

Amendment No. 5
To
Contract No. NA170000027
For
Oak Wilt Prevention Injections
Between
Johnston Holdings, Inc
dba Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas
and the
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises this extension option for the subject contract. This extension option will be November 16, 2020 through November 15, 2021. No options will remain.
- 2.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$19,900.00 by this extension period. The total contract authorization is recapped below:

Action	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Initial Term: 11/16/2016 – 11/15/2017	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 – Extension 11/16/2017 – 11/15/2018	\$19,900.00	\$39,800.00
Amendment No. 2: Opttion 2 -Extension 11/16/2018 – 11/15/2019	\$19,900.00	\$59,700.00
Amendment No. 3: Option 3 – Extension 11/16/2019 -11/15/2020	\$19,900.00	\$79,600.00
Amendment No. 4: Administrative Increase of 25% 06/01/2020	\$19,900.00	\$99,500.00
Amendment No. 5: Option 4 – Extension 11/16/2020 – 11/15/2021	\$19,900.00	\$119,400.00

- 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	t is hereby incorporated	into and made a	part of the above-referenced
contract	/ /	/		4 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Digitally signed by

Sign/Date:

Matthew Duree

Matthew Duree Date: 2020.10.29 10:33:24 -05'00'

Printed Name: <u>full</u> Authorized Representative

Johnston Holdings, Inc. dba Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas 368 Nicholas Lane

Driftwood, Texas 78619 (512) 842-8733 (office) (512) 750-6403 (cell)

paula@stopoakwilt.com

Matthew Duree Procurement Manager

City of Austin Purchasing Office 124 W. 8th Street, Ste. 310 Austin, Texas 78701



Amendment No. 4
to
Contract No. NA170000027
for
Oak Wilk Prevention Injections
Between
Johnston Holdings, Inc.
D/B/A Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas
and the
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby amends the contract to conduct an administrative increase in the amount of \$19,900, for a total revised contract amount of \$99,500.
- 2.0 The total Contract authorization is recapped below:

Term	Contract Amount for the Item	Total Contract Amount
Initial Term:		
11/16/2016 – 11/15/2017	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 – Extension 11/16/2017 – 11/15/2018	\$19,900.00	\$39,800.00
Amendment No. 2: Option 2 – Extension 11/16/2018 – 11/15/2019	\$19,900.00	\$59,700.00
Amendment No. 3: Option 3 – Extension 11/16/2018 – 11/15/2020	\$19,900.00	\$79,600.00
Amendment No. 4: Administrative Increase (25%) 05/28/2020	\$19,900.00	\$99,500.00

- 3.0 MBE/WBE goals were not established for this contract.
- 4.0 By signing this Amendment, the Contractor certifies that the Contractor and its principles 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.



Amendment No. 3
To
Contract No. NA170000027
For
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Between
Johnston Holdings, Inc
dba Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas
and the
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises this extension option for the subject contract. This extension option will be November 16, 2019 through November 15, 2020. One option will remain.
- 2.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$19,900.00 by this extension period. The total contract authorization is recapped below:

Action	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Initial Term:		
11/16/2016 - 11/15/2017	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 - Extension		
11/16/2017 - 11/15/2018	\$19,900.00	\$39,800.00
Amendment No. 2: Opttion 2 -Extension 11/16/2018 – 11/15/2019	\$19,900.00	\$59,700.00
Amendment No. 3: Option 3 – Extension 11/16/2019 -11/15/2020	\$19,900.00	\$79,600.00

- 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 incorpo	rated into and made a part of the a	bove-referenced
contract / / A/ //.//			

Sign/Date:

Printed Name: PAULA

Authorized Representative

Johnston Holdings, Inc. dba Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas

368 Nicholas Lane Driftwood, Texas 78619 (512) 842-8733 (office)

(512) 750-6403 (cell) paula@stopoakwilt.com

Sign/Date:

Mike Zambrano, Jr.
Contract Management Specialist III

City of Austin Purchasing Office 124 W. 8th Street, Ste. 310 Austin, Texas 78701



Amendment No. 2
to
Contract No. NA170000027
for
Oak Wilt Prevention Injections
between
Johnston Holdings, Inc.
dba Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas
and the
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises this extension option for the subject contract. Effective November 16, 2018 through November 15, 2019. Two options will remain.
- 2.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$19,900.00 by this extension period. The total contract authorization is recapped below:

Action	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Initial Term: 11/16/2016 – 11/15/2017	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 – Extension 11/16/2017 – 11/15/2018	\$19,900.00	\$39,800.00
Amendment No. 2: Option 2 – Extension 11/16/2018 – 11/15/2019	\$19,900.00	\$59,700.00

- 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 SIGNATU	RES affixed below, this ar	nendment is hereby	incorporated into and made a part of the above-re	eferenced
contract.	Des XI			
Sign/Date:	fold of	9/27/18	Sign/Date: Beatuce / Jashinton	10-15-18
	-		Beatrice Washington, Contract Manageme	nt Specialist III
Printed Name:	Paula Johnston			
Authorized Repr	esentative			
			City of Austin	
Johnston Holding	gs, Inc.		Purchasing Office	
	ecialists of Texas		124 W. 8th Street, Ste. 310	

Austin, Texas 78701

(512) 750-6403 – cell (512) 842-8733 - office

Driftwood, Texas 78619

368 Nicholas Lane

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Amendment No. 1
to
Contract No. NA170000027
for
Oak Wilt Prevention Injections
between
Johnston Holdings, Inc.
dba Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas
and the
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises this extension option for the subject contract. This extension option will be November 16, 2017 through November 15, 2018. Three options will remain.
- 2.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$19,900.00 by this extension period. The total contract authorization is recapped below:

Action	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount		
Initial Term:				
11/16/2016 - 11/15/2017	\$19,900.00	\$19,900.00		
Amendment No. 1: Option 1 – Extension				
11/16/2017 - 11/15/2018	\$19,900.00	\$39,800.00		

- 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 SIGI	NATURES	affixed	below,	this a	amendmeni	t is hereby	/ incorporated	into	and	made	a part	of the	above-	referenced
contract	/		1											

Sign/Date: /

Printed Name: 4Ace

Authorized Representative

Johnston Holdings, Inc. dba Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas 368 Nicholas Lane Driftwood, Texas 78619 (512) 750-6403 – cell

(512) 842-8733 - office

paula@stopoakwilt.com

Sign/Date:

Mike Zambrano, Jr.

Contract Management Specialist III

City of Austin Purchasing Office 124 W. 8th Street, Ste. 310

Austin, Texas 78701

November 9, 2016

Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas Paula Johnston Vice President 368 Nicholas Ln Driftwood, TX 78619 paula@stopoakwilt.com

Dear Ms. Johnston:

The City of Austin approved the execution of a contract with your company for Oak Wilt Preventative Injections in accordance with the referenced solicitation.

Responsible Department:	Development Services Department
Department Contact Person:	Chris Dolan
Department Contact Email Address:	Chris.Dolan@austintexas.gov
Department Contact Telephone:	512-974-1881
Project Name:	Oak Wilt Preventative Injections
Contractor Name:	Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt
	Specialists of Texas
Contract Number:	MA 5300 NA170000027
Contract Period:	12 Months
Dollar Amount	\$19,900
Extension Options:	Four 12 Month Options
Requisition Number:	16100600018
Solicitation Type & Number:	IFB MMO0116

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,

Marian Moore Buyer II City of Austin Purchasing Office

cc: Chris Dolan

CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN ("City") AND

JOHNSTON HOLDINGS, INC. DBA OAK WILT SPECIALISTS OF TEXAS ("Contractor") FOR

OAK WILT PREVENTATIVE INJECTIONS MA 5300 NA170000027

The City accepts the Contractor's Offer (as referenced in Section 1.1.3 below) for the above requirement and enters into the following Contract.

This Contract is between Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas having offices at 368 Nicholas Ln., Driftwood, TX 78619 and the City, a home-rule municipality incorporated by the State of Texas, and is effective as of the date executed by the City ("Effective Date").

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given them in Solicitation Number IFB MMO0116.

1.1 This Contract is composed of the following documents:

- 1.1.1 This document
- 1.1.2 The City's Solicitation, Invitation for Bid (IFB), MMO0116 including all documents incorporated by reference
- 1.1.3 Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas' Offer, dated November 8, 2016, including subsequent clarifications
- 1.2 <u>Order of Precedence</u>. Any inconsistency or conflict in the Contract documents shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:
 - 1.2.1 This document
 - 1.2.2 The City's Solicitation as referenced in Section 1.1.2, including all documents incorporated by reference
 - 1.2.3 The Contractor's Offer as referenced in Section 1.1.3, including subsequent clarifications.
- 1.3 <u>Term of Contract.</u> The Contract will be in effect for an initial term of twelve (12) months and may be extended thereafter for up to four (4) additional twelve (12) month extension option(s), subject to the approval of the Contractor and the City Purchasing Officer or his designee. See the Term of Contract provision in Section 0400 for additional Contract requirements.
- 1.4 <u>Compensation</u>. The Contractor shall be paid a total Not-to-Exceed amount of \$19,900 for the initial Contract term and \$19,900 for each extension option as indicated in the Bid Sheet, IFB Section 0600. Payment shall be made upon successful completion of services or delivery of goods as outlined in each individual Delivery Order.
- 1.5 **Quantity of Work.** There is no guaranteed quantity of work for the period of the Contract and there are no minimum order quantities. Work will be on an as needed basis as specified by the City for each Delivery Order

This Contract (including any Exhibits) constitutes the entire agreement of the parties regarding the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, relating to such subject matter. This Contract may be altered, amended, or modified only by a written instrument signed by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.

In witness whereof, the City has caused a duly authorized representative to execute this Contract on the date set forth below.

JOHNSTON HOLDINGS, INC. DBA OAK WILT SPECIALISTS OF TEXAS	CITY OF AUSTIN
Signature Signature	Maare Signature
Paula Johnston Printed Name of Authorized Person	Marian Moore Printed Name of Authorized Person
Vice President Title	Buyer II Title
11-15-2016 Date	11-16-16 Date



CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Purchasing Office **INVITATION FOR BID (IFB)** OFFER SHEET

SOLICITATION NO: MMO0116

COMMODITY/SERVICE DESCRIPTION: Oak Wilt Preventative

Injections

DATE ISSUED: October 17, 2016 **REQUISITION NO.:** 16100600018

PRE-BID CONFERENCE TIME AND DATE: N/A

COMMODITY CODE: 6754010 LOCATION: N/A

FOR CONTRACTUAL AND TECHNICAL ISSUES CONTACT THE FOLLOWING **AUTHORIZED CONTACT PERSON:**

BID DUE PRIOR TO: November 8, 2016 at 2:00pm

BID OPENING TIME AND DATE: November 8, 2016 at 2:15pm

Marian Moore

Buyer II Phone: (512) 974-2062 LOCATION: MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 124 W 8th STREET

RM 308, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

E-Mail: marian.moore@austintexas.gov

Sandy Wirtanen

LIVE BID OPENING ONLINE:

Senior Buver

For information on how to attend the Bid Opening online, please select

this link:

Phone: (512) 974-7711 E-Mail: sandy.wirtanen@austintexas.gov

http://www.austintexas.gov/department/bid-opening-webinars

When submitting a sealed Offer and/or Compliance Plan, use the proper address for the type of service desired, as shown below:

Address for US Mail (Only)	Address for Fedex, UPS, Hand Delivery or Courier Service
City of Austin	City of Austin, Municipal Building
Purchasing Office-Response Enclosed for Solicitation # MMO0116	Purchasing Office-Response Enclosed for Solicitation # MMO0116
P.O. Box 1088	124 W 8 th Street, Rm 308
Austin, Texas 78767-8845	Austin, Texas 78701
	Reception Phone: (512) 974-2500

NOTE: Offers must be received and time stamped in the Purchasing Office prior to the Due Date and Time. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to ensure that their Offer arrives at the receptionist's desk in the Purchasing Office prior to the time and date indicated. Arrival at the City's mailroom, mail terminal, or post office box will not constitute the Offer arriving on time. See Section 0200 for additional solicitation instructions.

All Offers (including Compliance Plans) that are not submitted in a sealed envelope or container will not be considered.

The Vendor agrees, if this Offer is accepted within 120 calendar days after the Due Date, to fully comply in strict accordance with the Solicitation, specifications and provisions attached thereto for the amounts shown on the accompanying Offer.

SUBMIT 1 ORIGINAL AND 1 ELECTRONIC COPY (FLASH DRIVE) OF YOUR RESPONSE ***SIGNATURE FOR SUBMITTAL REQUIRED ON PAGE 3 OF THIS DOCUMENT*** This solicitation is comprised of the following required sections. Please ensure to carefully read each section including those incorporated by reference. By signing this document, you are agreeing to all the items contained herein and will be bound to all terms.

SECTION NO.	TITLE	PAGES
0100	STANDARD PURCHASE DEFINITIONS	*
0200	STANDARD SOLICITATION INSTRUCTIONS	*
0300	STANDARD PURCHASE TERMS AND CONDITIONS	*
0400	SUPPLEMENTAL PURCHASE PROVISIONS	6
0500	SPECIFICATION	2
0600	BID SHEET – Must be completed and returned with Offer	1
0605	LOCAL BUSINESS PRESENCE IDENTIFICATION FORM – Complete and return	2
0700	REFERENCE SHEET – Complete and return if required	1
0800	NON-DISCRIMINATION CERTIFICATION	*
0805	NON-SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION	*
0810	NON-COLLUSION, NON-CONFLICT OF INTEREST, AND ANTI-LOBBYING CERTIFICATION	*
0815	LIVING WAGES CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION–Complete and return	1
0835	NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS – Complete and return	1
0900	MBE/WBE PROCUREMENT PROGRAM PACKAGE NO GOALS FORM – Complete & return	2

^{*} Documents are hereby incorporated into this Solicitation by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were incorporated in full text. The full text versions of the * Sections are available on the Internet at the following online address:

http://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor connection/index.cfm#STANDARDBIDDOCUMENTS

If you do not have access to the Internet, you may obtain a copy of these Sections from the City of Austin Purchasing Office located in the Municipal Building, 124 West 8th Street, Room #308 Austin, Texas 78701; phone (512) 974-2500. Please have the Solicitation number available so that the staff can select the proper documents. These documents can be mailed, expressed mailed, or faxed to you.

INTERESTED PARTIES DISCLOSURE

In addition, Section 2252.908 of the Texas Government Code requires the successful offeror to complete a Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties" that is signed and notarized for a contract award requiring council authorization. The "Certificate of Interested Parties" form must be completed on the Texas Ethics Commission website, printed, signed and submitted to the City by the authorized agent of the Business Entity with acknowledgment that disclosure is made under oath and under penalty of perjury prior to final contract execution.

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf info form1295.htm

The undersigned, by his/her signature, represents that he/she is submitting a binding offer and is authorized to bind the respondent to fully comply with the solicitation document contained herein. The Respondent, by submitting and signing below, acknowledges that he/she has received and read the entire document packet sections defined above including all documents incorporated by reference, and agrees to be bound by the terms therein.

Company Name	Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas	
Company Addre	ss: PO Box 92887	
City, State, Zip:	Austin, TX 78709	
Federal Tax ID N	No.	
Printed Name of Officer or Authorized Representative: Paula Johnston		
Title: Vice President		
Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative:		
Date: 11-02-16		
Email Address: _ paula@stopoakwilt.com		
Phone Number: 512-842-8733		

* Completed Bid Sheet, section 0600 must be submitted with this Offer sheet to be considered for award



PO Box 92887 Austin, Texas 78709-2887 877- 842-TREE (8733) 888-453-1593 (fax) www.stopoakwilt.com

6 November 2016

Ms. Marian Moore, Buyer II City of Austin Purchasing Office 512-974-2062

RE: Solicitation IFB MMO0116

Dear Ms. Moore:

Enclosed is our bid package. I wish to add that our company does currently carry all of the appropriate insurance and workmen's compensations coverages as specified in the IFB. Upon acceptance of this proposal JHI dba OWST will be happy to provide the City with the appropriate documents indicating the indemnifications, waivers of subrogation, coverages, etc.

JHI dba OWST has been a vendor of the City for a number of years for both fungicide treatments and rock saw trenching when containing Oak Wilt disease centers for Balcones Canyonlands. Through the City's partnership with the Austin Community Foundation, Balcones Canyonlands and the City itself, we have thus far successfully treated and are maintaining 95 individual trees on the City's behalf. We also maintain a database for the City that indicates how many times each of these trees have been treated, trunk diameter size, fungicide dosages for each treatment, current canopy conditions and their specific location. At any given time we can easily generate and present this information to the City or Mr. Chris Dolan, the coordinator of the City's Oak Wilt program.

Please feel free to contact me if any other information is needed or questions should arise.

Sincerely,

Paula H. Johnston

Vice President and Certified Arborist

TX-3552A; TOWC-0126 Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas

512-750-6403 cell 512-842-8733 office

By submitting an Offer in response to the Solicitation, the Contractor agrees that the Contract shall be governed by the following terms and conditions. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 20, 21, and 36 shall apply only to a Solicitation to purchase Goods, and Sections 9, 10, 11 and 22 shall apply only to a Solicitation to purchase Services to be performed principally at the City's premises or on public rights-of-way.

- 1. <u>CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS</u>. The Contractor shall fully and timely provide all Deliverables described in the Solicitation 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.
- EFFECTIVE DATE/TERM. Unless otherwise specified in the Solicitation, this Contract shall be effective as of the
 date the contract is signed by the City, and shall continue in effect until all obligations are performed in accordance
 with the Contract.
- 3. CONTRACTOR TO PACKAGE DELIVERABLES: The Contractor will package Deliverables in accordance with good commercial practice and shall include a packing list showing the description of each item, the quantity and unit price Unless otherwise provided in the Specifications or Supplemental Terms and Conditions, each shipping container shall be clearly and permanently marked as follows: (a) The Contractor's name and address, (b) the City's name, address and purchase order or purchase release number and the price agreement number if applicable, (c) Container number and total number of containers, e.g. box 1 of 4 boxes, and (d) the number of the container bearing the packing list. The Contractor shall bear cost of packaging. Deliverables shall be suitably packed to secure lowest transportation costs and to conform with requirements of common carriers and any applicable specifications. The City's count or weight shall be final and conclusive on shipments not accompanied by packing lists.
- 4. **SHIPMENT UNDER RESERVATION PROHIBITED**: The Contractor is not authorized to ship the Deliverables under reservation and no tender of a bill of lading will operate as a tender of Deliverables.
- 5. <u>TITLE & RISK OF LOSS</u>: Title to and risk of loss of the Deliverables shall pass to the City only when the City actually receives and accepts the Deliverables.
- 6. **DELIVERY TERMS AND TRANSPORTATION CHARGES**: Deliverables shall be shipped F.O.B. point of delivery unless otherwise specified in the Supplemental Terms and Conditions. Unless otherwise stated in the Offer, the Contractor's price shall be deemed to include all delivery and transportation charges. The City shall have the right to designate what method of transportation shall be used to ship the Deliverables. The place of delivery shall be that set forth in the block of the purchase order or purchase release entitled "Receiving Agency".
- 7. RIGHT OF INSPECTION AND REJECTION: The City expressly reserves all rights under law, including, but not limited to the Uniform Commercial Code, to inspect the Deliverables at delivery before accepting them, and to reject defective or non-conforming Deliverables. If the City has the right to inspect the Contractor's, or the Contractor's Subcontractor's, facilities, or the Deliverables at the Contractor's, or the Contractor's Subcontractor's, premises, the Contractor shall furnish, or cause to be furnished, without additional charge, all reasonable facilities and assistance to the City to facilitate such inspection.
- 8. **NO REPLACEMENT OF DEFECTIVE TENDER**: Every tender or delivery of Deliverables must fully comply with all provisions of the Contract as to time of delivery, quality, and quantity. Any non-complying tender shall constitute a breach and the Contractor shall not have the right to substitute a conforming tender; provided, where the time for performance has not yet expired, the Contractor may notify the City of the intention to cure and may then make a conforming tender within the time allotted in the contract.
- 9. 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.

10. WORKFORCE

- A. The Contractor shall employ only orderly and competent workers, skilled in the performance of the services which they will perform under the Contract.
- B. 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.
 - i. use or possess a firearm, including a concealed handgun that is licensed under state law, except as required by the terms of the contract; or
 - ii. 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.
- C. 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.
- 11. <u>COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH, SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS</u>: 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.

12. **INVOICES**:

- A. The Contractor shall submit separate invoices in duplicate on each purchase order or purchase release after each delivery. If partial shipments or deliveries are authorized by the City, a separate invoice must be sent for each shipment or delivery made.
- B. Proper Invoices must include 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 and transportation charges, if any, shall be listed separately. A copy of the bill of lading and the freight waybill, when applicable, shall be attached to the invoice. The Contractor's name and, if applicable, the tax identification number on the invoice must exactly match the information in the Vendor's registration with the City. Unless otherwise instructed in writing, the City may rely on the remittance address specified on the Contractor's invoice.
- C. 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.
- D. Unless otherwise expressly authorized in the Contract, the Contractor shall pass through all Subcontract and other authorized expenses at actual cost without markup.
- E. 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.

13. **PAYMENT**:

- A. 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.
- B. If payment is not timely made, (per paragraph A), 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.
- C. If partial shipments or deliveries are authorized by the City, the Contractor will be paid for the partial shipment or delivery, as stated above, provided that the invoice matches the shipment or delivery.
- D. The City may withhold or set off the entire payment or part of any payment otherwise due the Contractor to such extent as may be necessary on account of:
 - i. delivery of defective or non-conforming Deliverables by the Contractor;
 - ii. third party claims, which are not covered by the insurance which the Contractor is required to provide, are filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims;
 - iii. failure of the Contractor to pay Subcontractors, or for labor, materials or equipment;
 - iv. damage to the property of the City or the City's agents, employees or contractors, which is not covered by insurance required to be provided by the Contractor;
 - v. reasonable evidence that the Contractor's obligations will not be completed within the time specified in the Contract, and that the unpaid balance would not be adequate to cover actual or liquidated damages for the anticipated delay;
 - vi. failure of the Contractor to submit proper invoices with all required attachments and supporting documentation; or
 - vii. failure of the Contractor to comply with any material provision of the Contract Documents.
- E. 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.
- F. 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 funds transfer.
- G. 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.
- 14. **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 Solicitation will be reviewed against the City's Travel Policy as published and maintained by the City's Controller's Office 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 detailed 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 Regulations.

15. FINAL PAYMENT AND CLOSE-OUT:

- A. If an MBE/WBE Program Compliance Plan is required by the Solicitation, and the Contractor has identified Subcontractors, the Contractor is required to submit a Contract Close-Out MBE/WBE Compliance Report to the Project manager or Contract manager no later than the 15th calendar day after completion of all work under the contract. Final payment, retainage, or both may be withheld if the Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of the Compliance Plan as accepted by the City.
- B. The making and acceptance of final payment will constitute:
 - i. a waiver of all claims by the City against the Contractor, except claims (1) which have been previously asserted in writing and not yet settled, (2) arising from defective work appearing after final inspection, (3) arising from failure of the Contractor to comply with the Contract or the terms of any warranty specified herein, (4) arising from the Contractor's continuing obligations under the Contract, including but not limited to indemnity and warranty obligations, or (5) arising under the City's right to audit; and
 - ii. a waiver of all claims by the Contractor against the City other than those previously asserted in writing and not yet settled.
- 16. **SPECIAL TOOLS & TEST EQUIPMENT**: If the price stated on the Offer includes the cost of any special tooling or special test equipment fabricated or required by the Contractor for the purpose of filling this order, such special tooling equipment and any process sheets related thereto shall become the property of the City and shall be identified by the Contractor as such.

17. AUDITS and RECORDS:

A. 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.

B. Records Retention:

- i. For purposes of this subsection, a Record means all books, accounts, reports, files, and other data recorded or created by a Contractor in fulfillment of the contract.
- ii. All Records are the property of the City. The Contractor may not dispose of or destroy a Record without City authorization and shall deliver the Records, in all requested formats and media, along with all finding aids and metadata, to the City at no cost when:
 - a. requested by a director or an authorized City employee; or
 - b. the contract is completed or terminated.
- iii. The Contractor shall retain all 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.
- C. The Contractor shall include sections A and B above in all subcontractor agreements entered into in connection with this Contract.

18. **SUBCONTRACTORS**:

- A. 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.
- B. 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:
 - i. require that all Deliverables to be provided by the Subcontractor be provided in strict accordance with the provisions, specifications and terms of the Contract;
 - ii. 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;
 - iii. 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:
 - iv. 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
 - v. require that the Subcontractor indemnify and hold the City harmless to the same extent as the Contractor is required to indemnify the City.
- C. 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.
- D. 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.

19. **WARRANTY-PRICE**:

- A. 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.
- B. 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.
- C. 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.

- 20. <u>WARRANTY TITLE</u>: The Contractor warrants that it has good and indefeasible title to all Deliverables furnished under the Contract, and that the Deliverables are free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests and encumbrances. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against all adverse title claims to the Deliverables.
- 21. WARRANTY DELIVERABLES: The Contractor warrants and represents that all Deliverables sold the City under the Contract shall be free from defects in design, workmanship or manufacture, and conform in all material respects to the specifications, drawings, and descriptions in the Solicitation, to any samples furnished by the Contractor, to the terms, covenants and conditions of the Contract, and to all applicable State, Federal or local laws, rules, and regulations, and industry codes and standards. Unless otherwise stated in the Solicitation, the Deliverables shall be new or recycled merchandise, and not used or reconditioned.
 - A. Recycled Deliverables shall be clearly identified as such.
 - B. 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.
 - C. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the warranty period shall be at least one year from the date of acceptance of the Deliverables or from the date of acceptance of any replacement Deliverables. If during the warranty period, one or more of the above warranties are breached, the Contractor shall promptly upon receipt of demand either repair the non-conforming Deliverables, or replace the non-conforming Deliverables with fully conforming Deliverables, at the City's option and at no additional cost to the City. All costs incidental to such repair or replacement, including but not limited to, any packaging and shipping costs, shall be borne exclusively 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.
 - D. If the Contractor is unable or unwilling to repair or replace defective or non-conforming Deliverables as required by the City, then in addition to any other available remedy, the City may reduce the quantity of Deliverables it may be required to purchase under the Contract from the Contractor, and purchase conforming Deliverables 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 Deliverables from another source.
 - E. If the Contractor is not the manufacturer, and the Deliverables are covered by a separate manufacturer's warranty, the Contractor shall transfer and assign such manufacturer's warranty to the City. If for any reason the manufacturer's warranty cannot be fully transferred to the City, the Contractor shall assist and cooperate with the City to the fullest extent to enforce such manufacturer's warranty for the benefit of the City.
- 22. WARRANTY SERVICES: The Contractor warrants and represents that all services to be provided 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.
 - A. 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.
 - B. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the warranty period shall be <u>at least</u> one year from the Acceptance Date. If during the warranty period, one or more of the above 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 warranty, but failure to give timely notice shall not impair the City's rights under this section.

- C. 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.
- 23. ACCEPTANCE OF INCOMPLETE OR NON-CONFORMING DELIVERABLES: If, instead of requiring immediate correction or removal and replacement of defective or non-conforming Deliverables, the City prefers to accept it, the City may do so. The Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses and damages attributable to the City's evaluation of and determination to accept such defective or non-conforming Deliverables. If any such acceptance occurs prior to final payment, the City may deduct such amounts as are necessary to compensate the City for the diminished value of the defective or non-conforming Deliverables. If the acceptance occurs after final payment, such amount will be refunded to the City by the Contractor.
- 24. **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.
- 25. **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.
- 26. <u>DEFAULT</u>: 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 Paragraph 24, (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 the Contractor to the City.
- 27. **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.
- 28. **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.

29. **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.

30. **DELAYS**:

- A. 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 in paragraph 48. However, nothing in this provision shall excuse the Contractor from delaying the delivery as notified.
- B. 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.

31. **INDEMNITY**:

A. Definitions:

- i. "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:
 - (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
 - (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),
- ii. "Fault" shall include the sale of defective or non-conforming Deliverables, negligence, willful misconduct, or a breach of any legally imposed strict liability standard.
- B. 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.
- 32. **INSURANCE**: (reference Section 0400 for specific coverage requirements). The following insurance requirement applies. (Revised March 2013).

General Requirements.

i. The Contractor shall at a minimum carry insurance in the types and amounts indicated in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, for the duration of the Contract, including extension options and hold over periods, and during any warranty period.

- ii. The Contractor shall provide Certificates of Insurance with the coverages and endorsements required in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, to the City as verification of coverage prior to contract execution and within fourteen (14) calendar days after written request from the City. Failure to provide the required Certificate of Insurance may subject the Offer to disqualification from consideration for award. The Contractor must also forward a Certificate of Insurance to the City whenever a previously identified policy period has expired, or an extension option or hold over period is exercised, as verification of continuing coverage.
- iii. The Contractor shall not commence work until the required insurance is obtained and until such insurance has been reviewed by the City. Approval of insurance by the City shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor hereunder and shall not be construed to be a limitation of liability on the part of the Contractor.
- iv. The City may request that the Contractor submit certificates of insurance to the City for all subcontractors prior to the subcontractors commencing work on the project.
- v. The Contractor's and all subcontractors' insurance coverage shall be written by companies licensed to do business in the State of Texas at the time the policies are issued and shall be written by companies with A.M. Best ratings of B+VII or better.
- vi. The "other" insurance clause shall not apply to the City where the City is an additional insured shown on any policy. It is intended that policies required in the Contract, covering both the City and the Contractor, shall be considered primary coverage as applicable.
- vii. If insurance policies are not written for amounts specified in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, the Contractor shall carry Umbrella or Excess Liability Insurance for any differences in amounts specified. If Excess Liability Insurance is provided, it shall follow the form of the primary coverage.
- viii. The City shall be entitled, upon request, at an agreed upon location, and without expense, to review certified copies of policies and endorsements thereto and may make any reasonable requests for deletion or revision or modification of particular policy terms, conditions, limitations, or exclusions except where policy provisions are established by law or regulations binding upon either of the parties hereto or the underwriter on any such policies.
- ix. The City reserves the right to review the insurance requirements set forth during the effective period of the Contract and to make reasonable adjustments to insurance coverage, limits, and exclusions when deemed necessary and prudent by the City based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, the claims history of the industry or financial condition of the insurance company as well as the Contractor.
- x. The Contractor shall not cause any insurance to be canceled nor permit any insurance to lapse during the term of the Contract or as required in the Contract.
- xi. The Contractor shall be responsible for premiums, deductibles and self-insured retentions, if any, stated in policies. Self-insured retentions shall be disclosed on the Certificate of Insurance.
- xii. The Contractor shall provide the City thirty (30) calendar days' written notice of erosion of the aggregate limits below occurrence limits for all applicable coverages indicated within the Contract.
- xiii. The insurance coverages specified in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions, are required minimums and are not intended to limit the responsibility or liability of the Contractor.
- B. <u>Specific Coverage Requirements: Specific insurance requirements are contained in Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions</u>

- 33. <u>CLAIMS</u>: 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 affect 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 2nd Street, 4th Floor, Austin, Texas 78701, and mail delivery shall be to P.O. Box 1088, Austin, Texas 78767.
- 34. 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 Contractor shall be sent to the address specified in the Contractor's Offer, or at such other address as a party may notify the other in writing. Notices to the City shall be addressed to the City at P.O. Box 1088, Austin, Texas 78767 and marked to the attention of the Contract Administrator.
- 35. RIGHTS TO BID, PROPOSAL AND CONTRACTUAL MATERIAL: All material submitted by the Contractor to the City shall become property of the City upon receipt. Any portions of such material claimed by the Contractor to be proprietary must be clearly marked as such. Determination of the public nature of the material is subject to the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code.
- NO WARRANTY BY CITY AGAINST INFRINGEMENTS: The Contractor represents and warrants to the City that: (i) the Contractor shall provide the City good and indefeasible title to the Deliverables and (ii) the Deliverables supplied by the Contractor in accordance with the specifications in the Contract will not infringe, directly or contributorily, any patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, or any other intellectual property right of any kind of any third party; that no claims have been made by any person or entity with respect to the ownership or operation of the Deliverables and the Contractor does not know of any valid basis for any such claims. The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, defend, indemnify, and hold the City harmless from and against all liability, damages, and costs (including court costs and reasonable fees of attorneys and other professionals) arising out of or resulting from: (i) any claim that the City's exercise anywhere in the world of the rights associated with the City's' ownership, and if applicable, license rights, and its use of the Deliverables infringes the intellectual property rights of any third party; or (ii) the Contractor's breach of any of Contractor's representations or warranties stated in this Contract. In the event of any such claim, the City shall have the right to monitor such claim or at its option engage its own separate counsel to act as co-counsel on the City's behalf. Further, Contractor agrees that the City's specifications regarding the Deliverables shall in no way diminish Contractor's warranties or obligations under this paragraph and the City makes no warranty that the production, development, or delivery of such Deliverables will not impact such warranties of Contractor.
- 37. **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 Agreement, 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.

- 38. **PUBLICATIONS**: All published material and written reports submitted under the Contract must be originally developed material unless otherwise specifically provided in the Contract. When material not originally developed is included in a report in any form, the source shall be identified.
- 39. **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.
- 40. **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.
- 41. **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 of Austin 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.
- 42. **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.
- 43. **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.
- 44. **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.
- 45. **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.
- 46. **MODIFICATIONS**: The Contract can be modified or amended only by a writing signed by both parties. No pre-printed or similar terms on any the Contractor invoice, order or other document shall have any force or effect to change the terms, covenants, and conditions of the Contract.
- 47. <u>INTERPRETATION</u>: 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.

48. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**:

- A. 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.
- B. 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.
- 49. <u>JURISDICTION AND VENUE</u>: 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.
- 50. **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.
- 51. **HOLIDAYS:** The following holidays are observed by the City:

Holiday	Date Observed	
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.

52. **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.

53. 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.

54. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY**

- A. **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 Offer submitted to the City shall be considered, nor any Purchase Order issued, or any Contract awarded by the City unless the Offeror has executed and filed with the City Purchasing Office a current Non-Discrimination Certification. 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.
- B. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance: No Contractor, or Contractor's agent, shall engage in any discriminatory practice against individuals with disabilities as defined in the ADA, including but not limited to: employment, accessibility to goods and services, reasonable accommodations, and effective communications.

55. INTERESTED PARTIES DISCLOSURE

As a condition to entering the Contract, the Business Entity constituting the Offeror must provide the following disclosure of Interested Parties to the City prior to the award of a contract with the City on Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties" as prescribed by the Texas Ethics Commission for any contract award requiring council authorization. The Certificate of Interested Parties Form must be completed on the Texas Ethics Commission website, printed, and signed by the authorized agent of the Business Entity with acknowledgment that disclosure is made under oath and under penalty of perjury. The City will submit the "Certificate of Interested Parties" to the Texas Ethics Commission within 30 days of receipt from the successful Offeror. The Offeror is reminded that the provisions of Local Government Code 176, regarding conflicts of interest between the bidders and local officials remains in place. Link to Texas Ethics Commission Form 1295 process and procedures below:

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf info form1295.htm

56. BUY AMERICAN ACT-SUPPLIES (Applicable to certain Federally funded requirements)

- A. Definitions. As used in this paragraph
 - "Component" means an article, material, or supply incorporated directly into an end product.
 - ii. "Cost of components" means -
 - (1) For components purchased by the Contractor, the acquisition cost, including transportation costs to the place of incorporation into the end product (whether or not such costs are paid to a domestic firm), and any applicable duty (whether or not a duty-free entry certificate is issued); or
 - (2) For components manufactured by the Contractor, all costs associated with the manufacture of the component, including transportation costs as described in paragraph (1) of this definition, plus allocable overhead costs, but excluding profit. Cost of components does not include any costs associated with the manufacture of the end product.
 - iii. "Domestic end product" means-
 - (1) An unmanufactured end product mined or produced in the United States; or
 - (2) An end product manufactured in the United States, if the cost of its components mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States exceeds 50 percent of the cost of all its components. Components of foreign origin of the same class or kind as those that the agency determines are not mined, produced, or manufactured in sufficient and reasonably available commercial quantities of a satisfactory quality are treated as domestic. Scrap generated, collected, and prepared for processing in the United States is considered domestic.
 - iv. "End product" means those articles, materials, and supplies to be acquired under the contract for public use.
 - v. "Foreign end product" means an end product other than a domestic end product.
 - vi. "United States" means the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and outlying areas.
- B. The Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a 10d) provides a preference for domestic end products for supplies acquired for use in the United States.
- C. The City does not maintain a list of foreign articles that will be treated as domestic for this Contract; but will consider for approval foreign articles as domestic for this product if the articles are on a list approved by another Governmental Agency. The Offeror shall submit documentation with their Offer demonstrating that the article is on an approved Governmental list.
- D. The Contractor shall deliver only domestic end products except to the extent that it specified delivery of foreign end products in the provision of the Solicitation entitled "Buy American Act Certificate".

The following Supplemental Purchasing Provisions apply to this solicitation:

1. **EXPLANATIONS OR CLARIFICATIONS:** (reference paragraph 5 in Section 0200)

All requests for explanations or clarifications must be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Office by one week prior to the Solicitation due date. Requests can be emailed to marian.moore@austintexas.gov or faxed to 512-974-2388.

- 2. **INSURANCE:** Insurance is required for this solicitation.
 - A. <u>General Requirements</u>: See Section 0300, Standard Purchase Terms and Conditions, paragraph 32, entitled Insurance, for general insurance requirements.
 - i. The Contractor shall provide a Certificate of Insurance as verification of coverages required below to the City at the below address prior to contract execution and within 14 calendar days after written request from the City. Failure to provide the required Certificate of Insurance may subject the Offer to disqualification from consideration for award
 - ii. The Contractor shall not commence work until the required insurance is obtained and until such insurance has been reviewed by the City. Approval of insurance by the City shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor hereunder and shall not be construed to be a limitation of liability on the part of the Contractor.
 - iii. The Contractor must also forward a Certificate of Insurance to the City whenever a previously identified policy period has expired, or an extension option or holdover period is exercised, as verification of continuing coverage.
 - iv. The Certificate of Insurance, and updates, shall be mailed to the following address:

City of Austin Purchasing Office P. O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767

- B. <u>Specific Coverage Requirements</u>: The Contractor shall at a minimum carry insurance in the types and amounts indicated below for the duration of the Contract, including extension options and hold over periods, and during any warranty period. These insurance coverages are required minimums and are not intended to limit the responsibility or liability of the Contractor.
 - i. Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance: Coverage shall be consistent with statutory benefits outlined in the Texas Worker's Compensation Act (Section 401). The minimum policy limits for Employer's Liability are \$100,000 bodily injury each accident, \$500,000 bodily injury by disease policy limit and \$100,000 bodily injury by disease each employee.
 - (1) The Contractor's policy shall apply to the State of Texas and include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
 - (a) Waiver of Subrogation, Form WC420304, or equivalent coverage
 - b) Thirty (30) days Notice of Cancellation, Form WC420601, or equivalent coverage
 - ii. <u>Commercial General Liability Insurance</u>: The minimum bodily injury and property damage per occurrence are \$500,000 for coverages A (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) and B (Personal and Advertising Injury).
 - (1) The policy shall contain the following provisions:
 - (a) Contractual liability coverage for liability assumed under the Contract and all other Contracts related to the project.
 - (b) Contractor/Subcontracted Work.
 - (c) Products/Completed Operations Liability for the duration of the warranty period.
 - (d) If the project involves digging or drilling provisions must be included that provide Explosion, Collapse, and/or Underground Coverage.

- (2) The policy shall also include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
 - (a) Waiver of Subrogation, Endorsement CG 2404, or equivalent coverage
 - (b) Thirty (30) days Notice of Cancellation, Endorsement CG 0205, or equivalent coverage
 - (c) The City of Austin listed as an additional insured, Endorsement CG 2010, or equivalent coverage
- iii. <u>Business Automobile Liability Insurance</u>: The Contractor shall provide coverage for all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles with a minimum combined single limit of \$500,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Alternate acceptable limits are \$250,000 bodily injury per person, \$500,000 bodily injury per occurrence and at least \$100,000 property damage liability per accident.
 - (1) The policy shall include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
 - (a) Waiver of Subrogation, Endorsement CA0444, or equivalent coverage
 - (b) Thirty (30) days Notice of Cancellation, Endorsement CA0244, or equivalent coverage
 - (c) The City of Austin listed as an additional insured, Endorsement CA2048, or equivalent coverage.
- C. <u>Endorsements</u>: The specific insurance coverage endorsements specified above, or their equivalents must be provided. In the event that endorsements, which are the equivalent of the required coverage, are proposed to be substituted for the required coverage, copies of the equivalent endorsements must be provided for the City's review and approval.

3. **TERM OF CONTRACT:**

- A. The Contract shall be in effect for an initial term of 12 months and may be extended thereafter for up to four additional 12 month periods, subject to the approval of the Contractor and the City Purchasing Officer or his designee.
- B. Upon expiration of the initial term or period of extension, the Contractor agrees to hold over under the terms and conditions of this agreement for such a period of time as is reasonably necessary to re-solicit and/or complete the project (not to exceed 120 days unless mutually agreed on in writing).
- C. Upon written notice to the Contractor from the City's Purchasing Officer or his designee and acceptance of the Contractor, the term of this contract shall be extended on the same terms and conditions for an additional period as indicated in paragraph A above.
- D. Prices are firm and fixed for the first 12 months. Thereafter, price changes are subject to the Economic Price Adjustment provisions of this Contract.
- 4. **QUANTITIES:** The quantities listed herein are estimates for the period of the Contract. The City reserves the right to purchase more or less of these quantities as may be required during the Contract term. Quantities will be as needed and specified by the City for each order. Unless specified in the solicitation, there are no minimum order quantities.
- 5. **INVOICES and PAYMENT:** (reference paragraphs 12 and 13 in Section 0300)
 - A. Invoices shall contain a unique invoice number and the information required in Section 0300, paragraph 12, entitled "Invoices." Invoices received without all required information cannot be processed and will be returned to the vendor.

Invoices shall be mailed to the below address:

	City of Austin
Department	Development Services Department
Attn:	Accounts Payable
Address	505 Barton Springs Rd, Suite 750
City, State Zip Code	Austin, TX

B. The Contractor agrees to accept payment by credit card, check or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) for all goods and/or services provided under the Contract. The Contractor shall factor the cost of processing credit card payments into the Offer. There shall be no additional charges, surcharges, or penalties to the City for payments made by credit card.

6. **RECYCLED PRODUCTS:**

- A. The City prefers that Offerors offer products that contain recycled materials. When a recycled product is offered by the Offeror, the Offeror must state in their Offer the percentage of the product that is recycled and must include a list of the recycled materials that are contained in the product.
- B. The recycled content of paper products offered to the City shall be in accordance with the Federal Environmental Protection Agency's Recycled Product Procurement Guidelines. These guidelines are available at http://www.epa.gov/cpg/.
- C. Contract award for paper products will be made for recycled products unless the cost is more than 10% above the lowest price for non-recycled paper products as required in the City's Comprehensive Recycling Resolution.

7. **LIVING WAGES:**

- A. The minimum wage required for any Contractor employee directly assigned to this City Contract is \$13.50 per hour, unless Published Wage Rates are included in this solicitation. In addition, the City may stipulate higher wage rates in certain solicitations in order to assure quality and continuity of service.
- B. The City requires Contractors submitting Offers on this Contract to provide a certification (see the Living Wages Contractor Certification included in the Solicitation) with their Offer certifying that all employees directly assigned to this City Contract will be paid a minimum living wage equal to or greater than \$13.50 per hour. The certification shall include a list of all employees directly assigned to providing services under the resultant contract including their name and job title. The list shall be updated and provided to the City as necessary throughout the term of the Contract.
- C. The Contractor shall maintain throughout the term of the resultant contract basic employment and wage information for each employee as required by the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).
- D. The Contractor shall provide to the Department's Contract Manager with the first invoice, individual Employee Certifications for all employees directly assigned to the contract. The City reserves the right to request individual Employee Certifications at any time during the contract term. Employee Certifications shall be signed by each employee directly assigned to the contract. The Employee Certification form is available on-line at https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/vendor connection/index.cfm.

- E. Contractor shall submit employee certifications annually on the anniversary date of contract award with the respective invoice to verify that employees are paid the Living Wage throughout the term of the contract. The Employee Certification Forms shall be submitted for employees added to the contract and/or to report any employee changes as they occur.
- F. The Department's Contract Manager will periodically review the employee data submitted by the Contractor to verify compliance with this Living Wage provision. The City retains the right to review employee records required in paragraph C above to verify compliance with this provision.

8. NON-COLLUSION, NON-CONFLICT OF INTEREST, AND ANTI-LOBBYING:

- A. On November 10, 2011, the Austin City Council adopted Ordinance No. 20111110-052 amending Chapter 2.7, Article 6 of the City Code relating to Anti-Lobbying and Procurement. The policy defined in this Code applies to Solicitations for goods and/or services requiring City Council approval under City Charter Article VII, Section 15 (Purchase Procedures). During the No-Contact Period, Offerors or potential Offerors are prohibited from making a representation to anyone other than the Authorized Contact Person in the Solicitation as the contact for questions and comments regarding the Solicitation.
- B. If during the No-Contact Period an Offeror makes a representation to anyone other than the Authorized Contact Person for the Solicitation, the Offeror's Offer is disqualified from further consideration except as permitted in the Ordinance.
- C. If an Offeror has been disqualified under this article more than two times in a sixty (60) month period, the Purchasing Officer shall debar the Offeror from doing business with the City for a period not to exceed three (3) years, provided the Offeror is given written notice and a hearing in advance of the debarment.
- D. The City requires Offerors submitting Offers on this Solicitation to certify that the Offeror has not in any way directly or indirectly made representations to anyone other than the Authorized Contact Person during the No-Contact Period as defined in the Ordinance. The text of the City Ordinance is posted on the Internet at: http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/document.cfm?id=161145

9. ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT:

- A. Price Adjustments: Prices shown in this Contract shall remain firm for the first 12 months of the Contract. After that, in recognition of the potential for fluctuation of the Contractor's cost, a price adjustment (increase or decrease) may be requested by either the City or the Contractor on the anniversary date of the Contract or as may otherwise be specified herein. The percentage change between the contract price and the requested price shall not exceed the percentage change between the specified index in effect on the date the solicitation closed and the most recent, non-preliminary data at the time the price adjustment is requested. The requested price adjustment shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) for any single line item and in no event shall the total amount of the contract be automatically adjusted as a result of the change in one or more line items made pursuant to this provision. Prices for products or services unaffected by verifiable cost trends shall not be subject to adjustment.
- B. <u>Effective Date</u>: Approved price adjustments will go into effect on the first day of the upcoming renewal period or anniversary date of contract award and remain in effect until contract expiration unless changed by subsequent amendment.
- C. <u>Adjustments</u>: A request for price adjustment must be made in writing and submitted to the other Party prior to the yearly anniversary date of the Contract; adjustments may only be considered at that time unless otherwise specified herein. Requested adjustments must be solely for the purpose

of accommodating changes in the Contractor's direct costs. Contractor shall provide an updated price listing once agreed to adjustment(s) have been approved by the parties.

- D. <u>Indexes:</u> In most cases an index from the Bureau of Labor Standards (BLS) will be utilized; however, if there is more appropriate, industry recognized standard then that index may be selected.
 - i. The following definitions apply:
 - (1) Base Period: Month and year of the original contracted price (the solicitation close date).
 - (2) Base Price: Initial price quoted, proposed and/or contracted per unit of measure.
 - (3) Adjusted Price: Base Price after it has been adjusted in accordance with the applicable index change and instructions provided.
 - (4) Change Factor: The multiplier utilized to adjust the Base Price to the Adjusted Price.
 - (5) **Weight** %: The percent of the Base Price subject to adjustment based on an index change.
 - ii. **Adjustment-Request Review:** Each adjustment-request received will be reviewed and compared to changes in the index(es) identified below. Where applicable:
 - (1) Utilize final Compilation data instead of Preliminary data
 - (2) If the referenced index is no longer available shift up to the next higher category index.
 - iii. Index Identification:

Weight % or \$ of Base Price: 100%		
Database Name: Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers		
Series ID: CUUR0000SEMC		
Geographical Area: U.S. City Average		
Description of Series ID: Professional Services		
This Index shall apply to the following items of the Bid Sheet / Cost Proposal: ALL		

E. Calculation: Price adjustment will be calculated as follows:

Single Index: Adjust the Base Price by the same factor calculated for the index change.

Index at time of calculation
Divided by index on solicitation close date
Equals Change Factor
Multiplied by the Base Rate
Equals the Adjusted Price

- F. If the requested adjustment is not supported by the referenced index, the City, at its sole discretion, may consider approving an adjustment on fully documented market increases.
- INTERLOCAL PURCHASING AGREEMENTS: (applicable to competitively procured goods/services contracts).
 - A. The City has entered into Interlocal Purchasing Agreements with other governmental entities, pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code. The

Contractor agrees to offer the same prices and terms and conditions to other eligible governmental agencies that have an interlocal agreement with the City.

- B. The City does not accept any responsibility or liability for the purchases by other governmental agencies through an interlocal cooperative agreement.
- 11. <u>CONTRACT MANAGER</u>: The following person is designated as Contract Manager, and will act as the contact point between the City and the Contractor during the term of the Contract:

Chris Dolan, Environmental Program Coordinator, Arborist for Oak Wilt Suppression Program

City of Austin Development Services Department – Urban Forest Division

505 Barton Springs Road, 4th Floor

Austin, TX 78704

Phone: 512-974-1881 or Email: chris.dolan@austintexas.gov

CITY OF AUSTIN PURCHASING OFFICE SCOPE OF WORK - REVISED 10-18-16 FOR OAK WILT PREVENTATIVE INJECTIONS

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This Invitation for Bid (IFB) is to establish a Contract with a vendor able to provide oak wilt preventative injection services as stipulated in this solicitation. As part of the overall conservation of the City of Austin's Urban Forest, the objective of this project is to protect mature, and often heritage size live oak trees located on any city owned property, including, but not limited to, trees along right of ways, on city parkland, or on Austin Independent School District property, from being infected with oak wilt.
- 1.2 Oak wilt is an infectious tree disease caused by the fungus *Ceratocystis fagacearum*, which invades and disables the water-conducting system in susceptible trees (Live oaks, Red oaks). Most trees defoliate and die with a few months of being infected. Oak wilt infection centers (or mortality centers) expand at a rate of 100-150 feet per year, as the fungus is transmitted through the grafted root systems of the trees. The existence of oak wilt in adjacent lots, or in adjacent city owned trees puts healthy trees at risk of being infected through grafted root connections.
- 1.3 The Contract will be utilized by the Urban Forestry Division of the Development Services Department. The City reserves the right to allow other City Departments to utilize the Contract.

2. CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS

- 2.1 The Contractor shall be regularly engaged in the business of providing oak wilt prevention injection services for a minimum of three consecutive years within the last five years.
- 2.2 The Contractor shall furnish customer references as required in Section 0700 of the solicitation.
- 2.3 The Contractor shall employ an International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Certified Arborist, who is also Oak Wilt Certified by the Texas Forest Service (TFS). Offeror shall submit copies of all applicable certifications with bid as evidence of meeting this requirement.

3. CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3.1 The Contractor shall provide a point of contact for receiving orders from the City. A City representative from the Urban Forestry Division will contact the Contractor by email, fax, or telephone to place an order for services.
- 3.2 The Urban Forestry Division representative will provide written authorization (e.g. email) to provide services. Authorization will include a unique delivery order (DO) number. The authorization for services will include the address and specific location or description of the susceptible trees requiring injections. All order locations will be within the City of Austin Corporate City Limits.
- 3.3 The Contractor shall perform injections within one week of order receipt. If more time is required to complete the requested services, the Contractor shall request an extension in writing that includes the date the services will be completed. The requesting City representative must approve the Contractors request for extension in writing.
- 3.4 All services performed under the Contract shall be performed by ISA and TFS Oak Wilt Certified Arborists.

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- 3.5 The Contractor shall ensure that employees providing services under the Contract display identification that includes both the name of the Contractor and the employee. The Contractor shall ensure that employees wear identification on their outer garment at all times while performing services at any City site. The City finds acceptable a t-shirt uniform that meets the required identification standards.
- 3.6 Injections shall adhere to all TFS recommendations and guidelines regarding oak wilt injections. The fungicide propiconazole, applied at label rates, is the currently recommended fungicide as a preventative treatment. The Contractor shall utilize the macro infusion technique based on the peer reviewed research of Dr. David Appel of Texas A & M University. The Contractor shall be responsible for adhering to any revisions or updates regarding TFS recommended guidelines and methodology.
- 3.7 The Contractor shall perform all services during normal City business hours Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:00 A.M. through 5:00 P.M. except for City-recognized legal holidays and weekends unless requested by the City in advance (see paragraph 51 in Section 0300 for City Holidays).
- 3.8 Mileage is not reimbursable, and the Contractor shall not bill for mileage. The cost of travel to designated injection sites shall be incorporated into total bid price.

BID SHEET CITY OF AUSTIN ("CITY") OAK WILT PREVENTATIVE INJECTIONS

Solicitation No.: IFB MMO0116

Special Instructions: A bid of "0" (zero) will be interpreted by the City as a no-charge (free) item and the City will not expect to pay for that item. A blank bid or a bid of "no bid" will be interpreted by the City that the responder does not wish to bid on that item.

Revisions to pricing may only be adjusted using the Economic Price Adjustment provision in Section 0400.

The quantities listed herein are annual estimates. The City reserves the right to purchase more or less of these quantities as may be required during the Contract Term. Quantities will be asneeded and specified by the City with each order.

SECTION 1: OAK WILT PREVENTION INJECTIONS:

LINE	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	UNIT	AVERAGE dbh FOR TREES REQUIRING INJECTIONS	ANNUAL QUANTITY OF TREES REQUIRING	EXTENDED PRICE
1	OAK WILT PREVENTATIVE INJECTIONS		INJECTION PER DIAMETER INCH OF TREE AT BREAST HEIGHT(dbh)		100	\$ 19,900.00

SECTION 2: CONFIRMATION OF REQUIREMENTS			
2	2 Do you have ISA and TFS Oak Wilt Certified Arborist(s) on staff?		
COMPANY NAME:Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas			

Section 0605: Local Business Presence Identification

A firm (Offeror or Subcontractor) is considered to have a Local Business Presence if the firm is headquartered in the Austin Corporate City Limits, or has a branch office located in the Austin Corporate City Limits in operation for the last five (5) years, currently employs residents of the City of Austin, Texas, and will use employees that reside in the City of Austin, Texas, to support this Contract. The City defines headquarters as the administrative center where most of the important functions and full responsibility for managing and coordinating the business activities of the firm are located. The City defines branch office as a smaller, remotely located office that is separate from a firm's headquarters that offers the services requested and required under this solicitation.

OFFEROR MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR EACH LOCAL BUSINESS (INCLUDING THE OFFEROR, IF APPLICABLE) TO BE CONSIDERED FOR LOCAL PRESENCE.

NOTE: ALL FIRMS MUST BE IDENTIFIED ON THE MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE PLAN OR NO GOALS UTILIZATION PLAN (REFERENCE SECTION 0900).

USE ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY OFFEROR:

Name of Local Firm Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of			
Physical Address	NOT CONSIDERED A LOCAL FIRM		
Is your headquarters located in the Corporate City Limits? (circle one)	Yes	No	
or			
Has your branch office been located in the Corporate City Limits for the last 5 years?	Yes	No	
Will your business be providing additional economic development opportunities created by the contract award? (e.g., hiring, or employing residents of the City of Austin or increasing tax revenue?)	Yes	No	

SUBCONTRACTOR(S):

Name of Local Firm			
Physical Address	Physical Address		
Is your headquarters located in the Corporate City Limits? (circle one)	Yes	No	
or			
Has your branch office been located in the Corporate City Limits for the last 5 years	Yes	No	

Will your business be providing additional economic development opportunities created by the contract award? (e.g., hiring, or employing residents of the City of Austin or increasing tax revenue?)	Yes	No

SUBCONTRACTOR(S):

Name of Local Firm		
Physical Address		
Is your headquarters located in the Corporate City Limits? (circle one)	Yes	No
or		
Has your branch office been located in the Corporate City Limits for the last 5 years	Yes	No
Will your business be providing additional economic development opportunities created by the contract award? (e.g., hiring, or employing residents of the City of Austin or increasing tax revenue?)	Yes	No

Section 0700: Reference Sheet

The City at its discretion may check references in order to determine the Offeror's experience and ability to provide the products and/or services described in this Solicitation. The Offeror shall furnish at least 3 complete and verifiable references. References shall consist of customers to whom the offeror has provided the same or similar services within the last 5 years. References shall indicate a record of positive past performance.

1.	Company's Name	City of Lakeway			
	Name and Title of Contact	Carrie Burns, City Forester			
	Project Name	Oak Wilt Treatments			
	Present Address	1100 Lakeway Drive			
	City, State, Zip Code	Lakeway, TX 78734			
	Telephone Number	(512) 560-3150 Fax Number ()			
	Email Address	forester@lakeway-tx.gov			
2.	Company's Name	Foundation Communities			
	Name and Title of Contact	Wesley Decontie, Asset Manager			
	Project Name	Oak Wilt Treatments			
	Present Address	3036 South First Street			
	City, State, Zip Code	Austin, TX 78704			
	Telephone Number	(_512 ₎ 447-0288 Fax Number ()			
	Email Address	wesley.decontie@foundcom.org			
3.	Company's Name	City of Austin			
	Name and Title of Contact	Chris Dolan, Environmental Program Coordinator			
	Project Name	Oak Wilt Suppression Program			
	Present Address	505 Barton Springs Rd. 4th floor			
	City, State, Zip Code	Austin, TX 78704			
	Telephone Number	(<u>512</u>) <u>974–1881</u> Fax Number ()			
	Email Address	chris.dolan@austintexas.gov			

Section 0815: Living Wages Contractor Certification

Company Name Johnston Holdings, Inc DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas

Pursuant to the Living Wages provision (reference Section 0400, Supplemental Purchase Provisions) the Contractor is required to pay to all employees directly assigned to this City contract a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$13.50 per hour.

The below listed employees of the Contractor who are directly assigned to this contract are compensated at wage rates equal to or greater than \$13.50 per hour.

Employee Name	Employee Job Title
Ben Taylor	Injection Crew Chief / Arborist
William Henry	Technician
Mike Bohuslav	Trenching Crew Chief / Arborist
Mark Ashby	Technician
Paula Johnston	Vice President / Arborist
Dirk Johnston	President / Arborist

USE ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY

- (1) All future employees assigned to this Contract will be paid a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$13.50 per hour
- (2) Our firm will not retaliate against any employee claiming non-compliance with the Living Wage provision.

A Contractor who violates this Living Wage provision shall pay each affected employee the amount of the deficiency for each day the violation continues. Willful or repeated violations of the provision or fraudulent statements made on this certification may result in termination of this Contract for Cause and subject the firm to possible suspension or debarment, or result in legal action.

Section 0835: Non-Resident Bidder Provisions

Compan	y Name _ Johnston Holdings, Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of Texas					
Α.	Bidder must answer the following questions in accordance with Vernon's Texas Statues and Codes Annotated Government Code 2252.002, as amended:					
	Is the Bidder that is making and submitting this Bid a "Resident Bidder" or a "non-resident Bidder"?					
	Answer: Resident Bidder					
	 (1) Texas Resident Bidder- A Bidder whose principle place of business is in Texas and includes a Contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in Texas. (2) Nonresident Bidder- A Bidder who is not a Texas Resident Bidder. 					
В.	B. If the Bidder is a "Nonresident Bidder" does the state, in which the Nonresident Bidder's principal place of bus is located, have a law requiring a Nonresident Bidder of that state to bid a certain amount or percentage under Bid of a Resident Bidder of that state in order for the nonresident Bidder of that state to be awarded a Contra such bid in said state?					
	Answer: Which State:					
C. If the answer to Question B is "yes", then what amount or percentage must a Texas Resident Bidder bid up bid price of a Resident Bidder of that state in order to be awarded a Contract on such bid in said state?						
	Answer:					

Section 0900. Millority- and t	Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) F	Tocurement Frogram No Goals Form			
SOLICITATION NUMBER:	IFB MMO0116				
PROJECT NAME:	OAK WILT PREVENTATIVE INJECTIONS				
=	mined that no goals are appropriate for this project Proposer is required to comply with the City's MBE/				
or if supplies or materials are r Bidder/Proposer shall contact t list of MBE and WBE firms ava also make a Good Faith Effort to the listed MBE and WBE firms shown an interest, meet qualifi	orm the Contract and the Bidder/Proposer does not prequired and the Bidder/Proposer does not have the she Small and Minority Business Resources Departmental balls to perform the service or provide the supplies of use available MBE and WBE firms. Good Faith Efforts to solicit their interest in performing on the Contract cations, and are competitive in the market; and documental the solicits of suppliers be used to perform portions.	supplies or materials in its inventory, the ent (SMBR) at (512) 974-7600 to obtain a or materials. The Bidder/Proposer must ts include but are not limited to contacting ct, using MBE and WBE firms that have nenting the results of the contacts.			
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No X If no, please si	gn the No Goals Form and submit it with your Bid	/Proposal in a sealed envelope			
Faith Efforts. C	If yes, please contact SMBR to obtain further instructions and an availability list and perform Good Faith Efforts. Complete and submit the No Goals Form and the No Goals Utilization Plan with your Yes Bid/Proposal in a sealed envelope.				
After Contract award, if your firm subcontracts any portion of the Contract, it is a requirement to complete Good Faith Efforts and the No Goals Utilization Plan, listing any subcontractor, sub-consultant, or supplier. Return the completed Plan to the Project Manager or the Contract Manager.					
I understand that even though goals were not assigned, I must comply with the City's MBE/WBE Procurement Program if subcontracting areas are identified. I agree that this No Goals Form and No Goals Utilization Plan shall become a part of my Contract with the City of Austin.					
Johnston Holdings,	Inc. DBA Oak Wilt Specialists of	f Texas			
Company Name					
Paula Johnston, Vi	ice President				
Name and Title of Authorize	ed Representative (Print or Type)	•			
Paula Shesto		11-02-16			
Signature		Date			

Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) Procurement Program No Goals Utilization Plan (Please duplicate as needed)

SOLICITATION NUMBER: IFE	3 MMO0116					
PROJECT NAME: OA	AK WILT PREVEN	TATIVE IN	JECTIONS	3		
PRIME	CONTRACTOR /	CONSULT	ANT COM	PANY INFORM	ATION	
Name of Contractor/Consultant	Johnston Ho	ldings,	Inc.	DBA Oak Wi	lt Specialists	of Texa
Address	PO Box 9288	37				
City, State Zip	Austin, TX	78709				
Phone Number	512-842-873	33		Fax Number	888-453-1593	
Name of Contact Person	Paula Johns	ston				
Is Company City certified?	Yes ☐ No 🖾	MBE [] WBE	☐ MBE/WBE	E Joint Venture	
I certify that the information include belief. I further understand and agr Austin. Paula Johnston, Vice	ree that the informate	ation in this	document			
Name and Title of Authorized R	epresentative (Pr	rint or Type	e)	11-0	02-16	
Signature Gala Shipto				Date		
Tuna						
Provide a list of all proposed subcontractors / sub-consultants / suppliers that will be used in the performance of this Contract. Attach Good Faith Effort documentation if non MBE/WBE firms will be used.						
Sub-Contractor / Sub-Consulta	<u> </u>					
City of Austin Certified	MBE U	VBE	Ethics / Ge	ender Code:	☐ Non-Certified	
Vendor ID Code						
Contact Person				Phone Number	•	
Amount of Subcontract	\$					
List commodity codes & description of services	on					
Sub-Contractor / Sub-Consulta	nt					
City of Austin Certified	MBE U	VBE 🗌	Ethics / Ge	ender Code:	□ Non-Certified	
Vendor ID Code						
Contact Person				Phone Number	-	
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Reviewing Counselor	Date		Director/	Deputy Directo	r Date	



ADDENDUM CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS INVITATION FOR BID OAK WILT PREVENTATIVE INJECTIONS

Solicitation: MMO0116 Addendum No: 1 Date of Addendum: October 18, 2016

This addendum is to incorporate the following changes to the above referenced solicitation:

I. Section 0500, Scope of Work

Please incorporate the revised Scope of Work (SCOPE OF WORK – *REVISED* 10-18-16), hereby attached into the above referenced Invitation for Bid.

II. Questions:

The following question was posed by a vendor regarding this solicitation.

- (Q) Is the City seeking bids for the performance of injections, or simply the injection materials?
- (A) The solicitation is to establish a contract with a vendor able to supply the materials as well as perform the injection services.
- III. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

APPROVED BY:

Marian Moore, Buyer II

Purchasing Office, 512-974-2062

Date

10-18-6

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Paula Johnston

Name

Authorized Signature

11-02-16 Date

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ADDENDUM CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS INVITATION FOR BID OAK WILT PREVENTATIVE INJECTIONS

Solicitation: MMO0116 Addendum No: 2 Date of Addendum: October 28, 2016

This addendum is to incorporate the following changes and clarifications to the above referenced solicitation:

1.

The following question was posed by a vendor regarding this solicitation.

- (Q) It is very common for oak wilt injections to require root flare excavations prior to doing the injection work. Will we be required to perform root flare excavations when appropriate or will this work be coordinated independently?
- (A) Root flare excavations are generally required as part of the macro infusion technique referenced in Section 3.6 of the Scope of Work. The Contractor shall be responsible for root flare excavations as recommended by TFS guidelines.
- ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME. 11.

APPROVED BY:

Marian Moore, Buyer II

Purchasing Office, 512-974-2062

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Paula Johnston

Name

Authorized Signature

11-02-16

Date

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