

ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA
OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT
2100 CLARENDON BOULEVARD, SUITE 500
ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA 22201

NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

ABERDEEN CAPTIONING, INC.
22362 GILBERTO, SUITE 120
RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, CA
92688

DATE ISSUED:

7/24/2019

CURRENT REFERENCE NO:

20-015-R

CONTRACT TITLE:

CAPTIONING SERVICES

THIS IS A NOTICE OF AWARD OF CONTRACT AND NOT AN ORDER. NO WORK IS AUTHORIZED UNTIL THE VENDOR RECEIVES A VALID COUNTY PURCHASE ORDER ENCUMBERING CONTRACT FUNDS.

The contract documents consist of the terms and conditions of AGREEMENT No. 20-015-R including any attachments or amendments thereto.

EFFECTIVE DATE: JULY 24, 2019

EXPIRES: JULY 31, 2020

RENEWALS: ONE (1) 12-MONTH RENEWAL OPTION FROM AUGUST 1, 2020 – JULY 31, 2021

COMMODITY CODE(S): 9152500

LIVING WAGE: N

ATTACHMENTS:

AGREEMENT No. 20-015-R

EMPLOYEES NOT TO BENEFIT:

NO COUNTY EMPLOYEE SHALL RECEIVE ANY SHARE OR BENEFIT OF THIS CONTRACT NOT AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

VENDOR CONTACT: BECKY ISAACS

VENDOR TEL. NO.:

(949) 302-0004

EMAIL ADDRESS: CAPTION@ABERCAP.COM

COUNTY CONTACT: ROB FARR

COUNTY TEL. NO.:

(703) 228-3271

COUNTY CONTACT EMAIL: RFARR@ARLINGTONVA.US

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ARLINGTON, VA 22201**

RIDER AGREEMENT NO. 20-015-R

THIS AGREEMENT (hereinafter "Agreement") is made, on the date of its execution by the County, between Aberdeen Captioning, Inc. ("Contractor"), a corporation with a place of business at 22362 Gilberto, Suite 120, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688, authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia ("County"). The County and the Contractor, for the consideration and quantity(ies) specified herein or specified in a County Purchase Order referencing this Agreement, agree as follows:

1. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents consist of this Agreement, Exhibit A, County of Fairfax, Virginia Contract #4400007297, with any exhibits and amendments issued or applicable thereto (collectively, "Contract Documents" or "Contract"). This Agreement rides a contract awarded to the Contractor by County of Fairfax, Virginia and extended by the Contractor to the County on the same terms and conditions as the Contractor's agreement with County of Fairfax, Virginia, and substituting the phrases "County Board of Arlington County" or "Arlington County", as appropriate, for "County of Fairfax, Virginia" or "Fairfax County" wherever those phrases appear in the Contract Documents. Where the terms of this Agreement vary from the terms and conditions of the other Contract Documents, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall prevail.

The Contract Documents set forth the entire agreement between the County and the Contractor. The County and the Contractor agree that no representative or agent of either of them has made any representation or promise with respect to the parties' agreement which is not contained in the Contract Documents.

2. CONTRACT TERM

The Contractor's provision of goods for the County ("Work") shall commence on the date of execution of this Agreement by the County and shall be completed no later than July 31, 2020, subject to any modifications as provided for in the Contract Documents.

Upon satisfactory performance by the Contractor, if Fairfax County renews their agreement identified in Exhibit A, the County may elect to renew this Agreement under the same contract unit prices for not more than one (1) additional twelve (12) month period from August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021 ("Subsequent Contract Term"). However, if Fairfax County does NOT renew their agreement identified in Exhibit A, this Agreement shall automatically expire on the date of the Fairfax County contract expiration date.

3. CONTRACT PRICING

The County will pay the Contractor in accordance with the terms of the Payment paragraph below, at the unit prices set forth in Exhibit A for Work provided by the Contractor, as described and required in the Contract Documents, and accepted by the County.

4. PAYMENT

Payment will be made by the County to the Contractor within thirty (30) days after receipt by the County

Project Officer of an invoice detailing the Work provided by the Contractor, and accepted by the County. The Project Officer will either approve the invoice or require corrections. The number of the County Purchase Order pursuant to which authority goods or services have been performed or delivered shall appear on all invoices.

5. SCOPE OF WORK

The Contractor agrees to perform the goods and/or services described in the Contract Documents (hereinafter "the Work"). The primary purpose of the Work is to provide closed captioning services for County Board meetings.

The Contract Documents set forth the minimum Work estimated by the County and the Contractor to be necessary to complete the Work. It shall be the Contractor's responsibility, at the Contractor's sole cost, to provide the specific Work set forth in the Contract Documents sufficient to fulfill the purposes of the Work. Nothing in the Contract Documents shall be construed to limit the Contractor's responsibility to manage the details and execution of the Work.

6. PROJECT OFFICER

The performance of the Contractor is subject to the review and approval of the County Project Officer ("Project Officer") who shall be appointed by the Director of the Arlington County department or agency which seeks to obtain the Work pursuant to this Contract. However, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to manage the details of the execution and performance of its Work pursuant to the Contract Documents.

7. COUNTY PURCHASE ORDER REQUIREMENT

County purchases are authorized only if a County Purchase Order is issued in advance of the transaction. A Purchase Order must indicate that the ordering agency has sufficient funds available to pay for the purchase. Such a Purchase Order is to be provided to the Contractor by the ordering agency. The County will not be liable for payment for any purchases made by its employees without appropriate purchase authorization issued by the County Purchasing Agent. If the Contractor provides goods or services without a signed County Purchase Order, it does so at its own risk and expense.

8. NON-APPROPRIATION

All funds for payments by the County to the Contractor pursuant to this Contract are subject to the availability of an annual appropriation for this purpose by the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia. In the event of non-appropriation of funds by the County Board of Arlington County, Virginia for the goods or services provided under this Contract or substitutes for such goods or services which are as advanced or more advanced in their technology, the County will terminate the Contract, without termination charge or other liability to the County, on the last day of the then current fiscal year or when the appropriation made for the then current year for the services covered by this Contract is spent, whichever event occurs first. If funds are not appropriated at any time for the continuation of this Contract, cancellation will be accepted by the Contractor on thirty (30) days prior written notice, but failure to give such notice shall be of no effect and the County shall not be obligated under this Contract beyond the date of termination specified in the County's written notice.

9. PAYMENT OF SUBCONTRACTORS

The Contractor is obligated to take one of the two following actions within seven (7) days after receipt of amounts paid to the Contractor by the County for work performed by any subcontractor under this Contract:

- a) Pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the County attributable to the work performed by the subcontractor under this Contract; or
- b) Notify the County and the subcontractor, in writing, of the Contractor's intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment with the reason for nonpayment.

The Contractor is obligated to pay interest to the subcontractor on all amounts owed by the Contractor to the subcontractor that remain unpaid after seven (7) days following receipt by the Contractor of payment from the County for work performed by the subcontractor under this Contract, except for amounts withheld as allowed in subsection b., above. Unless otherwise provided under the terms of this Contract, interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month.

The Contractor shall include in each of its subcontracts, if any are permitted, a provision requiring each subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements with respect to each lower-tier subcontractor.

The Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor pursuant to this section may not be construed to be an obligation of the County. A Contract modification may not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for such interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim may not include any amount for reimbursement for such interest charge.

10. EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION BY CONTRACTOR PROHIBITED

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- A. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability or any other basis prohibited by state law related to discrimination in employment except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- B. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
- C. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
- D. The Contractor will comply with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in employment and mandates their full participation in both publicly and privately provided services and activities.
- E. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

11. EMPLOYMENT OF UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS PROHIBITED

In accordance with §2.2-4311.1 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, the Contractor acknowledges that it does not, and shall not during the performance of this Contract for goods and/or services in the Commonwealth, knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as that term is defined in the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

12. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE TO BE MAINTAINED BY CONTRACTOR

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

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

13. INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor covenants for itself, its employees, and subcontractors to save, defend, hold harmless and indemnify the County, and all of its elected and appointed officials, officers, current and former employees, agents, departments, agencies, boards, and commissions (collectively the "County" for purposes of this section) from and against any and all claims made by third parties or by the County for any and all losses, damages, injuries, fines, penalties, costs (including court costs and attorney's fees), charges, liability, demands or exposure, however caused, resulting from, arising out of, or in any way connected with the Contractor's acts or omissions, including the acts or omissions of its employees and/or subcontractors, in performance or nonperformance of the work called for by the Contract Documents. This duty to save, defend, hold harmless and indemnify shall survive the termination of this Contract. If, after notice by the County, the Contractor fails or refuses to fulfill its obligations contained in this section, the Contractor shall be liable for and reimburse the County for any and all expenses, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees incurred and any settlements or payments made. The Contractor shall pay such expenses upon demand by the County, and failure to do so may result in such amounts being withheld from any amounts due to Contractor under this Contract.

14. RELATION TO COUNTY

The Contractor is an independent contractor and neither the Contractor nor its employees or subcontractors will, under any circumstances, be considered employees, servants or agents of the County. The County will not be legally responsible for any negligence or other wrongdoing by the Contractor, its employees, servants or agents. The County will not withhold payments to the Contractor for any federal or state unemployment taxes, federal or state income taxes, Social Security tax, or any other amounts for benefits to the Contractor. Furthermore, the County will not provide to the Contractor any insurance coverage or other benefits, including workers' compensation, normally provided by the County for its employees.

15. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

All disputes arising under this Contract, or its interpretation, whether involving law or fact, or extra work, or extra compensation or time, and all claims for breach of contract shall be submitted to the Project Officer for decision at the time of the occurrence or beginning of the work upon which the claim is based, whichever occurs first. Any such claim shall state the facts surrounding it in sufficient detail to identify it,

together with its character and scope. In accordance with the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution, claims denied by the Project Officer may be submitted to the County Manager in writing no later than sixty (60) days after final payment. The time limit for final written decision by the County Manager in the event of a contractual dispute, as that term is defined in the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution, is fifteen (15) days. Procedures for considering contractual claims, disputes, administrative appeals, and protests are contained in the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution, which is incorporated herein by this reference. A copy of the Arlington County Purchasing Resolution is available upon request from the Office of the Purchasing Agent. The Contractor shall not cause a delay in the Work pending any decision of the Project Officer, County Manager, County Board, or a court of law.

16. APPLICABLE LAW, FORUM, VENUE AND JURISDICTION

This Contract and the work performed hereunder shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the jurisdiction, forum, and venue for any litigation with respect thereto shall be in the Circuit Court for Arlington County, Virginia, and in no other court. In performing its Work pursuant to this Contract, the Contractor shall comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances and regulations.

17. FORCE MAJEURE

The Contractor shall not be held responsible for failure to perform the duties and responsibilities imposed by this Contract if such failure is due to fires, riots, rebellions, natural disasters, wars, acts of terrorism, or an act of God beyond control of the Contractor, and outside and beyond the scope of the Contractor's then current, by industry standards, disaster plan, that make performance impossible or illegal, unless otherwise specified in the Contract.

The County shall not be held responsible for failure to perform its duties and responsibilities imposed by the Contract if such failure is due to fires, riots, rebellions, natural disasters, wars, acts of terrorism, or an act of God beyond control of the County that make performance impossible or illegal, unless otherwise specified in the Contract.

18. NOTICES

Unless otherwise provided herein, all notices and other communications required by this Contract shall be deemed to have been given when made in writing and either (a) delivered in person, (b) delivered by an agent, such as an overnight or similar delivery service, or (c) deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, certified or registered, addressed as follows:

Contact Information for the Contractor:

Becky Isaacs, Manager
Aberdeen Captioning, Inc.
30071 Tomas, Suite 100
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Contact Information for the Department (Arlington TV)

Rob Farr, Executive Producer
Arlington TV
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 314
Arlington, VA 22201

Contact Information for Arlington County (Legal Authorization):

Office of the Purchasing Agent
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 500
Arlington, VA 22201
Attn: Arlene Palmer
Email: ampalmer@arlingtonva.us

19. ARLINGTON COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSES

The Contractor must comply with the provisions of Chapter 11 ("Licenses") of the Arlington County Code, if applicable. For information on the provisions of that Chapter and its applicability to this Contract, the Contractor must contact the Arlington County Business License Division, Office of the Commissioner of the Revenue, 2100 Clarendon Blvd., Suite 200, Arlington, Virginia, 22201, telephone number (703) 228-3060.

20. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall provide to the County Purchasing Agent a Certificate of Insurance indicating that the Contractor has in force the coverage types and minimum amounts below prior to the start of any Work under this Contract and upon any contract extension.

Arlington County, and its officers, elected and appointed officials, employees, and agents shall be named as additional insureds on all policies, except Workers Compensation, Auto, and Professional Liability. A copy of the Additional Insured endorsement, or an "Acord" certificate with the additional insured endorsement box checked for all policies that include an additional insured endorsement, must be provided by the Contractor to the County Purchasing Agent prior to the execution of this Contract and any Contract extension. Failure to provide such documentation shall result in cancellation of the award or of the Contract.

The Contractor agrees to maintain such insurance until the completion of this Contract or as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents. All required insurance coverages must be acquired from insurers authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia, with a rating of "A-" or better and a financial size of "Class VII" or better in the latest edition of the A.M. Best Co. Insurance Guides, and acceptable to the County.

21. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts and all of such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument. Original signatures transmitted and received via facsimile or other electronic transmission, (e.g., PDF or similar format) are true and valid signatures for all purposes hereunder and shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed original counterpart.

WITNESS these signatures:

THE COUNTY BOARD OF ARLINGTON
COUNTY, VIRGINIA

ABERDEEN CAPTIONING, INC.

AUTHORIZED
SIGNATURE: 

AUTHORIZED
SIGNATURE: 

NAME: ARLENE PALMER
TITLE: PROCUREMENT

NAME AND
TITLE: Becky Isaacs Exec VP

DATE: 7/24/19

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County of Fairfax, Virginia

NOTICE OF AWARD

Date: **NOV 21 2016**

CONTRACT TITLE: CAPTIONING SERVICES
CONTRACT TYPE: Requirement (RQ)
RFx NUMBER: IFB2000001943
NIGP CODE: 91525
CONTRACT PERIOD: Date of Award through July 31, 2019
RENEWALS: Two (2) One-Year Options
SUPERSEDES CONTRACT: 4400001264

<u>CONTRACTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS:</u>	<u>SUPPLIER CODE:</u>	<u>CONTRACT NO:</u>
Aberdeen Captioning, Inc. 22362 Gilberto, Suite 120 Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688	1000007743	4400007297

Primary Contact: Becky Isaacs, Manager
 Telephone: 949-302-0004
 Fax: 949-858-4405
 Email: caption@abercap.com

After Hours Alternative Contact: Valerie Schinke, Asst. Manager 949-302-0004

- **NOTE:** The alternate contact will be used in the event the primary contact is unavailable due to scheduled or unscheduled absences.

<u>CONTRACTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS:</u>	<u>SUPPLIER CODE:</u>	<u>CONTRACT NO:</u>
QuickCaption, Inc. 4927 Arlington Avenue Riverside, CA 92504	1000034758	4400007298

Primary Contact: Antha Ward
 Telephone: 951-779-0787
 Fax: 951-779-0980
 Email: QuickCaption@mail.com

After Hours Alternative Contact: Primary Contact - Cody Knacke 760-985-3134
 Alternate Contract - Melissa Sosa 562-746-9301

Department of Procurement and Material Management
 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 427
 Fairfax, VA 22035
 Website: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpmm
 Phone: 703-324-3201, TTY: 711, Fax: 703-324-3228

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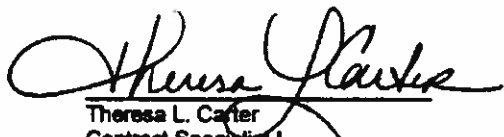
FOB: Destination

PRICES: See Attached Pricing Schedule

DPMM CONTACT: Theresa Carter, Contract Specialist I
Telephone: 703-324-3282; TTY: 711
Fax: 703-324-3228
E-mail: theresa.carter@fairfaxcounty.gov

ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS:

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1.	Live Captioning Services	Per Hour	\$85.98
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3.	Foreign Language Captioning (Spanish-based Rate – Live Captioning Services)	Per Hour	\$104.98
4.	Foreign Language Subtitling (Spanish-based Rate – Post-Production Services)	Per Hour	\$150.98
QUICKCAPTION – 4400007298			
5.	CART Services	Per Hour	\$75.00



County of Fairfax, Virginia

To protect and enrich the quality of life for the people, neighborhoods and diverse communities of Fairfax County

NOV 21 2016

Aberdeen Captioning, Inc.
22362 Gilberto, Suite 120
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

Attention: Becky Isaacs, Live Manager

Reference: IFB2000001943; Captioning Services

Dear Ms. Isaacs:

Acceptance Agreement

Contract Number: 4400007297

This Acceptance Agreement signifies a contract award for line items 1 through 4 for Captioning Services. The period of the contract shall be from Date of Award through July 31, 2019, with two (2) one-year renewal options available.

The contract award shall be in accordance with:

- 1) This Acceptance Agreement; and
- 2) The Terms and Conditions of IFB2000001943; and
- 3) Your Bid dated June 15, 2016.

Please note that this is not an order to proceed. A Purchase Order, which constitutes your notice to proceed, will be issued to your firm. Please provide your Insurance Certificate according to Special Provisions paragraph 11 within ten (10) days of receipt of this letter. Contract award documents may be viewed on the Department of Procurement and Material Management website at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/cregister by entering the contract number.

All questions in regards to this contract shall be directed to the Contract Specialist, Theresa Carter at (703) 324-3282 or via e-mail at theresa.carter@fairfaxcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

Cathy A. Muse, CPPO
Director/County Purchasing Agent

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County of Fairfax, Virginia

AMENDMENT

MAR 28 2019

Aberdeen Captioning, Inc.
30071 Tomas Suite 100
Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688

AMENDMENT NO. 1

CONTRACT TITLE: Captioning Services

CONTRACT NO: 4400007297

By mutual agreement, the above contract is hereby amendment as follows:

	Original Contract Information	New Contract Information
Address:	22362 Gilberto, Suite 120	30071 Tomas Suite 100

Renewed for one (1) year effective August 1, 2019 through July 31, 2020 at existing prices, terms and conditions. This is the first of two renewal options available.

Contractor shall submit an updated certificate of insurance in accordance Special Provisions, Section 11, within ten (10) days after receipt of this executed amendment.

ACCEPTANCE:

BY:

(Signature)

Becky Isaacs

(Printed)

Exec VP

(Title)

3/27/19

(Date)

Cathy A. Muse, CPPO
Director/County Purchasing Agent

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TELEPHONE: (703) 324-3201 FAX: (703) 324-3228 TTY: 1-800-828-1140

ISSUE DATE: June 1, 2016	INVITATION FOR BID: IFB2000001943	TITLE: Captioning Services
DEPARTMENT: Cable & Consumer Services (DCCS)	DUE DATE/TIME: June 17, 2016 / 2:00 P.M.	CONTRACT SPECIALIST: Theresa Carter 703-324-3282 or theresa.carter@fairfaxcounty.gov

Bids - In accordance with the following and in compliance with all terms and conditions, unless otherwise noted, the undersigned offers and agrees, if the bid is accepted, to furnish items or services for which prices are quoted, at the price set opposite each item, delivered or furnished to designated points within the time specified. It is understood and agreed that with respect to all terms and conditions accepted by Fairfax County the items or services offered and accompanying attachments shall constitute a contract.

Note: Fairfax County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations in accordance with the *Code of Virginia*, § 2.2-4343.1 or against a bidder or offeror because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment in the performance of its procurement activity.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF FIRM:

Telephone/Fax No.:

E-Mail Address:

Federal Employer Identification No or

Federal Social Security No.(Sole Proprietor)

Prompt Payment Discount: ___% for payment within ___ days/net ___ days

State Corporation Commission (SCC) Identification No.

By signing this bid, Bidder certifies, acknowledges, understands, and agrees to be bound by the conditions set forth in the General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders as described in Appendix A, the Certification Regarding Ethics in Public Contracting set forth in Appendix B, and by any other relevant certifications set forth

BUSINESS CLASSIFICATION – Described in Appendix B - CHECK ONE: LARGE (Y) SMALL (B)

MINORITY-OWNED SMALL (X) MINORITY OWNED LARGE (V) WOMEN-OWNED SMALL (C)

WOMEN OWNED LARGE (A) NON PROFIT (9)

CHECK ONE: INDIVIDUAL PARTNERSHIP CORPORATION

State in which Incorporated: _____

Vendor Legally Authorized
Signature

Date

Print Name

Title

Sealed bids subject to terms and conditions of this invitation will be received by the Fairfax County Purchasing Agent at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 427, Fairfax, Virginia 22035-0013 on the due date and time specified, and then publicly opened and read.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PURCHASING ORGANIZATION



TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**1. SCOPE:**

- 1.1. The purpose of this solicitation is to establish a term contract(s) for the provision of captioning services for all agencies and activities of the County of Fairfax in accordance with the requirements listed in this solicitation.
- 1.2. Reference Technical Specification, pages 10 through 12.
- 1.3. Bidders are required to include the following with their bid:
 - Vendor Legal Authorized Signature ("DPSM 30" Cover sheet)
 - Appendix B (to include the Pricing Schedule)
 - Three (3) samples of a previous live captioning service shall be provided via a public web site URL link (Ref: Special Provisions Paragraph 5);
 - Confirmation of five (5) years of successful, continuous experience in providing live captioning services.
 - Three (3) customer references where such products and/or services have been provided for the past three years;

Bidders are required to list in the spaces provided in Appendix B, at least three (3) references of current major customers Fairfax County Government (FCG), and Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS), shall be considered as a single entity (one reference). The County will not consider bids which fail to provide references as specified.

Failure to provide these items will result in rejection of the bid.

2. PERIOD OF CONTRACT:

- 2.1. The period of this contract shall be from Date of Award through July 31, 2019, by mutual agreement of the parties; this contract may be renewed at the expiration of its term for two (2) one-year periods.
- 2.2. Automatic contract renewals are prohibited. Contract renewals must be authorized by and coordinated through the County's Purchasing Department.
- 2.3. The obligation of the County to pay compensation due the Contractor under the contract or any other payment obligations under any contract awarded pursuant to this Invitation for Bid is subject to appropriations by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors to satisfy payment of such obligations. The County's obligations to make payments during subsequent fiscal years are dependent upon the same action. If such an appropriation is not made for any fiscal year, the contract shall terminate effective at the end of the fiscal year for which funds were appropriated and the County will not be obligated to make any payments under the contract beyond the amount appropriated for payment obligations under the contract. The County will provide the Contractor with written notice of non-appropriation of funds within thirty (30) calendar days after action is completed by the Board of Supervisors. However, the County's failure to provide such notice will not extend the contract into a fiscal year in which sufficient funds have not been appropriated.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS**3. PRICES AND PRICE ADJUSTMENT:**

- 3.1. All prices/discounts shall be F.O.B. Destination and shall include all charges that may be imposed in fulfilling the terms of this contract.
- 3.2. If labor rates are requested, the rates specified by the bidder shall include all direct and indirect overhead costs including but not limited to transportation, general and administrative cost, etc. Labor rates will be paid on the basis of time at the site.
- 3.3. The Contractor agrees that for unit price contracts, prices shall remain firm for 365 days if the price is increased after 365 days, the unit price may be increased only upon approval of a written request to the Purchasing Agent. Upon receipt of the Contractor's request, the County shall make a determination to approve or adjust the requested price increase based upon its investigations and the information provided by the Contractor. Any price adjustment agreed to shall take place only in accordance with the schedule defined above.
- 3.4. The request for a change in the unit price shall include as a minimum, (1) the cause for the adjustment; (2) proposed effective date; and, (3) the amount of the change requested with documentation to support the requested adjustment (i.e., appropriate Bureau of Labor Statistics index, change in manufacturer's price, etc.)
- 3.5. The request must be received at least 30 days prior to the effective date and shall become effective only upon approval by the County Purchasing Agent. The increased contract unit price shall not apply to orders received by the Contractor prior to the effective date of the approved increased contract unit price. Orders placed via County Purchase Order, shall be considered to have been received by the Contractor after the fifth (5th) calendar day following the date issuance. The County Purchasing Agent may cancel, without liability to either party, any portion of the contract affected by the requested increase and any materials, supplies or services undelivered at the time of such cancellation.
- 3.6. Price decreases shall be made in accordance with paragraph 43 of the General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders.

4. PROJECTED REQUIREMENTS/ESTIMATED QUANTITIES:

- 4.1. Authorized individuals will place orders for specific quantities of items covered in the resultant contract, as requirements arise. Please refer to the paragraph entitled, METHOD OF ORDERING.
- 4.2. The quantities specified in this solicitation are estimates only, and are given for the information of bidders and for the purpose of bid evaluation. They do not indicate the actual quantity that will be ordered since the actual volume will depend upon requirements that develop during the contract period. Waiver of ten percent (10%) limitation in paragraph 30, General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders, is acknowledged.

5. SAMPLES:

- 5.1. Bidder shall provide three (3) samples of a previous live captioned broadcast program, which reflects a high degree of accuracy expected when representing government entity or any user of this contract. Sample must be 98 percent accurate.
- 5.2. This accuracy rate will be determined by the total amount of words minus total number of errors, divided by the total number of words, multiply by 100 which equals the percentage of accuracy.

Example formula: $500 - 10 = 490 \div 500 \times 100 = 98\%$

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- 5.3. Samples containing typing errors that result in inappropriate language not suitable for TV-G broadcasting rating will be determined to be non-responsive and the bid will be deemed non-responsive and withdrawn from further evaluation. Samples must be provided via a public web site URL link.
- 5.4. **Failure to submit samples SHALL be just cause for eliminating the bidder from further consideration for award.**
6. **QUOTATION LIMITATION:**
- 6.1. Bidders shall offer only ONE ITEM AND PRICE for each line item bid. No alternatives will be accepted, unless requested by the County
7. **INTERPRETATION OF BID:**
- 7.1. Any questions pertaining to this solicitation shall be directed to:
- Theresa L. Carter, Contract Specialist I
Department of Purchasing & Supply Management
12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 427
Fairfax, Virginia 22035-0013
Telephone Number: (703) 324-3282
E-mail: theresa.carter@fairfaxcounty.gov
8. **SUBMISSION OF BIDS:**
- 8.1. Each bidder must use the attached Pricing Schedule to submit their bid. All bids must show the manufacturer, style/stock number, delivery time, unit price and total price and/or percentage discount for each item for which a bid is submitted, as applicable. **All bidders must return two (2) copies of the Cover Sheet (DPSM30), duly signed, and two (2) copies of Appendix B, keeping all remaining pages for your files.** By executing the Cover Sheet, the bidder acknowledges they have read this solicitation, understand it, and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions. Bids may be mailed or hand delivered to the following location:
- Department of Purchasing and Supply Management
12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 427
Fairfax, Virginia 22035-0013
- 8.2. All bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope or package with the bid number, title, and the bidder's name and address on the outside of such envelope or package.
- 8.3. **BIDS RECEIVED AFTER THE DUE DATE/TIME WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR CONTRACT AWARD AND SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE BIDDER.**
- 8.4. Bidders are reminded that changes to the bid, in the form of addenda, are often issued between the issue date and within three (3) days before the due date. All addenda MUST be signed and submitted to the Department of Purchasing and Supply Management, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 427, Fairfax, VA 22035 before the due date/time or must accompany the bid. Notice of addenda will be posted on eVA and the DPSM current solicitation webpage. Bidders are responsible to monitor the web page for the most current addenda at www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpsm/solic.htm.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS**9. CONTACT FOR ADMINISTRATION:**

- 9.1. In the event a contract is executed with your firm as a result of this solicitation please indicate the person(s) we may contact for prompt contract administration, in the space provided in Appendix B.

10. BID EVALUATION/CONTRACT AWARD:

- 10.1. All items listed in this solicitation will be awarded to the lowest responsive responsible bidder meeting specifications.
- 10.2. The County reserves the right to make a Primary and Secondary award, based on the best interest of the County.

11. CONTRACT INSURANCE PROVISIONS

- 11.1. The Contractor shall be responsible for its work and every part thereof, and for all materials, tools, equipment, appliances, and property of any and all description used in connection therewith. The Contractor assumes all risk of direct and indirect damage or injury to the property or persons used or employed on or in connection with the work contracted for, and of all damage or injury to any person or property wherever located, resulting from any action, omission, commission or operation under the contract.
- 11.2. The Contractor shall, during the continuance of all work under the contract provide the following:
- a. Maintain statutory Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance in limits of not less than \$100,000 to protect the Contractor from any liability or damages for any injuries (including death and disability) to any and all of its employees, including any and all liability or damage which may arise by virtue of any statute or law in force within the Commonwealth of Virginia.
 - b. The Contractor agrees to maintain Commercial General Liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence/aggregate, to protect the Contractor, its subContractors, and the interest of the County, its officers and employees against any and all injuries to third parties, including bodily injury and personal injury, wherever located, resulting from any action or operation under the Contract or in connection with the contracted work.
 - c. The General Liability insurance shall include the Broad Form Property Damage endorsement, in addition to coverage's for explosion, collapse, and underground hazards, where required. Completed operations liability endorsement shall continue in force for three years following completion of the contract.
 - d. The Contractor agrees to maintain owned, non-owned, and hired Automobile Liability insurance, in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence/aggregate, including property damage, covering all owned, non-owned, borrowed, leased, or rented vehicles operated by the Contractor. In addition, all mobile equipment used by the Contractor in connection with the contracted work, will be insured under either a standard Automobile Liability policy, or a Commercial General Liability policy. The Garage Keeper's Liability coverage shall also be maintained where appropriate.
 - e. Contractor agrees to maintain Contractors Liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence/aggregate to insure against loss due to liability imposed upon an owner/Contractor for acts arising out of the operations of independent Contractors/subcontractors or out of an owner's/Contractor's supervisory activity.

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f. Liability Insurance "Claims Made" basis:

If the liability insurance purchased by the Contractor has been issued on a "claims made" basis, the Contractor must comply with the following additional conditions. The limit of liability and the extensions to be included as described previously in these provisions, remain the same. The Contractor must either:

1. Agree to provide certificates of insurance evidencing the above coverage for a period of two years after final payment for the contract. This certificate shall evidence a "retroactive date" no later than the beginning of the Contractor's or sub-contractor's work under this contract, or
2. Purchase the extended reporting period endorsement for the policy or policies in force during the term of this contract and evidence the purchase of this extended reporting period endorsement by means of a certificate of insurance or a copy of the endorsement itself.

g. Liability insurance may be arranged by General Liability and Automobile Liability policies for the full limits required, or by a combination of underlying Liability policies for lesser limits with the remaining limits provided by an Excess or Umbrella Liability policy.

h. The Contractor agrees to provide insurance issued by companies admitted within the Commonwealth of Virginia, with the Best's Key Rating of at least A:VI.

i. European markets including those based in London, and the domestic surplus lines markets that operate on a non-admitted basis are exempt from this requirement provided that the Contractor's broker can provide financial data to establish that a market is equal to or exceeds the financial strengths associated with the A.M. Best's rating of A: VI or better.

j. Hold-harmless and Indemnification: Article 63 of the General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders shall apply where DPSM form is used. If not, following paragraph shall be inserted:

"The Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Fairfax County, Virginia, its officers, agents and all employees and volunteers, from any and all claims for bodily injury, and personal injury and/or property damage, including cost of investigation, all expenses of litigation, including reasonable attorney fees, and the cost of appeals arising out of any claims or suits which result from errors, omissions, or negligent acts of the Contractor, his subcontractors and their agents and employees".

k. The Contractor will provide an original, signed Certificate of Insurance citing the contract number and such endorsements as prescribed herein.

l. The Contractor will secure and maintain all insurance certificates of its subcontractors, which shall be made available to the County on demand.

m. The Contractor will provide on demand certified copies of all insurance policies related to the contract within ten business days of demand by the County. These certified copies will be sent to the County from the Contractor's insurance agent or representative.

11.3. No change, cancellation, or non-renewal shall be made in any insurance coverage without a 45 day written notice to the County. The Contractor shall furnish a new certificate prior to any change or cancellation date. The failure of the Contractor to deliver a new and valid certificate will result in suspension of all payments until the new certificate is furnished.

11.4. Compliance by the Contractor and all subcontractors with the foregoing requirements as to carrying insurance shall not relieve the Contractor and all subcontractors of their liabilities provisions of the contract.

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- 11.5. Contractual and other liability insurance provided under this contract shall not contain a supervision, inspection or engineering services exclusion that would preclude the County from supervising and/or inspecting the project as to the end result. The Contractor shall assume all on-the-job responsibilities as to the control of persons directly employed by it and of the subcontractors.
- 11.6. Nothing contained in the specifications shall be construed as creating any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the County. The Contractor shall be as fully responsible to the County for the acts and omissions of the subcontractors and of persons employed by them as it is for acts and omissions of person directly employed by it.
- 11.7. Precaution shall be exercised at all times for the protection of persons (including employees) and property.
- 11.8. The Contractor and all subcontractors are to comply with the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Public Law 91-596, as it may apply to this Contract.
- 11.9. The County, its officers and employees shall be named as an "additional insured" in the Automobile and General Liability policies and it shall be stated on the Insurance Certificate that this coverage "is primary to all other coverage the County may possess."
- 12. METHOD OF ORDERING:**
- 12.1. The County may use two (2) different methods of placing orders from the final contract: Purchase Orders (PO's) and approved County procurement cards.
- 12.2. A Purchase Order (PO) may be issued to the Contractor on behalf of the County agency ordering the items/services covered under this contract. An issued PO will become part of the resulting contract. The purchase order indicates that sufficient funds have been obligated as required by Title 15.2-1238 of the Code of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 12.3. Procurement Card orders and payments may also be made by the use of a Fairfax County or Fairfax County Public Schools "Procurement" Card. The Procurement card is currently a MasterCard. Contractors are encouraged to accept this method of receiving orders.
- 12.4. Regardless of the method of ordering used, solely the contract and any modification determine performance time and dates.
- 12.5. Performance under this contract is not to begin until receipt of the purchase order, Procurement Card order, or other notification to proceed by the County Purchasing Agent and/or County agency to proceed. Purchase requisitions shall not be used for placing orders.
- 12.6. The Department of Purchasing and Supply Management has the capability to issue purchase orders electronically and transmit them to vendors by fax. For more information about the Fax Purchase Order program, call (703) 324-3268, TTY 1-800-828-1140.
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE:**
- 13.1. All communications between the parties relating to material contractual issues shall be through the Contract Specialist and must be in writing to be deemed binding.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS**14. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:**

- 14.1. The County reserves the right to add similar items/services or delete items/services specified in the resultant contract as requirements change during the period of the contract. Fairfax County and the Contractor will mutually agree to prices for items/services to be added to the contract. Contract amendments will be issued for all additions or deletions.

15. CANCELLATION OF ORDERS:

- 15.1. Purchases made under this contract are for readily available supplies. Time is of the essence in furnishing the items ordered. The County reserves the right to cancel the order and/or to refuse delivery if the items ordered are not furnished within the period of time specified in this contract.

16. EMERGENCY PURCHASES:

- 16.1. Should the Contractor be unable to furnish the required item within the period of time specified in the contract the County reserves the right to make emergency purchases from other sources.

17. SALES/DELIVERY TICKETS:

- 17.1. Orders placed under this contract for delivery placed by PO, or Procurement Card or for pick up by an authorized representative, shall be supported by the Contractor's Sales/Delivery Ticket. The Contractor's Sales/Delivery Ticket shall contain the following information:

1. Contractor's Name
2. Purchase Order and Contract Number
3. Date of Purchase
4. Itemized list of supplies furnished
5. Quantity, unit price and extension of each item, and total, less any applicable trade discount in accordance with the Contract.
6. Name of authorized representative ordering the supplies
7. Name of Fairfax County Agency receiving the supplies.

- 17.2. In all instances, the Contractor will prepare a Sales/Delivery Ticket, whether delivery is made by the Contractor or pick up is made by a Fairfax County representative at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor's Sales/Delivery Ticket will be signed, by the Fairfax County representative, with a copy being retained by the Contractor.

18. INVOICING PROCEDURE:

- 18.1. The Contractor shall submit a Summary Invoice once each month, listing the Sales/Delivery Ticket numbers covering deliveries made during the monthly billing period and submitted to the BILL TO address shown on the Purchase Order. The invoice must be accompanied by one copy of each signed Sales/Delivery Ticket.
- 18.2. The invoice shall contain the applicable Purchase Order number and the name of the Agency receiving the supplies. Payment will be made once each month.

19. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE:

- 19.1. In the event of conflict, the Acceptance Agreement and the Special Provisions of this solicitation shall take precedence over the General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders or any other contract document.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS**20. AUDIT:**

- 20.1. The Contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for three (3) years after final payment, or until audited by the County of Fairfax, whichever is sooner. The County shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during the retention period.

21. SUBCONTRACTING:

- 21.1. If one or more subcontractors are required, the Contractor is encouraged to utilize small, minority-owned, and women-owned business enterprises. For assistance in finding subcontractors, contact the Virginia Department of Business Assistance <http://www.dba.state.va.us>; the Virginia Department of Minority Business Enterprise <http://www.dmb.e.state.va.us/>; local chambers of commerce and other business organizations.
- 21.2. As part of the contract award, the prime Contractor agrees to provide the names and addresses of each subcontractor, that subcontractor's status as defined by Fairfax County, as a small, minority-owned and/or woman-owned business, and the type and dollar value of the subcontracted goods/services provided. Reference Appendix B to this solicitation.

22. USE OF CONTRACT BY OTHER PUBLIC BODIES:

- 22.1. Reference Paragraph 75, General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders, Cooperative Purchasing: Bidders are advised that the resultant contract(s) may be extended, with the authorization of the Bidder, to other public bodies, or public agencies or institutions of the United States to permit their use of the contract at the same prices and/or discounts and terms and conditions of the resulting contract. If any other public body decides to use the final contract, the Contractor(s) must deal directly with that public body concerning the placement of orders, issuance of the purchase orders, contractual disputes, invoicing and payment. The County of Fairfax acts only as the "Contracting Agent" for these public bodies. Failure to extend a contract to any public body will have no effect on consideration of your bid. (See Appendix B for sample listing).
- 22.2. It is the Contractors responsibility to notify the public body(s) of the availability of the contract(s).
- 22.3. Other public bodies desiring to use this contract must make their own legal determination as to whether the use of this contract is consistent with their laws, regulations, and other policies.
- 22.4. Each public body has the option of executing a separate contract with the Contractor(s). Public bodies may add terms and conditions required by statute, ordinances, and regulations, to the extent that they do not conflict with the contract's terms and conditions. If, when preparing such a contract, the general terms and conditions of a public body are unacceptable to the Contractor, the Contractor may withdraw its extension of the award to that public body.
- 22.5. Fairfax County shall not be held liable for any costs or damages incurred by another public body as a result of any award extended to that public body by the Contractor.

23. NEWS RELEASES BY VENDORS:

- 23.1. As a matter of policy, the County does not endorse the products or services of a Contractor. A Contractor will not make news releases concerning any resultant contract from this solicitation without the prior written approval of the County. All proposed news releases will be routed to the Purchasing Agent for review and approval.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS**24. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT REQUIREMENTS:**

- 24.1. Fairfax County is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination in all County programs, services, and activities and will provide reasonable accommodations upon request. Bidders requesting special accommodations should call the Department ADA representative (703) 324-3201 or TTY 1-800-828-1140. Please allow seven (7) working days in advance of the event to make the necessary arrangements.
- 24.2. Fairfax County Government is fully committed to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), which guarantees non-discrimination and equal access for persons with disabilities in employment, public accommodations, transportation, and all County programs, activities and services. Fairfax County government Contractors, subcontractors, vendors, and/or suppliers are subject to this ADA policy. All individuals having any County contractual agreement must make the same commitment. Your acceptance of this contract acknowledges your commitment and compliance with ADA.

25. STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:

- 25.1. Pursuant to *Code of Virginia*, §2.2-4311.2 subsection B, a bidder or offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 is required to include in its bid or proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission (SCC). Any bidder or offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law is required to include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the bidder or offeror is not required to be so authorized. Any bidder or offeror that fails to provide the required information may not receive an award.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**1. Closed Captioning Live and Non-Live:**

- 1.1 The County will engage the Contractor to provide closed captioning for live and non-live television cable programming distributed over local cable access channels and other County-managed distribution channels, including but not limited to, live-streaming, web and video-on-demand. Single program lengths can vary from 15 minutes to 10 hours.
- 1.2 Communications Requirements:
- a. Captioning technician must have 98 percent accuracy, or better;
 - b. Captioning technician must be available for a test call 15 minutes prior to air;
 - c. Captioning technician shall provide a return phone number in case of technical difficulties (Ref: Appendix B);
 - d. Contractor shall be required to provide the name, phone number, and position of Supervisor(s) for after-hours emergencies for any technical difficulties that may arise. Answering service, paging systems will not be accepted. Failure to provide the required information may result in disqualification of the bid (Ref: Appendix B);
 - e. The County will endeavor to provide regular scheduling updates and notice of program cancellations in a timely fashion. The County will provide a minimum of 24 hours of advance notice of cancellation via phone call, text, or email, prior to scheduled captioning. Cancellation notice provided 24 hours or more in advance will not be billed.
 - f. Contractor assumes all responsibility for notifying Captioning Technician of cancellation.
 - g. Live meeting events have variable end times, which may result in shorter captioning blocks than anticipated. In the event that a broadcast event ends earlier than scheduled, Contractor agrees to bill for actual captioning time and not the full scheduled shift.
- 1.3 Technical Requirements:
- a. Contractor shall provide closed captioning services and Captioning Technician for live and non-live televised programming;
 - b. Contractor must have equipment compatible with the following County equipment:
 - HD Closed Caption Encoder model HD9084 by Evertz
 - HD Closed Caption Encoder model HD492 iCap Encoder by EEG
 - SD Digital Closed Caption Encoder model 8084 by Evertz
 - c. Contractor is responsible for long distance telephone charges and shall provide a toll-free telephone number.
- 1.4 Live Meeting Specifications:
- a. The County will engage Contractor to provide live captioning of Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and Board of Zoning Appeals meetings that are televised live via cable access channels and streamed on the County of Fairfax web site.

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- b. Frequency: There are approximately 8-14 meetings per month;
- c. Duration: Meetings may last from two (2)-10 hours;
- d. Schedule: Board of Supervisors meetings take place on Tuesdays, beginning at 9:30 a.m. EST. Board of Zoning meetings take place on Wednesdays, beginning at 9 a.m. EST. Planning Commission meetings take place on Wednesdays and Thursdays, beginning at 8:00 p.m. EST. Meeting dates and start times are subject to change. The calendar for meetings can be found on each respective web site:
 - Board of Supervisors:
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/government/board/meetings/archive.htm>
 - Board of Zoning Appeals:
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpz/bza/weeklyagenda/>
 - Planning Commission:
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/planning/meetingcalendar.htm>

1.5 Live Non-Meeting Program Specifications:

- a. The County will also engage Contractor to provide captioning for non-meeting programming, including programs from the Board Auditorium, the production studio, and conference center that are televised live via cable access channels and streamed on the County of Fairfax web site.
- b. Frequency: There are approximately five to seven live, non-meeting programs per quarter;
- c. Duration: Live, non-meeting programs last from 30 minutes to three hours.
- d. Schedule: Varies by program but can include weekdays, evenings, and weekends.

1.6 Other Programming Specifications:

- a. The County will also engage Contractor to provide captioning for non-meeting, non-live programming televised on cable access.
- b. Frequency: Approximately two (2) to six programs per quarter;
- c. Duration: Length of non-meeting programs may vary from 15 minutes to two (2) hours;
- d. Schedule: Schedule will vary throughout the year, but will be concentrated towards the end of each month.

2. Non-English Language Captioning and Subtitling:

- 2.1 The County will also engage Contractor to provide captioning in languages other than English. Where possible, live-captioning in non-English languages will be provided. Where live-captioning is not recommended by Contractor, post-captioning may be used. Where the language does not allow for captioning (Chinese, Vietnamese, and others), Contractor will provide non-English captioning in the form of subtitles.
 - a. Frequency: Approximately one to three programs per year;

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- b. Duration: Programs requiring translation into foreign languages may vary in length from 15 minutes to one (1) hour;
- c. Schedule: Schedule will vary.

3. Communication Access Real-time Translation (CART):

- 3.1 The County will also engage Contractor to provide CART services (the instantaneous translation of the spoken language into text and displayed in various forms.) English text is produced with less than a two-second delay. Contractor will transcribe what is heard and the English text will be displayed on a monitor for reading.
 - a. Frequency: Limited use, as needed;
 - b. Duration: Meetings requiring CART service may vary in length from 15 minutes to 7.5 hours;
 - c. Schedule: Schedule will vary.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

(Vendor: The general rules and conditions which follow apply to all purchases and become a definite part of each formal solicitation and resulting contract award issued by the DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING & SUPPLY MANAGEMENT, unless otherwise specified. Bidders or their authorized representatives are expected to inform themselves fully as to the conditions, requirements, and specifications before submitting bids; failure to do so will be at the bidder's own risk and relief cannot be secured on the plea of error.)

Subject to all State and local laws, policies, resolutions, and regulations and all accepted rules, regulations and limitations imposed by legislation of the Federal Government, bids on all solicitations issued by the DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING & SUPPLY MANAGEMENT will bind bidders to applicable conditions and requirements herein set forth unless otherwise specified in the solicitation.

1. AUTHORITY-The Purchasing Agent has the sole responsibility and authority for negotiating, placing and when necessary modifying every solicitation, contract and purchase order (except for capital construction projects) issued by the County of Fairfax. In the discharge of these responsibilities, the Purchasing Agent may be assisted by assigned buyers. Unless specifically delegated by the County Purchasing Agent, no other County officer or employee is authorized to order supplies or services, enter into purchase negotiations or contracts, or in any way obligate the government of the County of Fairfax for an indebtedness. Any purchase ordered or contract made which is contrary to these provisions and authorities shall be of no effect and void and the County shall not be bound thereby.

2. DEFINITIONS-

AGENCY: Any Department, Agency, Authority, Commission, Board or other unit in the Administrative Service of the County.

BEST VALUE: As predetermined in the solicitation, means the overall combination of quality, price, and various elements of required services that in total are optimal relative to a public body's needs.

BID: The offer of a bidder to provide specific goods or services at specified prices and/or other conditions specified in the solicitation.

BIDDER/OFFEROR: Any individual, company, firm, corporation, partnership or other organization bidding on solicitations issued by the Purchasing Agent and offering to enter into contracts with the County. The term "bidder" will be used throughout this document and shall be construed to mean "offeror" where appropriate.

CONSULTANT SERVICES: Any type of services required by the County, but not furnished by its own employees, which is in its nature so unique that it should be obtained by negotiation on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualification for the type of service required and at fair and reasonable compensation, rather than by competitive sealed bidding.

CONTRACTOR: Any individual, company, firm, corporation, partnership or other organization to whom an award is made by the County.

COUNTY: County of Fairfax.

GOODS: All material, equipment, supplies, printing, and automated data processing/information technology hardware and software.

INFORMALITY: A minor defect or variation of a bid or proposal from the exact requirements of the invitation to bid or the request for proposal which does not affect the price, quality, quantity or delivery schedule for the goods, services or construction being procured.

INVITATION FOR BID (IFB): A request which is made to prospective suppliers (bidders) for their quotation on goods or services desired by the County. The issuance of an IFB will contain or incorporate by reference the specifications and contractual terms and conditions applicable to the procurement.

OPEN MARKET PROCUREMENT (OMP): A method of competitive bidding for the purchase or lease of goods, non-professional services or for the purchase of insurance, construction, or construction management when the estimated cost thereof shall be less than \$50,000.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: Any type of professional service performed by an independent Contractor within the practice of accounting, actuarial services, architecture, dentistry, land surveying, landscape architecture, law, medicine, optometry, pharmacy, or professional engineering (which shall be procured as set forth in the Code of Virginia §2.2-4301 in the definition of competitive negotiation at paragraph 3 (a), and in conformance with the Fairfax County Purchasing Resolution).

PURCHASING AGENT: The Purchasing Agent employed by the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP): A request for an offer from prospective offerors which will indicate the general terms which are sought to be procured from the offeror. The RFP will specify the evaluation factors to be used and will contain or incorporate by reference other contractual terms and conditions applicable to the procurement.

RESPONSIBLE BIDDER/OFFEROR: An individual, company, firm, corporation, partnership or other organization having the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and also having the moral and business integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance, and having been prequalified, if required. (Reference paragraph 24, General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders).

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RESPONSIVE BIDDER/OFFEROR: An individual, company, firm, corporation, partnership or other organization having submitted a bid which conforms in all material respects to the invitation for bid or request for proposal.

SERVICES: Any work performed by an independent Contractor wherein the service rendered does not consist primarily of acquisition of equipment or materials, or the rental of equipment, materials and supplies.

SOLICITATION: The process of notifying prospective bidders that the County wishes to receive bids on a set of requirements to provide goods or services. The notification of County requirements may consist of public advertising (newspaper, County Web Site, or other electronic notification), the mailing of Notices of Solicitation, Invitation for Bid (IFB) or Request for Proposal (RFP), the public posting of notices, issuance of an Open Market Procurement (OMP), or telephone calls to prospective bidders.

STATE: Commonwealth of Virginia.

CONDITIONS OF BIDDING

3. BID FORMS-Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, all bids shall be submitted on the forms provided, to include the bid Cover Sheet and Pricing Schedule(s), properly signed in ink in the proper spaces and submitted in a sealed envelope or package. The item pages of the Pricing Schedule which do not include any items for which a bid is required need not be included in the submission of a bid.

Should the bid prices and/or any other submissions differ on the copy of the submitted bid, the ORIGINAL copy shall prevail.

4. LATE BIDS & MODIFICATIONS OF BIDS-

- a. Any bid/modification received at the office designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt of the bid/modification is considered a late bid/modification. A late bid/modification will not be considered for award except under the following conditions only:
 1. It was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth (5th) calendar date prior to the date specified for receipt of the bid/modification; or
 2. The bid/modification was sent by mail and it is determined by the County Purchasing Agent that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the County after receipt at the address specified in the solicitation.
- b. If an emergency or unanticipated event or closing interrupts or suspends normal County business operations so that bids cannot be received at the County office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the due date/time specified for receipt of bids will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal County business operations resume
- c. The official time used for receipt of bids/modifications is the Bid Clerk's time and date stamp clock located in the Department of Purchasing and Supply Management. "No other clocks, calendars or timepieces are recognized. All bidders are responsible to ensure all bids/modifications are received prior to the scheduled due date/time.
- d. A late hand-carried bid, or any other late bid not submitted by mail, shall not be considered for award.

5. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS-

- a. A bidder for a public construction contract, other than a contract for construction or maintenance of public highways, may withdraw his or her bid from consideration if the price bid was substantially lower than the other bids due solely to a mistake therein, provided the bid was submitted in good faith, and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgment mistake, and was actually due to an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or material made directly in the compilation of a bid, which unintentional arithmetic error or unintentional omission can be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. If a bid contains both clerical and judgment mistakes, a bidder may withdraw his bid from consideration if the price bid would have been substantially lower than the other bids due solely to the clerical mistake, that was an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or material made directly in the compilation of a bid which shall be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. The bidder shall give notice in writing to the Purchasing Agent of his or her claim of right to withdraw his or her bid within two (2) business days after the conclusion of the bid opening procedure and shall submit original work papers with such notice.
- b. A bidder for a contract other than for public construction may request withdrawal of his or her bid under the following circumstances:
 1. Requests for withdrawal of bids prior to opening of such bids shall be transmitted to the County Purchasing Agent in writing.
 2. Requests for withdrawal of bids after opening of such bids but prior to award shall be transmitted to the County Purchasing Agent, in writing, accompanied by full documentation supporting the request. If the request is based on a claim of error, documentation must show the basis of the error. Such documentation may take the form of supplier quotations, vendor work sheets, etc. If bid bonds were tendered with the bid, the County may exercise its right of collection.

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- c. No bid may be withdrawn under this paragraph when the result would be the awarding of the contract on another bid of the same bidder or of another bidder in which the ownership of the withdrawing bidder is more than five percent.
- d. If a bid is withdrawn under the authority of this paragraph, the lowest remaining bid shall be deemed to be the low bid.
- e. No bidder who is permitted to withdraw a bid shall, for compensation, supply any material or labor to or perform any subcontract or other work agreement for the person or firm to whom the contract is awarded or otherwise benefit, directly or indirectly, from the performance of the project for which the withdrawn bid was submitted.
- f. If the county denies the withdrawal of a bid under the provisions of this paragraph, it shall notify the bidder in writing stating the reasons for its decision and award the contract to such bidder at the bid price, provided such bidder is a responsible and responsive bidder.
- g. Work papers, documents, and materials submitted in support of a withdrawal of bids may be considered as trade secrets or proprietary information subject to the conditions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.

6. ERRORS IN BIDS-When an error is made in extending total prices, the unit bid price will govern. Erasures in bids must be initialed by the bidder. Carelessness in quoting prices, or in preparation of bid otherwise, will not relieve the bidder. Bidders are cautioned to recheck their bids for possible error. Errors discovered after public opening cannot be corrected and the bidder will be required to perform if his or her bid is accepted.

7. MAILING OF BIDS – All bids and proposals submitted in response to a Fairfax County solicitation shall be submitted in a sealed envelope or package identified with the solicitation number, title, and bidders name and address clearly marked on the outside of such envelope or package.

8. COMPLETENESS-To be responsive, a bid must include all information required by the solicitation.

9. ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS/BINDING 90 DAYS-Unless otherwise specified, all formal bids submitted shall be binding for ninety (90) calendar days following bid opening date, unless extended by mutual consent of all parties.

10. CONDITIONAL BIDS-Conditional bids are subject to rejection in whole or in part.

11. BIDS FOR ALL OR PART-Unless otherwise specified by the County Purchasing Agent or by the bidder, the Purchasing Agent reserves the right to make award on all items in the aggregate or on any of the items on an individual basis, whichever is in the best interest of the County. A bidder may restrict his or her bid to consideration in the aggregate by so stating but shall name a single unit price on each item bid. Any bid in which the bidder names a total price for all the articles without quoting a unit price for each and every separate item may not be considered for award.

12. AREA BIDS-For the purchase and delivery of certain goods and services the County may be divided into Areas (e.g., Areas I, II, III, and IV). When such goods and services are included in the Pricing Schedule, bidders may bid on all areas or an individual area. A map showing the areas of the County will be furnished with the solicitation when required.

13. TIME FOR RECEIVING BID-Bids received prior to the time of opening will be securely kept, unopened. The representative of the Purchasing Agent assigned to open them will decide when the specified time has arrived, and no bid received thereafter will be considered, except as provided in paragraph 4, General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders. No responsibility will attach to the Purchasing Agent or his or her representative for the premature opening of a bid not properly addressed and identified. Unless specifically authorized in the solicitation, telegraphic, electronic, or facsimile bids/modifications will not be considered.

14. BID OPENING-All bids received in response to an Invitation for Bid (IFB) will be opened at the date, time and place specified, read publicly, and made available for inspection as provided in paragraph 68, General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders. Tabulations of bids received are posted on the Department of Purchasing & Supply Management Bulletin Board as well as the County's web site: <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpsm/bidtab.htm>.

Proposals received in response to a Request for Proposal (RFP) will be made available as provided in paragraph 68, General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders.

15. OMISSIONS & DISCREPANCIES-Any items or parts of any equipment listed in this solicitation which are not fully described or are omitted from such specification, and which are clearly necessary for the completion of such equipment and its appurtenances, shall be considered a part of such equipment although not directly specified or called for in the specifications.

Should a bidder find discrepancies or ambiguities in, or omissions from, the solicitation, including the drawings and/or specifications, he or she shall notify the Purchasing Agent at least five (5) days prior to the date set for the opening of bids. If necessary, the Purchasing Agent will send a written addendum for clarification to all bidders no later than three (3) days before the date set for opening of bids. Notifications regarding specifications will not be considered if received within five days of the date set for opening of bids.

16. RESPONSE TO SOLICITATIONS-In the event a vendor cannot submit a bid on a solicitation; he or she is requested to return the solicitation cover sheet with an explanation as to why he or she is unable to bid on these requirements.

17. BIDDER INTERESTED IN MORE THAN ONE BID-If more than one bid is offered by any one party, either directly or by or in the name of his or her clerk, partner, or other persons, all such bids may be rejected. A party who has quoted prices on work, materials, or supplies to a bidder is not thereby disqualified from quoting prices to other bidders or firms submitting a bid directly for the work, materials or supplies.

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18. TAX EXEMPTION-The County is exempt from the payment of any federal excise or any Virginia sales tax. The price bid must be net, exclusive of taxes. However, when under established trade practice any federal excise tax is included in the list price, a bidder may quote the list price and shall show separately the amount of federal tax, either as a flat sum or as a percentage of the list price, which shall be deducted by the County. Fairfax County's Federal Excise Tax Exemption Number is 54-74-0127K. Contractors located outside the Commonwealth of Virginia are advised that when materials are picked up by the County at their place of business, they may charge and collect their own local/state sales tax. Materials used in the performance of construction contracts are subject to Virginia Sales/Use Tax as described in Section 630-10-27J of the Virginia Retail Sales and Use Tax Regulations.

19. PROHIBITION AGAINST UNIFORM PRICING-The County Purchasing Agent shall encourage open and competitive bidding by all possible means and shall endeavor to obtain the maximum degree of open competition on all purchase transactions using the competitive sealed bidding, competitive negotiation, or open market methods of procurement. In submitting a bid each bidder shall, by virtue of submitting a bid, guarantee that he or she has not been a party with other bidders to an agreement to bid a fixed or uniform price. Violation of this implied guarantee shall render void the bids of participating bidders. Any disclosure to or acquisition by a competitive bidder, in advance of the opening of the bids, of the terms or conditions of the bid submitted by another competitor may render the entire proceedings void and may require re-advertising for bids.

SPECIFICATIONS

20. QUESTIONS CONCERNING SPECIFICATIONS-Any information relative to interpretation of specifications and drawings shall be requested of the Purchasing Agent, in writing, in ample time before the opening of bids. No inquiries, if received by the Purchasing Agent within five (5) days of the date set for the opening of bids, will be given any consideration. Any material interpretation of a specification, as determined by the County Purchasing Agent, will be expressed in the form of an addendum to the specification which will be sent to all prospective bidders no later than three (3) days before the date set for receipt of bids. Oral answers will not be authoritative.

21. BRAND NAME OR EQUAL ITEMS-Unless otherwise provided in the invitation for bid, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict bidders to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named; it conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired, and any article which the County in its sole discretion determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted.

22. FORMAL SPECIFICATIONS-When a solicitation contains a specification which states no substitutes, no deviation therefrom will be permitted and the bidder will be required to furnish articles in conformity with that specification.

The bidder shall abide by and comply with the true intent of the specifications and not take advantage of any unintentional error or omission, but shall fully complete every part as the true intent and meaning of the specifications and drawings. Whenever the mention is made of any articles, material, or workmanship to be in accordance with laws, ordinances, building codes, underwriter's codes, A.S.T.M. regulations or similar expressions, the requirements of these laws, ordinances, etc., shall be construed as to the minimum requirements of these specifications.

23. FEDERAL SPECIFICATIONS-Any Federal Specifications referred to herein may be obtained from the GSA Federal Supply Service Bureau - Specification Section, 470 East L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., Suite #8100, Washington, D.C. 20407 (Voice: 1-202-619-8925, Fax: 1-202-619-8978).

AWARD

24. AWARD OR REJECTION OF BIDS-The Purchasing Agent shall award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder complying with all provisions of the IFB, provided the bid price is reasonable and it is in the best interest of the County to accept it. Awards made in response to a RFP will be made to the highest qualified offeror whose proposal is determined, in writing, to be the most advantageous to the County taking into consideration the evaluation factors set forth in the RFP. The Purchasing Agent reserves the right to award a contract by individual items, in the aggregate, or in combination thereof, or to reject any or all bids and to waive any informality in bids received whenever such rejection or waiver is in the best interest of the County. Award may be made to as many bidders as deemed necessary to fulfill the anticipated requirements of Fairfax County. The Purchasing Agent also reserves the right to reject the bid of a bidder deemed to be a non-responsible bidder.

In determining the responsibility of a bidder, the following criteria will be considered:

- a. The ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform the contract or provide the service required;
- b. Whether the bidder can perform the contract or provide the service promptly, or within the time specified, without delay or interference;
- c. The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder;
- d. The quality of performance of previous contracts or services;
- e. The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws and ordinances relating to the contract or services;
- f. The sufficiency of the financial resources and ability of the bidder to perform the contract or provide the service;
- g. The quality, availability and adaptability of the goods or services to the particular use required;
- h. The ability of the bidder to provide future maintenance and service for the use of the subject of the contract;
- i. The number and scope of the conditions attached to the bid;
- j. Whether the bidder is in arrears to the County on debt or contract or is a defaulter on surety to the County or whether the bidder's County taxes or assessments are delinquent; and

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- k. Such other information as may be secured by the County Purchasing Agent having a bearing on the decision to award the contract. If an apparent low bidder is not awarded a contract for reasons of nonresponsibility, the County Purchasing Agent shall so notify that bidder and shall have recorded the reasons in the contract file.

25. NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE/CONTRACT DOCUMENTS-A written award (or Acceptance Agreement) mailed (or otherwise furnished) to the successful bidder within the time for acceptance specified in the solicitation shall be deemed to result in a binding contract. The following documents which are included in the solicitation shall be incorporated by reference in the resulting contract and become a part of said contract:

- a. County of Fairfax Solicitation Form/Acceptance Agreement (Cover Sheet) and other documents which may be incorporated by reference, if applicable,
- b. General Conditions and Instructions to Bidders,
- c. Special Provisions and Specifications,
- d. Pricing Schedule,
- e. Any Addenda/Amendments/Memoranda of Negotiations

26. TIE-BIDS – If all bids are for the same total amount or unit price (including authorized discounts and delivery times), and if the public interest will not permit the delay of readvertisement for bids, the County Purchasing Agent is authorized to award the contract to the resident Fairfax County tie bidder whose firm has its principal place of business in the County, or if there be none, to the resident Virginia tie bidder, or if there be none, to one of the tie bidders by drawing lots in public; or the County Purchasing Agent may purchase the goods or services in the open market except that the price paid shall not exceed the lowest contract bid price submitted for the same goods or services. The decision of the County to make award to one or more such bidders shall be final.

27. PROMPT PAYMENT DISCOUNT-

- a. Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, prompt payment discounts requiring payment in less than fifteen (15) days will not be considered in evaluating a bid for award. However, even though not considered in the evaluation, such discounts will be taken if payment is to be made within the discount period.
- b. In connection with any discount offered, time will be computed from the date of delivery of the supplies to the carrier when delivery, inspection and acceptance are at the point of origin; or, from date of delivery, inspection and acceptance at destination; or, from date correct invoice or voucher is received in the office specified by the County, if the latter is later than the date of acceptance. In the event the bidder does not indicate a prompt payment discount, it shall be construed to mean NET 30 days.

For the purpose of earning the discount, payment is deemed to be made as of the date of mailing of the County check or issuance of an Electronic Funds Transfer.

28. INSPECTION-ACCEPTANCE-For determining acceptance of supplies in accordance with the provisions of the prompt payment discount paragraph, inspection and acceptance shall be accomplished only after examination (including testing) of supplies and services to determine whether the supplies and services conform to the contract requirements. Acceptance shall occur only after receipt and inspection provided such inspection, as appropriate, is accomplished within a reasonable time.

29. DEFINITE BID QUANTITIES-Where definite quantities are specifically stated, acceptance will bind the County to order quantities specified and to pay for, at contract prices, all such supplies or services delivered that meet specifications and conditions of the contract. However, the County will not be required to accept delivery of any balances unordered, as of the contract expiration date, unless the Contractor furnished the Purchasing Agent with a statement of unordered balances not later than ten (10) days after the termination date of the contract.

30. REQUIREMENT BID QUANTITIES-On "Requirement" bids, acceptance will bind the County to pay for, at unit bid prices, only quantities ordered and delivered. Where the County specifies estimated quantities, the Contractor shall not be required to deliver more than ten (10) percent in excess of the estimated quantity of each item, unless otherwise agreed upon.

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31. TERMINATION OF CONTRACTS-Contracts will remain in force for full periods specified and/or until all articles ordered before date of termination shall have been satisfactorily delivered and accepted and thereafter until all requirements and conditions shall have been met, unless:

- a. Terminated prior to expiration date by satisfactory deliveries of entire contract requirements, or upon termination by the County for Convenience or Cause.
- b. Extended upon written authorization of the Purchasing Agent and accepted by Contractor, to permit ordering of unordered balances or additional quantities at contract prices and in accordance with contract terms.

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32. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE-A contract may be terminated in whole or in part by the County in accordance with this clause whenever the County Purchasing Agent shall determine that such a termination is in the best interest of the County. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor at least five (5) working days prior to the termination date of a Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which performance shall be terminated and the date upon which termination becomes effective. An equitable adjustment in the contract price shall be made for completed service, but no amount shall be allowed for anticipated profit on unperformed services.

33. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT FOR CAUSE-

- a. If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner his or her obligations under this contract, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this contract, the County shall thereupon have the right to terminate, specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination. In such event all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, and reports prepared by the Contractor under the contract shall, at the option of the County, become its property and the Contractor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents.
- b. Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor shall not be relieved of liability to the County for damages sustained by the County by virtue of any breach of contract by the Contractor for the purpose of set off until such time as the exact amount of damages due to the County from the Contractor is determined.

34. CONTRACT ALTERATIONS-No alterations in the terms of a contract shall be valid or binding upon the County unless made in writing and signed by the Purchasing Agent or his or her authorized agent.

35. SUBLETTING OF CONTRACT OR ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT FUNDS-It is mutually understood and agreed that the Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of his or her contractual duties to any other person, firm or corporation, without the previous written consent of the Purchasing Agent. If the Contractor desires to assign his or her right to payment of the contract, Contractor shall notify the Purchasing Agent immediately, in writing, of such assignment of right to payment. In no case shall such assignment of contract relieve the Contractor from his or her obligations or change the terms of the contract.

36. FUNDING-A contract shall be deemed binding only to the extent of appropriations available to each Agency for the purchase of goods and services.

37. DELIVERY/SERVICE FAILURES-Failure of a Contractor to deliver goods or services within the time specified, or within reasonable time as interpreted by the Purchasing Agent, or failure to make replacements/corrections of rejected articles/services when so requested, immediately or as directed by the Purchasing Agent, shall constitute authority for the Purchasing Agent to purchase in the open market articles/services of comparable grade/quality to replace the services, articles rejected, and/or not delivered. On all such purchases, the Contractor shall reimburse the County, within a reasonable time specified by the Purchasing Agent, for any expense incurred in excess of contract prices. Such purchases shall be deducted from the contract quantities if applicable. Should public necessity demand it, the County reserves the right to use or consume articles delivered or services performed which are substandard in quality, subject to an adjustment in price to be determined by the Purchasing Agent.

38. NON-LIABILITY-The Contractor shall not be liable in damages for delay in shipment or failure to deliver when such delay or failure is the result of fire, flood, strike, the transportation carrier, act of God, act of Government, act of an alien enemy or by any other circumstances which, in the Purchasing Agent's opinion, are beyond the control of the Contractor. Under such circumstances, however, the Purchasing Agent may, at his or her discretion, cancel the contract.

39. NEW GOODS, FRESH STOCK-All Contractors, unless otherwise specifically stated, shall provide new commodities, fresh stock, latest model, design or pack.

40. NON-DISCRIMINATION-During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:

- a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause.
- b. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
- c. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
- d. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs a, b, and c above in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000 so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- e. Contractor and Subcontractor hereunder shall, throughout the term of this contract, comply with the Human Rights Ordinance, Chapter 11 of the Code of the County of Fairfax, Virginia, as reenacted or amended.

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41. SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS UTILIZATION-

- a. It is the policy of the County of Fairfax as declared by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors' adoption of a Small and Minority Business Enterprise Program, April 6, 1981, that Fairfax County and its employees undertake every effort to increase opportunity for utilization of small or minority businesses in all aspects of procurement to the maximum extent feasible.
- b. Where it is practicable for any portion of the awarded contract to be subcontracted to other suppliers, the contractor is encouraged to offer such subcontracting opportunities to small, women and minority businesses.
- c. Where Federal grants or monies are involved it is the policy of Fairfax County, through its agents and employees, to comply with the requirements set forth in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-102, uniform administrative requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements with State and Local Governments, as they pertain to small and minority business utilization.

42. GUARANTEES & WARRANTIES-All guarantees and warranties required shall be furnished by the Contractor and shall be delivered to the Purchasing Agent before final payment on the contract is made. Unless otherwise stated, manufacturer's standard warranty applies.

43. PRICE REDUCTION-If at any time after the date of the bid the Contractor makes a general price reduction in the comparable price of any material covered by the contract to customers generally, an equivalent price reduction based on similar quantities and/or considerations shall apply to this contract for the duration of the contract period (or until the price is further reduced). Such price reduction shall be effective at the same time and in the same manner as the reduction in the price to customers generally. For purpose of this provision, a "general price reduction" shall mean any horizontal reduction in the price of an article or service offered (1) to Contractor's customers generally, or (2) in the Contractor's price schedule for the class of customers, i.e., wholesalers, jobbers, retailers, etc., which was used as the basis for bidding on this solicitation. An occasional sale at a lower price, or sale of distressed merchandise at a lower price, would not be considered a "general price reduction" under this provision. The Contractor shall submit his or her invoice at such reduced prices indicating on the invoice that the reduction is pursuant to the "Price Reduction" provision of the contract documents. The Contractor in addition will within ten days of any general price reduction notify the Purchasing Agent of such reduction by letter. **FAILURE TO DO SO MAY REQUIRE TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT.** Upon receipt of any such notice of a general price reduction, all ordering offices will be duly notified by the Purchasing Agent.

The Contractor, if requested, shall furnish, within ten days after the end of the contract period, a statement certifying either (1) that no general price reduction, as defined above, was made after the date of the bid, or (2) if any such general price reductions were made, that as provided above, they were reported to the Purchasing Agent within ten (10) days and ordering offices were billed at the reduced prices. Where one or more such general price reductions were made, the statement furnished by the Contractor shall include with respect to each price reduction (1) the date when notice of any such reduction was issued, (2) the effective date of the reduction, and (3) the date when the Purchasing Agent was notified of any such reduction.

44. CHANGES-Should it become proper or necessary in the execution of this contract to make any change in design, or to make any alterations which will increase the expense, the Purchasing Agent shall determine an equitable adjustment.

No payment shall be made to the Contractor for any extra material or services, or of any greater amount of money than stipulated to be paid in the contract, unless some changes in or additions to the contract requiring additional outlay by the Contractor shall first have been expressly authorized and ordered in writing by contract amendment or otherwise furnished by the Purchasing Agent.

45. PLACING OF ORDERS-Orders against contracts will be placed with the Contractor on a Purchase Order (or Procurement Card) executed and released by the Purchasing Agent or his or her designee. The Purchase Order must bear the appropriate contract number and date. Where Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) have been executed and a Blanket Purchase Order has been released by the Purchasing Agent, telephonic orders may be placed directly with the Contractor by authorized personnel in the ordering Agency.

DELIVERY PROVISIONS

46. SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS - CONSIGNMENT-Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation each case, crate, barrel, package, etc., delivered under the contract must be plainly stenciled or securely tagged, stating the Contractor's name, purchase order number, and delivery address as indicated in the order. Where shipping containers are to be used, each container must be marked with the purchase order number, name of the Contractor, the name of the item, the item number, and the quantity contained therein. Deliveries must be made within the hours of 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Deliveries at any other time will not be accepted unless specific arrangements have been previously made with the receiver at the delivery point. No deliveries will be accepted on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, unless previous arrangements have been made. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to insure compliance with these instructions for items that are drop-shipped.

47. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPLIES TENDERED-Unless otherwise specified in the solicitation, the Contractor shall be responsible for the materials or supplies covered by the contract until they are delivered at the designated point, but the Contractor shall bear all risk on rejected materials or supplies after notice of rejection. Rejected materials or supplies must be removed by and at the expense of the Contractor promptly after notification of rejection, unless public health and safety require immediate destruction or other disposal of rejected delivery. If rejected materials are not removed by the Contractor within ten (10) days after date of notification, the County may return the rejected materials or supplies to the Contractor at his or her risk and expense or dispose of them as its own property.

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48. INSPECTIONS-Inspection and acceptance of materials or supplies will be made after delivery at destinations herein specified unless otherwise stated. If inspection is made after delivery at destination herein specified, the County will bear the expense of inspection except for the value of samples used in case of rejection. Final inspection shall be conclusive except in regard to latent defects, fraud or such gross mistakes as to amount to fraud. Final inspection and acceptance or rejection of the materials or supplies will be made as promptly as practicable, but failure to inspect and accept or reject materials or supplies shall not impose liability on the County for such materials or supplies as are not in accordance with the specifications.

49. COMPLIANCE-Delivery must be made as ordered and in accordance with the solicitation or as directed by the Purchasing Agent when not in conflict with the bid. The decision of the Purchasing Agent as to reasonable compliance with delivery terms shall be final. Burden of proof of delay in receipt of goods by the purchaser shall rest with the Contractor. Any request for extension of time of delivery from that specified must be approved by the Purchasing Agent, such extension applying only to the particular item or shipment affected. Should the Contractor be delayed by the County, there shall be added to the time of completion a time equal to the period of such delay caused by the County. However, the Contractor shall not be entitled to claim damages or extra compensation for such delay or suspension. These conditions may vary for construction contracts. See Special Provisions for the individual solicitation.

50. POINT OF DESTINATION-All materials shipped to the County must be shipped F.O.B. DESTINATION unless otherwise stated in the contract or purchase order. The materials must be delivered to the "Ship to" address indicated on the purchase order.

51. ADDITIONAL CHARGES-Unless bought F.O.B. "shipping point" and Contractor prepays transportation, no delivery charges shall be added to invoices except when express delivery is authorized and substituted on orders for the method specified in the contract. In such cases, difference between freight or mail and express charges may be added to invoice.

52. METHOD AND CONTAINERS-Unless otherwise specified, goods shall be delivered in commercial packages in standard commercial containers, so constructed as to ensure acceptance by common or other carrier for safe transportation to the point of delivery. Containers become the property of the County unless otherwise specified by bidder.

53. WEIGHT CHECKING-Deliveries shall be subject to re-weighing over official sealed scales designated by the County. Payments shall be made on the basis of net weight of materials delivered. Normal shrinkage may be allowed in such instances where shrinkage is possible. Net weights only, exclusive of containers or wrapping, shall be paid for by the County.

54. DEMURRAGE AND RE-SPOTTING-The County will be responsible for demurrage charges only when such charges accrue because of the County's negligence in unloading the materials. The County will pay railroad charges due to the re-spotting of cars, only when such re-spotting is ordered by the County.

55. REPLACEMENT-Materials or components that have been rejected by the Purchasing Agent, in accordance with the terms of a contract, shall be replaced by the Contractor at no cost to the County.

56. PACKING SLIPS OR DELIVERY TICKETS-All shipments shall be accompanied by Packing Slips or Delivery Tickets and shall contain the following information for each item delivered:

1. The Purchase Order Number,
2. The Name of the Article and Stock Number (Supplier's),
3. The Fairfax County Identification Number (FCIN), if specified in the order,
4. The Quantity Ordered,
5. The Quantity Shipped,
6. The Quantity Back Ordered,
7. The Name of the Contractor.

Contractors are cautioned that failure to comply with these conditions shall be considered sufficient reason for refusal to accept the goods.

BILLING

57. BILLING-Billing for the Fairfax County Public Schools and for County agencies: Unless otherwise specified on the contract or purchase order (PO), invoices are to be submitted, in DUPLICATE, for each purchase order immediately upon completion of the shipment or services. If shipment is made by freight or express, the original Bill of Lading, properly receipted, must be attached to the invoice. Invoices should be mailed to the "BILL TO" address on the PO or to the appropriate address specified in the contract.

PAYMENTS

58. PAYMENT-Payment shall be made after satisfactory performance of the contract, in accordance with all of the provisions thereof, and upon receipt of a properly completed invoice. Fairfax County reserves the right to withhold any or all payments or portions thereof for Contractor's failure to perform in accordance with the provision of the contract or any modifications thereto.

59. PARTIAL PAYMENTS-Unless otherwise specified, partial payments will be made upon acceptance of materials or services so invoiced if in accordance with completion date. However, up to 5 percent (5%) of the value of the entire order may be retained until completion of contract.

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60. PAYMENT FOR EQUIPMENT, INSTALLATION, AND TESTING-When equipment requires installation (which shall also be interpreted to mean erection and/or setting up or placing in position, service, or use) and test, and where such installation or testing is delayed, payment may be made on the basis of 50% of the contract price when such equipment is delivered on the site. A further allowance of 25% may be made when the equipment is installed and ready for test. The balance shall be paid after the equipment is tested and found to be satisfactory. If the equipment must be tested, but installation is not required to be made by the Contractor or if the equipment must be installed but testing is not required, payment may be made on the basis of 75% at the time of delivery and the balance shall be paid after satisfactory test or installation is completed.

GENERAL

61. GENERAL GUARANTY-Contractor agrees to:

- a. Save the County, its agents and employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind for the use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition; secret process, patented or unpatented; invention; article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of a contract for which the Contractor is not the patentee, assignee, licensee or owner.
- b. Protect the County against latent defective material or workmanship and to repair or replace any damages or marring occasioned in transit or delivery.
- c. Furnish adequate protection against damage to all work and to repair damages of any kind to the building or equipment, to his or her own work or to the work of other contractors, for which his or her workers are responsible.
- d. Pay for all permits, licenses and fees and give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of the County.
- e. Protect the County from loss or damage to County owned property while it is in the custody of the Contractor.

62. SERVICE CONTRACT GUARANTY-Contractor agrees to:

- a. Furnish services described in the solicitation and resultant contract at the times and places and in the manner and subject to conditions therein set forth provided that the County may reduce the said services at any time.
- b. Enter upon the performance of services with all due diligence and dispatch, assiduously press to its complete performance, and exercise therein the highest degree of skill and competence.
- c. All work and services rendered in strict conformance to all laws, statues, and ordinances and the applicable rules, regulations, methods and procedures of all government boards, bureaus, offices and other agents.
- d. Allow services to be inspected or reviewed by an employee of the County at any reasonable time and place selected by the County. Fairfax County shall be under no obligation to compensate Contractor for any services not rendered in strict conformity with the contract.
- e. Stipulate that the presence of a County Inspector shall not lessen the obligation of the Contractor for performance in accordance with the contract requirements, or be deemed a defense on the part of the Contractor for infraction thereof. The Inspector is not authorized to revoke, alter, enlarge, relax, or release any of the requirements of the contract documents. Any omission or failure on the part of the Inspector to disapprove or reject any work or material shall not be construed to be an acceptance of any such defective work or material. Notification of an omission or failure will be documented by the Purchasing Agent.

63. INDEMNIFICATION-Contractor shall indemnify, keep and save harmless the County, its agents, officials, employees and volunteers against claims of injuries, death, damage to property, patent claims, suits, liabilities, judgments, cost and expenses which may otherwise accrue against the County in consequence of the granting of a contract or which may otherwise result therefrom, if it shall be determined that the act was caused through negligence or error, or omission of the Contractor or his or her employees, or that of the subcontractor or his or her employees, if any; and the Contractor shall, at his or her own expense, appear, defend and pay all charges of attorneys and all costs and other expenses arising therefrom or incurred in connection therewith; and if any judgment shall be rendered against the County in any such action, the Contractor shall, at his or her own expense, satisfy and discharge the same. Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any performance bond or insurance protection required by this contract, or otherwise provided by the Contractor, shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the County as herein provided.

64. OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT-

- a. Each bidder or offeror shall certify, upon signing a bid or proposal, that to the best of his or her knowledge no Fairfax County official or employee having official responsibility for the procurement transaction, or member of his or her immediate family, has received or will receive any financial benefit of more than nominal or minimal value relating to the award of this contract. If such a benefit has been received or will be received, this fact shall be disclosed with the bid or proposal or as soon thereafter as it appears that such a benefit will be received. Failure to disclose the information prescribed above may result in suspension or debarment, or rescission of the contract made, or could affect payment pursuant to the terms of the contract.
- b. Whenever there is reason to believe that a financial benefit of the sort described in paragraph "a" has been or will be received in connection with a bid, proposal or contract, and that the Contractor has failed to disclose such benefit or has inadequately disclosed it, the County Executive, as a prerequisite to payment pursuant to the contract, or at any other time, may require the Contractor to furnish, under oath, answers to any interrogatories related to such possible benefit.

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- c. In the event the bidder or offeror has knowledge of benefits as outlined above, this information should be submitted with the bid or proposal. If the above does not apply at time of award of contract and becomes known after inception of a contract, the bidder or offeror shall address the disclosure of such facts to the Fairfax County Purchasing Agent, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 427, Fairfax, Virginia 22035-0013. Relevant Invitation/Request for Proposal Number (see cover sheet) should be referenced in the disclosure.

65. LICENSE REQUIREMENT-All firms doing business in Fairfax County, shall obtain a license as required by Chapter 4, Article 7, of The Code of the County of Fairfax, Virginia, as amended, entitled "Business, Professional and Occupational Licensing (BPOL) Tax." Questions concerning the BPOL Tax should be directed to the Department of Tax Administration, telephone (703) 222-8234 or visit: http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dta/business_tax.htm. The BPOL Tax number must be indicated in the space provided on the Cover Sheet, "Fairfax License Tax No." when appropriate.

66. AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN THE COMMONWEALTH: A contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the *Code of Virginia* or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described above that enters into a contract with a Fairfax County pursuant to the Fairfax County Purchasing Resolution shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required under Title 13.1 or Title 50, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the contract. Fairfax County may void any contract with a business entity if the business entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.

67. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES-The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For violation of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate or suspend this contract without liability to the County or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

68. VIRGINIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT-All proceedings, records, contracts and other public records relating to procurement transactions shall be open to the inspection of any citizen, or any interested person, firm or corporation, in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act except as provided below:

- a. Cost estimates relating to a proposed procurement transaction prepared by or for a public body shall not be open to public inspection.
- b. Any competitive sealed bidding bidder, upon request, shall be afforded the opportunity to inspect bid records within a reasonable time after the opening of all bids but prior to award, except in the event that the County decides not to accept any of the bids and to reopen the contract. Otherwise, bid records shall be open to public inspection only after award of the contract. Any competitive negotiation offeror, upon request, shall be afforded the opportunity to inspect proposal records within a reasonable time after the evaluation and negotiations of proposals are completed but prior to award except in the event that the County decides not to accept any of the proposals and to reopen the contract. Otherwise, proposal records shall be open to the public inspection only after award of the contract except as provided in paragraph "c" below. Any inspection of procurement transaction records under this section shall be subject to reasonable restrictions to ensure the security and integrity of the records.
- c. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by a bidder, offeror or Contractor in connection with a procurement transaction or prequalification application submitted pursuant to the prequalification process identified in the Special Provisions, shall not be subject to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the bidder, offeror or Contractor shall (i) invoke the protections of this section prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials, (ii) identify the data or other materials to be protected, and (iii) state the reasons why protection is necessary.
- d. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to require the County, when procuring by "competitive negotiation" (Request for Proposal), to furnish a statement of the reasons why a particular proposal was not deemed to be the most advantageous to the County.

BIDDER/CONTRACTOR REMEDIES

69. INELIGIBILITY-

- a. Any person or firm suspended or debarred from participation in County procurement shall be notified in writing by the County Purchasing Agent.
 - 1. The Notice of Suspension shall state the reasons for the actions taken and such decision shall be final unless the person or firm appeals within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice by instituting legal action as provided in the Code of Virginia.
 - 2. The Notice of Debarment shall state the reasons for the actions taken and the decision shall be final unless the person or firm appeals within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notice by instituting legal action as provided in the Code of Virginia.
- b. The County Purchasing Agent shall have the authority to suspend or debar a person or firm from bidding on any contract for the causes stated below:

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1. Conviction for commission of a criminal offense as an incident to obtaining or attempting to obtain a public or private contract or subcontract, or in the performance of such contract or subcontract;
 2. Conviction under state or federal statutes of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, receiving stolen property, or any other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty which currently, seriously, and directly affects responsibility as a County Contractor;
 3. Conviction under the state or federal antitrust statutes arising out of the submission of bids or proposals;
 4. Violation of contract provisions, as set forth below, of a character which is regarded by the County Purchasing Agent to be so serious as to justify suspension or debarment action:
 - (a) failure without good cause to perform in accordance with the specifications or within the time limit provided in the contract; or
 - (b) a recent record of failure to perform or of unsatisfactory performance in accordance with the terms of one or more contracts; provided, that failure to perform or unsatisfactory performance caused by acts beyond the control of the Contractor shall not be considered to be a basis for suspension or debarment;
 5. Any other cause the County Purchasing Agent determines to be so serious and compelling as to affect responsibility as a Contractor, such as debarment by another governmental entity for any cause listed herein, or because of prior reprimands;
 6. The Contractor has abandoned performance or been terminated for default on any other Fairfax County project;
 7. The Contractor is in default on any surety bond or written guarantee on which Fairfax County is an obligee.
- c. If, upon appeal, it is determined that the action taken by the County Purchasing Agent was arbitrary or capricious, or not in accordance with the Constitution of Virginia, statutes or regulations, the sole relief available to the person or firm shall be restoration of eligibility. The person or firm may not institute legal action until all statutory requirements have been met.

70. APPEAL OF DENIAL OF WITHDRAWAL OF BID-

- a. A decision denying withdrawal of a bid submitted by a bidder or offeror shall be final and conclusive unless the bidder appeals the decision within ten (10) days after receipt of the decision by instituting legal action as provided in the Code of Virginia. The bidder or offeror may not institute legal action until all statutory requirements have been met.
- b. If no bid bond was posted, a bidder refused withdrawal of bid under the provisions of Article 2, Section 4 a.9, of the Fairfax County Purchasing Resolution, prior to appealing, shall deliver to the County a certified check or cash bond in the amount of the difference between the bid sought to be withdrawn and the next low bid. Such security shall be released only upon a final determination that the bidder was entitled to withdraw the bid.
- c. If, upon appeal, it is determined that the decision refusing withdrawal of the bid was arbitrary or capricious, the sole relief shall be withdrawal of the bid.

71. APPEAL OF DETERMINATION OF NONRESPONSIBILITY-

- a. Any bidder who, despite being the apparent low bidder, is determined not to be a responsible bidder for a particular County contract shall be notified in writing by the County Purchasing Agent. Such notice shall state the basis for the determination, which shall be final unless the bidder appeals the decision within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice by instituting legal action as provided in the Code of Virginia. The bidder may not institute legal action until all statutory requirements have been met.
- b. If, upon appeal, it is determined that the decision of the County Purchasing Agent was arbitrary or capricious and the award for the particular County contract in question has not been made, the sole relief available to the bidder shall be a finding that the bidder is a responsible bidder for the County contract in question. Where the award has been made and performance has begun, the County may declare the contract void upon a finding that this action is in the best interest of the public. Where a contract is declared void, the performing Contractor shall be compensated for the cost of performance up to the time of such declaration. In no event shall the performing Contractor be entitled to lost profits.

72. PROTEST OF AWARD OR DECISION TO AWARD-

- a. Any bidder or offeror may protest the award or decision to award a contract by submitting a protest in writing to the County Purchasing Agent, or an official designated by the County of Fairfax, no later than ten (10) days after the award or the announcement of the decision to award, whichever occurs first. Any potential bidder or offeror on a contract negotiated on a sole source or emergency basis who desires to protest the award or decision to award such contract shall submit such protest in the same manner no later than ten days after posting or publication of the notice of such contract as provided in Article 3, Section 4, of the Fairfax County Purchasing Resolution. However, if the protest of any actual or potential bidder or offeror depends in whole or in part upon information contained in public records pertaining to the procurement transaction which are subject to inspection under Article 2, Section 4d of the Fairfax County Purchasing Resolution, then the time within which the protest must be submitted shall expire ten days after those records are available for inspection by such bidder or offeror under Article 2, Section 4d, or at such later time as provided herein. No protest shall lie for a claim that the selected bidder or offeror is not a responsible bidder or offeror. The written protest shall include the basis for the protest and the relief sought. The County Purchasing Agent shall issue a decision in writing within ten (10) days of the receipt of the protest stating the reasons for the action taken. This decision shall be final unless the bidder or offeror appeals within ten (10) days of receipt of the written decision by instituting legal action as provided in the Code of Virginia.

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- b. If prior to award it is determined that the decision to award is arbitrary or capricious, then the sole relief shall be a finding to that effect. The County Purchasing Agent shall cancel the proposed award or revise it to comply with the law. If, after an award, it is determined that an award of a contract was arbitrary or capricious, then the sole relief shall be as hereinafter provided. Where the award has been made but performance has not begun, the performance of the contract may be declared void by the County. Where the award has been made and performance has begun, the County Purchasing Agent may declare the contract void upon a finding that this action is in the best interest of the County. Where a contract is declared void, the performing Contractor shall be compensated for the cost of performance at the rate specified in the contract up to the time of such declaration. In no event shall the performing Contractor be entitled to lost profits.
- c. Pending final determination of a protest or appeal, the validity of a contract awarded and accepted in good faith in accordance with this article shall not be affected by the fact that a protest or appeal has been filed.
- d. An award need not be delayed for the period allowed a bidder or offeror to protest, but in the event of a timely protest, no further action to award the contract will be taken unless there is a written determination that proceeding without delay is necessary to protect the public interest or unless the bid or offer would expire.

73. CONTRACTUAL DISPUTES-

- a. Any dispute concerning a question of fact as a result of a contract with the County which is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by the County Purchasing Agent, who shall reduce his decision to writing and mail or otherwise forward a copy to the Contractor within ninety (90) days. The decision of the County Purchasing Agent shall be final and conclusive unless the Contractor appeals within six (6) months of the date of the final written decision by instituting legal action as provided in the Code of Virginia. A Contractor may not institute legal action, prior to receipt of the County Purchasing Agent's decision on the claim, unless the County Purchasing Agent fails to render such decision within the time specified.
- b. Contractual claims, whether for money or other relief, shall be submitted in writing no later than sixty days after final payment; however, written notice of the Contractor's intention to file such claim shall have been given at the time of the occurrence or beginning of the work upon which the claim is based. Nothing herein shall preclude a contract from requiring submission of an invoice for final payment within a certain time after completion and acceptance of the work or acceptance of the goods. Pendency of claims shall not delay payment of amounts agreed due in the final payment.

74. LEGAL ACTION-No bidder, offeror, potential bidder or offeror, or Contractor shall institute any legal action until all statutory requirements have been met.

75. COOPERATIVE PURCHASING-The County may participate in, sponsor, conduct or administer a cooperative procurement agreement on behalf of or in conjunction with one or more other public bodies, or public agencies or institutions or localities of the several states, of the United States or its territories, or the District of Columbia, for the purpose of combining requirements to increase efficiency or reduce administrative expenses in any acquisition of goods and services. Except for contracts for architectural and engineering services, a public body may purchase from another public body's contract even if it did not participate in the request for proposal (RFP) or invitation for bid (IFB), if the RFP or IFB specified that the procurement was being conducted on behalf of other public bodies. Nothing herein shall prohibit the assessment or payment by direct or indirect means of any administrative fee that will allow for participation in any such arrangement.

76. PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION-The Department of Purchasing & Supply Management holds membership in the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Inc., a non-profit, educational and technical organization that includes among its goals and objectives the study, discussion, and recommendation of improvements in governmental purchasing and the interchange of ideas and experiences on local state, and national governmental purchasing problems.

77. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE-During the performance of a contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subContractor or vendor. For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in conjunction with a specific contract awarded to a Contractor in accordance with this section, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

78. IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT: Contractor agrees that it does not, and shall not during the performance of the contract for goods and services in the Commonwealth, knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as defined in the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

APPROVED:

/S/ David P. Bobzien
COUNTY ATTORNEY

/S/ Cathy A. Muse
COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT

The following documents which are included in this Solicitation shall be incorporated by reference in the resulting contract and become a part of said contract:

- A. County of Fairfax Cover Sheet (DPSM30)
- B. Special Provisions & Specifications
- C. Appendix A (General Conditions)
- D. Appendix B (Pricing Schedule, three references, Virginia State Corp commitment (SCC) Registration Form, Certification Regarding Debarment of Suspension, BPOL Form, Certification Regarding Ethics in Public Contracting, Sample Jurisdiction Listing, Business Classification Schedule and Subcontractors Notification Form)

CONTACT FOR ADMINISTRATION:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: (Office) _____

TELEPHONE/FAX: (Office) _____

E-MAIL: _____

PAY TO ADDRESS: (If different from Firm address on Cover Sheet)

PRICING SCHEDULE

Refer to TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS (pages 10 through 12)					
Item No.	Item Description	Qty	UOM	Unit Price	Extension Price
1	Live captioning services hourly rate (Ref: Para. 1 of the Technical Specifications)	3,500	HR	\$ _____	\$ _____
2	Non-live captioning services hourly rate (Ref: Para. 1 of the Technical Specifications)	100	HR	\$ _____	\$ _____
3	Foreign language captioning hourly rate (Ref. Para. 2 of the Technical Specifications)	50	HR	\$ _____	\$ _____
4	Foreign language subtitling hourly rate (Ref. Para. 2 of the Technical Specifications)	50	HR	\$ _____	\$ _____
5	CART services hourly rate (Ref. Para. 3 of the Technical Specifications)	1,500	HR	\$ _____	\$ _____
Total Amount of Bid (Items 1 through 5)					\$ _____
<u>AFTER HOURS CONTACTS</u>					
List a contact person's name and telephone number for after-hour's emergency calls. The alternate contact will be used in the event the primary contact is unavailable due to scheduled or unscheduled absences (Ref: Para 1 of the Technical Specifications)					
Primary Contact:					
Name					
Title					
Telephone Number					
Alternate Contact:					
Name(s)					
Title					
Telephone Number(s)					

REFERENCES:

Fairfax County Government (FCG) and Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) to include all agencies and authorities shall be considered as a single entity—i.e., one reference for the purpose of these references. **The County will not consider bids which fail to provide references as specified above.**

List below three (3) references, for which you have provided similar services during the past three (3) years.

1.

Company Name: _____

Contacts Name/Phone No. _____

Scope of Work: _____

2.

Company Name: _____

Contacts Name/Phone No. _____

Scope of Work: _____

3.

Company Name: _____

Contacts Name/Phone No. _____

Scope of Work: _____

Sample Listing of Local Public Bodies

REFERENCE PARAGRAPH 22 OF THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS, "USE OF CONTRACTS BY OTHER PUBLIC BODIES." You may select those public bodies that this contract may be extended, a "blank" will signify a "NO" response:

Alexandria Public Schools, VA		Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission
Alexandria Sanitation Authority		Maryland Department of Transportation
Alexandria, Virginia		Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority
Arlington County, Virginia		Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Arlington Public Schools, Virginia		Montgomery Community College
Bladensburg, Maryland		Montgomery County, Maryland
Bowie, Maryland		Montgomery County Public Schools, MD
Charles County Public Schools, MD		Northern Virginia Community College
College Park, Maryland		Omni Ride
Culpeper County, Virginia		Potomac & Rappahannock Trans. Commission
District of Columbia		Prince George's County, Maryland
District of Columbia Courts		Prince George's County Public Schools, MD
DC Water and Sewer Authority		Prince William County Public Schools, VA
District of Columbia Public Schools		Prince William County, Virginia
Fairfax County Water Authority		Prince William County Service Authority
Fairfax, Virginia (City)		Rockville, Maryland
Falls Church, Virginia		Spotsylvania County Schools, Virginia
Fauquier County, Virginia		Stafford County, Virginia
Fauquier County Schools, Virginia		Takoma Park, Maryland
Frederick City, Maryland		Upper Occoquan Sewage Authority
Frederick County Maryland		Vienna, Virginia
Gaithersburg, Maryland		Virginia Railway Express
Greenbelt, Maryland		Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Herndon, Virginia		Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission
Leesburg, Virginia		Winchester, Virginia
Loudoun County Sanitation Authority		Winchester Public Schools
Loudoun County, Public Schools, VA		
Loudoun County, Virginia		
Manassas, Virginia		
Manassas City Public Schools, Virginia		
Manassas Park, Virginia		

Complete and return this form with your bid. Contract award may not be made without it.

Vendor Name

BUSINESS CLASSIFICATION

DEFINITIONS

Small Business – means a business, independently owned or operated by one or more individuals who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, and together with affiliates, has 250 or fewer employees, or average annual gross receipts of \$10 million or less averaged over the previous three years. One or more of the individual owners shall control both the management and daily business operations of the small business.

Minority-Owned Business - means a business concern that is at least 51% owned by one or more minority individuals who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, or in the case of a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity, at least 51% of the equity ownership interest in the corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity is owned by one or more minority individuals who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, and both the management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more minority individuals.

Woman-Owned Business – means a business that is at least 51% owned by one or more women who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, or in the case of a corporation, partnership, or limited liability company or other entity, at least 51% of the equity ownership interest is owned by one or more women who are U.S. citizens or legal resident aliens, and both the management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

YOU MUST CLASSIFY YOUR BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION BY MARKING THE APPROPRIATE BOXES ON THE COVER SHEET (DPSM 30). This designation is required of all business/organizations including publicly traded corporations, non-profits, sheltered workshops, government organizations, partnerships, sole proprietorships, etc.



**COUNTY OF FAIRFAX
DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING & SUPPLY MANAGEMENT
SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM (SMBEP)
12000 Government Center Parkway, Suite 427
Fairfax, Virginia 22035-0013
Fax: 703-324-3228**

SUBCONTRACTOR (S) NOTIFICATION FORM

Contract Number/Title: _____

Prime Contractors Name: _____

Prime Contractor's Classification Code: _____ (from Business Classification Schedule)

In accordance with the Subcontracting paragraph of the Special Provisions for the above-cited contract, you are required to provide the County with names, addresses, anticipated dollar amount and small/minority classification (use code numbers from previous page) of each first-tier subcontractor. Please complete this form and return it to this office with your bid package.

Please check here if you are not using a subcontractor: _____

SUBCONTRACTOR(S) NAME	STREET ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	ANTICIPATED DOLLAR AMOUNT	SMALL/MINORITY CLASSIFICATION

Complete and return this form with your bid. Contract award may not be made without it.