

Invitation to Bid

City of Canton, Ohio
Purchasing Department
218 Cleveland Ave. SW, 4th floor
Canton, Ohio 44702

Liquid Chlorine

Item/Project

Water Department

Responsible Department

Friday, June 19, 2020 on or before 2:00 PM local time

Bids Due

Bid Proposal Submitted By:

Company Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Contact Person

Phone No.

Email Address

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LEGAL NOTICE
Ordinance 2/2020

The Director of Public Service of the City of Canton, Ohio will accept sealed bids on or before **2:00 PM local time Friday, June 19, 2020**, for the purpose of entering into a 1-year supply contract (with the option of a 30-day extension at the sole discretion of the City of Canton) for:

Liquid Chlorine

The City will disqualify any bid not received on or before 2:00 PM local time on Friday, June 19, 2020. Shortly after the deadline for the submission of bids, bids received on time will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Sixth Floor Conference Room of Canton City Hall is the location for the bid opening.

Submit all bids to the City of Canton Purchasing Department, 218 Cleveland Avenue SW, Purchasing Department/Fourth Floor, Canton, Ohio 44702 according to the instructions in the Invitation to Bid posted on the City of Canton Purchasing Department website at <https://cantonohio.gov/448/Purchasing-Procurement>.

A certified check, cashier's check or surety bond made payable to the City of Canton must accompany the bid. Draw this check or bond from a solvent bank or bonding company satisfactory to the Director of Public Service as a guaranty the contract and its performance are properly secured if the bid is accepted. The Bidder shall verify the certified check, cashier's check or bid bond for five hundred dollars (\$500.00). The City of Canton will only accept original checks and bid bonds. Therefore, if any company and/or bidder submits a copy (including faxed copies) of his \$500.00 security, the City will disqualify the bid. The Director of Public Service reserves the right to waive any technical defects in any bid bond submitted so long as the bond is in substantial compliance with State law. Should any bid not be awarded or be rejected, such check or bond will be returned to the bidder or bidders after the execution of the contract.

Any bidder may withdraw his bid, by written request, at any time prior to the deadline set for the bid opening. Please be advised, the City of Canton may impose a \$500.00 penalty to any bidder that withdraws his bid after the bid opening and prior to a contract award(s).

Each bid must contain the full name of every person or company participating in the bid.

The Board of Control reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid(s) deemed most beneficial to the City of Canton.

All companies must submit their Federal ID Number for IRS purposes.

The bidder is responsible for monitoring the above named website for any official addenda.

It is requested that the bidder print the entire Invitation to Bid and submit an original bid packet in its entirety.

Please contact Assistant Director of Purchasing Katie Wise at kathryn.wise@cantonohio.gov if you have any questions regarding this bid.

By order of the Director of Public Service: John M. Highman, Jr.
Published in the Canton Repository: June 4, 2020 and June 11, 2020

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Section I: Table of Contents and Bidder's Checklist

A complete bid packet will consist of the items listed below.

Complete this checklist to confirm the items required in your bid. Place a checkmark or "X" next to each item that you are submitting to the City of Canton. Failure to submit the listed documents may be cause for rejection of your bid. This checklist should be returned with your bid.

- _____ Cover sheet
- _____ Legal Notice
- _____ Section I: Table of Contents and Bidder's Checklist
- _____ Section II: Bid Forms and Instructions
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 - _____ Bid Form 1: Bidder and Contractor Employment Practices Report
 - _____ Bid Form 2: Authority of Signatory
 - _____ Bid Form 3: Bid Guaranty
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 - _____ Bid Form 7: Affidavit for Foreign Corporations
 - _____ Bid Form 8: Personal Property Tax Certification (ORC 5719.042)
 - _____ Bid Form 9: Certification – Auditor of the State Of Ohio
 - _____ Bid Form 10: Articles of Incorporation
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- _____ Section III: City of Canton Income Tax Information
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Section II: Bid Forms and Instructions

Bid Form Instructions

Failure to submit bid forms 1 through 6 with the bid may cause the bid to be deemed non-responsive, and therefore it may not be considered.

Bid forms 7 through 11 will be required of the successful bidder but may be submitted after the awarding of the contract.

*****The City of Canton does encourage bidders to submit all bid forms with their bids*****

Bid Form 1: Bidder and Contractor Employment Practices Report

This form is designed to provide an evaluation of a bidder's policies and practices relating to the extension of equal employment opportunity to all persons without regard to race, religion, color, sex or national origin. The successful bidder will be required to complete and submit the Bidder and Contractor Employment Practices Report. Additionally, the successful bidder will be required to submit an "affirmative action plan" and/or "EEO policy." If the successful bidder does not have a formal EEO policy, it will be required to complete and submit the provided EEO policy statement.

Bid Form 2: Authority of Signatory

The authority of the bid signatory must be established. Bid Form 2 provides the means by which the bidder can identify the type of business organization it is (corporation, partnership, etc.) and instructions as to how signature authority is commonly established.

Bid Form 3: Bid Guaranty

A **certified check, cashier's check** or **surety bond** made payable to the City of Canton must accompany the bid. Draw this check or bond from a solvent bank or bonding company satisfactory to the Director of Public Service as a guaranty the contract and its performance are properly secured if the bid is accepted.

Bid Form 4: Bidder Information

The bidder shall submit the required information on the included form and shall supplement the information there given as may be required by the City after the receipt of bids. Low bidders may be interviewed by the City and shall furnish such information as the City may deem necessary to consider prior to making an award.

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Bid Form 5: Non-Collusion Affidavit

Each bidder is required to submit with the bid an affidavit stating that neither he nor his agents, nor any other party for him, has paid or agreed to pay, directly or indirectly, any person, firm or corporation any money or valuable consideration for assistance in procuring or attempting to procure the contract herein referred to, and further agreeing that no such money or reward will be hereafter paid. This affidavit must be on the form provided.

Bid Form 6: Insurance Requirements

The successful bidder will be required to have the required insurance as outlined in Bid Form 6 and should be prepared to submit proof thereof.

All bidders would be well advised to consult their insurance agents as soon as possible so that all questions and concerns can be given due consideration.

Bid Form 7: Affidavit for Foreign Corporations

A successful bidder who is a foreign corporation, (**a corporation not chartered in the State of Ohio**), will be required to submit an affidavit duly executed by the authorized bid signatory stating in said affidavit that said foreign corporation has, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Ohio, obtained a certificate authorizing it to do business in the State of Ohio.

Bid Form 8: Personal Property Tax Certification (ORC 5719.042)

This form/certification must be retyped on the successful bidder's letterhead and notarized utilizing either paragraph (A) or (B) as it applies to the successful bidder's company.

Bid Form 9: Certification – Auditor of the State Of Ohio

This form is used to certify that the bidder does not have outstanding unresolved finding for recovery issued by the Auditor of the State of Ohio.

Bid Form 10: Articles of Incorporation

The successful bidder may be required to submit a copy of the company's articles of incorporation.

Bid Form 11: W9 Tax Form

Please provide an up to date copy of your Company's W9.

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Bid Form 1: Bidder and Contractor Employment Practices Report

**Bidder and Contractor Employment Practices Report
City of Canton Office of Compliance**

I. INSTRUCTIONS

- A. This form is designed to provide an evaluation of your policies and practices as they relate to the extension of equal employment opportunity to all persons regardless to race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or sexual identity.

- B. City of Canton Codified Ordinance 507 and rules and regulations pursuant thereto provide for a contract compliance inspection of personnel policies and practices related to any contract with the City including contracts for work, labor, services, supplies, equipment, materials, leases, concession agreements, and permits.

- C. Completion of this Contractor and Bidder Employment Practices Report is one of the steps which demonstrate compliance with the City’s Equal Employment Opportunity Program. Responsibility for demonstrating compliance with the Program by the vendor and its subcontractors rests with the vendor or subcontractor. Such demonstration is a prerequisite for continued eligibility for the award City contracts.

II. VENDOR OR BIDDER INFORMATION

1. Reporting Status A. Prime Contractor B. Prime Subcontractor C. Supplier D. Other (Specify)
2. Name, Address and Telephone Number of Bidder Covered by This Report
3. Name, Address and Telephone Number of Principal Official or Manager of Bidder
4. Name, Address and Telephone Number of Principal Office of Bidder

Evaluation (Office Use Only)

- Compliant
- Non-Compliant
- Follow up needed _____

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III. POLICIES AND PRACTICES

The bidder and the Contractor will indicate his willingness or unwillingness to comply with the requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity Program of the City of Canton by encircling the applicable letter associated with each item below. The letters are interpreted as follows:

A – Current Practice **B** – Company will immediately adopt this policy **C** – Company is unwilling or is unable to adopt policy.

Circle One	Items	State Reason if (C) is checked
A B C	1. The company will adopt a policy of non-discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or sexual identity, with regard to recruitment, hiring, training, upgrading, promotion and discipline of employees or applicants for employment. This policy will be communicated in writing to all employees, subcontractors, recruitment sources and all relevant labor organizations and unions.	
A B C	2. The Company will develop procedures which will assure that this policy is understood and carried out by managerial, administrative, supervisory personnel.	
A B C	3. The company will use recruitment sources such as employment agencies, unions, and schools which have a policy of referring applicants on a non-discriminatory basis.	
A B C	4. The company will participate in training programs for the benefit of employees or prospective employees, according to the intent of City Codified Ordinance 507.	
A B C	5. Company recruiters will seek a broad recruitment base in order that a representative cross-section of applications might be obtained, and will refrain from a hiring policy which limits job applicants to persons recommended by company personnel.	
A B C	6. Company will take steps to integrate any position, departments, or plant locations which have no minority persons, or are almost completely staffed with one particular ethnic or racial group.	
A B C	7. The Company will review its qualifications for each job to determine whether such standards eliminate unemployed persons who could, if hired, perform the duties of the job adequately. The following qualifications should be reviewed: Education, Experience, Tests, and Criminal Records.	
A B C	8. Residence in a particular geographical area will not be a qualifying or disqualifying criterion for employment with the Company.	
A B C	9. The Company will provide that all bargaining agreements with employee organizations, including labor unions, have non-discrimination clauses requiring equal employment opportunity.	

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IV. EMPLOYMENT DATA

Please note that this data may be obtained by visual survey or post-employment records. Neither visual surveys nor post-employment records are prohibited by any Federal, State or local law. All specified data are required to be filled in by law. Please provide truthful and accurate information. If information provided is found to be false, bidder/contractor will be subject to the loss of all future awards.

MALE:

FEMALE:

Categories	Overall Total	Total Male	Total Female	African American	Asian American	Native American	Hispanic	African American	Asian American	Native American	Hispanic
Officials, Managers and Supervisors											
Professionals											
Technicians											
Part-Time Seasonal											
Office & Clerical											
Craftsman (skilled)											
Operatives (semi-skilled)											
Laborers (un-skilled)											
Service Workers											
Total:											

REMARKS: Please explain any identification data appearing on the last report which differs from that given above. This includes major changes in employment, changes in composition of reporting units, and other pertinent information. Use a separate sheet if additional space is required.

V. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Optional)

Describe any other actions taken which show that all employees are recruited, hired, trained, and promoted without regard to their race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or sexual identity. Use a separate sheet if additional space is required.

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VI. POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Canton, Ohio in conformance with local, state, and federal regulations requires each vendor, contractor, and material suppliers working on City projects or awarded City contracts be signatures of the following statements:

- 1) It is the policy of _____ that equal employment opportunities be afforded to all qualified persons without regard to race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or sexual identity.

- 2) In support of this document _____ will not discriminate against any employee or applicant because of race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or sexual identity.

- 3) _____ will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants for employment and current employees are treated fairly without regard to race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or sexual identity. Such action will include but not be limited to recruitment, advertising, or solicitation for employment, hiring, placement, upgrading, transfer or demotion, selection for training including apprenticeship rates of pay or other forms of compensation, layoffs or termination.

- 4) _____ will make every effort to comply with minority utilization goals as follows: (9%) nine percent minorities in your workforce on the job, (6.9%) six point nine percent female utilization on this job, and (10%) ten percent of contract amount expended with minority business enterprises, women-owned business enterprises or a combination of both.

- 5) _____ shall require each sub-contractor hired for this project to adhere to this statement.

VII. SIGNATURE

The undersigned certifies that he/she is legally authorized by the vendor/bidder to affirm all information and statements included in this employment practices report. That he/she has read all of the foregoing statements, representations, and affirmations and that they are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. The undersigned, understands that if any of the statements and representations are made knowing them to be false or there is a failure to implement any of the stated intentions or objectives, set forth herein, without prior notice to the Office of Compliance, the bidder/contractor could be subject to loss of current and future awards.

Firm or Corporation Name:

Signature:

Title:

Date of Signing:

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Bid Form 2: Authority of Bid Signatory

The bidder shall indicate which of the following is the source of the bid signatory's authority to sign the bid on behalf of the bidder. The bidder shall follow the instructions noted.

_____ The party bidding is a sole partnership.

_____ The party bidding is a partnership and the party signing is one of the partners.

_____ The party is a corporation. The party signing is authorized to sign on behalf of the corporation. A copy of the resolution of the corporation's board of directors which delegates signatory authority to the individual signing is to be attached to this bid form. This resolution can be a general delegation of authority for signing bids or can be a specific authorization for this project. The secretary of the corporation shall authenticate the resolution as currently being in full force and effect.

_____ Signatory authority is evidenced by other means noted below:

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Bid Form 3: Bid Guaranty

A **certified check, cashier's check or surety bond** made payable to the City of Canton must accompany the bid. Draw this check or bond from a solvent bank or bonding company satisfactory to the Director of Public Service as a guaranty the contract and its performance are properly secured if the bid is accepted.

The Bidder shall verify the **certified check, cashier's check or bid bond** for **five hundred (\$500.00) dollars**. The City of Canton will **only accept original checks and bid bonds**. Therefore, if any company and/or bidder submits a copy (including faxed copies) of his/her \$500.00 security, the City will disqualify the bid.

The Director of Public Service reserves the right to waive any technical defects in any bid bond submitted so long as the bond is in substantial compliance with State Law.

Any bidder may withdraw his bid, by written request, at any time prior to the deadline set for the bid opening. Please be advised, the City of Canton may impose a \$500.00 penalty to any bidder that withdraws his bid after the bid opening and prior to a contract award(s).

Should any bid not be awarded or be rejected, such check or bond will be returned to the bidder or bidders after the execution of the contract.

Please place your bid guaranty at the front of your submitted bid.

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Bid Form 4: Bidder Information, Page 1

1. The Bidder shall provide the following information as part of its bid.

a. Name of Bidder _____

b. Business Address _____

_____ City State Zip

c. Business Telephone Number (____) _____

d. Person, address, email and telephone to whom official notices are to be sent

e. Person, address, email and telephone for further information regarding this proposal

f. State(s) of incorporation (w/dates of incorporation)

g. Principal place of business _____

h. Federal I.D. Number # _____

i. Amount of Certified Check, Cashier's Check, Bid Bond \$ _____

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Bid Form 4: Page 2

2. Form of Business Organization.

____ Corporation

____ Partnership

____ Other

3. The bidder shall provide the names and addresses of all persons interested as principals (officers, partners, and associates) in this proposal. Write first name in full, and give titles for offices.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

All of the above, including the signatory to this bid, are citizens of the United States, except the following. (Provide names and addresses of those not a citizen of the United States.)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

4. Name and address of other person, firms or companies interested in this contract.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

5. Local Bidder Preference Information: Does your company have a headquarters, division, sales office, sales outlet, manufacturing facility, or similar significant business-related location in Stark County, Ohio? If yes, please provide the name and address of the location below.

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Bid Form 5: Page 2

statements contained in said proposal or bid are true; that such bidder has not, directly or indirectly submitted this bid, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto any association or to any member or agent thereof; and further says that all the statements made by him in said proposal or bid are true.

Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of
_____, 20 ____.

Notary Public in and for

_____ County,

My Commission Expires:

_____, 20 ____.

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Bid Form 6: Insurance Requirements, Page 1

Instructions

All successful bidders will be required to possess the following items per the requirements below and should be prepared to submit proof thereof:

1. Liability Insurance Certificate
2. Worker's Compensation Certificate

Insurance Requirements

The following standard indemnity agreement and minimum insurance requirements are incorporated in the specifications for all work performed by the Contractor for the Owner, its affiliated and associated organizations or subsidiaries, hereinafter referred to as Owner.

- I. The Contractor agrees to indemnify and save the Owner harmless from and against any and all costs, loss and expense, liability damages, or claims for damages, including cost for defending any action, on account of any injury to persons (including death) or damage to or destruction of property of the Owner, arising or resulting from the work provided for or performed, or from any act, omission, or negligence of the Contractor, Subcontractor and his or their agents or employees. The foregoing provisions shall in no way be deemed released, waived or modified in any respect by reason of any insurance or surety provided by the Contractor.
- II. The Contractor shall maintain liability insurance and furnish the Owner with Certificates of Insurance as evidence thereof in the prescribed form. If any work provided for or to be performed under any Specifications is sublet (as otherwise permitted by the terms of such Specifications), the Contractor shall require the sub-contractors to maintain and furnish him with satisfactory evidence of Worker's Compensation, Employer's Liability and such other forms and amounts of insurance which Contractor deems reasonably adequate.
- III. In accordance with Item II, the Contractor shall maintain the following insurance:
 1. Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance affording,
 - a. Protection under the Worker's Compensation Law in the State of Ohio.
 - b. Employer's Liability protection subject to a minimum limit of \$100,000.00.
 2. General Liability Insurance in amounts not less than:

a. General Aggregate Limit	\$2,000,000.00
b. Personal and Advertising Injury Limit	\$1,000,000.00
c. Each Occurrence Limit	\$1,000,000.00
d. Fire Damage	\$ 100,000.00
e. Medical Expense Limit	\$ 5,000.00

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Bid Form 6: Page 2

3. Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance in the following minimum amounts:
 - a. Bodily Injury and Property Damage
any one accident or loss: \$1,000,000.00

VI. This insurance shall:

1. include coverage for the liability assumed by Contractor under Item I (Indemnity);
2. be evidenced by Certificates of Insurance furnished by the Contractor that show by specific reference that each of the foregoing items have been provided for;
3. not be subject to any of the special property damage liability exclusions commonly referred to as the XCU exclusions pertaining to blasting or explosion, collapse or structural damage and underground property;
4. provide the City of Canton **“additional insured status”** and shall **contain an endorsement by the insurance carrier providing thirty (30) days’ notice to both the City and insured in the event of any change in coverage under the policy.** No less than thirty (30) days advance notice of cancellation of the insurance policy shall be given to the City by the insurer.

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Bid Form 7: Bidder's Affidavit: Foreign Corporation

***Any corporation that is not incorporated in the State of Ohio is a foreign corporation.**

The undersigned certifies that _____ is a foreign corporation incorporated in the State of _____, whose principal place of business is _____ and is required to obtain authorization to transact business in the State of Ohio.

The undersigned bidder further certifies that said authorization has been obtained and is in effect and the bidder has a designated statutory agent upon whom process against bidder corporation may be served within the State of Ohio. The designated

statutory agent is _____
(name and address)

Process served upon the designated statutory agent named above shall be effective service, unless the Owner has been informed, by certified mail or its equivalent (return receipt), of a change in the agent upon whom process can be served.

_____ Date	_____ Signed
	_____ Title

Note: This statement is to be reproduced on the bidder's letterhead, signed by the authorized bid signatory, notarized and submitted with the bid.

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Bid Form 8: Personal Property Tax Certification (ORC 5719.042)

NOTE: The below form and/or certification must be retyped on the bidder's letterhead and notarized utilizing either paragraph (A) or (B), and paragraph (C) as it applies to your company.

Office of the Auditor
City of Canton
218 Cleveland Avenue S.W., 2nd floor
Canton, OH 44702

To Whom It May Concern:

(A) The undersigned hereby certifies that the party for whom the contract award is being considered was not charged with any delinquent personal property tax at the time of the bid opening for the project nor is said party currently charged with such a delinquency on the general tax list of personal property for Stark County, Ohio.

Or

(B) The undersigned hereby certifies that the party for whom the contract award is being considered has been charged with a delinquency regarding personal property tax on the general tax list of personal property for Stark County, Ohio, either currently, or at the time of bid opening for the project. The amount of the due and unpaid delinquent taxes, including any due and unpaid penalties and interest thereon is _____.

and

(C) It is understood that, under Ohio law, this statement is to be signed by the party whose bid has been tentatively accepted, and must be affirmed under oath. The law also requires that his statement is to be submitted to the City Auditor and this statement must be incorporated into the pending contract before any payment can be made under the subject contract.

Name of Company

Signatory

Secretary

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

(Notary Public)

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Bid Form 9: Certification: Auditor of the State of Ohio

I, _____
(Name of person signing affidavit) (Title)

do hereby certify that _____ does not have an
(Company or Individual Name)

outstanding unresolved finding for recovery issued by the Auditor of the State of Ohio as defined

by Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 9.24 as of _____.
(Current date)

Signature of Officer or Agent

Name (Print)

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this _____ day of _____, 20 _____

(Notary Public)

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Bid Form 10: Articles of Incorporation

Please provide a copy of the company's articles of incorporation. The City of Canton may request this information if it is not provided.

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Bid Form 11: W9 Tax Form

Please provide an up to date copy of your Company's W9.

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Section III: City of Canton Income Tax Information

1. All successful bidders shall be required to comply with all City of Canton income tax ordinances including the following:
 - a. No person, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10, unless the vendor is paid in full or is current and not otherwise delinquent in the payment of City income taxes, including any obligation to pay taxes withheld from employees under Section 182.05 and any payment on net profits under Section 182.06.
 - b. Falsification of any information related to or any post-contractual violation of the requirement to pay City income taxes set forth in subsection (a) shall constitute cause for the rescission of the balance of the contract at the City's discretion.
 - c. No partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which has as one of its partners, shareholders or owners a person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in such partnership, corporation or unincorporated association and who is delinquent in the payment of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a), may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10.
 - d. A person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in any partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which is delinquent in the payment of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a) may not be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10.
 - e. By entering into contract with the City of Canton the vendor agrees with the City regarding the manner of withholding of City income taxes as provided in Section 718.011(F) of the Ohio Revised Code including the following:
 - i. Municipal income tax withholding provisions of Sections 718.011(B)(1) and 718.011(D) ORC shall not apply to qualifying wages paid to employees for work done or services performed or rendered inside the City or on City property.
 - ii. The vendor agrees to withhold income tax for the City from employees' qualifying wages earned inside the City or on City property, beginning with the first day of work done or services performed or rendered inside the City.
2. Vendors will be registered with the City of Canton Income Tax Department to ensure that the above qualifications are met. Vendors are encouraged to contact the City of Canton Income Tax Department prior to bidding with any questions regarding these provisions and for registration. Please use the contact information on the following page.

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City of Canton Income Tax Department

Office Address

424 Market Ave. N
Canton OH 44702

Phone: (330) 430-7900

Fax: (330) 430-7944

Email: cantontax@cantonohio.gov

Correspondence Address

P.O. Box 9940
Canton, OH 44711

3. Additionally, all public improvement, professional services, and services contracts shall also contain the following provisions:

Provision 1

Said _____ hereby further agrees to withhold all City income taxes due or payable under Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances for wages, salaries, fees and commissions paid to its employees and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall be required to agree to withhold any such City income taxes due for services performed under this contract. Furthermore, any person, firm or agency that has a contract or agreement with the City shall be subject to City income tax whether a resident or nonresident in the City, and whether the work being done is in the City or out of the City. In addition to the tax withheld for employees, the net profits on the contract shall be subject to City income tax.

Provision 2

By entering into contract with the City of Canton _____ agrees with the City regarding the manner of withholding of City income taxes as provided in Section 718.011(F) of the Ohio Revised Code.

- i. Municipal income tax withholding provisions of Sections 718.011(B)(1) and 718.011(D) ORC shall not apply to qualifying wages paid to employees for work done or services performed or rendered inside the City or on City property.
- ii. _____ agrees to withhold income tax for the City from employees' qualifying wages earned inside the City or on City property, beginning with the first day of work done or services performed or rendered inside the City.
(Ord. 238-2015. Passed 11-30-15.)

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Section IV: City of Canton Codified Ordinances

Bidders shall take notice that they are to comply with the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton including but not limited to the following:

1. Chapter 105.06 – Minority contract provision.

- a. All contracts with the City shall include the following clause:

The bidder agrees to expend at least \$ _____ of the Contract in the event the contract is awarded to such bidder for minority/women's business enterprises. For purposes of this pledge, the term "minority/women's business enterprise" means a bona fide business established as a sole proprietorship, partnership or corporation owned, operated and controlled by one or more minority persons or women who have at least fifty-one percent (51%) ownership. "Minority" includes African Americans, Asian/Pacific Islanders, Hispanic/Latino Americans and Native American Indians. The minority or woman must have operational and managerial control, interest in capital, and earnings commensurate with the percentage of ownership. Minority/women's business enterprises may be employed as construction contractors, subcontractors, vendors or suppliers.

(Ord.185-2011. Passed 10-31-11.)

2. Chapter 105.12 – Local Bidder Preference.

- a. The Board of Control, in determining the lowest and best bidder in the award of contracts to which this section is applicable, is authorized to award contracts to local bidders as hereinafter defined, whose bid is not more than five percent (5%) higher, subject to a maximum amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), than the lowest dollar bid submitted by non-local bidders. The Board of Control's decision in making such an award shall be final.
- b. For purposes of this section, "local bidder" means an individual or business entity which at the time of the award of the contract has a headquarters, division, sales office, sales outlet, manufacturing facility, or similar significant business-related location in Stark County, Ohio.
- c. All contract specifications and/or bid documents that are distributed by Canton for the purpose of soliciting bids for goods and/or services shall contain the following notice:

Prospective bidders will take notice that the City of Canton, in determining the lowest and best bidder in the award of this contract, may award a local bidder preference to any qualified bidder pursuant to Section 105.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton. The determination of whether a bidder qualifies for the local preference shall be made by Board of Control. The Board's decision shall be final. A copy of Section 105.12 is attached.

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- d. This section shall be applicable to all contracts for equipment, goods, machinery, materials, supplies, vehicles and/or services, which are purchased, leased and/or constructed at a cost in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) and which require bidding pursuant to Ohio R.C. 735.05 through 735.09 and Ohio R.C. 737.03.
(Ord. 115-2018. Passed 5-14-18.)

3. Chapter 105.15 – City Income Tax

- a. No person, partnership, corporation or unincorporated association may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10, unless the bidder is paid in full or is current and not otherwise delinquent in the payment of City income taxes, including any obligation to pay taxes withheld from employees under Section 182.05 and any payment on net profits under Section 182.06.
- b. Falsification of any information related to or any post-contractual violation of the requirement to pay City income taxes set forth in subsection (a) shall constitute cause for the rescission of the balance of the contract at the City's discretion.
- c. No partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which has as one of its partners, shareholders or owners a person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in such partnership, corporation or unincorporated association and who is delinquent in the payment of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a), may be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10.
- d. A person who is a twenty percent (20%) or greater equity owner in any partnership, corporation or unincorporated association which is delinquent in the payment of City income taxes as set forth in subsection (a) may not be awarded a contract with the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10.
- e. A contract awarded under Sections 105.09 or 105.10 for a public improvement project, services other than personal or professional services, and personal or professional services shall not be binding or valid unless such contract contains the following provisions:

Said _____ hereby further agrees to withhold all City income taxes due or payable under Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances for wages, salaries, fees and commissions paid to its employees and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall be required to agree to withhold any such City income taxes due for services performed under this contract. Furthermore, any person, firm or agency that has a contract or agreement with the City shall be subject to City income tax whether a resident or nonresident in the City, and whether the work being done is in the City or out of the City. In addition

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to the tax withheld for employees, the net profits on the contract shall be subject to City income tax.

(Ord. 238-2015. Passed 11-30-15.)

4. Chapter 182.30 – Contract Provisions

- a. No contract on behalf of the City under Sections 105.09 or 105.10 of the Codified Ordinances of Canton for a public improvement project, services other than personal or professional services, and personal or professional services shall be binding or valid unless such contract contains the following provisions:

Said _____ hereby further agrees to withhold all City income taxes due or payable under Chapter 182 of the Codified Ordinances for wages, salaries, fees and commissions paid to its employees and further agrees that any of its subcontractors shall be required to agree to withhold any such City income taxes due for services performed under this contract. Furthermore, any person, firm or agency that has a contract or agreement with the City shall be subject to City income tax whether a resident or nonresident in the City, and whether the work being done is in the City or out of the City. In addition to the tax withheld for employees, the net profits on the contract shall be subject to City income tax.

- b. By entering into contract with the City of Canton _____ agrees with the City regarding the manner of withholding of City income taxes as provided in Section 718.011(F) of the Ohio Revised Code.
 - i. Municipal income tax withholding provisions of Sections 718.011(B)(1) and 718.011(D) ORC shall not apply to qualifying wages paid to employees for work done or services performed or rendered inside the City or on City property.
 - ii. _____ agrees to withhold income tax for the City from employees' qualifying wages earned inside the City or on City property, beginning with the first day of work done or services performed or rendered inside the City.

(Ord. 238-2015. Passed 11-30-15.)

5. Chapter 507.03 – Equal Employment Opportunity clause.

- b. During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
 - 1. The contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, age, handicap, religion, color, sex, national origin, sexual orientation or gender identity. The contractor shall take affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, military status, sexual orientation or gender identity. As used herein, the word "treated" shall mean and include without limitation the following: recruited, whether by advertising or other means; compensation, whether in the form of rates or

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pay or other forms of compensation; selected for training, including apprenticeship; promoted; demoted; upgraded; downgraded; transferred; laid off; and terminated. The contractor agrees to and shall post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment notices to be provided by the contracting officers setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

2. The contractor shall, 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, age, handicap, religion, color, sex, national origin, military status, sexual orientation or gender identity.

(Ord. 153-2012. Passed 9-24-12.)

3. The contractor shall send to each labor union or representative of workers, with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under the equal opportunity clause of the City; and he shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
4. The contractor shall submit in writing to the City his affirmative action plan, and each subcontractor and supplier of equipment or supplies shall submit to the general contractor his affirmative action plan. The responsibility for securing these affirmative action plans falls upon the general contractor and shall be on file at the office of the general contractor. The contractor shall furnish all information and reports required by the City or its representative pursuant to this chapter, and shall permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and by the Executive Secretary for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with the program.
5. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor as the City may direct as a means of enforcing the provisions of this equal opportunity clause, including penalties and sanctions for noncompliance; provided, however, that in the event the contractor becomes involved in or is threatened with litigation as the result of such direction by the City, the City will enter into such litigation as is necessary to protect the interests of the City and to effectuate the City's equal opportunity program and, in the case of contracts receiving Federal assistance, the contractor or the City may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.
6. The contractor shall file and shall cause his subcontractors, if any, to file compliance reports with the City in the form and to the extent prescribed by the City or its representative. Compliance reports filed at such times as directed shall contain information as to the employment practices, policies, programs and statistics of the contractor and his subcontractors.

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7. The contractor shall include the provisions of this equal employment opportunity clause in every subcontract or purchase order, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
8. Refusal by the contractor or subcontractor to comply with any portion of this program as herein stated and described will subject the offending party to any or all of the following penalties:
 - A. Withholding of all future payments under the involved public contract to the contractor in violation, until it is determined that the contractor or subcontractor is in compliance with the provisions of this contract.
 - B. Refusal of all future bids for any public contract with the City or any of its departments or divisions, until such time as the contractor or subcontractor demonstrates that he has established and shall carry out the policies of the program as herein outlined.
 - C. Cancellation of the public contract and declaration of forfeiture of the performance bond.
 - D. In cases in which there is substantial or material violation or the threat of substantial or material violation of the compliance procedure or as may be provided by contract, appropriate proceedings may be brought to enforce these provisions, including the enjoining within applicable laws of contractors, subcontractors or other organizations, individuals or groups who prevent, directly or indirectly, or seek to prevent, directly or indirectly, compliance with the policy as herein outlined.

(Ord. 179-74. Passed 6-17-74.)

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Section V: Bid Specifications

SPECIFICATIONS

1.0 SCOPE AND CLASSIFICATION

- 1.1 **Scope:** The City of Canton Water Department is seeking bids for a one (1) year as needed supply contract for liquid chlorine (first quality).
- 1.2 **Classification:** The successful bidder will deliver F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid and allowed to the City of Canton, Ohio Water Department liquid chlorine on an as needed basis per the specifications included in this bid packet.

2.0 APPLICABLE PUBLICATIONS & STANDARDS

- 2.1 All liquid chlorine provided under this contract shall conform to AWWA Standard B-301-59 for liquid chlorine.

3.0 REQUIREMENTS

3.1 General Requirements

- 3.1.1 **Price:** All bidders are requested to bid fixed, firm pricing for the duration of the contract(s) in the spaces provided on the proposal pages. Bids subject to an escalator clause will not be considered.
- 3.1.2 **Term**
 - 3.1.2.1 Contracts resulting from this bid are to be one-year as needed supply contracts, with the option of a 30 day extension at the sole discretion of the City of Canton.
 - 3.1.2.2 The initial term of the resulting contract(s) shall be from September 13, 2020 to September 12, 2021.
- 3.1.3 **Quality:** All bids must meet the minimum specifications listed herein.
- 3.1.4 **Quantity:** The materials will be requested as needed. The City of Canton gives no guaranties of any minimum or maximum amounts of materials that will be purchased under any and all contracts resulting from this bid.
- 3.1.5 The City of Canton reserves the right to award multiple contracts as a result of this bid and to split the award between multiple vendors if it is in the interest of the City to do so.

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3.1.6 Non-Exclusivity: The City of Canton reserves the right to contract for the same or similar items covered in this bid from additional vendors not awarded contracts resulting from this bid if found to be in the best interest of the City.

3.2. Liquid Chlorine Specifications

3.2.1 The successful bidder shall furnish to the City of Canton, Ohio, liquid chlorine (**first quality**) on an as needed basis F.O.B destination, freight prepaid and allowed.

3.2.2 Exact quantities cannot now be determined, but it is estimated that the City will need approximately 200,000 pounds of liquid chlorine during the duration of the contract. This is just an estimate, and it may be increased or decreased to meet the requirements of the City.

3.2.3 The successful bidder shall be required to comply with the insurance requirements contained in the bid packet.

3.3 Contract Non-Performance and Cancellation

3.3.1 If it is determined by the City of Canton that a contractor has failed to perform or otherwise breached their contract with the City, the City will give notice to the contractor of said non-performance or breach, and the contractor will have thirty (30) days from the time of said notice to remedy the non-performance or breach to the complete satisfaction of the City of Canton.

3.3.2 If a non-performance or breach is not remedied pursuant to specification 3.3.1, the City of Canton reserves the right to terminate the contract and re-award to a different contractor.

4.0 SAMPLING, INSPECTION, AND TEST PROCEDURES

4.1 The successful bidder shall supply an analysis of the product delivered when requested to do so.

4.2 The City of Canton reserves the right to inspect all products purchased and delivered and to refuse said products if they do not meet the required specifications.

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5.0 DELIVERY AND INVOICING

5.1 Delivery

5.1.1 Liquid chlorine purchased under this agreement shall be delivered F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid and allowed to one of the following locations per the direction of the City of Canton Water Department **within seven (7) days** of the order:

- Northeast Station, 2664 Harrisburg Rd., N.E., Canton, Ohio 44705
- Northwest Station, 4044 Guilford Rd., N.W., Canton, Ohio 44708
- Sugar Creek Plant, 4622 State Rt. 212 N.W., Strasburg, Ohio 44680

5.1.2 Deliveries shall be made in one-ton containers.

5.1.3 The City of Canton will NOT pay deposits on said containers in specification 5.1.2.

5.1.4 The successful bidder is not to make deliveries against purchase orders resulting from this bid until directed to do so by the City unless a definite delivery date appears on the purchase order.

5.2 Invoicing

5.2.1 Invoice shall show the City's purchase order number, the item number, the quantity, a brief description of the item, the unit price and the total amount due.

5.2.2 Invoice address: All invoices shall be submitted to the address on the Purchase Order.

6.0 NOTES

6.1 Prospective bidders will take notice that the City of Canton, in determining the lowest and best bidder in the award of this contract, may award a local bidder preference to any qualified bidder pursuant to Section 105.12 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Canton. The determination of whether a bidder qualifies for the local preference shall be made by the Board of Control. The Board's decision shall be final.

6.2 Award Process

6.2.1 Contracts will be awarded in accordance with Section 105.09 of the City of Canton Codified Ordinances using the standard of lowest and best bidder.

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- 6.2.2 The Board of Control reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid(s) deemed most beneficial to the City of Canton. The Board of Control and Director of Public Service reserve the right to waive minor deficiencies contained within a bid.
- 6.3 Questions and Addenda
- 6.3.1 All questions should be submitted in writing at least five (5) business days prior to the bid opening. Answers to questions will be issued in writing as official addenda no later than seventy two (72) business hours prior to the time of the bid opening. Said addenda will become a component of the invitation to bid and should be acknowledged as received on the proposal page. Failure to acknowledge all official addenda in this manner may result in your bid being disqualified.
- 6.3.2 All questions should be directed to:
Katie Wise
City of Canton Purchasing Department
Email: kathryn.wise@cantonohio.gov
- 6.3.3 Bidders are expected to and responsible for monitoring the City's website for all official addenda.
- 6.3.4 Oral instructions or decisions, unless confirmed by addenda, will not be considered valid, legal or binding.
- 6.4 Proposal Page Instructions:
- 6.4.1 Bidders are required to fill out the proposal pages completely. Failure to do so may result in your bid being disqualified. This includes providing the address where bid materials can be obtained by the various City of Canton departments. Distance from City sites to the bidder's loading site may be considered when determining the lowest and best bid.
- 6.4.2 Prices shall include all of the requirements listed herein.
- 6.5 Please be advised that when you submit a bid to the City of Canton, the City will assume that an authorized representative of your company reviewed said bid to assure that the bid is correct and/or accurate.
- 6.6 Any bidder may withdraw a bid, by written request, at any time prior to the time set for the bid opening. This request must be made to Katie Wise, Assistant Director of Purchasing at kathryn.wise@cantonohio.gov. If there is no withdrawal of the bid, in accordance to this procedure, the City reserves the right to enforce said bid prices(s) and/or contract(s).

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- 6.7 If a bidder attempts to alter any of the terms and/or conditions of these bid specifications or the proposal page, the City of Canton may reject said bid.

- 6.8 The party submitting a bid is solely responsible for the delivery of the bid to the specified location prior to the deadline for the receipt of bids. The Purchasing Department time stamp clock is the official time used for the deadline of the submission of bids.

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Proposal Page
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We (I), the below signed hereby propose to furnish the following article(s) and/or service(s) at the price(s) and terms stated subject to all instructions, conditions, specifications, and all attachments hereto. We (I) have read all attachments including the specifications and fully understand what is required.

Bid Price

Liquid Chlorine Price Per Pound (In Figures)	Liquid Chlorine Price Per Pound (In Words)

Addenda Acknowledgement

I hereby acknowledge the following official addenda (leave blank if no addenda were issued)

Addenda Number(s) _____

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**Signature Page
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To the Director of Public Service of the City of Canton:

The undersigned, having carefully examined the complete invitation to bid, herewith proposes to furnish all of the goods and/or services contained within the bid for **Liquid Chlorine** in accordance with all specifications on file to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Service of said City.

The bidder hereby agrees that the Director of Public Service has the right to reject any and all bids and to accept the bid(s) deemed most beneficial to the City of Canton.

The bidder herewith encloses a _____ **(Bid Bond, Certified/Cashier's Check)** in the sum of \$ _____ dollars made payable to the CITY OF CANTON as a guaranty that if awarded the contract _____ will enter into contract therefore, within the prescribed time of ten (10) days from the date of service of notice of award, otherwise such bond or checks shall become the property of said City.

The bidder acknowledges receipt of Addenda Numbers: _____

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: _____

NOTE: If bidder is a corporation, set forth the legal name of the corporation, together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the corporation. If bidder is a partnership, set forth the name of the firm, together with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign contracts on behalf of the partnership.

Please have this page Notarized.

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Section VII

Title VI Requirements

The City of Canton, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat.252, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Please also review Appendix A and Appendix E of the Standard Assurances which are included in the following pages.

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APPENDIX A

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** The contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, *The City of Canton*, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
2. **Non-discrimination:** The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 21. *{Include City of Canton specific program requirements.}*
3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin. *{Include City of Canton specific program requirements.}*
4. **Information and Reports:** The contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or *The City of Canton* to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the contractor will so certify to the Recipient or *The City of Canton*, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a contractor's noncompliance with the Non-discrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient will impose such contract sanctions as it or *The City of Canton* may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
 - a. withholding payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
 - b. cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or *The City of Canton* may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

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APPENDIX E

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

Pertinent Non-Discrimination Authorities:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et seq.*, 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21.
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. §794 *et seq.*), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 *et seq.*), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 - 12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 *et seq.*).

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CANTON TITLE VI COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

I. FILING A COMPLAINT

Complaint Procedure - Any person who believes that he or she as a member of a protected class, has been discriminated against based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, disability, religion, low income status, or Limited English Proficiency (LEP) in violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended and its related statutes, regulations and directives, Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, as amended, and any other Federal nondiscrimination statute may submit a complaint. A complaint may also be submitted by a representative on behalf of such a person.

It is the policy of the City to conduct a prompt and impartial investigation of all allegations of discrimination and to take prompt effective corrective action when a claim of discrimination is substantiated.

No one may intimidate, threaten, coerce or engage in other discriminatory conduct against anyone because they have taken action or participated in an action to secure rights protected by the civil rights laws. Any individual alleging such harassment or intimidation may submit a complaint by following the procedure printed below.

Any individual who feels that he or she has been discriminated against may submit a written or verbal complaint to the designated Title VI Coordinator. A complaint must include the name, address and telephone number of the individual making the complaint (complainant) and a brief description of the alleged discriminatory conduct including the date of harm. An individual submitting a complaint alleging discrimination may include any relevant evidence, including the names of witnesses and supporting documentation.

Complaints should be directed to the Title VI Coordinator:

Fonda Williams
Deputy Mayor
218 Cleveland Ave S.W., 8th floor
Canton, Ohio 44702
Phone - 330-438-4302
Email – fonda.williams@cantonohio.gov

Within 60 days of the receipt of the complaint the City will conduct an investigation of the allegation based on the information provided and issue a written report of its findings to the complainant. The City will try to obtain an informal voluntary resolution to all complaints at the lowest level possible.

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A complainant's identity shall be kept confidential except to the extent necessary to conduct an investigation. All complaints shall be kept confidential.

These procedures do not deny the right of any individual to file a formal complaint with any government agency or affect an individual's right to seek private counsel for any complaint alleging discrimination.

Complaints may also be filed with the following government agencies:

Ohio Department of Transportation
Office of Equal Opportunity
1980 West Broad Street
MS: 3270
Columbus, OH 43223

The U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Ohio Civil Rights Commission
Central Office
Rhodes State Office Tower
30 East Broad Street, 5th floor
Columbus, OH 43215
614-466-2785

Ohio Civil Rights Commission
Akron Regional Office
Bradley S. S. Dunn, Regional Director
Akron Government Bldg.
161 S. High Street, Suite 205
Akron, OH 44308
(330) 643-3100

Link to filing a complaint online with the Ohio Civil Rights Commission:

<https://crc.ohio.gov/FilingaCharge/ChargeFilingProcedure.aspx>

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II COMPLAINT PROCESSING

The Title VI Coordinator will review the complaint upon receipt to ensure that all required information is provided, the complaint meets the filing deadline date which is 180 days from the date the alleged discriminatory act occurred, and falls within the jurisdiction of the City.

The Title VI Coordinator will then investigate the complaint. If the complaint is against the City then the Mayor's office or their designee will investigate the complaint. Additionally, a copy of the complaint will be forwarded to the City Law Director.

If the complaint warrants a full investigation, the Complainant will be notified in writing by certified mail. This notice will name the investigator and/or investigating agency.

The party alleged to have acted in a discriminatory manner will also be notified by certified mail as of the complaint. This letter will also include the investigator's name and will request that this party be available for an interview.

Any comments or recommendations from legal counsel will be reviewed by the Title VI Coordinator, Director of Public Service and Mayor's office.

Once the City has investigated the report findings, the City will adopt a final resolution. All parties associated with the complaint will be properly notified of the outcome of the City's investigative report.

If the complainant is not satisfied with the results of the investigation of the alleged discriminatory practice(s), she/he shall be advised of their right to appeal the City's decision.

Appeals must be filed within 180 days after the City's final resolution. Unless new facts not previously considered come to light, reconsideration of the City's determination will not be available.

The foregoing complaint resolution procedure will be implemented in accordance with the Department of Justice guidance manual entitled "Investigation Procedures Manual for the Investigation and Resolution of Complaints Alleging Violations of Title VI and Other Nondiscrimination Statutes," available online at:

<http://www.justice.gov/crt/about/cor/Pubs/manuals/complain.pdf>

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Title VI Complaint Filing

Complaints filed with the City of Canton, Ohio based on violations of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, must include the following information:

- Name of Complainant
- Date of Complaint
- Address of Complainant
- Telephone Number of Complainant
- Name of Agency / Department Accused of Discriminatory Practices
- Name of Individual Accused of Discriminatory Practices
- Address of Agency
- Date of Alleged Discrimination
- Description of Alleged Discrimination (see below)

11. Alleged Discrimination - If your complaint is in regard to discrimination in the delivery of services or discrimination that involved the treatment of you by others by the agency or department indicated above, please indicate below the basis on which you believe these discriminatory actions were taken.

- Race / Color / Religion
- National Origin
- Age · Sex, Gender
- Disability · Income Status
- Explanation of Alleged Discrimination - Please explain as clearly as possible what happened.

Provide the name(s) of witness(s) and others involved in the alleged discrimination. (Attach additional sheets if necessary and provide a copy of written material pertaining to your case.)

- Signature of Complainant · Date of Complaint

III ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, each Federal agency shall ensure that all programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance that affect human health or the environment do not directly, or through other arrangements, use criteria, methods, or practices that discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin. Part of Title VI reads, “No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin be excluded

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from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.”

The three fundamental environmental justice (EJ) principles are:

- To avoid, minimize, or mitigate disproportionately high and adverse human health and environmental effects, including social and economic effects, on minority populations and low- income populations;
- To ensure the full and fair participation by all potentially affected communities in the transportation decision-making process; and
- To prevent the denial of, reduction in, or significant delay in the receipt of benefits by minority populations and low-income populations.

The City of Canton is committed to these three environmental justice principles in all work that the City performs.

IV. ADMINISTRATION – WORK PLAN

Pursuant to 23 CFR 200, the City of Canton has designated a Title VI Coordinator who is responsible for initiating, monitoring, and ensuring the City’s compliance with Title VI requirements for the following work plan:

- Administer, coordinate and Implement the Title VI Program plan and distribute internally and externally via website and update annually as required.
- Ensure that Assurances are being used in contracts for federal projects.
- Attend Title VI training.
- Collect public involvement data.
- Review written Title VI complaints and ensure every effort is made to resolve complaints informally at the local or regional level and review and update the City’s Title VI plan and procedures as required.
- Implement a plan that provides training to City Staff on the basic requirements of the Title VI implementation plan.

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V. LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (LEP) POLICY

On August 11, 2000, the President signed an executive order, *Executive Order 13166: Improving Access to Service for Persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP)*, to clarify Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. It has as its purpose, to ensure meaningful access to programs and services to otherwise eligible persons who are not proficient in the English language. In addition, The US Department of Transportation published *Policy Guidance Concerning Recipients' responsibilities to Limited English Proficient Person* in the December 14, 2005 Federal Register.

This guidance outlines the following four factors that the City uses to access the LEP populations in Canton.

1. The number and proportion of LEP persons eligible to be served or likely to be encountered by the City.
2. The frequency with which LEP individuals come into contact with the program, activity or service.
3. The nature and importance of the program, activity, or service provided by the program.
4. The resources available to the City and costs.

Summary of the four factor analysis

Factor 1- The number and proportion of LEP persons eligible to be served or likely to be encountered by the City can only be estimated until the actual number of persons who can speak English less than “very well” are documented as needing assistance by City Staff . With this Title VI Plan being in early development stages and considered a document that may need regular updates, US Census Bureau information is being used at this time. The total population is provided below to shown general distribution of race and ethnicity in the community. The estimated number of persons that may not speak English “very well” is following in the US Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey.

The U.S. Census Bureau provides statistics from 2010 for the City of Canton as follows:

Total population = 74,451

Population by Ethnicity:

Hispanic or Latino = 1,805 Non Hispanic or Latino = 72,646

Population by Race:

White = 53,150 African American = 16,854, Asian = 193, American Indiana or Alaska Native = 372,

Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander = 0, Other = 431, Identified by two or more = 3,451.

The US Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates under SELECTED SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS estimates the number of people in Canton who speak a language other than English to be 2,945 with those speaking English less than “very well” estimated at 1.0% or approximately 983 individuals who may be considered limited in English proficiency.

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Factor 1(continued)-

According to the census numbers above there may be up to 983 individuals who live in the City of Canton that *may* be considered as LEP. Based on actual contact between City Staff and the community there have been very few requests from anyone in the service area asking the City to provide language translation services. Therefore, the LEP population is probably even less than the estimate shown above.

Factor 2- The frequency with which LEP individuals come into contact with the program, activity or service:

Due to the infrequent requests for translation services, there appears to be a minimal need for translation services from the City. This may be attributed to the high percentage of younger people (87.6% for ages up to 17) who are available as family members for translation services.

Factor 3. The nature and importance of the program, activity, or service provided by the program:

If at any time a LEP individual requests translation services that are considered important such that denial or delay of access or services or information could have serious or even life-threatening implications, the City will provide, upon request, services to assist the LEP population including translation of vital City documents and interpretation services.

Factor 4. The resources available to the City and costs:

The City of Canton currently has several staff members who are bilingual in English and Spanish and are available to translate requests from the Hispanic population on a day to day basis. The City also provides many of their outreach services in the predominate languages of the community, English and Spanish. In addition, certified translation services are available through LanguageLine Solutions, a telephone translation service that is accessible for phone line translations services 24 hours a day. These are services the City provides upon request as discussed in factor 3 above. Page | 12

Summary of LEP Accommodation Plan

- The City of Canton strives to serve its population to the best of its ability and will provide upon request, services to assist the LEP population including translation of vital documents and interpretation services deemed necessary to provide meaningful access to City services.
- A U.S. Census Bureau ISpeak card is available as part of this document and on the City's webpage and is also available at City Hall located at 414 Main Street. This card allows LEP individuals to communicate their preferred language to City Staff whereas City Staff may then access a translation service called LanguageLine, phone number 1-800-752-6096 is available to City Staff or other translation services may be used as determined by the City.
- For language translation requests from the Hispanic or Latino community the City has several staff member who are bilingual and are available to provide translation services on a day to day basis.
- The City of Canton utilizes a voluntary public involvement survey to collect information regarding persons affected by proposed projects. The survey permits respondents to remain

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anonymous, while voluntarily answering questions regarding their gender, ethnicity, race, age, sex, disability status, and household income. This voluntary public involvement survey is available at all public hearings and meetings. Once the survey data has been collected, it will be reviewed and then the survey will be placed in a file for future reference. In the case enough surveys are collected over time to show a significant increase in LEP populations, the City may consider changes to their LEP policy. Completed surveys shall be retained for a period of three years from the date of the meeting and/or completion of the related project, if applicable. See Appendix G for a sample of this Survey.

- The City reviews written Title VI complaints and ensures every effort is made to resolve complaints informally at the local or regional level and review and update the City's Title VI plan and procedures as required.
- Staff for the City will be provided training on the requirements for providing meaningful access to services for LEP persons. Considering the relatively small size of the City of Canton and limited financial resources, current training may be limited to web access to this document and its attachments by all City Staff, a log showing the names of all Staff that have been made aware of this document (sign off that they have read the document) and require that all new employees receive the same training.