

Construction Management Services for Westpark Park and Ride for Fort Bend County RFQ 18-091

### SUBMIT RFQs TO:

Fort Bend County Purchasing Department Travis Annex 301 Jackson, Suite 201 Richmond, TX 77469

Note: All correspondence must include the term "Purchasing Department" in address to assist in proper delivery

### SUBMIT NO LATER THAN:

Tuesday, September 4, 2018 2:00 PM (Central)

**MARK ENVELOPE:** 

RFQ 18-091 Westpark Park and Ride

### ALL RFQs MUST BE RECEIVED IN AND TIME/DATE STAMPED BY THE PURCHASING OFFICE OF FORT BEND COUNTY ON OR BEFORE THE SPECIFIED TIME/DATE STATED ABOVE.

RFQs RECEIVED AS REQUIRED WILL THEN BE OPENED AND NAMES PUBLICLY READ.

RFQs RECEIVED AFTER THE SPECIFIED TIME, WILL BE RETURNED UNOPENED.

Results will not be given by phone. Results will be provided to bidder in writing after Commissioners Court award. Requests for information must be in writing and directed to: Jaime Kovar Assistant Purchasing Agent Jaime.Kovar@fortbendcountytx.gov

### Vendor Responsibilities:

- Download and complete any addendums. (Addendums will be posted on the Fort Bend County website no Later than 48 hours prior to bid opening)
- Submit response in accordance with requirements stated on the cover of this document.
- > DO NOT submit responses via email or fax.

Prepared: 7/30/18 Issued: 8/13/18



### COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT Fort Bend County, Texas

# **Vendor Information**

Office (281) 341-8640

Debbie	Kaminski,	CPPB
County	Purchasing	, Agent

Legal Company Name (top line of W9)		
Business Name (if different from legal name)		
Federal ID # or S.S. #		
	Corporation/LLC	
Type of Business	Sole Proprietor/Individual	
Publicly Traded	NoYes Ticker Symbol _	
Business		
Remittance Address		
City/State/Zip		
Physical Address		
City/State/Zip		
Phone/Fax Number	Phone: Fa	ax:
Contact Person		
E-mail		
Check all that apply to	DBE-Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	_ Certification #
the company listed	SBE-Small Business Enterprise HUB –Texas Historically Underutilized Busin	Certification #
above and provide certification number.	WBE-Women's Business Enterprise	Certification #
	<\$500.000	\$500,000,\$4,000,000
Company's gross	<\$500,000	\$500,000-\$4,999,999
annual receipts	\$5,000,000-\$16,999,999	\$17,000,000-\$22,399,999
_	>\$22,400,000	
NAICs codes (Please enter all that apply)		
Signature of		
Authorized		
Representative		
Printed Name		
Title		
Date		

# THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE SOLICITATION RESPONSE.

# **1.0 OBJECTIVE:**

Fort Bend County is requesting Request for Qualifications (RFQ) from professional engineering, architectural and/or construction management firms with demonstrated experience and success in the field of construction management and project administration in support of the County's Public Transportation Westpark Park and Ride project.

# 2.0 GENERAL:

- 2.1 The selected party will be requested to submit a proposal for an engineering contract under the provisions of the §2254 of the Texas Government Code.
- 2.2 Respondents should carefully read the information contained herein and submit a complete response to all requirements and questions as directed.
- 2.3 Submittals and any other Respondent information in response to this RFQ shall become the property of Fort Bend County.
- 2.4 Fort Bend County will not provide compensation to Respondents for any expenses incurred by the Respondent(s) for submittal preparation or for any demonstrations that may be made, unless otherwise expressly stated or required by law. Respondents submit qualifications at their own risk.
- 2.5 Each submittal should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of your firm's ability to meet the requirements, and an understanding of the County's needs.
- 2.6 Fort Bend County makes no guarantee that an award will be made as a result of this RFQ. Fort Bend County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submittals, with or without cause, waive any formalities or minor technical inconsistencies, or delete any item/requirement from this RFQ or contract when deemed to be in the County's best interest. Representations made within the qualifications submittal and any subsequent proposal will be binding on responding firms. Fort Bend County will not be bound to act by any previous communication or submittal by the firms other than those responding to this RFQ.

# **3.0 INSURANCE:** (failure to provide is automatic disqualification)

3.1 All respondents must submit, with RFQ, a <u>current</u> certificate of insurance indicating coverage in the amounts stated below. In lieu of submitting a certificate of insurance, respondents may submit, with RFQ, a notarized statement from an Insurance company, authorized to conduct business in the State of Texas, and acceptable to Fort Bend County, guaranteeing the issuance of an insurance policy, with the coverage stated below, to the firm named therein, if successful, upon award of this Contract. Failure to provide current insurance certificate or notarized statement will result in disqualification of submittal.

- 3.2 At contract execution, firm shall furnish County with property executed certificates of insurance which shall evidence all insurance required and provide that such insurance shall not be canceled, except on 30 days prior written notice to County. Firm shall provide certified copies of insurance endorsements and/or policies if requested by County. Firm shall maintain such insurance coverage from the time Services commence until Services are completed and provide replacement certificates, policies and/or endorsements for any such insurance expiring prior to completion of Services. Firm shall obtain such insurance written on an Occurrence form (or a Claims Made form for Professional Liability insurance) from such companies having Best's rating of A/VII or better, licensed or approved to transact business in the State of Texas, and shall obtain such insurance of the following types and minimum limits:
  - 3.2.1 Workers' Compensation insurance. Substitutes to genuine Workers' Compensation Insurance will not be allowed.
  - 3.2.2 Employers' Liability insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per injury by accident, \$1,000,000 per injury by disease, and \$1,000,000 per bodily injury by disease.
  - 3.2.3 Commercial general liability insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the annual aggregate. Policy shall cover liability for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage and products/completed operations arising out of the business operations of the policyholder.
  - 3.2.4 Business Automobile Liability coverage with a combined Bodily Injury/Property Damage limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each accident. The policy shall cover liability arising from the operation of licensed vehicles by policyholder.
  - 3.2.5 Professional Liability insurance may be made on a Claims Made form with limits not less than \$1,000,000.
- 3.3 FBC and the members of Commissioners Court shall be named as additional insured to all required coverage except for Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability (if required). All Liability policies including Workers' Compensation written on behalf of contractor, excluding Professional Liability, shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of FBC and members of Commissioners Court.
- 3.4 If required coverage is written on a claims-made basis, firm warrants that any retroactive date applicable to coverage under the policy precedes the effective date of the contract; and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning from the time that work under the agreement is completed.

# 4.0 INDEMNIFICATION:

Respondent shall indemnify and hold harmless FBC against all liability for damages arising from activities of Respondent, its agents, servants or employees, performed under this agreement to the extent that the damage is caused by or results from an act of negligence, intentional tort, intellectual property infringement, or failure to pay a subcontractor or supplier committed by the Respondent, its agents, servants, employees, consultants under contract, or another entity over which the Respondent exercises control. Respondent agrees to reimburse FBC for reasonable attorney's fees in proportion to Respondent's liability.

- 4.1 Respondent shall timely report all such matters to FBC and shall, upon the receipt of any such claim, demand, suit, action, proceeding, lien or judgment, not later than the fifteenth day of each month; provide FBC with a written report on each such matter, setting forth the status of each matter, the schedule or planned proceedings with respect to each matter and the cooperation or assistance, if any, of FBC required by Respondent in the defense of each matter.
- 4.2 Respondent's duty to defend, indemnify and hold Fort Bend County harmless shall be absolute. It shall not abate or end by reason of the expiration or termination of any contract unless otherwise agreed by Fort Bend County in writing. The provisions of this section shall survive the termination of the contract and shall remain in full force and effect with respect to all such matters no matter when they arise.
- 4.3 In the event of any dispute between the parties as to whether a claim, demand, suit, action, proceeding, lien or judgment appears to have been caused by or appears to have arisen out of or in connection with acts or omissions of Respondent, Respondent shall never-the-less fully defend such claim, demand, suit, action, proceeding, lien or judgment until and unless there is a determination by a court of competent jurisdiction that the acts and omissions of Respondent are not at issue in the matter.
- 4.4 The provision by Respondent of insurance shall not limit the liability of Respondent under an agreement.
- 4.5 Respondent shall cause all trade contractors and any other contractor who may have a contract to perform construction or installation work in the area where work will be performed under this request, to agree to indemnify FBC and to hold it harmless from all claims for bodily injury and property damage that may arise from said Respondent's operations. Such provisions shall be in form satisfactory to FBC.
- 4.6 Loss Deduction Clause FBC shall be exempt from, and in no way liable for, any sums of money which may represent a deductible in any insurance policy. The payment of deductibles shall be the sole responsibility of Respondent and/or trade contractor providing such insurance.

# 5.0 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- 5.1 In 2005, Fort Bend County initiated public transit services supported in part with Federal Transit Administration, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) program and other federal, state and local sources.
- 5.2 Fort Bend County provides three (3) commuter routes going to the Greenway Plaza, Galleria, and the Texas Medical Center areas of Houston. In addition, Fort Bend County Public Transportation provides demand response services open to the general public within Fort Bend County.
- 5.3 The County is seeking the professional services necessary to carry out construction management and project administration in completing the Westpark Park & Ride project. Fort Bend County Public Transportation (FBCPT) is nearing completion of f i n a l design for this project and is ready to transition into the construction stage. The park and ride will be located off of FM1093 between Mason Road and Grand Mission Road on the westbound side of FM1093 in Richmond, Texas. Plans include construction of a turn lane on FM1093 to provide access to the facility, the Park and Ride of approximately 6.09 acres, a bus shelter of approximately 6,320 sq. ft., a male and female restroom and utility room of approximately 274 sq. ft., a parking lot requiring paving of approximately 86,454 sq. ft, and an off-site utilities/lift station and utility line.
- 5.4 As Fort Bend County implements the project and related tasks described herein, firm may be required to assist and/or consult with other firms retained under this contract or other procurement processes and/or Fort Bend County may need to seek additional one-time objective opinions for various services or documents provided under this agreement.

# 6.0 SCOPE OF WORK:

- 6.1 FBCPT has completed preliminary planning activities and is nearing the final design stage of this facility. Construction management and administration activities are requested in this scope of work.
- 6.2 Construction administrative services may include but not be limited to review of attendance pre-bid and bid documents. at bid award meetings. recommendations, and responses to contractor request for information (RFI), review bid responses and construction management activities. Routine construction management services are to be provided along with on-site activities required by funding sources. Funding source requirements include but are not limited to on-site monitoring of construction contractor payrolls (Davis-Bacon ACT requirements and reporting), sub-contractor utilization and payments (DBE monitoring and reporting), Buy America monitoring and reporting, environmental compliance (site monitoring, etc.), etc. Firm will be

required to obtain, prepare and submit and/or present project and proposal information on behalf of the County at the federal, state, and local level as needed. Firm should expect to provide liaison assistance with local, state, and federal agencies and elected officials as well as with contractors retained to complete this project.

- 6.3 Firm will be required to oversee and manage construction administration, activities and progress in accordance with county procedures and funding source requirements and work with the project's construction contractor to ensure timely completion of the project in accordance to the contract and funding regulations. Firm will be responsible for formally reviewing all change-order requests and RFI's, making appropriate recommendations to the County and conveying the right direction to the contractor as requested. Firm shall also facilitate private-sector/County interface regarding project progression and provide technical assistance, analysis, and evaluation of all unforeseen construction circumstances.
- 6.4 In accordance with the County's Master Agreement with the FTA, the County agreed to develop and manage its transit program in compliance with FTA rules and regulations as a condition for the receipt of Federal funds. Project funding will include local government funding as well as funding provided by or through the Texas Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration and/or The Federal Highway Administration and as such, requirements imposed by these funding agencies must be followed for each aspect of the project completion as applicable. Firm will be required to submit and/or present project and proposal information on behalf of the County at the federal, state, and local level as needed. Firm should expect to provide liaison and coordination assistance with local, state, and federal agencies and elected officials as well as with contractors retained to complete the varying aspects of the project.
- 6.5 Firm will ensure all services comply with related regulations, processes, and requirements and provide necessary plans, documentation, reports, analysis, etc. as dictated by the funding sources. Services may include but not limited to providing technical assistance and reports, analysis of design drawings, etc. to the Architect/Engineer of record, Fort Bend County or funding source staff and/or construction contractors.
- 6.6 Firm should expect to provide liaison and other assistance as needed to Fort Bend County contractors retained under related contracts for completion of this project. When applicable or requested, firm may be asked to assist Fort Bend County in procuring contractor services and to assist contractors in responding to funding source requests/requirements and/or in obtaining subcontractors. When and if required, either by Fort Bend County, funding sources and other contractors retained for this project, firm will be required to provide technical assistance, analysis, evaluation, and coordination of meetings or activities, procedural expertise, etc. to ensure appropriate completion of

the project.

6.7 Firm will be expected to have appropriately skilled and experienced staff on the construction site at all times that construction activities are in progress. Expectations are that the firm will represent the county and its interest and notify County of any compliance, security, fraud, schedule or other concern that could affect completion of the project.

# 7.0 **PROJECT ADMINISTRATION & CLOSE-OUT:**

Varying technical and administrative services, reports and assistance related to project funding will be required. Technical reports and services may include but not be limited to supplements to environmental, traffic studies, reproduction of design or billing documents to funding source requirements, etc. Firm will be asked to provide these services and reports if funding sources or Fort Bend County require them. Firm will be required to submit and or present project and proposal information on behalf of the County at the federal, state and local level as needed. Firm should be prepared to provide additional reports of services related to project financing closeout to include but not be limited to billing document reviews, consultant regarding project financing, and attendance at meetings related to project funding, etc.

## 8.0 PAYMENT TERMS:

Payment for services should be proposed as a percentage of estimated construction costs. Payment for the approved fee will be negotiated.

### 9.0 FEDERAL CLAUSES:

This project is funded utilizing federal dollars. Therefore, the following federal clauses apply. These requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and their subcontracts at every tier that meet or exceed the required acquisition threshold. The Contractor shall require that the clauses below shall be included in each covered transaction at any tier.

### 9.1 Fly America.

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with the General Services Administration's regulations at 41 CFR Part 301-10, which provide that recipients and sub-recipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use U.S. Flag air carriers for U.S Government-financed international air travel and transportation of their personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. The

Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

9.2 Buy America.

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(j) and 49 C.F.R. part 661, which provide that Federal funds may not be obligated unless all steel, iron, and manufactured products used in FTA funded projects are produced in the United States, unless a waiver has been granted by FTA or the product is subject to a general waiver. General waivers are listed in 49 C.F.R. § 661.7. Separate requirements for rolling stock are set out at 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(C) and 49 C.F.R. § 661.11.

9.3 Cargo Preference-Use of United States-Flag Vessels.

The Contractor agrees to use a) privately owned US -Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material or commodities pursuant to the Underlying Agreement to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for US-Flag commercial vessels; b) to furnish within 20 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the US or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the US, a legible copy of a rated, "on-board" commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to the FTA recipient (through the contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill-of-lading).

9.4 Seismic Safety.

The Contractor agrees to comply with the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7701 *et seq.*, and U.S. DOT regulations, "Seismic Safety," 49 C.F.R. part 41, specifically, 49 C.F.R. § 41.117, and agrees that any new building or addition to an existing building will be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards for Seismic Safety required in Department of Transportation Seismic Safety Regulations 49 CFR Part 41 and will certify to compliance to the extent required by the regulation. The Contractor also agrees to ensure that all work performed related to the Underlying Agreement including work performed by a subcontractor is in compliance with the standards required by the Seismic Safety Regulations and the certification of compliance issued on the project.

9.5 Environmental Protections.

The Contractor agrees to, and assures that it will, comply with all applicable environmental and resource use laws, regulations, and requirements, and follow applicable guidance, now in effect or that may become effective in the future, including state and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and requirements and follow applicable guidance.

- 9.6 National Environmental Policy Act. An Award of federal assistance requires the full compliance with applicable environmental laws, regulations, and requirements. Accordingly, the Contractor agrees to:
  - 9.6.1 Comply and facilitate compliance with federal laws, regulations, and requirements, including, but not limited to: (a) Federal transit laws, such as 49 U.S.C. § 5323(c)(2), and 23 U.S.C. § 139, (b) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 *et seq.*, as limited by 42 U.S.C. § 5159, and CEQ's implementing regulations 40 C.F.R. part 1500 1508, (c) Joint FHWA and FTA regulations, "Environmental Impact and Related Procedures," 23 C.F.R. part 771 and 49 C.F.R. part 622, (d) Executive Order No. 11514, as amended, "Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality," March 5, 1970, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 note, and (e) Other federal environmental protection laws, regulations, and requirements applicable to the Recipient or the Award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement, and any Amendments thereto.
  - 9.6.2 Follow the federal guidance identified herein to the extent that the guidance is consistent with applicable authorizing legislation: (a) Joint FHWA and FTA final guidance, "Interim Guidance on MAP-21 Section 1319, Accelerated Decision-making in Environmental Reviews," January 14, 2013 (b) Joint FHWA and FTA final guidance, "SAFETEA-LU Environmental Review Process (Pub. L. 109-59)," 71 Fed. Reg. 66576, November 15, 2006, and (c) Other federal environmental guidance applicable to the Recipient of the Award, and the accompanying Underlying Agreement.
- 9.7 Environmental Justice.

The Contractor agrees to, and assures that it will, promote environmental justice by following: (1) Executive Order No. 12898, "Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations," February 11, 1994, 42 U.S.C. § 4321 note, as well as facilitating compliance with that Executive Order, (2) U.S. DOT Order 5610.2, "Department of Transportation Actions To Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations," 62 *Fed. Reg.* 18377, April 15, 1997, and (3) the most recent edition of FTA Circular 4703.1, "Environmental Justice Policy Guidance for Federal Transit Administration Recipients," August 15, 2012, to the extent consistent with applicable federal laws, regulations, requirements, and guidance.

9.8 Energy Conservation.

The Contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. and perform an energy assessment for any building constructed, reconstructed, or modified with federal assistance required under FTA regulations, "Requirements for Energy Assessments," 49 C.F.R. part 622, subpart C.

9.9 Clean Water.

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et <u>seq</u>. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office. The Contractor agrees it will not use any violating facilities. It will report the use of facilities placed on or likely to be placed on the U.S. EPA "List of Violating Facilities". It will report violations of use of prohibited facilities to FTA. The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

9.10 Clean Air.

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq . The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office. The Contractor agrees it will not use any violating facilities. It will report the use of facilities placed on or likely to be placed on the U.S. EPA "List of Violating Facilities". It will report violations of use of prohibited facilities to FTA. The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

9.11 Resource Recovery.

The Contractor agrees to comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds \$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

9.12 Other Environmental Federal Laws. The Contractor agrees to comply or facilitate compliance will comply or facilitate compliance with all applicable federal laws, regulations, and requirements, and will follow applicable guidance, including, but not limited to, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968, Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, Executive Order No. 11990 relating to "Protection of Wetlands," and Executive Order Nos. 11988 and 13690 relating to "Floodplain Management."

9.13 Lobbying.

Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the certification required by 49 CFR part 20, "New Restrictions on Lobbying." Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier shall also disclose the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on its behalf with non-Federal funds with respect to that Federal contract, grant or award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the County.

9.14 Access to Records and Reports.

The Contractor agrees to provide County, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to the Underlying Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

The Contractor agrees to comply and will require all subcontractors of any tier to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200.333. The Contractor agrees to retain, and will require its subcontractors of all tiers to retain, complete and readily accessible records related in whole or in part to the contract, including, but not limited to, all books, records, accounts, statistics, leases, subcontracts, arrangements other third party arrangements of any type, reports, and supporting materials related to those records required under the Underlying Agreement for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of the Underlying Agreement, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of the Underlying Agreement, in which case Contractor agrees to maintain same until County, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized

representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.

9.15 No Government Obligation to Third Parties.

County and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the Underlying Agreement, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to the Underlying Agreement and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to County, the Contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the Underlying Agreement. The Contractor agrees to include this clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

9.16 Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements and Related Acts.

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statement and Related Acts. The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 <u>et seq</u>. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the Underlying Agreement, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the Underlying Agreement or the FTA assisted project for which the Underlying Agreement is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

9.17 Breaches and Dispute Resolution.

Dispute Resolution. The parties shall attempt in good faith to resolve promptly any dispute arising out of or relating to the Underlying Agreement by negotiation between the parties. Disputes arising in the performance of this Contract that are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the authorized representative of the County. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within ten [10] days from the date of receipt of its copy, the Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the County. In connection with any such appeal, the Contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its position. The decision of the County shall be binding upon the Contractor and the Contractor shall abide be the decision.

9.17.1 Performance During Dispute - Unless otherwise directed by County, Contractor shall continue performance under the Underlying Agreement while matters in dispute are being resolved.

The requirement to seek mediation may be a condition required before filing an action at law or in equity, unless to do so would prevent either party from seeking relief in a court of law or equity under any applicable statute of limitations.

- 9.17.2 Claims for Damages Should either party to the Contract suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the party or of any of his employees, agents or others for whose acts he is legally liable, a claim for damages therefor shall be made in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury of damage.
- 9.17.3 Rights and Remedies The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. No action or failure to act by the County or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.
- 9.18 Notification of Disputes, Breaches, Defaults or Other Litigation.
  - 9.18.1 FTA Interest. Contractor understands and agrees that FTA has a vested interest in the settlement of any violation of federal law, regulation, or disagreement involving the Award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement, and any Amendments thereto including, but not limited to, a default, breach, major dispute, or litigation, and FTA reserves the right to concur in any settlement or compromise.

- 9.18.2 Notification to FTA. Contractor understands that if a current or prospective legal matter that may affect the Federal Government emerges, the County must promptly notify the FTA Chief Counsel, or FTA Regional Counsel for the Region in which the County is located. (1) The types of legal matters that require notification include, but are not limited to, a major dispute, breach, default, litigation, or naming the Federal Government as a party to litigation or a legal disagreement in any forum for any reason. (2) Matters that may affect the Federal Government include, but are not limited to, the Federal Government's interests in the Award, the accompanying Underlying Agreement, and any Amendments thereto, or the Federal Government's administration or enforcement of federal laws, regulations, and requirements.
- 9.18.3 If the County has credible evidence that Contractor or other person has submitted a false claim under the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. § 3729 *et seq.*, or has committed a criminal or civil violation of law pertaining to such matters as fraud, conflict of interest, bribery, gratuity, or similar misconduct involving federal assistance, the County must promptly notify the U.S. DOT Inspector General, in addition to the FTA Chief Counsel or Regional Counsel for the Region in which the County is located.
- 9.19 Government-wide Debarment and Suspension.

The Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180. A contract award in any tier must not be made to parties listed on the government wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 C.F.R. § 180 that implement Executive Orders Nos. 12549 (3 C F R part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 C.F.R. part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order No. 12549.

These provisions apply to each contract at any tier of \$25,000 or more, and to each contract at any tier for a federally required audit (irrespective of the contract amount), and to each contract at any tier that must be approved by an FTA official irrespective of the contract amount.

# 9.20 Civil Rights and Equal Opportunity Requirement.

The following requirements apply to the Underlying Agreement:

9.20.1 <u>Nondiscrimination</u> - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination

Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, status as a parent or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

- 9.20.2 Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- 9.20.3 <u>Age</u> In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 623 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- 9.20.4 <u>Disabilities</u> In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing

requirements FTA may issue.

The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary to identify the affected parties.

9.21 Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE).

The Underlying Agreement is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, *Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs including* a Part 26, Section 1101(b) of MAP-21 (23 U.S.C. § 101 note). The national goal for participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) is 10%. A separate contract goal has not been established for this procurement. These requirements are in addition to all other equal employment requirements of this Agreement.

The Contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of the Underlying Agreement. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this DOT-assisted contract. The Contractor must comply with 49 CFR Party 26. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of the Underlying Agreement, which may result in the termination of the Underlying Agreement or such other remedy as County deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to: (1) withholding monthly progress payments; (2) assessing sanctions; (3) liquidated damages; and/or (4) disqualifying the Contractor from future bidding as non-responsible. Each subcontract the Contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (*see* 49 CFR 26.13(b)).

The successful bidder/offeror will be required to report its DBE participation obtained through race-neutral means throughout the period of performance.

The Contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to the Underlying Agreement for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the Contractor's receipt of payment for that work from County. In addition, the Contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to the Underlying Agreement is satisfactorily completed.

The Contractor must promptly notify County whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to the Underlying Agreement is terminated or fails to complete its work, and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The Contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without the prior written consent of County. 9.22 Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration Terms.

The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1F, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in the Underlying Agreement. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any County requests which would cause County to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

9.23 Prompt Payment.

The Contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to the Underlying Agreement for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the Contractor's receipt of payment for that work from County. In addition, the Contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to the Underlying Agreement is satisfactorily completed.

9.24 Access for Individuals with Disabilities.

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5301(d), which states the Federal policy that elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities have the same right as other individuals to use public transportation services and facilities, and that special efforts shall be made in planning and designing those services and facilities to implement transportation accessibility rights for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, with 29 U.S.C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability; with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to individuals with disabilities; and with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4151 et seq., which requires that buildings and public accommodations be accessible to individuals with disabilities, and any subsequent amendments to these laws. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable implementing Federal regulations and directives and any subsequent amendments thereto, as follows:

(1) U.S. DOT regulations, "Transportation Services for Individuals with Disabilities (ADA)," 49 C.F.R. Part 3

(2) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. Part 27;

(3) Joint U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance board (U.S. ATBCB)/U.S. DOT regulations, "Americans With Disabilities (ADA)

Accessibility Specifications for Transportation Vehicles," 36 C.F.R. Part 1192 and 49 C.F.R. Part 38;

(4) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services," 28 C.F.R. Part 35;

(5) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities," 28 C.F.R. Part 36;

(6) U.S. General Services Administration (U.S. GSA) regulations, "Accommodations for the Physically Handicapped," 41 C.F.R. Subpart 101-19;

(7) U.S. EEOC, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630;

(8) U.S. Federal Communications Commission regulations, "Telecommunications Relay Services and Related Customer Premises Equipment for the Hearing and Speech Disabled," 47 C.F.R. Part 64, Subpart F; and

(9) U.S. ATBCB regulations, "Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Standards," 36 C.F.R. Part 1194; FTA regulations, "Transportation for Elderly and Handicapped Persons," 49 C.F.R. Part 609; and

(10) U.S. DOT regulations, "Transportation for Individuals with Disabilities: Passenger Vessels," 49 C.F.R. Part 39

(11) FTA Circular 4710.1, "Americans with Disabilities Act: Guidance," and

(12) Federal civil rights and nondiscrimination directives implementing the foregoing regulations, except to the extent the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing.

9.25 Veterans Preference.

The Contractor shall give a hiring preference, to the extent practicable, to veterans (as defined in 5 USC Section 2108) who have the requisite skills and abilities to perform the construction work required under the contract. This subsection shall not be understood, construed or enforced in any manner that would require an employer to give preference to any veteran over any equally qualified applicant who is a member of any racial or ethnic minority, female, an individual with a disability, or former employee.

9.26 Prevailing Wage and Anti-Kickback.

The Contractor shall comply with the Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. \$\$ 3141 – 3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. \$\$ 3141

- 3144, and 3146 - 3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. § 3145 and 18 U.S.C. §874), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or sub recipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.

9.27 Project Labor Agreements.

The County may require the Third Party Contractor or Subcontractor to have an affiliation with a labor organization, such as a Project Labor Agreement, consistent with Executive Order No. 13502, "Use of Project Labor Agreements for Federal Construction Projects," February 6, 2009, 41 U.S.C. chapter 39, Refs. & Annos.

9.28 Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

The Contractor shall comply with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§ 3701-3708), as supplemented by the DOL regulations at 29 C.F.R. part 5. Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers (including watchmen and guards) must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. §§ 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 C.F.R. part 5).

9.28.1 Overtime requirements - No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

- 9.28.2 Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the Contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefore shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.
- 9.28.3 Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages County shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.
- 9.28.4 Subcontracts The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.
- 9.28.5 Payrolls and basic records Payrolls and related basic records shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the worksite (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or the Housing Act of 1949, in the construction or development of the project). Such records shall contain the name, address and social security number of each worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid.

Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records showing that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records of the costs anticipated or actual costs incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs shall maintain written evidence of registration of apprenticeship programs, certification of trainee programs, registration of the apprentices and trainees, and ratios & wage rates prescribed in applicable programs.

- 9.28.6 The requirements of 40 U.S.C. § 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence. A federally assisted construction contract must exceed \$100,000 before these construction safety requirements apply to that contract.
- 9.29 National Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture and Standards. Contractor ensures that they will conform to the National Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture requirements of 23 U.S.C. § 517(d), unless it obtains an exemption from those requirements, and follow FTA Notice, "FTA National ITS Architecture Policy on Transit Projects," 66 *Fed. Reg.* 1455, January 8, 2001, and all other applicable federal guidance.
- 9.30 Transit Asset Management Plan. Contractor assures that it and will comply with FTA regulations "Transit Asset Management; National Transit Database," 49 C.F.R. parts 625 and 630, and follow applicable federal guidance.
- 9.31 Seat Belt Use. Contractor shall encourage their employees and other personnel that operate company-owned vehicles, company rented-vehicles, or personally operated vehicles to adopt on-the-job seat belt policies and programs.
- 9.32 Federal Changes.

The Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between County and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of the

Underlying Agreement. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of the Underlying Agreement.

9.33 Child Support.

Per Texas Family Code 231.006, a child support obligor or business entity remains ineligible to receive payments from state funds under a contract to provide property, materials, or services; or a state funded loan until: (1) All arrearages have been paid; (2) the obligor is in compliance with a written repayment agreement or court order as to any existing delinquency; or (3) the court of continuing jurisdiction over the child support order has granted the obligor an exemption from ineligibility as part of a court-supervised effort to improve earnings and child support payments.

Before payment can be released Contractor will supply County with the name and social security number of the individual or sole proprietor and each partner, shareholder, or owner with an ownership interest of at least 25 percent of the business entity.

Under Section 231.006, Family Code, the Contractor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

9.34 Debt to State.

The State of Texas shall not be responsible for the debts of the County.

# 10.0 FORMAT OF RESPONSE, QUALIFICATIONS, AND EVALUATION FACTORS:

- 10.1 To facilitate evaluation of submittals, one (1) original, seven (7) paper copies and one (1) electronic response on CD or flash drive is required. CD or flash drive must contain only one (1) file in PDF format and must match written response identically. Failure to provide proper CD or flash drive may result in disqualification.
- 10.2 Request for Qualifications must take the form of a bound 8-1/2-inch by 11-inch report with a Table of Contents and all pages numbered in sequence (maximum 25 pages). Binding must allow reports to lay flat when open and may be either binder, wire or GBC. Format of the report may be either "portrait" or "landscape" format with binding on either long or short side. The title page, letter of transmittal, table of contents, tabs, executive summary, or resumes are not included in the 25 page maximum page count.
- 10.3 Respondents are required to follow the outline below when preparing their submission:

- Tab Title Title Page Letter of Transmittal Table of Contents Executive Summary
- 1 Understand Scope of Work
- 2 Firm and Staff Experience
- 3 Federal Transit Administration Experience
- 4 Financial Stability
- 5 Overall Completeness of Proposal
- 10.4 Executive Summary This part of the response to the RFQ should be limited to a brief narrative highlighting the Respondent's submission. Note that the executive summary should identify the primary contacts for the Respondent.
- 10.5 Respondents will be evaluated utilizing the factors, as weighted below:
  - Tab 1
    - Understanding Scope of Work (weight factor = 35%)
      - Respondents must express, in detail, their understanding of this specific project. In addition include language related to knowledge of FTA/FHWA and pertinent FTA/FHWA training and education. Describe how your services will be provided and managed. Describe the approach your firm will take to the required collaboration, scheduling and coordination required for this project.
  - Tab 2

Firm and Staff Experience (weight factor = 25%)

- Firm Experience with Similar Projects: Such experience must be in the form of providing construction management services for state/municipal/county government. List a minimum of three (3) similar projects completed within the last ten (10) years; provide the project year, name and location of each project with explanation of service provided, completion date, the client, and a contact name and phone number.
- Staff Experience with Similar Projects: Such experience must be in the form of providing construction management services for state/municipal/county government. Provide organizational chart and resumes (including brief biographies) for individuals who will be assigned to this project. Resumes must include a minimum of three (3) similar projects (as related to this RFQ) completed within the last ten (10) years; provide the project year, name and location

of each project, explanation of service provided, completion date, the client, and a contact name and phone number.

### Tab 3

Federal Transit Administration Experience (weight factor = 25%)

List a minimum of three (3) FTA/FHWA funded similar projects which was provided for a public transit agency or local government, completed within the last ten (10) years, and for which respondent was the construction manager. Provide the name and location of each project with explanation of service provided, completion date, the client, and a contact person and phone number.

### Tab 4

Financial Stability (weight factor = 10%)

> Complete and accurate responses to the following questions:

a. Has your Company ever failed to complete any work awarded to it?

b. Are there any judgments, claims, arbitration proceedings or suits pending or outstanding against your Company or its officers?

c. Has your Company filed any lawsuits or requested arbitration with regard to construction contracts within the last five years? If yes, please provide details.

Tab 5

Overall Completeness of Proposal (weight factor = 5%)

Required proof of insurance and all required forms, as stated in Section 16.0.

# 11.0 TEXAS ETHICS COMMISSION FORM 1295:

11.1 Effective January 1, 2016 all contracts executed by Commissioners Court, regardless of the dollar amount, will require completion of Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties", per the new Government Code Statute §2252.908. All vendors submitting a response to a formal Bid, RFP, RFQ or any contracts, contract amendments, renewals or change orders are required to complete the Form 1295 online through the State of Texas Ethics Commission website. Please visit:

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\_info\_form1295.htm

- 11.2 On-line instructions:
  - 11.2.1 Name of governmental entity is to read Fort Bend County.
  - 11.2.2 Identification number use: RFQ 18-091
  - 11.2.3 Description is: Construction Management Services for Transit Center
- 11.3 Highest evaluated vendor will be required to provide the Form 1295 within three (3) calendar days from notification; however, if your company is publicly traded you are not required to complete this form.

# **12.0 STATE LAW REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTRACTS:**

The contents of this section are required by Texas Law and are included by County regardless of content.

- 12.1 Agreement to Not Boycott Israel Chapter 2270 Texas Government Code: By signature on vendor form, Contractor verifies Contractor does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of this Contract.
- 12.2 Texas Government Code Section 2251.152 Acknowledgment: By signature on vendor form, Contractor represents pursuant to Section 2252.152 of the Texas Government Code, that Contractor is not listed on the website of the Comptroller of the State of Texas concerning the listing of companies that are identified under Section 806.051, Section 807.051 or Section 2253.153.

# **13.0 PRE-RFQ CONFERENCE:**

No Pre-RFQ conference will be held.

# 14.0 NAIC CODES:

The following NAIC codes are set for this project; however, they are not all inclusive. Fort Bend County utilizes the following website: <u>http://www.dot.state.tx.us/apps-cg/tucp/default.htm</u>

- 541310 Architectural Services
- 541330 Engineering Services
- 236220 Construction management, commercial & institution building

# **15.0 QUESTIONS:**

Questions regarding this Request for Qualification Package should be directed in writing to Jaime Kovar, Assistant County Purchasing Agent at Jaime.Kovar@fortbendcountytx.gov.

Questions will be accepted until 10:00AM, Tuesday, August 28, 2018. Requests received after the deadline will not be responded to due to the time constraints of this RFQ process.

### **16.0 ADDITIONAL REQUIRED FORMS:**

All vendors submitting are required to complete the attached and return with submission:

- 16.1 Vendor Form
- 16.2 W9 Form
- 16.3 Tax Form/Debt/Residence Certification
- 16.4 Required Proof of Insurance
- 16.5 Attachment A: Certification Form
- 16.6 Attachment B: Certification and Statement of Qualifications
- 16.7 Attachment C: Certification of Restrictions on Lobbying
- 16.8 Attachment D: Certification Regarding Government-Wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)
- 16.9 Attachment E: Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
- 16.10 Attachment F: Disclosure of Interests Certification
- 16.11 Attachment G: Subcontractor Participation
- 16.12 Attachment H: Form PTN-130 Consolidated Certification Form

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#### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- 3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and

4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign	Signature of		
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### **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at *www.irs.gov/fw*9.

### Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

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- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- · Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding? on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),

2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or

3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and

4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

**Note.** If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

• An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;

• A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;

An estate (other than a foreign estate); or

• A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership to enducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

• In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;

• In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and

• In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.

2. The treaty article addressing the income.

3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.

4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.

5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

**Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

#### **Backup Withholding**

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

#### Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,

2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),

3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,

4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or

5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt* payee code on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see Special rules for partnerships above.

#### What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

#### Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

#### **Penalties**

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

### **Specific Instructions**

#### Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

**Note. ITIN applicant:** Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation. Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(ii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

#### Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

#### Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

Limited Liability Company (LLC). If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

#### Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

#### Exempt payee code.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.

• Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.

• Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.

 Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

1 - An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

2-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

3-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

 $4\!-\!\mathrm{A}$  foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities

5-A corporation

6-A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession

 $7{-}\mathrm{A}$  futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8-A real estate investment trust

 $9-\mbox{An entity}$  registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

10-A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)

11-A financial institution

 $12\mbox{--}A$  middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian

13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947 The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for	THEN the payment is exempt for
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5 <sup>2</sup>
Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

**Exemption from FATCA reporting code.** The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B-The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C-A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D-A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E-A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F-A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G-A real estate investment trust

 $\rm H-A$  regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I-A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J-A bank as defined in section 581

K-A broker

L-A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M-A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

**Note.** You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

#### Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

#### Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

#### Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

**Note.** See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at *www.ssa.gov*. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an TIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at *www.irs.gov/businesses* and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note. Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

**Caution:** A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

#### Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see Exempt payee code earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

### What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
<ol> <li>Individual</li> <li>Two or more individuals (joint account)</li> </ol>	The individual The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account'
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor <sup>2</sup>
<ol> <li>a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)</li> <li>b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law</li> </ol>	The grantor-trustee'
<ol> <li>Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual</li> </ol>	The owner <sup>3</sup>
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity⁴
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax- exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i) (B))	The trust

List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

<sup>3</sup> You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see Special rules for partnerships on page 2. \*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

Note. If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

#### Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- · Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- · Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes. Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: *spam@uce.gov* or contact them at *www.ftc.gov/idtheft* or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

#### **Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

# Job No.:

# TAX FORM/DEBT/ RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION

(for Advertised Projects)

Taxpa	yer Ide	entification Number (T.I.)	N.):
Comp	any Na	ame submitting Bid/Prope	osal:
Mailir	ng Add	ress:	
Are ye	ou regi	stered to do business in tl	ne State of Texas? 🗌 Yes 🗌 No
		individual, list the name ne(s) under which you op	s and addresses of any partnership of which you are a general partner or any erate your business
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Fort B	Bend Co	ounty Tax Acct. No.*	Property address or location**
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	(4)		s to a person whose principal place of business is in this state, including a mate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in
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### Attachment A

### **CERTIFICATION FORM**

In submitting this proposal, the undersigned certifies on behalf of its firm and any proposed subcontractors as follows:

- (1) **Bid Validity Certification:** If this offer is accepted within one hundred twenty (120) calendar days from the due date, to furnish any or all services upon which prices are offered at the designated point within the time specified;
- (2) Non-Collusion Certification: Has made this proposal independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition as to any matter relating to this proposal with any other FIRM or with any other competitor,
- (3) Affirmative Action/DBE: Is in compliance with the Common Grant Rules affirmative action and and Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise requirements.
- (4) Non-Conflict Certification: Represents and warrants that no employee, official, or member of the Regional Transportation Authority's Board of Directors is or will be pecuniarily benefited directly or indirectly in this Contract,
- (5) Non-Inducement Certification: The undersigned hereby certifies that neither it nor any of its employees, representatives, or agents have offered or given gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise) to any director, officer, or employee of the Regional Transportation Authority with the view toward securing favorable treatment in the awarding, amending, or the making of any determination with respect to the performance of this Contract.
- (6) **Debarment and Suspension:** The undersigned is neither debarred nor suspended from Federal programs under U. S. Department of Transportation regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 CFR Parts 180 and 1200, or under the FAR at 48 CFR Chapter 1, Part 9.4.
- (7) Integrity and Ethics: Has a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics, in compliance with 49 U.S.C. Section 5325(j)(2)(A)
- (8) **Public Policy:** Is in compliance with the public policies of the Federal Government, as required by 49 U.S.C. Section 5325(j)(2)(B)
- (9) Administrative and Technical Capacity: Has the necessary organization, experience, accounting, and operational controls, and technical skills, or the ability to obtain them, in compliance with 49 U.S.C. Section 5325(j)(2)(D)
- (10) Licensing and Taxes: Is in compliance with applicable licensing and tax laws and regulations
- (11) **Financial Resources:** Has, or can obtain, sufficient financial resources to perform the contract, as required by 49 U. S. C. Section 5325 (j)(2)(D)
- (12) **Production Capability:** Has, or can obtain, the necessary production, construction, and technical equipment and facilities.
- (13) **Timeliness:** Is able to comply with the required delivery or performance schedule, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments.
- (14) **Performance Record:** Is able to provide a satisfactory current and past performance record.

Signature

Printed Name/Title

Firm Name

Date

### Attachment B

### **CERTIFICATION AND STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS**

The undersigned BIDDER hereby further certifies that she/he has read all of the documents and agrees to abide by the terms, certifications, and conditions thereof.

Signature:				
Printed Name:				
Title:	tle: Date:			
Firm Name:				
Business Address:				
Telephone:	Office:	Fax:		
Firm Owner:		Firm CEO:		
Taxpayer Identif	fication Number:			
Number of years	s in contracting business und	er present name:		
Type of work pe	erformed by your company: _			
Have you eve	er failed to complete any	work awarded to you? (Explain)		
Have you ever o	defaulted on a Contract?			
Taxpayer ID#: _	Taxpayer ID#: Date Organized:			
Date Incorporate	ed:	_		
Is your firm cons	sidered a disadvantaged busi	ness enterprise (DBE)?		
If you answered	l yes to the DBE question, ex	plain type		
	ADDENDA ACKNOWL	EDGMENT		

Receipt of the following addenda is acknowledged (list addenda number):

DUNS # \_\_\_\_\_\_(Required) A DUNS number may be obtained from D & B by telephone (currently at 866-705-5711) or the internet (currently at <u>http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform</u>)

# Attachment C CERTIFICATION OF

**RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING** 

(Required for contracts over \$100,000.)

I,		,		, hereby certify on be	half of
	(Name)		(Title)		
the				, that:	
		(Company	Name)		

- (1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress, regarding the award of Federal assistance, or the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal assistance agreement, contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any application for Federal assistance, federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL: "Disclosure of Form to Report Lobbying," including information required by the instructions accompanying the form, which form may be amended to omit such information as authorized by 49 CFR Part 20.110.
- (3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

The undersigned understands that this certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed and that submission of this certification is a prerequisite for providing Federal assistance for a transaction covered by 49 CFR Part 20.110. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Executed this	day of	, 20
Signed:		
Printed Name:		
Company Name:		

### Attachment D

# CERTIFICATION REGARDING GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (NONPROCUREMENT)

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 49 CFR Part 29. As such, the Bidder/Offeror is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals, as defined at 49 CFR 29.995, or affiliates, as defined at 49 CFR 29.905, are excluded or disqualified as defined at 49 CFR 29.940 and 29.945.

The Bidder/Offeror is required to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by \_\_\_\_\_\_(agency name). If it is later determined that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(agency name), the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 CFR 29, Subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

DATE
SIGNATURE
COMPANY
NAME
TITLE

## Attachment E Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

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Complete this form to	disclose lobbying activities pursuant to	31 U.S.C. 1352

(See reverse for public burden disclosure)

<ul> <li><b>1. Type of Federal Action:</b> <ul> <li>a. contract</li> <li>b. grant</li> <li>c. cooperative agreement</li> <li>d. loan</li> <li>e. loan guarantee</li> <li>f. loan insurance</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2. Status of Fed a. bid/off b. initial c. post-a	fer/application award	<ul> <li><b>3. Report Type:</b> <ul> <li>a. initial filing</li> <li>b. material change</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>For material change only:</b> <ul> <li>Year quarter</li> <li>Date of last report</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
4. Name and Address of Reporting F         Prime       Subawardee         Tier, if	-		<b>g Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee,</b> and Address of Prime:
Congressional District, if known:         6. Federal Department/Agency:		7. Federal Pro	onal District, if known: gram Name/Description: if applicable:
8. Federal Action Number, if known:		9. Award Amo \$	punt, if known:
<b>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying</b> ( <i>if individual, last name, first nam</i>	-	<b>b. Individuals I</b> different from Na (last name, fir	
11. Information requested through this for title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosur activities is a material representation of fa reliance was placed by the tier above wher was made or entered into. This disclosure pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This informati to the Congress semi-annually and will be inspection. Any person who fails to file the disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalt \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for ea	re of lobbying ct upon which n this transaction is required ion will be reported available for public e required y of not less than	Print Name: Title:	 Date:
Federal Use Only		Authorized for L Standard Form -	ocal Reproduction LLL (Rev. 7-97)

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).

11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503

## Attachment F Fort Bend County Public Transportation DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS CERTIFICATION

FIRM	NAME	:		
STRE	ET:		CITY:	ZIP:
FIRM	is:	<ol> <li>Corporation</li> <li>Association</li> </ol>		
		DISC	CLOSURE QUESTION	<u>IS</u>
If addi sheets		space is necessary, ple	ease use the reverse s	de of this page or attach separate
1.	an "o			al Transportation Authority having of the ownership in the above
NAME			JOB TITLE AND DE	PARTMENT (IF KNOWN)
2.		ership interest" constitu		ransportation Authority having an e ownership in the above named
NAME	E		TITLE	
3. NAME	having above		est" constituting 3%	Regional Transportation Authority or more of the ownership in the SSION OR COMMITTEE

4. State the names of each employee or officer of a "consultant" for the Regional Transportation Authority who worked on any matter related to the subject of this contract and has an "ownership interest" constituting 3% or more of the ownership in the above named "firm"

NAME CONSULTANT\_\_\_\_\_

## **CERTIFICATE**

I certify that all information provided is true and correct as of the date of this statement, that I have not knowingly withheld disclosure of any information requested; and that supplemental statements will be promptly submitted to the Regional Transportation Authority, Texas as changes occur.

Certifying Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Title:

(Type or Print)

Signature of Certifying Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_



## ATTACHMENT G

# FORT BEND COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

SUBCONTRACTOR PARTICIPATION Instructions: The Offeror shall complete this form by listing 1) Names of all proposed subcontractors. 2) Contact information, 3) Description of work to be performed/product to be provided, 4) Status as a DBE or non-DBE, 5) % or \$ amount of Total Contract. Those subcontractors which are listed on this form as DBEs must have current certification as a DBE with a participating TUCP certifying agency. The DBE certification must be complete by the time the proposals are submitted. Additionally, those subcontractors which are listed on this form as DBEs must complete an Intent to Perform as a DBE Subcontractor agreeing to the information listed here.

Name of Prime Contractor (Offeror):

Project Name:	
IFB/RFP/SOQ Number:	

1) Name of Subcontractor	2) Address, Telephone Number (Including name of contact person)	3) Description of Work, Services Provided. Where applicable, specify "Supply" or "Install" or both.	4) DBE or non- DBE	5) % or \$ amount of Total Contract

This schedule must be completed as instructed above and include every subcontractor proposed on this project.

The undersigned will enter into a formal agreement with DBE contractors for work listed in this schedule upon execution of a contract with Fort Bend County Public Transportation. The contractor agrees to the terms of this schedule by signing below and submitting the Intent to Perform as completed by the DBE subcontractors. The contractor also certifies that no more than 70% of the work for this project will be subcontracted.



# FORT BEND COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION Intent to Perform as a DBE Contractor/DBE Subcontractor IFB/RFP/SOQ #

Note: In accordance with 49 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 26, DBE firms participating in Fort Bend County's DBE Program must have "current" certification status with a TUCP Certifying Agency by the due date established for this IFB/RFP/SOQ.

- 1. TO: (name of Offeror/Prime Contractor)
- 2. The undersigned is either currently certified under the Texas Unified Certification Program (TUCP) as a DBE or will be at the time this solicitation is due. due and asserts that said qualification is met with the ethnic code \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Ethnic Code: A) African-American Male B) African-American Female C) Asian-Indian Male D)Asian-Indian Female E) Asian–Pacific Male G) Asian-Pacific Female H) Hispanic Male I) Hispanic Female J) Native American Male K) Native American Female L) White Female M) Other

3. The undersigned is prepared to perform the following described work with their own workforce and/or supply the material listed in connection with the above project (where applicable specify "supply" or "install" or both):

and at the following price \$	and/or	_ % of the total contract amount (should be the same \$ or % found on Subcontractor
Participation Form).		

With respect to the proposed subcontract described above, the undersigned DBE anticipates that \_\_\_\_\_% of the dollar value of this subcontract will be sublet and/or awarded to other contractors. Any and all subcontractors that a DBE subcontractor uses must also be listed on the Subcontractor Participation Form and must be DBE certified.

(Name of DBE Firm)

(Signature of Authorized Representative)

(Phone Number)

(Date Signed)

(Name of Offeror/Prime Contractor)

(Signature of Authorized Representative)

(Phone Number)

(Date Signed)



#### I. GENERAL:

The undersigned vendor certifies to abide by these clauses and include the following clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds. Vendors are certifying by reference the entire list of FTA FY 2017 Certifications and Assurances, and shall download the same at:

**Consolidated Certification Form** 

https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grantee-resources/certifications-and-assurances/fta-fiscal-year-2017-certifications-and

## A. Access to Third Party Contract Records (ALL)

As required by 49 U.S.C. § 5325(g). The VENDOR agrees provide sufficient access to records as needed to assure proper project management and compliance with Federal laws and regulations.

## B. Interest of Members of or Delegates to Congress (ALL)

The vendor certifies that no member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States (US) shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit arising therefrom.

#### C. Prohibited Interest (ALL)

The vendor certifies that no member, officer or employee of the Public Body or of a local public body during his or her tenure or one year thereafter shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

## D. Cargo Preference - Use of United States-Flag Vessels (property transported on ocean vessels)

The vendor agrees: a. to use privately owned US -Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material or commodities pursuant to the underlying contract to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for US-Flag commercial vessels; b. to furnish within 20 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the US or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the US or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments of cargo to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to the FTA recipient (through the contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill-of-lading).

#### E. Energy Conservation (ALL)

The vendor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency, which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

#### F. No Obligation by the Federal Government. (ALL)

The Purchaser and vendor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Purchaser, Contractor or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract).

## G. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts (ALL)

The vendor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S. C. §3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this project. The vendor certifies truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it makes pertaining to the FTA-assisted project. The vendor acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious or fraudulent claim, statement, submission or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 as deemed appropriate. The vendor acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious or fraudulent claim, statement submission, or certification to the Federal Government relating to the FTA-assisted project, per 49 U.S.C. §5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. §1001 and 49 U.S.C. §5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, as deemed appropriate.

#### H. Contract Work Hours (all over 100K)

(1) **Overtime requirements** - No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) **Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages** - In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, the contractor & any subcontractor responsible therefore shall be liable for unpaid wages and shall be liable to the United States for liquidated damages which shall be computed for each individual laborer, mechanic, watchman or guard employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day that an individual was required / permitted to work over 40 hours in a workweek without payment of overtime wages required by the clause in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages - The purchaser shall upon its own action or upon written request of the Department of Labor (DOL) withhold or cause to be withheld, from any money payable for work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any contract or other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as set-forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) **Subcontracts** - The contractor or subcontractor shall include the clauses set forth in this section and require the same from subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with these clauses.

(5) **Payrolls and basic records** - Payrolls and related basic records shall be maintained by the contractor during the course of the work and preserved for three years thereafter for all laborers and mechanics working at the work site (or under the United States Housing Act of 1937 or the Housing Act of 1949, in the construction or development of the project). Such records shall contain the name, address and social security number of each worker, his or her correct classification, hourly rates of wages paid (including rates of contributions or costs anticipated for bona fide fringe benefits or cash equivalents thereof of the types described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Whenever the Secretary of Labor has found under 29 CFR 5.5(a)(1)(iv) that the wages of any laborer or mechanic include the amount of any costs reasonably anticipated in providing benefits under a plan or program described in section 1(b)(2)(B) of the Davis-Bacon Act, the contractor shall maintain records showing that the commitment to provide such benefits is enforceable, that the plan or program is financially responsible, that the plan or program has been communicated in writing to the laborers or mechanics affected, and records of the costs anticipated or actual costs incurred in providing such benefits. Contractors employing apprentices or trainees under approved programs, registration of the apprentices and trainees, and ratios & wage rates prescribed in applicable programs.

#### I. Civil Rights (over 10K)

(1) **Nondiscrimination** - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act (CRA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the vendor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the vendor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

# (2) Equal Employment Opportunity - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply:

(a) Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex - In accordance with Title VI of the CRA, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. §5332, the vendor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. DOL regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, DOL," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. §2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The vendor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed & treated during employment without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex or age. Action shall include but not be limited to employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment, layoff, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The vendor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(b) Age - In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29 U.S.C. §§623 and 49 U.S.C. §5332), the vendor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. and comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(c) Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §12112), the contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. and to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

### J. Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms (ALL)

The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA circular 4220.1F are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any transit agency requests which would cause the transit agency to violate FTA terms and conditions.

### K. Application of Federal, State, & Local Laws, Regulations, & Directives (Federal Changes) (ALL)

The VENDOR agrees that Federal laws and regulations control project award and implementation. The VENDOR understands and agrees that unless the recipient requests FTA approval in writing, the VENDOR may incur a violation of Federal laws or regulations or this agreement if it implements an alternative procedure or course of action not approved by FTA. The VENDOR understands and agrees that Federal laws, regulations, and directives may become effective after the date the project agreement is effective, and might apply to that project agreement. The VENDOR agrees that the most recent versions of such Federal laws, regulations, and directives will apply to the administration of the project at any particular time.

#### L. Right of the State Government to Terminate (ALL)

Upon written notice, the VENDOR agrees that the State Government may suspend or terminate all or any part of State assistance if terms of the project agreement are violated, if the State Government determines that the purposes of the laws authorizing the Project would not be adequately served by the continuation of State assistance for the Project., if reasonable progress on the Project is not made, if there is a violation of the project agreement that endangers substantial performance of the Project, or if the State Government determines that State assistance has been willfully misused by failing to make appropriate use of Project property. Termination of State to the extent those obligations cannot be canceled. The State Government reserves the right to require the refund of the entire amount of State assistance provided for the Project or a lesser amount.

#### M. Disputes, Breaches, Defaults, or Other Litigation (over 150K)

The VENDOR agrees that FTA has a vested interest in the settlement of any dispute, breach, default, or litigation involving the Project. Accordingly:

a. Notification to FTA. The VENDOR is aware that recipients of Federal assistance must notify FTA in writing of any current or prospective major dispute, breach, default, or litigation that may affect the Federal Government's interests in the Project or the administration or enforcement of Federal laws or regulations. If the Federal Government is to be named as a party to litigation for any reason, in any forum, the appropriate FTA Regional Counsel is to be notified in writing before doing so.

b. Federal Interest in Recovery. The VENDOR is aware that the Federal Government retains the right to a proportionate share, based on the percentage of the Federal share awarded for the Project, of proceeds derived from any third party recovery.

c. Enforcement. The VENDOR agrees to pursue its legal rights and remedies available under any third party contract or available under law or regulations.

d. **FTA Concurrence.** The VENDOR is aware that FTA reserves the right to concur in any compromise or settlement of any claim involving the Project.

e. Alternative Dispute Resolution. The VENDOR is aware that FTA encourages the use of alternative dispute resolution procedures, as may be appropriate.

## f. Agency Process.

Transit agency enters dispute resolution process here.

#### N. Fly America (foreign air transport or travel)

The Contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118 (the "Fly America" Act) in accordance with the General Services Administration's regulations at 41 CFR Part 301-10, which provide that recipients and subrecipients of Federal funds and their contractors are required to use U.S. Flag air carriers for U.S Government-financed international air travel and transportation of personal effects or property, to the extent such service is available, unless travel by foreign air carrier is a matter of necessity, as defined by the Fly America Act. The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements. The Contractor agrees to include the requirements of this section in all subcontracts that may involve international air transportation.

#### O. <u>Recycled Products</u> (all products)

The contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR 247.

#### P. Access for Individuals with Disabilities (ALL)

The VENDOR agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. § 5301(d), which states the Federal policy that elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities have the same right as other individuals to use public transportation services and facilities, and that special efforts shall be made in planning and designing those services and facilities to implement transportation accessibility rights for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities. The VENDOR also agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, with 29 U.S. C. § 794, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability; with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq., which requires that accessible facilities and services be made available to individuals with disabilities; and with the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4151 et seq., which requires that buildings and public accommodations be accessible to individuals with disabilities; and with other laws and amendments thereto pertaining to access for individuals with disabilities that may be applicable. In addition, the VENDOR agrees to comply with applicable implementing Federal regulations any later amendments thereto, and agrees to follow applicable Federal directives except to the extent FTA approves otherwise in writing. Among those regulations and directives are: (1) U.S. DOT regulations, "Transportation Services for Individuals with Disabilities (ADA)," 49 C.F.R. Part 37; (2) U.S. DOT regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs and Activities Receiving or Benefiting from Federal Financial Assistance," 49 C.F.R. Part 27; (3) Joint U.S. Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (U.S. ATBCB)/U.S. DOT regulations, "Americans With Disabilities (ADA) Accessibility Specifications for Transportation Vehicles," 36 C.F.R. Part 1192 and 49 C.F.R. Part 38; (4) U.S. DOJ regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in State and Local Government Services," 28 C.F.R. Part 35; (5) U.S. \_DOJ regulations. "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability by Public Accommodations and in Commercial Facilities," 28 C.F.R. Part 36: (6) U.S. General Services Administration (U.S. GSA) regulations, "Accommodations for the Physically Handicapped," 41 C.F.R. Subpart 101-19; (7) U.S. EEOC, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630; (8) U.S. Federal Communications Commission regulations, "Telecommunications Relay Services and Related Customer Premises Equipment for the Hearing and Speech Disabled," 47 C.F.R. Part 64, Subpart F; (9) U.S. ATBCB regulations, "Electronic and Information Technology Accessibility Standards," 36 C.F.R. Part 1194; (10) FTA regulations, "Transportation for Elderly and Handicapped Persons," 49 C.F.R. Part 609; and (11) Federal civil rights and nondiscrimination directives implementing the foregoing Federal laws and regulations, except to the extent the Federal Government determines otherwise in writing.

#### Q. Debarment and Suspension (over 25K)

The vendor hereby certifies that it and its principals have not presently or within a three year period been debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal agency; and the vendor hereby certifies that it and its principals have not presently or within a three-year period been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for the commission of a fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain or performing a public (Federal, state or local) transaction; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements or receiving stolen property.

#### R. Clean Water & Air (over 150K)

The vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. The vendor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq. The vendor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the FTA and the EPA.

#### S. Non-Lobbying (over 150K)

The undersigned certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that:

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

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

3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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

#### T. Lobbying and Disclosure Certification

Name of Company	Printed Name of Person Completing Form	
Date	Signature	

## **U. CERTIFICATION TO PURCHASER:**

- A. The undersigned vendor certifies that the manufactured good(s) furnished will meet or exceed the specifications, and/or that services rendered will comply with the terms of the solicitation or contract.
- B. The undersigned vendor certifies that it has read all of the bid, proposal, or contract documents and agrees to abide by the terms, certifications, and conditions thereof.

Name of Company	Address	\$	
	Printed	Name of Person Completing	Form
Telephone	Signatu	ire	
Date	SS# or	Tax ID #	
Description of Commodity or Service			
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		Sole Proprietorship	General Proprietorship
Is your firm a DBE? (yes) (no)		Corporation	Limited Partnership
If yes, what type?		Limited Proprietorship	

# V. <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Certification (Transit Vehicle Manufacturer or TVM)</u>

The vendor will provide products compliant with 49 CFR 26.49 regarding the vehicle manufacturer's overall DBE goal. Name of manufacturer of vehicle(s) to be delivered:

## W. Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) Race-Neutral Required Clauses (Non-TVM):

The DBE rules set forth in 49 CFR Part 26 apply to all contracts funded in whole or in part with Federal DOT funds. Contracts and subcontracts must contain the clauses listed in 49 CFR 26.13 and 49 CFR 26.29. Sub-recipients with contracts that contain a DBE goal must coordinate with their PTC in order to ensure solicitations and contracts comply with DBE requirements.

#### 49 CFR 26.13 -- What assurances must recipients and contractors make?

Each contract you sign with a contractor (and each subcontract the prime contractor signs with a subcontractor) must include the following assurance:

The contractor, sub recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsible."

#### 49 CFR 26.29 -- What Prompt Payment Mechanisms Must Recipients Have?

Grantees must establish a contract clause requiring prime contractors to pay subcontractors for satisfactory performance no later than 30 days from receipt of each payment the grantee makes to the prime contractor. This clause must require the prompt return of retainage payments from the prime contractor to the subcontractor within 30 days after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. For more information on these please review 49 CFR 26.29 and the FTA Best Practice Procurement Manual.

X. Altoona Test Certification (for rolling stock purchases) (Check one of the following):

The vehicle has been Altoona tested, report number:

The vehicle is exempt from testing IAW 49 CFR 665.

The vehicle is currently being tested at Altoona.

Funds will not be released until the purchasing agency gets a copy of the Altoona test report, as appropriate, per 49 CFR 665.

## Y. Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) Certification (for rolling stock purchases)

Any vehicles provided by the vendor will comply with all applicable FMVSS. The vendor shall submit 1) manufacturer's FMVSS self-certification sticker information that the vehicle complies with relevant FMVSS or 2) manufacturer's certified statement that the contracted buses will not be subject to FMVSS regulations.

FMVSS Certification

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- Z. Buy America (Check where applicable): (over \$150K rolling stock, construction, materials)
  - The vendor or offeror hereby certifies it will comply with the requirements of 49 USC 5323(j) and the applicable regulations in 49 CFR 661, providing Buy America compliant manufactured goods or rolling stock.
  - The vendor or offeror cannot comply with the requirements 49 USC 5323(j), but may qualify for an exception to the requirement pursuant to the regulations in 49 CFR 661.

**Buy America Certification** 

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## II. SPECIAL PROJECT TYPE PROVISIONS - the following addenda are attached and endorsed as appropriate:

- A. Construction or Architectural & Engineering Projects
- B. Transit Operations or Management Projects
- C. Intelligent Transportation System or Research & Development