



Amendment No. 3  
of  
Contract No. NS150000037  
For  
Shop QA Support and Maintenance  
between  
WebQA  
and the  
City of Austin

1.0 The City hereby amends this Contract by adding three additional extension options . There are three options remaining:

Option 3: 05/01/2018 – 04/30/2019 at \$5,000.00  
Option 4: 05/01/2019 – 04/30/2020 at \$5,100.00  
Option 5: 05/01/2020 – 04/30/2021 at \$5,200.00  
Total extension amount at \$15,300.00

2.0 The total Contract authorization is recapped below:


Term	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Basic Term: 05/01/2015 – 04/30/2016	\$14,820.00	\$14,820.00
Amendment No.1: Option 1 - Extension 05/01/2016 – 04/30/2017	\$15,420.00	\$30,240.00
Amendment #2: Option 2 - Extension 05/01/2017 – 04/30/2018	\$16,020.00	\$46,260.00
Amendment # 3: Adding 3 additional extension options. Option 3 - Extension 05/01/2018 – 04/30/2018	\$5,000.00	\$51,260.00

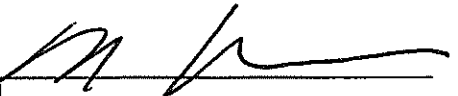
3.0 MBE/WBE goals do not apply to this contract.

4.0 By signing this Amendment the Contractor certifies that the Contractor and its principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the General Services Administration (GSA) List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.

5.0. All other terms and conditions remain the same.

BY THE SIGNATURES affixed below, this Amendment is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the above-referenced contract.

Signature & Date:   
Printed Name: William Depue  
Authorized Representative  
WebQA  
900 S. Frontage Road, Suite 110  
Woodridge, IL 60517

Signature & Date:   
Sai Xoomsai Purcell  
Procurement Specialist IV  
City of Austin  
Purchasing Office



Amendment No. 2  
to  
Contract No. NS150000037  
for  
Shop QA Support and Maintenance  
between  
WebQA  
and the  
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises the extension options for the above-referenced contract. Effective May 1, 2017 the term for the extension option will be May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 and there are no options remaining.
- 2.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$16,020.00 for the current extension option period. The total contract authorization is recapped below:

Action	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Initial Term: 5/1/2015 – 4/30/2016	\$14,820.00	\$14,820.00
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 – Extension 5/1/2016 – 4/30/2017	\$15,420.00	\$30,240.00
Amendment No. 2: Option 2 – Extension 5/1/2017 – 4/30/2018	\$16,020.00	\$46,260.00

- 3.0 MBE/WBE goals do not apply to this contract.
- 4.0 By signing this Amendment the Contractor certifies that the vendor and its principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the GSA List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.
- 5.0 All other terms and conditions remain the same.

BY THE SIGNATURES affixed below, this amendment is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the above-referenced contract.

Sign/Date:

Printed Name: JOHN DILERSCHNEIDER  
Authorized Representative

WebQA  
900 S. Frontage Road, Suite 110  
Woodridge, IL 60517

Sign/Date:

Paula Barriffe  
Buyer I - IT Procurement  
City of Austin  
Purchasing Office

02/21/2017



Amendment No. 1  
to  
Contract No. NS150000037  
for  
Shop QA Support and Maintenance  
between  
WebQA  
and  
The City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises this extension option for the above-referenced contract. This extension option will be May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017. one option remain.
- 2.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$15,420.00 for this extension period. The total contract authorization is recapped below:

Action	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Initial Term: 5/1/15 – 4/30/16	\$14,820.00	\$14,820.00
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 5/1/16 – 4/30/17	\$15,420.00	\$30,240.00

- 3.0 MBE/WBE goals do not apply to this contract.
- 4.0 By signing this Amendment the Contractor certifies that the vendor and its principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the GSA List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.
- 5.0 All other terms and conditions remain the same.

BY THE SIGNATURES affixed below, this amendment is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the above-referenced contract.

Sign/Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name: JOHN DILENSCHNEIDER  
Authorized Representative

Sign/Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Beatrice Washington 4-19-16  
Beatrice Washington, Contract Compliance Specialist Senior  
City of Austin  
Purchasing Office  
124 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste. 310  
Austin, Texas 78701

WebQA Inc.  
900 S Frontage Rd. Ste. 110  
Woodridge, IL 60517



# City of Austin

Purchasing Office, Financial Services Department  
P.O. Box 1088, Austin, TX 78767

July 20, 2015

Web QA, Inc.  
Kim Sullivan  
Contract Manager  
900 South Frontage Road, suite 110  
Woodridge, IL 60517  
Ksullivan@webqa.com

Dear Web QA, Inc.:

The Austin City Purchasing Department approved the execution of a contract with your company for Shop QA Support and Maintenance for Economic Development Department in accordance with the referenced contract.

Responsible Department:	Economic Development Department
Department Contact Person:	Blake Smith
Department Contact Email Address:	Blake.Smith@austintexas.gov
Department Contact Telephone:	512-974-7618
Project Name:	Shop QA Support and Maintenance
Contractor Name:	Web QA, Inc.
Contract Number:	MA 5600 NS1500000 <b>37</b>
Contract Period:	July 20, 2015 until project completion
Dollar Amount	\$14,820.00
Extension Options:	\$15,420.00 for the first extension option, \$16,020.00 for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> extension option. Total NTE of \$46,260.00.
Requisition Number:	N/A
Solicitation Type & Number:	Sole Source
Agenda Item Number:	N/A
Council Approval Date:	N/A

Thank you for your interest in doing business with the City of Austin. If you have any questions regarding this contract, please contact the person referenced under Department Contact Person.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Harris  
Senior Buyer Specialist

**CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN  
AND  
WebQA, Inc.  
For  
ShopQA Support and Maintenance**

This Contract is made by and between the City of Austin ("City"), a home-rule municipality incorporated by the State of Texas, and WebQA, Inc. ("Contractor"), having offices at 900 South Frontage Rd, Suite 110, Woodridge, IL 60517.

**SECTION 1. GRANT OF AUTHORITY, SERVICES AND DUTIES**

1.1 **Engagement of the Contractor.** Subject to the general supervision and control of the City and subject to the provisions of the Terms and Conditions contained herein, the Contractor is engaged to provide the services set forth in Section 2, Scope of Work.

1.2 **Responsibilities of the Contractor.** The Contractor shall provide all technical and professional expertise, knowledge, management, and other resources required for accomplishing all aspects of the tasks and associated activities identified in the Scope of Work. In the event that the need arises for the Contractor to perform services beyond those stated in the Scope of Work, the Contractor and the City shall negotiate mutually agreeable terms and compensation for completing the additional services.

1.3 **Responsibilities of the City.** The City's Contract Manager will be responsible for exercising general oversight of the Contractor's activities in completing the Scope of Work. Specifically, the Contract Manager will represent the City's interests in resolving day-to-day issues that may arise during the term of this Contract, shall participate regularly in conference calls or meetings for status reporting, shall promptly review any written reports submitted by the Contractor, and shall approve all invoices for payment, as appropriate. The City's Contract Manager shall give the Contractor timely feedback on the acceptability of progress and task reports.

1.4 **Designation of Key Personnel.** The Contractor's Contract Manager for this engagement shall be Kim Sullivan, Phone: (630) 633-7334, Email Address: ksullivan@webqa.com. The City's Contract Manager for the engagement shall be Blake Smith, Phone: (512) 974-7618, Email Address: Blake.Smith@austintexas.gov. The City and the Contractor resolve to keep the same key personnel assigned to this engagement throughout its term. In the event that it becomes necessary for the Contractor to replace any key personnel, the replacement will be an individual having equivalent experience and competence in executing projects such as the one described herein. Additionally, the Contractor will promptly notify the City Contract Manager and obtain approval for the replacement. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

**SECTION 2. SCOPE OF WORK**

2.1 **Contractor's Obligations.** The Contractor shall fully and timely provide all deliverables described herein and in the Contractor's Offer in strict accordance with the terms, covenants, and conditions of the Contract and all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, and regulations.

**SECTION 3. COMPENSATION**

3.1 **Contract Amount.** The Contractor will be paid as indicated herein upon the successful completion of the Scope of Work, as described herein. In consideration for the services to be performed under this Contract, the Contractor shall be paid an amount not to exceed \$14,820.00 for the initial term, \$15,420.00 for the first extension, and \$16,020.00 for the second extension, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$46,260.00 comprising the software maintenance and support fees.

3.2 **Invoices.**

3.2.1 Invoices shall contain a unique invoice number, the purchase order or delivery order number and the master agreement number if applicable, the Department's Name, and the name of the point of contact for the Department. Invoices shall be itemized. The Contractor's name and, if applicable, the tax identification number on the invoice must exactly match the information in the Contractor's registration with the City. Unless otherwise instructed in writing, the City may rely on the

remittance address specified on the Contractor's invoice. Invoices received without all required information cannot be processed and will be returned to the Contractor. Invoices shall be mailed to the below address:

	City of Austin
Department	Communication Technology Management or (CTM)
Attn:	Accounts Payable
Address	PO Box 1088
City, State, Zip Code	Austin, TX 78767

3.2.2 Invoices for labor shall include a copy of all time-sheets with trade labor rate and deliverables order number clearly identified. Invoices shall also include a tabulation of work-hours at the appropriate rates and grouped by work order number. Time billed for labor shall be limited to hours actually worked at the work site.

3.2.3 Unless otherwise expressly authorized in the Contract, the Contractor shall pass through all Subcontract and other authorized expenses at actual cost without markup.

3.2.4 Federal excise taxes, State taxes, or City sales taxes must not be included in the invoiced amount. The City will furnish a tax exemption certificate upon request.

### 3.3 Payment.

3.3.1 All proper invoices received by the City will be paid within thirty (30) calendar days of the City's receipt of the deliverables or of the invoice, whichever is later.

3.3.2 If payment is not timely made, (per this paragraph), interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance at the lesser of the rate specified in Texas Government Code Section 2251.025 or the maximum lawful rate; except, if payment is not timely made for a reason for which the City may withhold payment hereunder, interest shall not accrue until ten (10) calendar days after the grounds for withholding payment have been resolved.

3.3.3 Notice is hereby given of Article VIII, Section 1 of the Austin City Charter which prohibits the payment of any money to any person, firm or corporation who is in arrears to the City for taxes, and of §2-8-3 of the Austin City Code concerning the right of the City to offset indebtedness owed the City.

3.3.4 Payment will be made by check unless the parties mutually agree to payment by credit card or electronic transfer of funds. The Contractor agrees that there shall be no additional charges, surcharges, or penalties to the City for payments made by credit card or electronic transfer of funds.

3.4 Non-Appropriation. The awarding or continuation of this Contract is dependent upon the availability of funding. The City's payment obligations are payable only and solely from funds Appropriated and available for this Contract. The absence of Appropriated or other lawfully available funds shall render the Contract null and void to the extent funds are not Appropriated or available and any deliverables delivered but unpaid shall be returned to the Contractor. The City shall provide the Contractor written notice of the failure of the City to make an adequate Appropriation for any fiscal year to pay the amounts due under the Contract, or the reduction of any Appropriation to an amount insufficient to permit the City to pay its obligations under the Contract. In the event of non or inadequate appropriation of funds, there will be no penalty nor removal fees charged to the City.

3.5 Reimbursable Expenses. Expenses incurred directly in support of completing the work set forth in this Contract are reimbursable to the Contractor within the Contract amount.

3.5.1 Administrative. The Contractor will be reimbursed for selected administrative expenses incurred directly in support of executing this Contract. Reimbursable administrative expenses include actual charges for long distance telephone calls, facsimile transmissions, reproduction, printing and binding, postage, express delivery and report processing.

**3.5.2 Travel Expenses.** All travel, lodging, and per diem expenses in connection with the Contract for which reimbursement may be claimed by the Contractor under the terms of the Contract will be reviewed against the City's Travel Policy and the current United States General Services Administration Domestic Per Diem Rates (the "Rates") as published and maintained on the Internet at:

<http://www.gsa.gov/portal/category/21287>

No amounts in excess of the Travel Policy or Rates shall be paid. All invoices must be accompanied by copies of itemized receipts (e.g. hotel bills, airline tickets). No reimbursement will be made for expenses not actually incurred. Airline fares in excess of coach or economy will not be reimbursed. Mileage charges may not exceed the amount permitted as a deduction in any year under the Internal Revenue Code or Regulation.

## SECTION 4. TERM AND TERMINATION

**4.1 Term of Contract.** This Contract shall become effective on May 1, 2015, and shall remain in effect until April 30, 2016.

4.1.1 Upon expiration of the contract, the Contractor agrees to hold over under the terms and conditions of this Contract for such a period of time as is reasonably necessary to re-solicit, renew, or complete the project (not to exceed 120 calendar days unless mutually agreed on in writing).

**4.2 Right To Assurance.** Whenever one party to the Contract in good faith has reason to question the other party's intent to perform, demand may be made to the other party for written assurance of the intent to perform. In the event that no assurance is given within the time specified after demand is made, the demanding party may treat this failure as an anticipatory repudiation of the Contract.

**4.3 Default.** The Contractor shall be in default under the Contract if the Contractor (a) fails to fully, timely and faithfully perform any of its material obligations under the Contract, (b) fails to provide adequate assurance of performance under the "Right to Assurance paragraph herein, (c) becomes insolvent or seeks relief under the bankruptcy laws of the United States or (d) makes a material misrepresentation in Contractor's Offer, or in any report or deliverable required to be submitted by Contractor to the City.

**4.4 Termination For Cause.** In the event of a default by the Contractor, the City shall have the right to terminate the Contract for cause, by written notice effective ten (10) calendar days, unless otherwise specified, after the date of such notice, unless the Contractor, within such ten (10) day period, cures such default, or provides evidence sufficient to prove to the City's reasonable satisfaction that such default does not, in fact, exist. The City may place Contractor on probation for a specified period of time within which the Contractor must correct any non-compliance issues. Probation shall not normally be for a period of more than nine (9) months, however, it may be for a longer period, not to exceed one (1) year depending on the circumstances. If the City determines the Contractor has failed to perform satisfactorily during the probation period, the City may proceed with suspension. In the event of a default by the Contractor, the City may suspend or debar the Contractor in accordance with the "City of Austin Purchasing Office Probation, Suspension and Debarment Rules for Vendors" and remove the Contractor from the City's vendor list for up to five (5) years and any Offer submitted by the Contractor may be disqualified for up to five (5) years. In addition to any other remedy available under law or in equity, the City shall be entitled to recover all actual damages, costs, losses and expenses, incurred by the City as a result of the Contractor's default, including, without limitation, cost of cover, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest at the maximum lawful rate. All rights and remedies under the Contract are cumulative and are not exclusive of any other right or remedy provided by law.

**4.5 Termination Without Cause.** The City shall have the right to terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, without cause any time upon thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice. Upon receipt of a notice of termination, the Contractor shall promptly cease all further work pursuant to the Contract, with such exceptions, if any, specified in the notice of termination. The City shall pay the Contractor, to the extent of funds Appropriated or

otherwise legally available for such purposes, for all goods delivered and services performed and obligations incurred prior to the date of termination in accordance with the terms hereof.

4.6 **Fraud.** Fraudulent statements by the Contractor on any Offer or in any report or deliverable required to be submitted by the Contractor to the City shall be grounds for the termination of the Contract for cause by the City and may result in legal action.

## SECTION 5. OTHER DELIVERABLES

### 5.1 **Equal Opportunity.**

5.2.1 **Equal Employment Opportunity.** No Contractor or Contractor's agent shall engage in any discriminatory employment practice as defined in Chapter 5-4 of the City Code. No Bid submitted to the City shall be considered, nor any Purchase Order issued, or any Contract awarded by the City unless the Contractor has executed and filed with the City Purchasing Office a current Non-Discrimination Certification. The Contractor shall sign and return the Non-Discrimination Certification attached hereto as Exhibit C. Non-compliance with Chapter 5-4 of the City Code may result in sanctions, including termination of the contract and the Contractor's suspension or debarment from participation on future City contracts until deemed compliant with Chapter 5-4.

5.1.2 **Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance.** No Contractor, or Contractor's agent shall engage in any discriminatory employment practice against individuals with disabilities as defined in the ADA.

### 5.2 **Delays.**

5.4.1 The City may delay scheduled delivery or other due dates by written notice to the Contractor if the City deems it is in its best interest. If such delay causes an increase in the cost of the work under the Contract, the City and the Contractor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment for costs incurred by the Contractor in the Contract price and execute an amendment to the Contract. The Contractor must assert its right to an adjustment within thirty (30) calendar days from the date of receipt of the notice of delay. Failure to agree on any adjusted price shall be handled under the Dispute Resolution process specified herein. However, nothing in this provision shall excuse the Contractor from delaying the delivery as notified.

5.2.2 Neither party shall be liable for any default or delay in the performance of its obligations under this Contract if, while and to the extent such default or delay is caused by acts of God, fire, riots, civil commotion, labor disruptions, sabotage, sovereign conduct, or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of such Party. In the event of default or delay in Contract performance due to any of the foregoing causes, then the time for completion of the services will be extended; provided, however, in such an event, a conference will be held within three (3) business days to establish a mutually agreeable period of time reasonably necessary to overcome the effect of such failure to perform.

## SECTION 6. WARRANTIES

### 6.1 **Warranty – Price.**

6.1.1 The Contractor warrants the prices quoted in the Offer are no higher than the Contractor's current prices on orders by others for like deliverables under similar terms of purchase.

6.1.2 The Contractor certifies that the prices in the Offer have been arrived at independently without consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such fees with any other firm or with any competitor.



6.1.3 In addition to any other remedy available, the City may deduct from any amounts owed to the Contractor, or otherwise recover, any amounts paid for items in excess of the Contractor's current prices on orders by others for like deliverables under similar terms of purchase.

6.2 **Warranty – Services.** The Contractor warrants and represents that all services to be provided to the City under the Contract will be fully and timely performed in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with generally accepted industry standards and practices, the terms, conditions, and covenants of the Contract, and all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules or regulations.

6.2.1 The Contractor may not limit, exclude or disclaim the foregoing warranty or any warranty implied by law, and any attempt to do so shall be without force or effect.

6.2.2 Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the warranty period shall be the duration of the contract. If during the warranty period, one or more of the warranties are breached, the Contractor shall promptly upon receipt of demand perform the services again in accordance with above standard at no additional cost to the City. All costs incidental to such additional performance shall be borne by the Contractor. The City shall endeavor to give the Contractor written notice of the breach of warranty within thirty (30) calendar days of discovery of the breach of warranty, but failure to give timely notice shall not impair the City's rights under this section.

6.2.3 If the Contractor is unable or unwilling to perform its services in accordance with the above standard as required by the City, then in addition to any other available remedy, the City may reduce the amount of services it may be required to purchase under the Contract from the Contractor, and purchase conforming services from other sources. In such event, the Contractor shall pay to the City upon demand the increased cost, if any, incurred by the City to procure such services from another source.

## SECTION 7. MISCELLANEOUS

7.1 **Place and Condition of Work.** The City shall provide the Contractor access to the sites where the Contractor is to perform the services as required in order for the Contractor to perform the services in a timely and efficient manner in accordance with and subject to the applicable security laws, rules, and regulations. The Contractor acknowledges that it has satisfied itself as to the nature of the City's service requirements and specifications, the location and essential characteristics of the work sites, the quality and quantity of materials, equipment, labor and facilities necessary to perform the services, and any other condition or state of fact which could in any way affect performance of the Contractor's obligations under the Contract. The Contractor hereby releases and holds the City harmless from and against any liability or claim for damages of any kind or nature if the actual site or service conditions differ from expected conditions.

### 7.2 **Workforce.**

7.2.1 The Contractor shall employ only orderly and competent workers, skilled in the performance of the services which they will perform under the Contract.

7.2.2 The Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, and subcontractor's employees may not while engaged in participating or responding to a solicitation or while in the course and scope of delivering goods or services under a City of Austin contract or on the City's property:

7.2.2.1 use or possess a firearm, including a concealed handgun that is licensed under state law, except as required by the terms of the Contract; and

7.2.2.2 use or possess alcoholic or other intoxicating beverages, illegal drugs or controlled substances, nor may such workers be intoxicated, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs, on the job.

7.2.3 If the City or the City's representative notifies the Contractor that any worker is incompetent, disorderly or disobedient, has knowingly or repeatedly violated safety regulations, has possessed any firearms, or has possessed or was under the influence of alcohol or drugs on the job, the Contractor shall immediately remove such worker from Contract services, and may not employ such worker again on Contract services without the City's prior written consent.

7.3 **Compliance with Health, Safety, and Environmental Regulations.** The Contractor, its Subcontractors, and their respective employees, shall comply fully with all applicable federal, state, and local health, safety, and environmental laws, ordinances, rules and regulations in the performance of the services, including but not limited to those promulgated by the City and by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). In case of conflict, the most stringent safety requirement shall govern. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against all claims, demands, suits, actions, judgments, fines, penalties and liability of every kind arising from the breach of the Contractor's obligations under this paragraph.

7.4 **Significant Event.** The Contractor shall immediately notify the City's Contract Manager of any current or prospective "significant event" on an ongoing basis. All notifications shall be submitted in writing to the Contract Manager. As used in this provision, a "significant event" is any occurrence or anticipated occurrence which might reasonably be expected to have a material effect upon the Contractor's ability to meet its contractual obligations. Significant events may include but not be limited to the following:

7.4.1 any major computer software conversion, enhancement or modification to the operating systems, security systems, and application software, used in the performance of this Contract;

7.4.2 the Contractor's insolvency or the imposition of, or notice of the intent to impose, a receivership, conservatorship or special regulatory monitoring, or any bankruptcy proceedings, voluntary or involuntary, or reorganization proceedings;

7.4.3 strikes, slow-downs or substantial impairment of the Contractor's facilities or of other facilities used by the Contractor in the performance of this Contract;

7.5 **Right To Audit.**

7.5.1 The Contractor agrees that the representatives of the Office of the City Auditor or other authorized representatives of the City shall have access to, and the right to audit, examine, or reproduce, any and all records of the Contractor related to the performance under this Contract. The Contractor shall retain all such records for a period of three (3) years after final payment on this Contract or until all audit and litigation matters that the City has brought to the attention of the Contractor are resolved, whichever is longer. The Contractor agrees to refund to the City any overpayments disclosed by any such audit.

7.5.2 The Contractor shall include this provision in all subcontractor agreements entered into in connection with this Contract.

7.6 **Stop Work Notice.** The City may issue an immediate Stop Work Notice in the event the Contractor is observed performing in a manner that is in violation of Federal, State, or local guidelines, or in a manner that is determined by the City to be unsafe to either life or property. Upon notification, the Contractor will cease all work until notified by the City that the violation or unsafe condition has been corrected. The Contractor shall be liable for all costs incurred by the City as a result of the issuance of such Stop Work Notice.

7.7 **Indemnity.**

7.7.1 Definitions:

7.7.1.1 "Indemnified Claims" shall include any and all claims, demands, suits, causes of action, judgments and liability of every character, type or description, including all reasonable costs and

expenses of litigation, mediation or other alternate dispute resolution mechanism, including attorney and other professional fees for:

7.7.1.1.1 damage to or loss of the property of any person (including, but not limited to the City, the Contractor, their respective agents, officers, employees and subcontractors; the officers, agents, and employees of such subcontractors; and third parties); and/or;

7.7.1.1.2 death, bodily injury, illness, disease, worker's compensation, loss of services, or loss of income or wages to any person (including but not limited to the agents, officers and employees of the City, the Contractor, the Contractor's subcontractors, and third parties),

7.7.1.2 "Fault" shall include the sale of defective or non-conforming deliverables, negligence, willful misconduct, or a breach of any legally imposed strict liability standard.

7.7.2 THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DEFEND (AT THE OPTION OF THE CITY), INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD THE CITY, ITS SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS HARMLESS FROM AND AGAINST ALL INDEMNIFIED CLAIMS DIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF, INCIDENT TO, CONCERNING OR RESULTING FROM THE FAULT OF THE CONTRACTOR, OR THE CONTRACTOR'S AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR SUBCONTRACTORS, IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE CONTRACT. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL BE DEEMED TO LIMIT THE RIGHTS OF THE CITY OR THE CONTRACTOR (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE RIGHT TO SEEK CONTRIBUTION) AGAINST ANY THIRD PARTY WHO MAY BE LIABLE FOR AN INDEMNIFIED CLAIM. THE CONTRACTOR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTENT.

7.8 **Claims.** If any claim, demand, suit, or other action is asserted against the Contractor which arises under or concerns the Contract, or which could have a material adverse effect on the Contractor's ability to perform thereunder, the Contractor shall give written notice thereof to the City within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice by the Contractor. Such notice to the City shall state the date of notification of any such claim, demand, suit, or other action; the names and addresses of the claimant(s); the basis thereof; and the name of each person against whom such claim is being asserted. Such notice shall be delivered personally or by mail and shall be sent to the City and to the Austin City Attorney. Personal delivery to the City Attorney shall be to City Hall, 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Austin, Texas 78701, and mail delivery shall be to P.O. Box 1088, Austin, Texas 78767.

7.9 **Notices.** Unless otherwise specified, all notices, requests, or other communications required or appropriate to be given under the Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed delivered three (3) business days after postmarked if sent by U.S. Postal Service Certified or Registered Mail, Return Receipt Requested. Notices delivered by other means shall be deemed delivered upon receipt by the addressee. Routine communications may be made by first class mail, telefax, or other commercially accepted means. Notices to the City and the Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

To the City:

City of Austin, Purchasing Office

ATTN: Contract Administrator

P O Box 1088

Austin, TX 78767

To the Contractor:

WebQA, Inc.

ATTN: Contract Manager

900 South Frontage Rd, Suite 110

Woodridge, IL 60517

7.10 **Confidentiality.** In order to provide the deliverables to the City, Contractor may require access to certain of the City's and/or its licensors' confidential information (including inventions, employee information, trade secrets, confidential know-how, confidential business information, and other information which the City or its licensors consider confidential) (collectively, "Confidential Information"). Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the Confidential Information is the valuable property of the City and/or its licensors and any unauthorized use, disclosure, dissemination, or other release of the Confidential Information will substantially injure the City and/or its licensors. The Contractor (including its employees, subcontractors, agents, or representatives) agrees that it

will maintain the Confidential Information in strict confidence and shall not disclose, disseminate, copy, divulge, recreate, or otherwise use the Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the City or in a manner not expressly permitted under this Contract, unless the Confidential Information is required to be disclosed by law or an order of any court or other governmental authority with proper jurisdiction, provided the Contractor promptly notifies the City before disclosing such information so as to permit the City reasonable time to seek an appropriate protective order. The Contractor agrees to use protective measures no less stringent than the Contractor uses within its own business to protect its own most valuable information, which protective measures shall under all circumstances be at least reasonable measures to ensure the continued confidentiality of the Confidential Information.

7.11 **Advertising.** The Contractor shall not advertise or publish, without the City's prior consent, the fact that the City has entered into the Contract, except to the extent required by law.

7.12 **No Contingent Fees.** The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the Contract upon any agreement or understanding for commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the City shall have the right, in addition to any other remedy available, to cancel the Contract without liability and to deduct from any amounts owed to the Contractor, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

7.13 **Gratuities.** The City may, by written notice to the Contractor, cancel the Contract without liability if it is determined by the City that gratuities were offered or given by the Contractor or any agent or representative of the Contractor to any officer or employee of the City with a view toward securing the Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending or the making of any determinations with respect to the performing of such contract. In the event the Contract is canceled by the City pursuant to this provision, the City shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover or withhold the amount of the cost incurred by the Contractor in providing such gratuities.

7.14 **Prohibition Against Personal Interest in Contracts.** No officer, employee, independent consultant, or elected official of the City who is involved in the development, evaluation, or decision-making process of the performance of any solicitation shall have a financial interest, direct or indirect, in the Contract resulting from that solicitation. Any willful violation of this section shall constitute impropriety in office, and any officer or employee guilty thereof shall be subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. Any violation of this provision, with the knowledge, expressed or implied, of the Contractor shall render the Contract voidable by the City.

7.15 **Independent Contractor.** The Contract shall not be construed as creating an employer/employee relationship, a partnership, or a joint venture. The Contractor's services shall be those of an independent contractor. The Contractor agrees and understands that the Contract does not grant any rights or privileges established for employees of the City.

7.16 **Assignment-Delegation.** The Contract shall be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the City and the Contractor and their respective successors and assigns, provided however, that no right or interest in the Contract shall be assigned and no obligation shall be delegated by the Contractor without the prior written consent of the City. Any attempted assignment or delegation by the Contractor shall be void unless made in conformity with this paragraph. The Contract is not intended to confer rights or benefits on any person, firm or entity not a party hereto; it being the intention of the parties that there be no third party beneficiaries to the Contract.

7.17 **Waiver.** No claim or right arising out of a breach of the Contract can be discharged in whole or in part by a waiver or renunciation of the claim or right unless the waiver or renunciation is supported by consideration and is in writing signed by the aggrieved party. No waiver by either the Contractor or the City of any one or more events of default by the other party shall operate as, or be construed to be, a permanent waiver of any rights or obligations under the Contract, or an express or implied acceptance of any other existing or future default or defaults, whether of a similar or different character.

7.18 **Modifications.** The Contract can be modified or amended only in writing signed by both parties. No pre-printed or similar terms on any Contractor invoice, order or other document shall have any force or effect to change the terms, covenants, and conditions of the Contract.

7.19 **Interpretation.** The Contract is intended by the parties as a final, complete and exclusive statement of the terms of their agreement. No course of prior dealing between the parties or course of performance or usage of the trade shall be relevant to supplement or explain any term used in the Contract. Although the Contract may have been substantially drafted by one party, it is the intent of the parties that all provisions be construed in a manner to be fair to both parties, reading no provisions more strictly against one party or the other. Whenever a term defined by the Uniform Commercial Code, as enacted by the State of Texas, is used in the Contract, the UCC definition shall control, unless otherwise defined in the Contract.

7.20 **Dispute Resolution.**

7.20.1 If a dispute arises out of or relates to the Contract, or the breach thereof, the parties agree to negotiate prior to prosecuting a suit for damages. However, this section does not prohibit the filing of a lawsuit to toll the running of a statute of limitations or to seek injunctive relief. Either party may make a written request for a meeting between representatives of each party within fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of the request or such later period as agreed by the parties. Each party shall include, at a minimum, one (1) senior level individual with decision-making authority regarding the dispute. The purpose of this and any subsequent meeting is to attempt in good faith to negotiate a resolution of the dispute. If, within thirty (30) calendar days after such meeting, the parties have not succeeded in negotiating a resolution of the dispute, they will proceed directly to mediation as described below. Negotiation may be waived by a written agreement signed by both parties, in which event the parties may proceed directly to mediation as described below.

7.20.2 If the efforts to resolve the dispute through negotiation fail, or the parties waive the negotiation process, the parties may select, within thirty (30) calendar days, a mediator trained in mediation skills to assist with resolution of the dispute. Should they choose this option, the City and the Contractor agree to act in good faith in the selection of the mediator and to give consideration to qualified individuals nominated to act as mediator. Nothing in the Contract prevents the parties from relying on the skills of a person who is trained in the subject matter of the dispute or a contract interpretation expert. If the parties fail to agree on a mediator within thirty (30) calendar days of initiation of the mediation process, the mediator shall be selected by the Travis County Dispute Resolution Center (DRC). The parties agree to participate in mediation in good faith for up to thirty (30) calendar days from the date of the first mediation session. The City and the Contractor will share the mediator's fees equally and the parties will bear their own costs of participation such as fees for any consultants or attorneys they may utilize to represent them or otherwise assist them in the mediation.

7.21 **Subcontractors.**

7.21.1 If the Contractor identified Subcontractors in an MBE/WBE Program Compliance Plan or a No Goals Utilization Plan, the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Chapters 2-9A, 2-9B, 2-9C, and 2-9D, as applicable, of the Austin City Code and the terms of the Compliance Plan or Utilization Plan as approved by the City (the "Plan"). The Contractor shall not initially employ any Subcontractor except as provided in the Contractor's Plan. The Contractor shall not substitute any Subcontractor identified in the Plan, unless the substitute has been accepted by the City in writing in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 2-9A, 2-9B, 2-9C and 2-9D, as applicable. No acceptance by the City of any Subcontractor shall constitute a waiver of any rights or remedies of the City with respect to defective deliverables provided by a Subcontractor. If a Plan has been approved, the Contractor is additionally required to submit a monthly Subcontract Awards and Expenditures Report to the Contract Manager and the Purchasing Office Contract Compliance Manager no later than the tenth calendar day of each month.

7.21.2 Work performed for the Contractor by a Subcontractor shall be pursuant to a written contract between the Contractor and Subcontractor. The terms of the subcontract may not conflict with the terms of the Contract, and shall contain provisions that:

7.21.2.1 require that all deliverables to be provided by the Subcontractor be provided in strict accordance with the provisions, specifications and terms of the Contract.

7.21.2.2 prohibit the Subcontractor from further subcontracting any portion of the Contract without the prior written consent of the City and the Contractor. The City may require, as a condition to such further subcontracting, that the Subcontractor post a payment bond in form, substance and amount acceptable to the City;

7.21.2.3 require Subcontractors to submit all invoices and applications for payments, including any claims for additional payments, damages or otherwise, to the Contractor in sufficient time to enable the Contractor to include same with its invoice or application for payment to the City in accordance with the terms of the Contract;

7.21.2.4 require that all Subcontractors obtain and maintain, throughout the term of their contract, insurance in the type and amounts specified for the Contractor, with the City being a named insured as its interest shall appear; and

7.21.2.5 require that the Subcontractor indemnify and hold the City harmless to the same extent as the Contractor is required to indemnify the City.

7.21.3 The Contractor shall be fully responsible to the City for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors just as the Contractor is responsible for the Contractor's own acts and omissions. Nothing in the Contract shall create for the benefit of any such Subcontractor any contractual relationship between the City and any such Subcontractor, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of the City to pay or to see to the payment of any moneys due any such Subcontractor except as may otherwise be required by law.

7.21.4 The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor its appropriate share of payments made to the Contractor not later than ten (10) calendar days after receipt of payment from the City.

7.22 **Jurisdiction And Venue.** The Contract is made under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, including, when applicable, the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in Texas, V.T.C.A., Bus. & Comm. Code, Chapter 1, excluding any rule or principle that would refer to and apply the substantive law of another state or jurisdiction. All issues arising from this Contract shall be resolved in the courts of Travis County, Texas and the parties agree to submit to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of such courts. The foregoing, however, shall not be construed or interpreted to limit or restrict the right or ability of the City to seek and secure injunctive relief from any competent authority as contemplated herein.

7.23 **Invalidity.** The invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability of any provision of the Contract shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other portion or provision of the Contract. Any void provision shall be deemed severed from the Contract and the balance of the Contract shall be construed and enforced as if the Contract did not contain the particular portion or provision held to be void. The parties further agree to reform the Contract to replace any stricken provision with a valid provision that comes as close as possible to the intent of the stricken provision. The provisions of this section shall not prevent this entire Contract from being void should a provision which is the essence of the Contract be determined to be void.

7.24 **Holidays.** The following holidays are observed by the City:

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Date Observed</u>
New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday	Third Monday in January
President's Day	Third Monday in February
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	First Monday in September
Veteran's Day	November 11
Thanksgiving Day	Fourth Thursday in November
Friday after Thanksgiving	Friday after Thanksgiving
Christmas Eve	December 24
Christmas Day	December 25

If a Legal Holiday falls on Saturday, it will be observed on the preceding Friday. If a Legal Holiday falls on Sunday, it will be observed on the following Monday.

**7.25 Survivability of Obligations.** All provisions of the Contract that impose continuing obligations on the parties, including but not limited to the warranty, indemnity, and confidentiality obligations of the parties, shall survive the expiration or termination of the Contract.

**7.26 Non-Suspension or Debarment Certification.** The City of Austin is prohibited from contracting with or making prime or sub-awards to parties that are suspended or debarred or whose principals are suspended or debarred from Federal, State, or City of Austin Contracts. By accepting a Contract with the City, the Vendor certifies that its firm and its principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the General Services Administration List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.

**7.27 Incorporation of Documents.** **Section 0100, Standard Purchase Definitions**, is hereby incorporated into this Contract by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were incorporated in full text. The full text versions of this Section are available, on the Internet at the following online address: <http://www.austintexas.gov/sites/default/files/files/Finance/Purchasing/standard-purchase-definitions.pdf>.

**7.28 Order of Precedence.** The Contract includes, without limitation, the Solicitation, the Offer submitted in response to the Solicitation, the Contract award, the Standard Purchase Terms and Conditions, Supplemental Terms and Conditions if any, Specifications, and any addenda and amendments thereto. Any inconsistency or conflict in the Contract documents shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order.

7.28.1 any exceptions to the Offer accepted in writing by the City;

7.28.2 the Supplemental Purchase Terms and Conditions;

7.28.3 the Standard Purchase Terms and Conditions;

7.28.4 the Offer and exhibits; within the Offer, drawings (figured dimensions shall govern over scaled dimensions) will take precedence over specifications or scope of work.

In witness whereof, the parties have caused duly authorized representatives to execute this Contract on the dates set forth below.

WebQA, Inc.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

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

Printed Name

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

CITY OF AUSTIN

By: \_\_\_\_\_

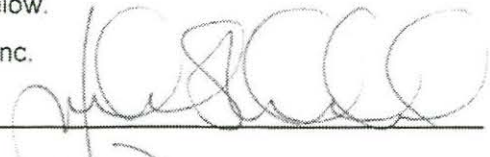
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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



JOHN DILEMSCHNEIDER

CEO

7/15/2015



JONATHAN HARRIS

SENIOR BUYER SPECIALIST

7.20.15



**List of Exhibits**

Exhibit A	Pricing Agreement
Exhibit B	Software Services Agreement
Exhibit C	Non Discrimination Certification

EXHIBIT A  
Pricing Agreement

## Invoice

WebQA Inc.  
900 S. Frontage Rd Suite 110  
Woodridge, IL 60517

REC'D APR 6 2015

Date	Invoice #
4/1/2015	695-150401

FID # 36-4389558

Bill To

City of Austin  
Attn: Communications and Technology Mgt  
IT Front Desk  
PO Box 1088  
Austin TX 78767

Description	P.O. No.	Terms	Due Date
		Net 30	5/1/2015
Description	Months	Cost	Amount
ShopsQA Annual Billing Term 5/1/15 through 4/30/16 Includes ShopsQA Community Portal, Advertising Rental Module (addendum), Hosting and ongoing service upgrades for all designated modules, Mobile App, Message Center and Available Properties Module	12	1,235.00	14,820.00
<p>19239 - Blake Smith</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Last \$14,100.00</p> <p>695-140401</p> <p>5% increase</p> <p>NS12* 132 \$0</p>			
For questions please contact Kim Sullivan at 630-633-7334 or ksullivan@webqa.com			<b>Total</b> \$14,820.00

EXHIBIT B  
Software Services Agreement

**WEBQA SERVICE(S) AGREEMENT**  
**For GovQA Service(s)**

THIS SERVICE(S) AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") between WEBQA, Inc. ("WEBQA") with its principal place of business at 900 S. Frontage Road, Suite 110 Woodridge, IL, 60517 and Austin, a city with its principal place of business at 124 W. 8th Street Austin, TX 78701-2302 ("Customer") is made effective as of April 24, 2012. ("Effective Date")

**1. WEBQA DELIVERY OF SERVICES:**

WEBQA grants to Customer a non-exclusive, non-transferable, limited license to access and use the ShopQA Service(s) on the Authorized Website(s) identified in Schedule A in consideration of the fees and terms described in Schedule A

**2. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Customer acknowledges it is receiving only a limited license to use the Service(s) and related documentation, if any, and shall obtain no title, ownership nor any other rights in or to the Service(s) and related documentation, all of which title and rights shall remain with WebQA. In addition, Customer agrees that this license is limited to applications for its own use and may not lease or rent the Service(s) nor offer its use for others. All Customer data is owned by the Customer. Under no circumstances is the system intended to capture confidential information of any kind. Confidential information is defined as social security numbers and financial information.

Customer agrees to maintain the Authorized Website(s) identified in Schedule A, provide WEBQA with all information reasonably necessary to setup or establish the Service(s) on Customer's behalf, and allow a "Powered by GovQA" logo with a hyperlink to WebQA's website home page on the Authorized Website.

**3. SERVICE(S) LEVELS:**

WEBQA will use commercially reasonable efforts to backup and keep the Service(s) and Authorized Website(s) in operation consistent with applicable industry standards and will respond to customers' requests for support during normal business hours.

THE SERVICE(S) ARE PROVIDED ON AN "AS IS" BASIS, AND CUSTOMER'S USE OF THE SERVICE(S) IS AT ITS OWN RISK. WEBQA DOES NOT WARRANT THAT THE SERVICE(S) WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED OR ERROR-FREE OR UNEFFECTED BY FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS.

**4. WARRANTY AND LIABILITY:**

WEBQA MAKES NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY AS TO MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OF THE SERVICE(S) AND SHALL HAVE NO LIABILITY FOR ANY CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OF ANY KIND INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DATA LOSS AND BUSINESS INTERRUPTION, AND THE PARTIES AGREE THAT THE ONLY REMEDIES THAT SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO CUSTOMER UNDER THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE THOSE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT. WEBQA'S LIABILITY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE INVOLVED HEREIN IS EXPRESSLY LIMITED TO THE AMOUNT RECEIVED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT.

**5. TERMINATION:**

*THIRTY (30) - 50*  
 Either party may terminate this agreement if the terminating party gives the other party ~~sixty (60)~~ day's written notice prior to termination. Should Customer terminate without cause after the first date of the term as defined in Schedule A, Customer must pay the remaining balance of the current contracted term and this payment obligation will immediately become due.

WebQA may terminate service(s) if payments are not received by WebQA as specified in Schedule A at which time all monies due under the current term will become immediately due.

Upon any termination, WebQA will discontinue Service(s) under this agreement; WebQA will, if requested, provide Customer with an electronic copy of Customer's data; and, provisions of this Agreement regarding Ownership, Liability, Confidentiality and Miscellaneous will continue to survive.

**6. ACCEPTABLE USE:**

Customer represents and warrants that the Service(s) will only be used for lawful purposes, in a manner allowed by law, and in accordance with reasonable operating rules, policies, terms and procedures.

WEBQA may, upon misuse of the Service(s), request Customer to terminate access to any individual and Customer agrees to promptly comply with such request unless such misuse is corrected.

**7. SERVICE INITIATION:**

Customer agrees to perform all customer activities as stated on Schedule A.

**8. CONFIDENTIALITY:**

Each party hereby agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the other party's proprietary materials and information, including but not limited to, all information, knowledge or data not generally available to the public which is acquired in connection with this Agreement, unless disclosure is required by law. Each party hereby agrees not to copy, duplicate, or transcribe any confidential documents of the other party except as required in connection with their performance under this Agreement. Customer acknowledges that the Service(s) contain valuable trade secrets, which are the sole property of WebQA, and Customer agrees to use reasonable care to prevent other parties from learning of these trade secrets or have unauthorized access to the Service(s). WebQA will use reasonable efforts to insure that any WebQA contractors maintain the confidentiality of proprietary materials and information.

**9. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:**

This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

WEBQA may not assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement, in whole or part, without prior written consent of Customer, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld.

**EXHIBIT C**  
**City of Austin, Texas**  
**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT/FAIR HOUSING OFFICE**  
**NON-DISCRIMINATION CERTIFICATION**

**City of Austin, Texas**  
**Human Rights Commission**

To: City of Austin, Texas, ("OWNER")

I hereby certify that our firm conforms to the Code of the City of Austin, Section 5-4-2 as reiterated below:

Chapter 5-4. Discrimination in Employment by City Contractors.

**Sec. 4-2 Discriminatory Employment Practices Prohibited.** As an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer, the Contractor will conduct its personnel activities in accordance with established federal, state and local EEO laws and regulations and agrees:

- (B) (1) Not to engage in any discriminatory employment practice defined in this chapter.
- (2) To take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without discrimination being practiced against them as defined in this chapter. Such affirmative action shall include, but not be limited to: all aspects of employment, including hiring, placement, upgrading, transfer, demotion, recruitment, recruitment advertising; selection for training and apprenticeship, rates of pay or other form of compensation, and layoff or termination.
- (3) To post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by OWNER setting forth the provisions of this chapter.
- (4) To state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, veteran status, sex or age.
- (5) To obtain a written statement from any labor union or labor organization furnishing labor or service to Contractors in which said union or organization has agreed not to engage in any discriminatory employment practices as defined in this chapter and to take affirmative action to implement policies and provisions of this chapter.
- (6) To cooperate fully with OWNER's Human Rights Commission in connection with any investigation or conciliation effort of said Human Rights Commission to ensure that the purpose of the provisions against discriminatory employment practices are being carried out.
- (7) To require compliance with provisions of this chapter by all subcontractors having fifteen or more employees who hold any subcontract providing for the expenditure of \$2,000 or more in connection with any contract with OWNER subject to the terms of this chapter.

For the purposes of this Offer and any resulting Contract, Contractor adopts the provisions of the City's Minimum Standard Nondiscrimination Policy set forth below.

**City of Austin**  
**Minimum Standard Non-Discrimination in Employment Policy:**

*As an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer, the Contractor will conduct its personnel activities in accordance with established federal, state and local EEO laws and regulations.*

*The Contractor will not discriminate against any applicant or employee based on race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, veteran status, gender identity, disability, or sexual orientation. This policy covers all aspects of employment, including hiring, placement, upgrading, transfer, demotion, recruitment, recruitment advertising, selection for training and apprenticeship, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and layoff or termination.*

*Further, employees who experience discrimination, sexual harassment, or another form of harassment should immediately report it to their supervisor. If this is not a suitable avenue for addressing their complaint, employees are advised to contact another member of management or their human resources representative. No employee shall be discriminated against, harassed, intimidated, nor suffer any reprisal as a result of reporting a violation of this policy. Furthermore, any employee, supervisor, or manager who becomes aware of any such discrimination or harassment should immediately report it to executive management or the human resources office to ensure that such conduct does not continue.*

*Contractor agrees that to the extent of any inconsistency, omission, or conflict with its current non-discrimination employment policy, the Contractor has expressly adopted the provisions of the City's Minimum Non-Discrimination Policy contained in Section 5-4-2 of the City Code and set forth above, as the Contractor's Non-Discrimination Policy or as an amendment to such Policy and such provisions are intended to not only supplement the Contractor's policy, but will also supersede the Contractor's policy to the extent of any conflict.*

UPON CONTRACT AWARD, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE A COPY TO THE CITY OF THE CONTRACTOR'S NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD, WHICH CONFORMS IN FORM, SCOPE, AND CONTENT TO THE CITY'S MINIMUM NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY, AS SET FORTH HEREIN, OR THIS NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY, WHICH HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE CONTRACTOR FOR ALL PURPOSES (THE FORM OF WHICH HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE CITY'S EQUAL EMPLOYMENT/FAIR HOUSING OFFICE), WILL BE CONSIDERED THE CONTRACTOR'S NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY WITHOUT THE REQUIREMENT OF A SEPARATE SUBMITTAL.

**Sanctions:**

Our firm understands that non-compliance with Chapter 5-4 may result in sanctions, including termination of the contract and suspension or debarment from participation in future City contracts until deemed compliant with the requirements of Chapter 5-4.

**Term:**

The Contractor agrees that this Section 0800 Non-Discrimination Certificate or the Contractor's separate conforming policy, which the Contractor has executed and filed with the Owner, will remain in force and effect for one year from the date of filing. The Contractor further agrees that, in consideration of the receipt of continued Contract payments, the Contractor's Non-Discrimination Policy will automatically renew from year-to-year for the term of the underlying Contract.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015

CONTRACTOR

Authorized  
Signature

Title

WebbQA, Inc.  
[Signature]  
CEO

CITY OF AUSTIN  
FSD - PURCHASING OFFICE

## CERTIFICATION OF EXEMPTION

DATE:	6/3/2015	DEPT:	Economic Development Department
TO:	Purchasing Officer or Designee	FROM:	Sylvia Holt-Rabb, Assistant Director
BUYER:	Jonathan Harris	PHONE:	974-3131

Chapter 252 of the Local Government Code requires that municipalities comply with the procedures established for competitive sealed bids or proposals before entering into a contract requiring an expenditure of \$50,000 or more, unless the expenditure falls within an exemption listed in Section 252.022.

Senate Bill 7 amended Chapter 252 of the Local Government Code to exempt from the requirements of such Chapter expenditures made by a municipally owned electric utility for any purchases made by the municipally owned electric utility in accordance with procurement procedures adopted by a resolution of its governing body that sets out the public purpose to be achieved by those procedures. The Austin City Council has adopted Resolution No. 040610-02 to establish circumstances which could give rise to a finding of critical business need.

This Certification of Exemption is executed and filed with the Purchasing Office as follows:

1. The undersigned is authorized to submit this certification.
2. The undersigned certifies that the following exemption is applicable to this purchase.

(Please check which exemption you are certifying)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> a procurement made because of a public calamity that requires the immediate appropriation of money to relieve the necessity of the municipality's residents or to preserve the property of the municipality   | <input type="checkbox"/> materials for a public library that are available only from the persons holding exclusive distribution rights to the materials; and management services provided by a nonprofit organization to a municipal museum, park, zoo, or other facility to which the organization has provided significant financial or other benefits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of municipality's residents  | <input type="checkbox"/> a purchase of rare books, papers, and other library materials for a public library  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a procurement necessary because of unforeseen damage to public machinery, equipment, or other property  | <input type="checkbox"/> paving, drainage, street widening and other public improvements, or related matters, if at least one-third of the cost is to be paid by or through special assessments levied on property that will benefit from the improvements   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a procurement for personal, professional, or planning services  | <input type="checkbox"/> a public improvement project, already in progress, authorized by voters of the municipality, for which there is a deficiency of funds for completing the project in accordance with the plans and purposes as authorized by the voters  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a procurement for work that is performed and paid for by the day as the work progresses   | <input type="checkbox"/> a payment under a contract by which a developer participates in the construction of a public improvement as provided by Subchapter C, Chapter 212   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> a purchase of land or right-of-way  |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a procurement of items available from only one source, including: items that are available from only one source because of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or natural monopolies; films, manuscripts, or books; gas, water, and other utility services; captive replacement parts or components for equipment; books, papers, and other library |  |



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| <input type="checkbox"/> personal property sold: at an auction by a state licensed auctioneer; at a going out of business sale held in compliance with Subchapter F, Chapter 17, Business & Commerce Code; by a political subdivision of this state, a state agency of this state, or an entity of the federal government; or under an interlocal contract for cooperative purchasing administered by a | <input type="checkbox"/> regional planning commission established under Chapter 391<br><input type="checkbox"/> services performed by blind or severely disabled persons<br><input type="checkbox"/> goods purchased by a municipality for subsequent retail sale by the municipality<br>electricity<br>advertising, other than legal notices<br><input type="checkbox"/> Critical Business Need (Austin Energy Only) |
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3. The following facts as detailed below support an exemption according to Section 252.022 of the Local Government Code for this purchase. Please verify the steps taken to confirm these facts. If you are citing the following exemptions, please provide the additional information requested below. A more detailed explanation of these exemptions is attached.

- **Preserve and Protect the Public Health and Safety** – Describe how this purchase will preserve and protect the public safety of residents.
- **Sole Source** – Describe what patents, copyrights, secret processes, or natural monopolies exist. Attach a letter from vendor supporting the sole source. The letter must be on company letterhead and be signed by an authorized person in company management.
- **Personal Services** – Describe those services to be performed personally by the individual contracted to perform them.
- **Professional Services** – Describe what mainly mental or intellectual rather than physical or manual and/or disciplines requiring special knowledge or attainment and a high order of learning, skill, and intelligence are required to perform this service.
- **Planning Services** – Describe the services primarily intended to guide governmental policy to ensure the orderly and coordinated development of the state or of municipal, county, metropolitan, or regional land areas.
- **Critical Business Need** – Describe the procurement necessary to protect the competitive interests or position of Austin Energy.

This purchase is for a 3-year license renewal of a web platform that supports EDD's LocallyAustin.org online map of local small businesses. The original 3-year license was approved by CTM in 2012. The website needs to have specific features in order to realize its potential benefits to the public and the site's featured business owners. These features include:

- COA branded website
- Interactive map of listed businesses
- Searchable text directory displays results of web map
- Customizable categories and city areas for better navigation
- Hosted micro-site for each small business with the ability to post information, hours, photos, documents, coupons, etc.
- Ability for businesses to access and update listing information at any time (with City review option before posting live)
- Full user training support for small business owners including webinars and video tutorials

- Free mobile application access included for release this year
- Extensive options for additional features to promote City services, offerings, small business job postings, etc.
- Optional business-to-business online forum

4. Please attach any documentation that supports this exemption. See attached letter from WebQA.
5. Please provide any evaluation conducted to support the recommendation. Include the efforts taken to ensure the selected vendor is responsible and will provide the best value to the City.

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EGRSO staff has conducted research into web-based services that create and host similar websites. WebQA's ShopQA suite is the first and only service to offer all the above features fully developed and integrated for local business campaigns.

6. Because the above facts and documentation support the requested exemption, the City of Austin intends to contract with WebQA Inc., which will cost approximately \$46,260 for a 3-year contract payable as follows: Year 1 - \$14,820, Year 2 - \$15,420, Year 3 - \$16,020.

Recommended Certification

Blake Smith 6/3/15  
Originator Date

Approved Certification

Shannon Hall 6.3.15  
Department Director or designee Date

Assistant City Manager / General Manager Date  
or designee (if applicable)

Purchasing Review  
(if applicable)

[Signature] 6.9.15  
Buyer Date

Manager Initials

Exemption Authorized  
(if applicable)

Purchasing Officer or designee Date

11/14/12