in its absolute and sole discretion that such action is in the best interest of the City.

#### PART II. STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FORMAT; SCORING

- 2.1 <u>Evaluation Process</u>. Each submittal will be reviewed for compliance with the submittal requirements and scored by the Selection Committee. The Selection Committee shall determine if the selection can be made on the basis of the written materials only, or if oral interviews are necessary with up to five of the highest ranked Vendors based upon the SOQ submittal scoring.
- 2.2 <u>Proposal Format and Scoring</u>. The SOQ shall be organized and submitted in the format as outlined below. Failure to conform to the designated format, standards and minimum requirements shall result in a determination that the SOQ is non-responsive. Additionally, the Selection Committee will evaluate and award points to each SOQ based upon the evaluation criteria as outlined in this document. Points listed below are the maximum number of points possible for each criterion and not the minimum number that the Selection Committee may award.

#### A. General Information - 5 pts.

(1) One-page cover letter as described in Subsection 1.2(C) (Required Submittal).

- (2) Provide Vendor identification information. Explain the Vendor's legal organization including the legal name, address, identification number and legal form of the Vendor (e.g., partnership, corporation, joint venture, limited liability company, sole proprietorship). If a joint venture, identify the members of the joint venture and provide all of the information required under this section for each member. If a limited liability company, provide the name of the member or members authorized to act on the company's behalf. If the Vendor is a wholly owned subsidiary of another company, identify the parent company. If the corporation is a nonprofit corporation, provide nonprofit documentation. Provide the name, address and telephone number of the person to contact concerning the SOQ.
- (3) Identify the location of the Vendor's principal office and the local work office, if different from the principal office. Include any documentation that supports the Vendor's authority to provide services in Arizona.
- (4) Provide a general description of the Vendor that is proposing to provide the Services, including years in business.
- (5) Identify any contract or subcontract held by the Vendor or officers of the Vendor that has been terminated within the last five years. Briefly describe the circumstances and the outcome.
- (6) Identify any claims arising from a contract that resulted in litigation or arbitration within the last five years. Briefly describe the circumstances and the outcome.
- (7) Provide the Arizona professional and contractor license numbers held by the Vendor and the key personnel who will be assigned to this Project; indicating if the individual or the firm holds the license.
- (8) Vendor Information Form, with a **signature** (may be attached as separate appendix).
- B. <u>Experience and Qualifications of the Vendor 30 pts. (includes 12 pts. available upon City's receipt of Past Performance Verification Forms "PPVF")</u>
- (1) Provide a detailed description of the Vendor's experience in providing similar services to municipalities or other entities of a similar size to the City; specifically relating experience with respect to Information Technology Fiber Infrastructure Design.
- (2) Past Performance Verification Form (PPVF) The City desires to receive feedback on the past performance of your projects. Email or fax a copy of the Past Performance Verification form (attached as Section C) to Public/Private Agencies, for which you have substantially completed similar work, to fill out a copy of the PPVF for three (3) similar projects. Provide the form to the Owner or Owner's representative,

directly responsible for oversight of the project to complete and submit to the City via email prior to the date and time listed on the form. If your firm has completed previous similar work for the City, it is recommended that you utilize this experience. If your firm has not completed prior projects with the City, you will not be penalized.

Please list the agency or firm name, address, phone number and contact information for the Agency that will be providing the Past Performance Verification Form on attached Exhibit A and include as an appendix to the SOQ. Past Performance Verification Forms will only be accepted from the Agencies listed on Exhibit A. Each completed PPVF form (total of three) that is returned by the due date will be awarded 4 (four) points towards this category.

Zero points will be awarded for projects:

- If Exhibit A is not included in the SOQ.
- If a PPVF is received after the date and time specified on the form.
- If a project is not listed in Exhibit A.
- If a project submitted is not substantially complete.
- If the firm submitting was not the prime Architect/Engineer, Contractor, or Design-Builder.
- If the person responding was not directly responsible for project oversight.

It is the responsibility of the firm submitting the SOQ to ensure that the City receives all Past Performance Verification Forms prior to the deadline. For the purpose of this Solicitation, "successful completion" means the completion of a project within the established schedule and budget, and "similar projects" resemble this project in size, nature and scope.

It is the Vendor's responsibility to ensure that all information is accurate, current, and submitted to the Procurement Officer listed on the PPVF before the due date.

(3) The RFQ Administrator may conduct any investigation deemed necessary to determine the Vendor's ability to perform the project. Vendors may be requested to submit additional documentation within 72 hours (or as specified) to assist the City in its evaluation.

#### C. Key Positions - 20 pts.

(1) Identify each key personnel member that will render services to the City including title and relevant experience required, including the proposed project manager and project staff.

- (2) Indicate the roles and responsibilities of each key position. Include senior members of the Vendor only from the perspective of what their role will be in providing services to the City.
- (3) If a subcontractor will be used for all work of a certain type, include information on this subcontractor. A detailed plan for providing supervision must be included.
- (4) Attach a résumé and evidence of certification, if any, for each key personnel member and/or subcontractor to be involved in this Project. Résumés should be attached together as a single appendix at the end of the SOQ and will not count toward the SOQ page limit. However, each resume shall not exceed two pages in length.

## D. Project Approach - 25 pts.

- (1) Provide examples from recent, successfully completed projects, of Vendor's approach to performing the required Services in the Scope of Work described in the Professional Services Agreement in <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a>, including the following processes:
  - (a) Design Methodology.
  - (b) Designing within Budget.
  - (c) Scheduling.
  - (d) Utility Coordination during Design and Construction.
  - (e) Project management and team organization during design and construction services.
  - (f) Management of cost overruns during construction.
  - (g) Quality Control and Assurance.
- (2) Describe any alternate/innovative approaches if it is believed that such an approach would best suit the needs of the City. Include rationale for alternate/innovative approaches and indicate how the Vendor will ensure that all efforts are coordinated with the City's Representatives. Describe your firm's expertise and how it will add value to this project.

#### E. Project Schedule - 20 pts.

Provide a project schedule showing key project milestones and deliverables to provide the most expeditious project completion. The schedule shall demonstrate Vendor's ability to meet the designated milestones as listed below. Assumptions used in developing the schedule shall be identified and, at a minimum, the proposed schedule shall include the following dates:

- (1) Contract Award Date
- (2) Notice to Proceed Date
- (3) Proposed Kick-Off Meeting
- (4) Preliminary Design Completion

- (5) 30% Design Completion
- (6) 60% Design Completion
- (7) Construction Documents Completion
- (8) Estimated Construction Completion

Durations for City Review and Approval to be included in schedule as follows:

(1)	Preliminary Design Approval	1 week
(2)	30% Design Approval	2 weeks
(3)	60% Design Approval	3.5 weeks
(4)	Plan Review/Bidding	5 weeks
(5)	GMP Approval	3 weeks

#### **Total Possible Points for SOQ Submittal:**

100

#### PART III. ORAL INTERVIEWS; SCORING

The selected Vendors will be invited to participate in discussions with the Selection Committee on the date indicated on the cover page of this RFQ. The following evaluation factors are listed with the weighted percentage of importance. Interviews shall be addressed in the following order for ease of evaluator interpretation and evaluation.

After the interview, the Selection Committee shall select one to three firms for the final list using ordinal scores from the interviews alone, based upon the criteria as outlined below. Vendors may be given additional information for these oral interviews:

#### **Oral Interview**

- 30 Key Positions
- 30 Project Approach
- 20 Experience and Qualifications of the Vendor
- 20 Project Schedule

## PART IV. VENDOR INFORMATION FORM

By submitting a Statement of Qualifications, the submitting Vendor certifies that it has reviewed the administrative information and draft of the Professional Services Agreement's terms and conditions and, if awarded the Agreement, agrees to be bound thereto.

VENDOR SUBMITTING SOQ	FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER	
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	
ADDRESS	TELEPHONE FAX #	<i>‡</i>
CITY STATE ZIP	DATE	
WEB SITE:	E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION	N FILE NO	
SMALL, MINORITY, DISADVAI ENTERPRISES (check appropriate it	NTAGED AND WOMEN-OWNED BU	SINESS
Small Business Enterprise (Sl Minority Business Enterprise Disadvantaged Business Ente Women-Owned Business Ente	(MBE) rprise (DBE)	
Has the Vendor been certified by any jurise business enterprise?	diction in Arizona as a minority or woma	n-owned
If yes, please provide details and documentat	ion of the certification.	

# SAMPLE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AVONDALE AND

THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") is entered into as of, 2021, between the City of Avondale, an Arizona municipal corporation (the "City") and, a(n), (the "Consultant").
(the "Consultant").
RECITALS
A. The City issued a Request for Statements of Qualifications, IT 22-002 "IT Fiber Infrastructure Design Services" (the "RFQ"), a copy of which is on file in the City's Finance Office and incorporated herein by reference, seeking statements of qualifications from vendors for (the "Services").
B. The Consultant responded to the RFQ by submitting a Statement of Qualifications (the "SOQ"), attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, and the City desires to enter into an Agreement with the Consultant for the Services.
C. The City has received Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to improve the City's broadband infrastructure. Federal Requirements, if any, shall be attached hereto as Exhibit D.
<u>AGREEMENT</u>
NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing introduction and recitals, which are incorporated herein by reference, the following mutual covenants and conditions, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the City and the Consultant hereby agree as follows:
1. <u>Term of Agreement</u> .
1.1 <u>Initial Term</u> . This Agreement shall be effective as of the date first set forth above and shall remain in full force and effect until, 20 (the "Initial Term"), unless terminated as otherwise provided in this Agreement.
1.2 <u>Renewal Terms</u> . After the expiration of the Initial Term, this Agreement may be renewed for up to four successive one-year terms (each, a "Renewal Term") if (i) it is deemed in the best interests of the City, subject to availability and appropriation of funds for

renewal in each subsequent year, (ii) at least 30 days prior to the end of the then-current term of this Agreement, the Consultant requests, in writing, to extend this Agreement for an additional one-year term and (iii) the City approves the additional one-year term in writing (including any

price adjustments approved as part of this Agreement), as evidenced by the City Manager's signature thereon, which approval may be withheld by the City for any reason. The Consultant's failure to seek a renewal of this Agreement shall cause this Agreement to terminate at the end of the then-current term of this Agreement; provided, however, that the City may, at its discretion and with the agreement of the Consultant, elect to waive this requirement and renew this Agreement. The Initial Term and any Renewal Term(s) are collectively referred to herein as the "Term." Upon renewal, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

- 1.3 <u>Non-Default</u>. By requesting extension for a Renewal Term as set forth above, or by consenting to a Renewal Term in any manner, Consultant shall be deemed to affirmatively assert that (i) the City is not currently in default, nor has been in default at any time prior to the Renewal Term, under any of the terms or conditions of the Agreement and (ii) any and all Consultant claims, known and unknown, relating to the Agreement and existing on or before the commencement date of the Renewal Term are forever waived.
- 2. <u>Scope of Work</u>. Consultant shall provide the Services as set forth in the Scope of Work attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference.
- 3. <u>Compensation</u>. The City shall pay Consultant an amount not to exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_.00 for the Services at the rates set forth in the Fee Proposal attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u> and incorporated herein by reference.
- 4. <u>Payments</u>. The City shall pay the Consultant monthly, based upon work performed and completed to date, and upon submission and approval of invoices. All invoices shall document and itemize all work completed to date. Each invoice statement shall include a record of time expended and work performed in sufficient detail to justify payment.
- 5. <u>Safety Plan</u>. Consultant shall provide the Services in accordance with a safety plan that is compliant with Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA"), American National Standards Institute and National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health standards. If, in the Consultant's sole determination, the Services to be provided do not require a safety plan, Consultant shall notify the City, in writing, describing the reasons a safety plan is unnecessary. The City reserves the right to request a safety plan following such notification.
- 6. <u>Documents</u>. All documents, including any intellectual property rights thereto, prepared and submitted to the City pursuant to this Agreement shall be the property of the City.
- 7. <u>Consultant Personnel</u>. Consultant shall provide adequate, experienced personnel, capable of and devoted to the successful performance of the Services under this Agreement. Consultant agrees to assign specific individuals to key positions. If deemed qualified, the Consultant is encouraged to hire City residents to fill vacant positions at all levels. Consultant agrees that, upon commencement of the Services to be performed under this Agreement, key personnel shall not be removed or replaced without prior written notice to the City. If key personnel are not available to perform the Services for a continuous period exceeding 30 calendar

days, or are expected to devote substantially less effort to the Services than initially anticipated, Consultant shall immediately notify the City of same and shall, subject to the concurrence of the City, replace such personnel with personnel possessing substantially equal ability and qualifications.

- 8. <u>Inspection; Acceptance</u>. All work shall be subject to inspection and acceptance by the City at reasonable times during Consultant's performance. The Consultant shall provide and maintain a self-inspection system that is acceptable to the City.
- 9. <u>Licenses; Materials</u>. Consultant shall maintain in current status all federal, state and local licenses and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by the Consultant. The City has no obligation to provide Consultant, its employees or subcontractors any business registrations or licenses required to perform the specific services set forth in this Agreement. The City has no obligation to provide tools, equipment or material to Consultant.
- 10. <u>Performance Warranty</u>. Consultant warrants that the Services rendered will conform to the requirements of this Agreement and with the care and skill ordinarily used by members of the same profession practicing under similar circumstances at the same time and in the same locality.
- 11. <u>Indemnification</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Consultant shall indemnify and hold harmless the City and each council member, officer, employee or agent thereof (the City and any such person being herein called an "Indemnified Party"), for, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses (including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs and the costs of appellate proceedings) to which any such Indemnified Party may become subject, under any theory of liability whatsoever ("Claims") to the extent that such Claims (or actions in respect thereof) are caused by the negligent acts, recklessness or intentional misconduct of the Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, or any tier of subcontractor in connection with Consultant's work or services in the performance of this Agreement. The amount and type of insurance coverage requirements set forth below will in no way be construed as limiting the scope of the indemnity in this Section.

#### 12. Insurance.

#### 12.1 General.

A. <u>Insurer Qualifications</u>. Without limiting any obligations or liabilities of Consultant, Consultant shall purchase and maintain, at its own expense, hereinafter stipulated minimum insurance with insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Arizona pursuant to ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 20-206, as amended, with an AM Best, Inc. rating of A- or above with policies and forms satisfactory to the City. Failure to maintain insurance as specified herein may result in termination of this Agreement at the City's option.

- B. No Representation of Coverage Adequacy. By requiring insurance herein, the City does not represent that coverage and limits will be adequate to protect Consultant. The City reserves the right to review any and all of the insurance policies and/or endorsements cited in this Agreement but has no obligation to do so. Failure to demand such evidence of full compliance with the insurance requirements set forth in this Agreement or failure to identify any insurance deficiency shall not relieve Consultant from, nor be construed or deemed a waiver of, its obligation to maintain the required insurance at all times during the performance of this Agreement.
- C. <u>Additional Insured</u>. All insurance coverage, except Workers' Compensation insurance and Professional Liability insurance, if applicable, shall name, to the fullest extent permitted by law for claims arising out of the performance of this Agreement, the City, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees as Additional Named Insured as specified under the respective coverage sections of this Agreement.
- D. <u>Coverage Term</u>. All insurance required herein shall be maintained in full force and effect until all work or services required to be performed under the terms of this Agreement are satisfactorily performed, completed and formally accepted by the City, unless specified otherwise in this Agreement.
- E. <u>Primary Insurance</u>. Consultant's insurance shall be primary insurance with respect to performance of this Agreement and in the protection of the City as an Additional Insured.
- F. <u>Claims Made</u>. In the event any insurance policies required by this Agreement are written on a "claims made" basis, coverage shall extend, either by keeping coverage in force or purchasing an extended reporting option, for three years past completion and acceptance of the services. Such continuing coverage shall be evidenced by submission of annual Certificates of Insurance and necessary endorsements citing applicable coverage is in force and contains the provisions as required herein for the three-year period.
- G. <u>Waiver</u>. All policies, except for Professional Liability, including Workers' Compensation insurance, shall contain a waiver of rights of recovery (subrogation) against the City, its agents, representatives, officials, officers and employees for any claims arising out of the work or services of Consultant. Consultant shall arrange to have such subrogation waivers incorporated into each policy via formal written endorsement thereto.
- H. <u>Policy Deductibles and/or Self-Insured Retentions</u>. The policies set forth in these requirements may provide coverage that contains deductibles or self-insured retention amounts. Such deductibles or self-insured retention shall not be applicable with respect to the policy limits provided to the City. Consultant shall be solely responsible for any such deductible or self-insured retention amount.

- I. <u>Use of Subcontractors</u>. If any work under this Agreement is subcontracted in any way, Consultant shall execute written agreements with its subcontractors containing the indemnification provisions set forth above and insurance requirements set forth herein protecting the City and Consultant. Consultant shall be responsible for executing any agreements with its subcontractors and obtaining certificates of insurance verifying the insurance requirements.
- J. Evidence of Insurance. Prior to commencing any work or services under this Agreement, Consultant will provide the City with suitable evidence of insurance in the form of certificates of insurance and a copy of the declaration page(s) of the insurance policies as required by this Agreement, issued by Consultant's insurance insurer(s) as evidence that policies are placed with acceptable insurers as specified herein and provide the required coverages, conditions and limits of coverage specified in this Agreement and that such coverage and provisions are in full force and effect. Confidential information such as the policy premium may be redacted from the declaration page(s) of each insurance policy, provided that such redactions do not alter any of the information required by this The City shall reasonably rely upon the certificates of insurance and declaration page(s) of the insurance policies as evidence of coverage, but such acceptance and reliance shall not waive or alter in any way the insurance requirements or obligations of this Agreement. If any of the policies required by this Agreement expire during the life of this Agreement, it shall be Consultant's responsibility to forward renewal certificates and declaration page(s) to the City 30 days prior to the expiration date. All certificates of insurance and declarations required by this Agreement shall be identified by referencing the RFQ number and title or this Agreement. A \$25.00 administrative fee shall be assessed for all certificates or declarations received without the appropriate RFQ number and title or a reference to this Agreement, as applicable. Additionally, certificates of insurance and declaration page(s) of the insurance policies submitted without referencing the appropriate RFQ number and title or a reference to this Agreement, as applicable, will be subject to rejection and may be returned or discarded. Certificates of insurance and declaration page(s) shall specifically include the following provisions:
  - (1) The City, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees are Additional Insureds as follows:
    - (a) Commercial General Liability Under Insurance Services Office, Inc., ("ISO") Form CG 20 10 03 97 or equivalent.
    - (b) Auto Liability Under ISO Form CA 20 48 or equivalent.
    - (c) Excess Liability Follow Form to underlying insurance.

- (2) Consultant's insurance shall be primary insurance with respect to performance of this Agreement.
- (3) All policies, except for Professional Liability, including Workers' Compensation, waive rights of recovery (subrogation) against City, its agents, representatives, officers, officials and employees for any claims arising out of work or services performed by Consultant under this Agreement.
- (4) ACORD certificate of insurance form 25 (2014/01) is preferred. If ACORD certificate of insurance form 25 (2001/08) is used, the phrases in the cancellation provision "endeavor to" and "but failure to mail such notice shall impose no obligation or liability of any kind upon the company, its agents or representatives" shall be deleted. Certificate forms other than ACORD form shall have similar restrictive language deleted.
- K. <u>Endorsements</u>. Consultant shall provide the City with the necessary endorsements to ensure City is provided the insurance coverage set forth in this Section.

#### 12.2 Required Insurance Coverage.

- Commercial General Liability. Consultant shall maintain "occurrence" form Commercial General Liability insurance with an unimpaired limit of not less than \$1,000,000 for each occurrence, \$2,000,000 Products and Completed Operations Annual Aggregate and a \$2,000,000 General Aggregate Limit. The policy shall cover liability arising from premises, operations, independent contractors, productscompleted operations, personal injury and advertising injury. Coverage under the policy will be at least as broad as ISO policy form CG 00 010 93 or equivalent thereof, including but not limited to, separation of insured's clause. To the fullest extent allowed by law, for claims arising out of the performance of this Agreement, the City, its agents, representatives, officers, officials and employees shall be cited as an Additional Insured under ISO, Commercial General Liability Additional Insured Endorsement form CG 20 10 03 97, or equivalent, which shall read "Who is an Insured (Section II) is amended to include as an insured the person or organization shown in the Schedule, but only with respect to liability arising out of "your work" for that insured by or for you." If any Excess insurance is utilized to fulfill the requirements of this subsection, such Excess insurance shall be "follow form" equal or broader in coverage scope than underlying insurance.
- B. <u>Vehicle Liability</u>. Consultant shall maintain Business Automobile Liability insurance with a limit of \$1,000,000 each occurrence on Consultant's owned, hired and non-owned vehicles assigned to or used in the performance of the Consultant's work or services under this Agreement. Coverage will be at least as broad as ISO coverage code "1" "any auto" policy form CA 00 01 12 93 or equivalent thereof. To the fullest extent allowed by law, for claims arising out of the performance of this Agreement, the City, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials and employees shall be cited as an Additional Insured under ISO Business Autopolicy Designated Insured Endorsement

form CA 20 48 or equivalent. If any Excess insurance is utilized to fulfill the requirements of this subsection, such Excess insurance shall be "follow form" equal or broader in coverage scope than underlying insurance.

- C. <u>Professional Liability</u>. If this Agreement is the subject of any professional services or work, or if the Consultant engages in any professional services or work in any way related to performing the work under this Agreement, the Consultant shall maintain Professional Liability insurance covering negligent errors and omissions arising out of the Services performed by the Consultant, or anyone employed by the Consultant, or anyone for whose negligent acts, mistakes, errors and omissions the Consultant is legally liable, with an unimpaired liability insurance limit of \$2,000,000 each claim and \$2,000,000 annual aggregate.
- D. <u>Workers' Compensation Insurance</u>. If Consultant employs anyone who is required by law to be covered by workers' compensation insurance, Consultant shall maintain Workers' Compensation insurance to cover obligations imposed by federal and state statutes having jurisdiction over Consultant's employees engaged in the performance of work or services under this Agreement and shall also maintain Employers Liability Insurance of not less than \$500,000 for each accident, \$500,000 disease for each employee and \$1,000,000 disease policy limit.
- 12.3 <u>Cancellation and Expiration Notice</u>. Insurance required herein shall not expire, be canceled, or be materially changed without 30 days' prior written notice to the City.

#### 13. Termination; Cancellation.

- 13.1 <u>For City's Convenience</u>. This Agreement is for the convenience of the City and, as such, may be terminated without cause after receipt by Consultant of written notice by the City. Upon termination for convenience, Consultant shall be paid for all undisputed services performed to the termination date.
- Agreement and such party fails to cure its nonperformance within 30 days after notice of nonperformance is given by the non-defaulting party, such party will be in default. In the event of such default, the non-defaulting party may terminate this Agreement immediately for cause and will have all remedies that are available to it at law or in equity including, without limitation, the remedy of specific performance. If the nature of the defaulting party's nonperformance is such that it cannot reasonably be cured within 30 days, then the defaulting party will have such additional periods of time as may be reasonably necessary under the circumstances, provided the defaulting party immediately (A) provides written notice to the non-defaulting party and (B) commences to cure its nonperformance and thereafter diligently continues to completion the cure of its nonperformance. In no event shall any such cure period exceed 90 days. In the event of such termination for cause, payment shall be made by the City to the Consultant for the undisputed portion of its fee due as of the termination date.

- 13.3 <u>Due to Work Stoppage</u>. This Agreement may be terminated by the City upon 30 days' written notice to Consultant in the event that the Services are permanently abandoned. In the event of such termination due to work stoppage, payment shall be made by the City to the Consultant for the undisputed portion of its fee due as of the termination date.
- REV. STAT. § 38-511. The City may cancel this Agreement without penalty or further obligations by the City or any of its departments or agencies if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating this Agreement on behalf of the City or any of its departments or agencies is, at any time while this Agreement or any extension of this Agreement is in effect, an employee of any other party to this Agreement in any capacity or a consultant to any other party of this Agreement with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement.
- Agreement if it is found by the City that gratuities, in the form of economic opportunity, future employment, entertainment, gifts or otherwise, were offered or given by the Consultant or any agent or representative of the Consultant to any officer, agent or employee of the City for the purpose of securing this Agreement. In the event this Agreement is canceled by the City pursuant to this provision, the City shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover and withhold from the Consultant an amount equal to 150% of the gratuity.
- Agreement Subject to Appropriation. The City is obligated only to pay its obligations set forth in this Agreement as may lawfully be made from funds appropriated and budgeted for that purpose during the City's then current fiscal year. The City's obligations under this Agreement are current expenses subject to the "budget law" and the unfettered legislative discretion of the City concerning budgeted purposes and appropriation of funds. Should the City elect not to appropriate and budget funds to pay its Agreement obligations, this Agreement shall be deemed terminated at the end of the then-current fiscal year term for which such funds were appropriated and budgeted for such purpose and the City shall be relieved of any subsequent obligation under this Agreement. The parties agree that the City has no obligation or duty of good faith to budget or appropriate the payment of the City's obligations set forth in this Agreement in any budget in any fiscal year other than the fiscal year in which this Agreement is executed and delivered. The City shall be the sole judge and authority in determining the availability of funds for its obligations under this Agreement. The City shall keep Consultant informed as to the availability of funds for this Agreement. The obligation of the City to make any payment pursuant to this Agreement is not a general obligation or indebtedness of the City. Consultant hereby waives any and all rights to bring any claim against the City from or relating in any way to the City's termination of this Agreement pursuant to this section.

#### 14. Miscellaneous.

14.1 <u>Independent Contractor</u>. It is clearly understood that each party will act in its individual capacity and not as an agent, employee, partner, joint venturer, or associate of the other. An employee or agent of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employee or agent of the other for any purpose whatsoever. The Consultant acknowledges and agrees that the

Services provided under this Agreement are being provided as an independent contractor, not as an employee or agent of the City. Consultant, its employees and subcontractors are not entitled to workers' compensation benefits from the City. The City does not have the authority to supervise or control the actual work of Consultant, its employees or subcontractors. The Consultant, and not the City, shall determine the time of its performance of the services provided under this Agreement so long as Consultant meets the requirements of its agreed Scope of Work as set forth in Section 2 above and Exhibit B. Consultant is neither prohibited from entering into other contracts nor prohibited from practicing its profession elsewhere. City and Consultant do not intend to nor will they combine business operations under this Agreement.

- 14.2 <u>Applicable Law; Venue</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Arizona and suit pertaining to this Agreement may be brought only in courts in Maricopa County, Arizona.
- Laws and Regulations. Consultant shall keep fully informed and shall at all times during the performance of its duties under this Agreement ensure that it and any person for whom the Consultant is responsible abides by, and remains in compliance with, all rules, regulations, ordinances, statutes or laws affecting the Services, including, but not limited to, the following: (A) existing and future City and County ordinances and regulations; (B) existing and future State and Federal laws; and (C) existing and future Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards.
- 14.4 <u>Amendments</u>. This Agreement may be modified only by a written amendment signed by persons duly authorized to enter into contracts on behalf of the City and the Consultant.
- 14.5 <u>Provisions Required by Law</u>. Each and every provision of law and any clause required by law to be in this Agreement will be read and enforced as though it were included herein and, if through mistake or otherwise any such provision is not inserted, or is not correctly inserted, then upon the application of either party, this Agreement will promptly be physically amended to make such insertion or correction.
- 14.6 <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Agreement are severable to the extent that any provision or application held to be invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction shall not affect any other provision or application of this Agreement which may remain in effect without the invalid provision or application.
- 14.7 Entire Agreement; Interpretation; Parol Evidence. This Agreement represents the entire agreement of the parties with respect to its subject matter, and all previous agreements, whether oral or written, entered into prior to this Agreement are hereby revoked and superseded by this Agreement. No representations, warranties, inducements or oral agreements have been made by any of the parties except as expressly set forth herein, or in any other contemporaneous written agreement executed for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted according to its plain meaning, and no presumption shall be deemed to apply in favor of, or against the party drafting this

Agreement. The parties acknowledge and agree that each has had the opportunity to seek and utilize legal counsel in the drafting of, review of, and entry into this Agreement.

- 14.8 <u>Assignment; Delegation</u>. No right or interest in this Agreement shall be assigned or delegated by Consultant without prior, written permission of the City, signed by the City Manager. Any attempted assignment or delegation by Consultant in violation of this provision shall be a breach of this Agreement by Consultant.
- 14.9 <u>Subcontracts</u>. No subcontract shall be entered into by the Consultant with any other party to furnish any of the material or services specified herein without the prior, written approval of the City. The Consultant is responsible for performance under this Agreement whether or not subcontractors are used. Failure to pay subcontractors in a timely manner pursuant to any subcontract shall be a material breach of this Agreement by Consultant.
- 14.10 <u>Rights and Remedies</u>. No provision in this Agreement shall be construed, expressly or by implication, as waiver by the City of any existing or future right and/or remedy available by law in the event of any claim of default or breach of this Agreement. The failure of the City to insist upon the strict performance of any term or condition of this Agreement or to exercise or delay the exercise of any right or remedy provided in this Agreement, or by law, or the City's acceptance of and payment for services, shall not release the Consultant from any responsibilities or obligations imposed by this Agreement or by law, and shall not be deemed a waiver of any right of the City to insist upon the strict performance of this Agreement.
- 14.11 <u>Attorneys' Fees</u>. In the event either party brings any action for any relief, declaratory or otherwise, arising out of this Agreement or on account of any breach or default hereof, the prevailing party shall be entitled to receive from the other party reasonable attorneys' fees and reasonable costs and expenses, determined by the court sitting without a jury, which shall be deemed to have accrued on the commencement of such action and shall be enforced whether or not such action is prosecuted through judgment.
- 14.12 <u>Liens</u>. All materials or services shall be free of all liens and, if the City requests, a formal release of all liens shall be delivered to the City.

#### 14.13 Offset.

- A. <u>Offset for Damages</u>. In addition to all other remedies at law or equity, the City may offset from any money due to the Consultant any amounts Consultant owes to the City for damages resulting from breach or deficiencies in performance or breach of any obligation under this Agreement.
- B. <u>Offset for Delinquent Fees or Taxes</u>. The City may offset from any money due to the Consultant any amounts Consultant owes to the City for delinquent fees, transaction privilege use taxes and property taxes, including any interest or penalties.
- 14.14 <u>Notices and Requests</u>. Any notice or other communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been

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**SECTION B** 

duly given if (A) delivered to the party at the address set forth below, (B) deposited in the U.S. Mail, registered or certified, return receipt requested, to the address set forth below or (C) given to a recognized and reputable overnight delivery service, to the address set forth below:

If to the City:	City of Avondale 11465 West Civic Center Drive Avondale, Arizona 85323 Attn: Charles A. Montoya, City Manager
With copies to:	City of Avondale 11465 West Civic Center Drive Avondale, Arizona 85323 Attn: Procurement Division
	City of Avondale 11465 West Civic Center Drive Avondale, Arizona 85323 Attn: City Attorney
If to Consultant:	
	Attn:

or at such other address, and to the attention of such other person or officer, as any party may designate in writing by notice duly given pursuant to this subsection. Notices shall be deemed received (A) when delivered to the party, (B) three business days after being placed in the U.S. Mail, properly addressed, with sufficient postage or (C) the following business day after being given to a recognized overnight delivery service, with the person giving the notice paying all required charges and instructing the delivery service to deliver on the following business day. If a copy of a notice is also given to a party's counsel or other recipient, the provisions above governing the date on which a notice is deemed to have been received by a party shall mean and refer to the date on which the party, and not its counsel or other recipient to which a copy of the notice may be sent, is deemed to have received the notice.

14.15 <u>Confidentiality of Records</u>. The Consultant shall establish and maintain procedures and controls that are acceptable to the City for the purpose of ensuring that information contained in its records or obtained from the City or from others in carrying out its obligations under this Agreement shall not be used or disclosed by it, its agents, officers, or employees, except as required to perform Consultant's duties under this Agreement. Persons requesting such information should be referred to the City. Consultant also agrees that any information pertaining to individual persons shall not be divulged other than to employees or officers of Consultant as needed for the performance of duties under this Agreement.

14.16 <u>Records and Audit Rights</u>. To ensure that the Consultant and its subcontractors are complying with the warranty under subsection 14.17 below, Consultant's and its subcontractor's books, records, correspondence, accounting procedures and practices, and any other supporting evidence relating to this Agreement, including the papers of any Consultant and

its subcontractors' employees who perform any work or services pursuant to this Agreement (all of the foregoing hereinafter referred to as "Records"), shall be open to inspection and subject to audit and/or reproduction during normal working hours by the City, to the extent necessary to adequately permit (A) evaluation and verification of any invoices, payments or claims based on Consultant's and its subcontractors' actual costs (including direct and indirect costs and overhead allocations) incurred, or units expended directly in the performance of work under this Agreement and (B) evaluation of the Consultant's and its subcontractors' compliance with the Arizona employer sanctions laws referenced in subsection 14.17 below. To the extent necessary for the City to audit Records as set forth in this subsection, Consultant and its subcontractors hereby waive any rights to keep such Records confidential. For the purpose of evaluating or verifying such actual or claimed costs or units expended, the City shall have access to said Records, even if located at its subcontractors' facilities, from the effective date of this Agreement for the duration of the work and until three years after the date of final payment by the City to Consultant pursuant to this Agreement. Consultant and its subcontractors shall provide the City with adequate and appropriate workspace so that the City can conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this subsection. The City shall give Consultant or its subcontractors reasonable advance notice of intended audits. Consultant shall require its subcontractors to comply with the provisions of this subsection by insertion of the requirements hereof in any subcontract pursuant to this Agreement.

- 14.17 <u>E-verify Requirements</u>. To the extent applicable under ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 41-4401, the Consultant and its subcontractors warrant compliance with all federal immigration laws and regulations that relate to their employees and their compliance with the E-verify requirements under ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 23-214(A). Consultant's or its subcontractors' failure to comply with such warranty shall be deemed a material breach of this Agreement and may result in the termination of this Agreement by the City.
- 14.18 <u>Israel</u>. For Contracts in excess of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) Dollars, Contractor certifies that it is not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of this Agreement that it will not engage in a "boycott," as that term is defined in ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 35-393, of Israel.
- 14.19 <u>Conflicting Terms</u>. In the event of any inconsistency, conflict or ambiguity among the terms of this Agreement, any amendments, the Scope of Work, any City-approved Purchase Order, the Fee Proposal, the RFQ and the Consultant's SOQ, the documents shall govern in the order listed herein. If the Agreement is renewed pursuant to Subsection 1.2 above and such renewal includes any conflicting terms, other than price, those terms will be null and void.
- 14.20 <u>Non-Exclusive Contract</u>. This Agreement is entered into with the understanding and agreement that it is for the sole convenience of the City. The City reserves the right to obtain like goods and services from another source when necessary.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGES]

# **SECTION B**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the date and year first set forth above.

"City"		
CITY OF AVONDALE, an Arizona municipal corporation		
	Date:	
Charles A. Montoya, City Manager		
ATTEST:		
Marcella Carrillo, City Clerk		
Warcena Carrino, City Cicik		
"Consultant"		
a(n),		
By:		
Name:		
Title:		
Date:		

EXHIBIT A
TO
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE CITY OF AVONDALE
AND

[Statement of Qualifications]

See following pages.

EXHIBIT B
TO
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
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THE CITY OF AVONDALE
AND

[Scope of Work]

See following pages.

#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FIBER INFRASTRUCTURE DESIGN SERVICES

#### **Statement of Work**

#### **Description**

The City of Avondale is issuing this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to establish a design contract with a qualified firm(s) to provide creative solutions for the following:

- Design of an Avondale-owned and Avondale-managed fiber optic communication network. The firm shall secure all necessary utility, irrigation, and railroad crossing clearances so construction permits can be issued to the future contractor.
- Provide a City-owned fiber optic communication network that consists of conduit, fiber optic cable, junction boxes, and ancillary equipment. Such a network will allow high-speed communication access to city facilities in Avondale. This will be referred to as Fiber Network throughout this RFQ.
- The fiber network will consist of a single three-inch 7-way, 14mm Inner-diameter microduct conduit, stranded copper tracer wire, and a single 144 strand single-mode fiber optic cable with ancillary communication equipment.

#### **Project Goals and Objectives**

The goal of this project is to complete a city-owned fiber-loop connecting missing links in our existing network.

The City of Avondale Information Technology department will utilize this new fiber project and our existing fiber network for connectivity to City facilities, traffic signals, and remote sites.

Avondale has identified four (4) project focus areas in pursuing as part of this project. Each of the project areas identified below may be awarded separately based on pricing and implementation details of the firms submitting bids.

Map Updated 9/14/2021 by Geospatial Services Division of Information Technology

# **Project Overview Map** Q INDIAN SCHOOL RD Avondale THOMAS RD THOMAS RD **BULLARD AVE** 101 MCDOWELL RD LITCHFIELD RD 10 FAIRWAY DR VAN BUREN ST YUMA RD BUCKEYE RD MC85 LOWER BUCKEYE RD MC85 BROADWAY RD ₹ **BROADWAY RD** BROADWAY RD **99TH** AGUA **BULLARD AVE** Legend Project Area Splice Vaults SOUTHERN AVE MIRAGE RD **Existing Conduit** Required Network GILA RIVER Optional Network E City Facility INDIAN SPRINGS RD Avondale City Limits 0.5 Miles

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**PROJECT OVERVIEW** 

#### **Project Focus Area 1**

Design and construct a complete build-out of a network to the following locations:

In the areas outlined in the Project Focus Area, the City has some existing city-owned conduits that may be utilized.

From N Dysart Rd / E Riley Dr to N Dysart Rd / E Western Ave (0.25mi) N Dysart Rd / E Western Ave to E Western Ave / S Central Ave (0.5mi) E Western Ave / S Central Ave to S Central Ave / W Lower Buckeye Rd (1.0mi)

#### (Optional)

E Lower Buckeye Rd / S Central Ave to W Lower Buckeye Rd / S Avondale Blvd (2.5mi) W Lower Buckeye Rd / S Avondale Blvd to W Coldwater Springs Blvd / N Avondale Blvd (1.75mi)

Entry Point into existing splice vault at the Sam Garcia Library on E Western Ave

Entry Point into existing splice vault at Municipal Operations Center on E Lower Buckeye Rd

Entry Point into existing splice vault at Fire Station 173 on S Avondale Blvd

Splice Vault at Traffic Signal Intersection

N Dysart Rd / E Western Ave

N 5th St / E Western Ave

N Central Ave / E Western Ave

S Central Ave / MC85 (W Buckeye Rd)

S Central Ave / E Mountain View Dr

S Central Ave / E Lower Buckeye Rd

S 4th St / E Lower Buckeye Rd

S 127th Ave / W Lower Buckeye Rd

S El Mirage Rd / W Lower Buckeye Rd

S Avondale Blvd / W Lower Buckeye Rd

S Avondale Blvd / W Whyman Ave

S Avondale Blvd / W Durango St

S Avondale Blvd / MC85 (W Buckeye Rd)

S Avondale Blvd / W Maricopa St (Existing Tie-in)

S Avondale Blvd / W Jefferson St (Future Tie-in)

N Avondale Blvd / W Coldwater Springs Blvd (Existing Tie-in)

# **Project Focus Area 1 Map**



**PROJECT AREA 1** 

#### **Project Focus Area 2**

Design a complete build-out of a network to the following locations:

In the areas outlined in the Project Focus Area, the City does not have existing city-owned conduits.

N Dysart Rd / W Osborn Rd to N Dysart Rd / W Indian School Rd (0.5mi)

N Dysart Rd / W Indian School Rd to W Indian School Rd / N 107th Ave (3.0mi)

W Indian School Rd / N 107th Ave to Splice Vault on N 107th Ave (750 ft/0.14mi South).

Existing Splice Vault at Entry Point into Well # x (South 500ft of N El Mirage Rd / W Indian School Rd)

Splice Vault at Traffic Signal Intersection

N Dysart Rd / W Osborn Rd (Existing Tie-in)

N Dysart Rd / W Indian School Rd

W Indian School Rd / N Santa Fe Trail

W Indian School Rd / N El Mirage Rd

W Indian School Rd / N 111th Ave

W Indian School Rd / N 107th Ave

N 107th Ave / Existing Tie In at N 107th Ave (750 ft/0.14mi South)

# **Project Focus Area 2 Map**



**PROJECT AREA 2** 

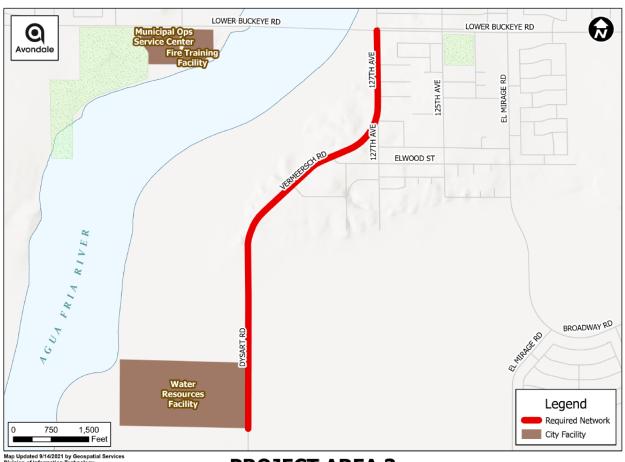
#### **Project Focus Area 3**

Design a complete build-out of a network to the following locations:

In the areas outlined in the Project Focus Area, the City does not have existing city-owned conduit.

W Lower Buckeye Rd/ S 127th Ave to Water Treatment Plant on S Vermeersch Rd (S Dysart Rd) (1.62mi)

# **Project Focus Area 3 Map**



**PROJECT AREA 3** 

## **Project Focus Area 4**

Design a complete build-out of a network to the following locations:

In the areas outlined in the Project Focus Area, the City does not have existing city-owned conduit.

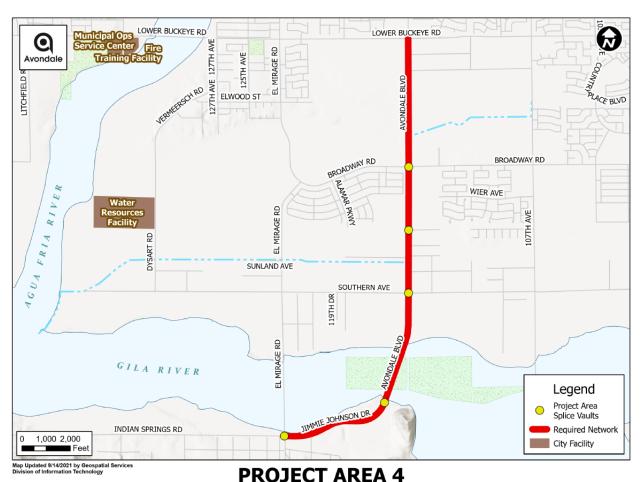
S Avondale Blvd / W Lower Buckeye Rd to Jimmy Johnson Dr / S El Mirage Rd (3.75 mi)

# Splice Vault at

- S Avondale Blvd / W Broadway Rd (Tie In)
- S Avondale Blvd / W Roeser Rd
- S Avondale Blvd / W Southern Ave
- S Avondale Blvd / Jimmy Johnson Dr

Jimmy Johnson Dr / S El Mirage Rd

# **Project Focus Area 4 Map**



ROJECT AREA

EXHIBIT C
TO
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE CITY OF AVONDALE
AND

[Fee Proposal]

See following page(s).

TO BE ADDED AFTER CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

EXHIBIT D
TO
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE CITY OF AVONDALE
AND

[Federal Requirements]

See following pages.

It is anticipated that this purchase or contract is eligible for reimbursement through Federal funding, thus the following terms and conditions are hereby incorporated and apply:

#### A. Termination; Cancellation.

- 1. For City's Convenience. All Contracts issued by the City are for the convenience of the City and, as such, may be terminated without cause after receipt by Vendor of written notice by the City. Upon termination for convenience, Vendor shall be paid for all undisputed services performed to the termination date.
- For Cause. If either party fails to perform any obligation under a Contract and 2. such party fails to cure its nonperformance within 30 days after notice of nonperformance is given by the non-defaulting party, such party will be in default. In the event of such default, the non-defaulting party may terminate the Contract immediately for cause and will have all remedies that are available to it at law or in equity including, without limitation, the remedy of specific performance. If the nature of the defaulting party's nonperformance is such that it cannot reasonably be cured within 30 days, then the defaulting party will have such additional periods of time as may be reasonably necessary under the circumstances, provided the defaulting party immediately (1) provides written notice to the non-defaulting party and (2) commences to cure its nonperformance and thereafter diligently continues to completion the cure of its nonperformance. In no event shall any such cure period exceed 120 days, unless specifically authorized, in writing, by the City Manager or authorized designee. In the event of such termination for cause, payment shall be made by the City to the Vendor for the undisputed portion of its fee due as of the termination date.
- 3. Due to Work Stoppage. Any Contract may be terminated by the City upon 30 days' written notice to Vendor in the event that the services are permanently abandoned. In the event of such termination due to work stoppage, payment shall be made by the City to the Vendor for the undisputed portion of its fee due as of the termination date.
- 4. Conflict of Interest. All Contracts are subject to the provisions of ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 38-511. The City may cancel the Contract without penalty or further obligations by the City or any of its departments or agencies if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting or creating a Contract on behalf of the City or any of its departments or agencies is, at any time while the Contract or any extension of the Contract is in effect, an employee of any other party to the Contract in any capacity or a consultant to any other party of the Contract with respect to the subject matter of the Contract.
- 5. Gratuities. The City may, by written notice to the Vendor, cancel a Contract if it is found by the City that gratuities, in the form of economic opportunity, future employment, entertainment, gifts or otherwise, were offered or given by the Vendor or any agent or representative of the Vendor to any officer, agent or employee of the City for the purpose of securing a Contract. In the event a Contract is canceled by the City

pursuant to this provision, the City shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover and withhold from the Vendor an amount equal to 150% of the gratuity.

- B. <u>Equal Employment Opportunity</u>. During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
  - 1. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:
    - i. Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
  - 2. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
  - 3. The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
  - 4. The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

- 5. The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- 6. The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- 7. In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 8. The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:
  - i. Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
  - ii. The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.
  - iii. The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the

administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

- iv. The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.
- C. <u>Compliance with The Davis-Bacon Act</u>. (Construction contracts in excess of \$2,000.)
  - 1. All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis- Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.
  - 2. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.
  - 3. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week., as amended (40 U.S.C. 276a 276a-7) and as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR, Part 5) which requires fair wages to be paid to construction workers on any project that is funded in whole or in part with federal dollars.
- D. <u>Compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act</u>. (Contracts for construction or repair work above \$2,000 in situations where the Davis-Bacon Act also applies)
  - 1. Contractor. The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.

- 2. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
- 3. Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.
- E. <u>Compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act</u>. (contracts awarded by the non- federal entity in excess of \$100,000 under grant and cooperative agreement programs that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers.)
  - 1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
  - 2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section, in the sum of \$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
  - 3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The City of Avondale shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally- assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(2) of this section.
  - 4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (b)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring

the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (b)(1) through (4) of this section.

- F. Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.
- G. Clean Air Act and The Federal Water Pollution Control Act. (contracts over \$150,000)
  - 1. Clean Air Act.
    - i. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
    - ii. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the City of Avondale and understands and agrees that the City of Avondale will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
    - iii. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

## 2. <u>Federal Water Pollution Control Act.</u>

- i. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- ii. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the City of Avondale and understands and agrees that the City of Avondale will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- iii. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance.

# H. <u>Procurement, Suspension & Debarment</u>.

- Procurement, Suspension & Debarment. Recipients are responsible for ensuring 1. that any procurement using SLFRF funds, or payments under procurement contracts using such funds are consistent with the procurement standards set forth in the Uniform Guidance at 2 CFR 200.317 through 2 CFR 200.327, as applicable. The Uniform Guidance establishes in 2 CFR 200.319 that all procurement transactions for property or services must be conducted in a manner providing full and open competition, consistent with standards outlined in 2 CFR 200.320, which allows for non-competitive procurements only in circumstances where at least one of the conditions below is true: the item is below the micro-purchase threshold; the item is only available from a single source; the public exigency or emergency will not permit a delay from publicizing a competitive solicitation; or after solicitation of a number of sources, competition is determined inadequate.6 Recipients must have and use documented procurement procedures that are consistent with the standards outlined in 2 CFR 200.317 through 2 CFR 200.320. The Uniform Guidance requires an infrastructure for competitive bidding and contractor oversight, including maintaining written standards of conduct and prohibitions on dealing with suspended or debarred parties. Your organization must ensure adherence to all applicable local, State, and federal procurement laws and regulations.
- 2. This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- 3. The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- 4. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by (insert name of recipient/subrecipient/applicant). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to (insert name of recipient/subrecipient/applicant), the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- 5. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

# I. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended)

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier, up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the awarding agency.

#### J. Procurement of Recovered Materials.

- 1. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired
  - i. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
  - ii. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
  - iii. At a reasonable price.
- 2. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA designated items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensiveprocurement-guideline-cpg-program.
- 3. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

## K. Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders.

"This is an acknowledgement that Federal financial assistance may/will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, policies, procedures, and directives".

#### L. No Obligation by Federal Government.

"The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract".

# M. <u>Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.</u>

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

# N. Domestic preferences for procurements.

1. As appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the City prefers the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products).

# 2 For purposes of this section:

- i. "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- ii. "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

# PAST PERFORMANCE VERIFICATION ("PPVF") FORM

See the following pages.

## PAST PERFORMANCE VERIFICATION FORM (PPVF)

Directions: Request Public/Private Agencies, for which you have **substantially completed similar work** (Professional Services, CM@R or Design-Build projects), to complete a copy of the PPVF for three (3) similar projects. Provide this form to the Owner or Owner's representative **directly responsible** for oversight of the project to complete and submit to the City via mail or fax prior to the date and time listed below. If the form is received after the date and time specified it will not be accepted. If your firm has completed previous similar work for the City, it is recommended that you utilize this experience. If your firm has not completed prior projects with City you will not be penalized.

SOQ Due Date and Time: November 9, 2021; 2:00 p.m. (local time, Avondale, AZ)
REFERENCE PROJECT NAME & VALUE:
PROJECT ROLE SUBMITTING FOR: (select one) PROFESSIONAL CM@R DB
NAME OF COMPANY TO BE EVALUATED:
NAME OF AGENCY OR FIRM SUBMITTING EVALUATION:
NAME/PHONE NUMBER OF PERSON SUBMITTING EVALUATION:
DATE PROJECT WAS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED:
QUESTIONS:
1. Has the above referenced project reached substantial completion? (select one) Yes No
2. What project delivery method was utilized? (select one) $\square$ <b>Design-Bid-Build</b> $\square$ <b>CM@R</b> $\square$ <b>DB</b>
What type of services did this firm provide on the referenced project?
3. On a scale of 1 to 10 (1 being lowest, 10 highest), rate this company's performance on the following:
a. How would you rate work performed by this firm on your project?
b. Was the project completed on time?
c. Was the project completed within budget?
d. What was the quality of the work performed?
e. Was staff proactive in solving problems that may have occurred on your project?
f. What was the extent of staff turnover? ( $10 = low turnover$ , $1 = high turnover$ )
g. Would you be willing to contract with this firm again? ( $10 = Yes$ , $1 = No$ )
4. If the referenced project was over budget, please explain:
5. Any additional comments.

Please email to (ProcurementOffice@avondaleaz.gov) by the date and time shown above.

#### **EXHIBIT A**

## PAST PERFORMANCE VERIFICATION EVALUATION SUBMITTALS

# LIST OF THOSE AGENCIES OR FIRMS WHO WILL BE SUBMITTING EVALUATIONS TO CITY

Please list the agency or firm name, address, phone number and contact information for the firms that will be providing the Past Performance Verification Form. It is the **responsibility of the Firm** to ensure that the City receives all of the Past Performance Verification Forms prior to the SOQ submittal deadline. Failure to provide evaluations by date and time specified will result in zero points for that specific evaluation.

(NOTE: Only agencies or firms listed as 1, 2, or 3 will be accepted. Do not add lines to this form.)

. Firm Name:
Address:
Phone:
Contact Name:
Contact Phone and Email:
2. Firm Name:
Address:
Phone:
Contact Name:
Contact Phone and Email:
3. Firm Name:
Address:
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Contact Name:
Contact Phone and Email: