

By signing below, I represent and certify that I am submitting a binding Offer and am authorized to bind the Offeror to fully comply with the Solicitation to which I submit this Offer. I acknowledge that I have received, read, and understood the entire solicitation document packet sections, including any addenda issued, and agree to be bound by its terms. I understand and agree that Offers submitted with incomplete and/or unsigned Offer Sheets will not be considered and will be rejected as non-responsive.

By submitting this Offer, I certify the following statements are true now and will be for the term of any resulting contract:

1. That my firm and its principals (collectively "we" or "us") are not currently suspended or debarred from bidding on any Federal, State, or City of Austin Contracts.
2. That we have not in any way directly or indirectly:
 - a. Colluded, conspired, or agreed with any other person, firm, corporation, Proposer or potential Proposer to the amount of this Proposal or the terms or conditions of this Proposal.
 - b. paid or agreed to pay any other person, firm, corporation Proposer or potential Proposer any money or anything of value in return for assistance in procuring or attempting to procure a contract or in return for establishing the prices in the attached Proposal or the Proposal of any other Proposer.
3. That we have not received any compensation or a promise of compensation for participating in the preparation or development of the underlying Solicitation or Contract documents. In addition, we have not otherwise participated in the preparation or development of the underlying Solicitation or Contract documents, except to the extent of any comments or questions and responses in the solicitation process, which are available to all Proposers, so as to have an unfair advantage over other Proposers, provided that we may have provided relevant product or process information to a consultant in the normal course of its business.
4. That we have not participated in the evaluation of Proposals or other decision making process for this Solicitation and, if we are awarded a Contract, no individual, agent, representative, consultant, subcontractor, or sub-consultant associated with us, who may have been involved in the evaluation or other decision making process for this Solicitation, will have any direct or indirect financial interest in the Contract, provided that we may have provided relevant product or process information to a consultant in the normal course of its business.
5. In accordance with Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code, that we:
 - a. do not have an employment or other business relationship with any local government officer of the City or a family member of that officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income
 - b. have not given a local government officer of the City one or more gifts, other than gifts of food, lodging, transportation, or entertainment accepted as a guest, that have an aggregate value of more than \$100

- in the twelve month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware of the execution of the Contract or that City is considering doing business with the Offeror; and
- c. do not have a family relationship with a local government officer of the City in the third degree of consanguinity or the second degree of affinity.

6. That we have and will continue to comply with the City's Anti-Lobbying Ordinance, Chapter 2-7, Article 6.

No Lobbying Period. The No-Lobbying Period begins on the date this Solicitation was initially published and continues through the earlier of (i) 60-days following Council authorization of any contracts resulting from this Solicitation, (ii) the date the last resulting contract is signed, (iii) the date this Solicitation is cancelled.

Prohibited Communications. During the No Lobbying Period, Respondents to this Solicitation or their Agents, shall not make prohibited communications to City officials or City employees.

Ordinance. https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/afo_content.cfm?s=15&p=145

Rules. https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/afo_content.cfm?s=16&p=77

7. Pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 20191114-056, we are not currently and will not during the term of the Contract engage in practicing LGBTQ+ conversion therapy; referring persons to a healthcare provider or other person or organization for LGBTQ+ conversion therapy; or Contracting with another entity to conduct LGBTQ+ conversion therapy. If the City determines in its sole discretion that we have, during the term of the resulting Contract, engaged in any such practices, the City may terminate this Contract without penalty to the City.

8. Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2271.002, we verify that we do not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of the resulting contract.

9. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, we verify that if we have remote or direct access to communication infrastructure systems, cybersecurity systems, the electric grid, hazardous waste treatment systems, or water treatment facilities as a result of any City contract, that we are not owned by or the majority of stock or other ownership interest of our firm is not held or controlled by:

- a. Individuals who are citizens of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a Governor-designated country; or
- b. a company or other entity, including a governmental entity, that is owned or controlled by citizens of or is directly controlled by the government of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a Governor-designated country; or
- c. headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a Governor-designated country.

10. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, we verify that, if we have 10 or more full-time employees: (1) we do not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (2) will not discriminate during the term of the resulting contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

11. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, we certify that, if we have 10 or more full-time employees: (1) we do not boycott energy companies; and (2) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract.

Company Name: Blue Chip Services, LLC
Company Address: 7903 Bramble Bush Dr.
City, State, Zip: Austin, TX 78747
City Vendor Registration No. V00000973431
Printed Name of Officer or Authorized Representative: Rita Camba
Title: President
Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative: [Signature]
Date: 8/23/22
Email Address: Rita.BlueChip@gmail.com
Phone Number: 979-248-0783

ACCEPTANCE BY THE CITY

For City Staff only. The City will complete and sign this section only if the City accepts the Offer.

Contract Number: MA 5000 NA230000032

Printed Name of City's Authorized Procurement Staff: Marian Moore

Title of City's Authorized Procurement Staff: Procurement Supervisor

Signature: Marian Moore Digitally signed by Marian Moore
Date: 2023.03.01 12:45:32 -06'00'

Date: _____

Email: Marian.Moore@austintexas.gov

Phone: (512) 974-2062

ACCEPTANCE: The Offer is hereby accepted. Contractor is now bound to sell the materials or services specified in the Contract.

NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS

Instruction. Offerors shall read and checking the applicable boxes in response to both certifications below.

☐ YES ☒ NO **OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES**

(Check One) Offeror **IS (YES)** or **IS NOT (NO)** a Nonresident Bidder in accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002.

If "Yes" is checked, provide the name of the state where
Nonresident Bidder's Principle Place of Business is located.

Click or tap here to enter text.

(State)

☒ YES ☐ NO **OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES**

(Check One) Offer **INCLUDES (YES)** or **DOES NOT INCLUDE (NO)** Equipment, Supplies and/or Materials in accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002

If "YES" is checked, provide the name of the State where majority
of the Equipment, Supplies and/or Materials were manufactured

Click or tap here to enter text.

U.S. (State)

Reciprocal Preference. In accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002 (see below), the City must apply a reciprocal preference to a Nonresident Bidder's offer, consistent with the applicable preference granted by the state of the Nonresident Bidder's principal place of business. The City will also apply a reciprocal preference to a Resident Bidder or Nonresident Bidder's offer, consistent with the applicable preference granted by the state where the majority of the equipment, supplies and/or materials were manufactured.

Resident bidder. An Offeror whose principal place of business is in Texas, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in Texas.

Nonresident Bidder. An Offeror that is not a Resident Bidder.

Statute: <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/GV/htm/GV.2252.htm>

LOCAL PRESENCE CERTIFICATION - OPTIONAL

Instruction. Offerors wishing to claim Local Presence shall read and acknowledge this certification by checking the applicable box and providing the physical address below.

OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES

Offeror's **HEADQUARTERS** or a **BRANCH OFFICE** is within the Austin Corporate City Limits.

☐ **HEADQUARTERS**

Offeror's Physical Address.

☐ **BRANCH OFFICE**

(Physical Address of Offeror's Headquarters or Branch Office)

(Check One)

Do you employ anyone at the location checked above who is a resident of the City of Austin?

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

(Check One)

Benefit to the City. In accordance with Resolution No. 20140807-113, Council has determined that contracts awarded to local companies that provide employment to Austin residents are an economic benefit.

Local Presence. Offerors may claim Local Presence if at least one (1) of the following are located within the Austin Corporate City Limits, employing residents of Austin.

1. Headquarters; or
2. Branch office.

Austin Corporate City Limits. The City of Austin's Full Purpose Jurisdiction, not including the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction.

Headquarters. The Offeror's administrative center where most of the company's important functions and full responsibility for managing and coordinating the business activities of the firm are located.

Branch Office. A company office other than the Offeror's headquarters, that has been in place for at least five (5) years.

LIVING WAGE – CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

(Please duplicate as needed)

Pursuant to the City's Living Wages Program, Rule R161-17.14 (reference item 4.8, Solicitation Instructions) the Contractor is required to pay to all employees of the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors directly assigned to this City contract a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.

- (1) The below listed individuals are all known employees of the Prime Contractor and its subcontractors who are directly assigned to this contract, and all are compensated at wage rates equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour:

Employee Name	Employer	Prime or Sub	Your Normal Rate	Employee Job Title
Pete Gamba	BlueChip Services	Prime	\$ 50	Operations manager
Rick Gamba	BlueChip Services	Prime	\$37.50	Contract manager
Salvador Leal	BlueChip Services	Prime	\$ 17.00	Security Supervisor

- (2) All future employees of both the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors directly assigned to this Contract will be paid a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.
- (3) Our firm will not retaliate against any employee of either the Prime Contractor or any tier of subcontractors claiming non-compliance with the Living Wage provision.

A Prime Contractor or subcontractor that violates this Living Wage provision shall pay each of its affected employees the amount of the deficiency for each day the violation continues. Willful or repeated violations of the provision by either the Prime Contractor or any tier of subcontractor, or fraudulent statements made

on this certification, may result in termination of this Contract for Cause, subject the violating firm to possible suspension or debarment, or result in legal action.

I hereby certify that all the listed employees of both the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors who are directly assigned to this contract are paid a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.

Contractor's Name: Blue Chip Services, LLC

Signature of Officer
or Authorized
Representative:  Date: 8/23/22

Printed Name: Rita Camba

Title: President

SUBCONTRACTING UTILIZATION FORM

In accordance with the City of Austin's Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) Procurement Program (Program), Chapters 2-9A/B/C/D of the City Code and M/WBE Procurement Program Rules, this Solicitation was reviewed by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department (SMBR) to determine if M/WBE Subcontractor/Sub-Consultant ("Subcontractor") Goals could be applied. Due to insufficient subcontracting/subconsultant opportunities and/or insufficient availability of M/WBE certified firms, SMBR has assigned no subcontracting goals for this Solicitation. However, Offerors who choose to use Subcontractors must comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program as described below. Additionally, if the Contractor seeks to add Subcontractors after the Contract is awarded, the Program requirements shall apply to any Contract(s) resulting from this Solicitation.

Instructions:

- a.) Offerors who do not intend to use Subcontractors shall check the "NO" box and follow the corresponding instructions.
- b.) Offerors who intend to use Subcontractors shall check the applicable "YES" box and follow the instructions. Offers that do not include the following required documents shall be deemed non-compliant or nonresponsive as applicable, and the Offeror's submission may not be considered for award.

☒ **NO, I DO NOT intend to use Subcontractors/Sub-consultants.**

Instructions: Offerors that do not intend to use Subcontractors shall complete and sign this form below (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Form) and include it with their sealed Offer.

☐ **YES, I DO intend to use Subcontractors /Sub-consultants.**

Instructions: Offerors that do intend to use Subcontractors shall complete and sign this form below (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Form), and follow the additional Instructions in the (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Plan). Contact SMBR if there are any questions about submitting these forms.

Offeror Information			
Company Name			
City Vendor ID Code			
Physical Address			
City, State Zip			
Phone Number		Email Address	
Is the Offeror City of Austin M/WBE certified?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES Indicate one: <input type="checkbox"/> MBE <input type="checkbox"/> WBE <input type="checkbox"/> MBE/WBE Joint Venture		
Offeror Certification: I understand that even though SMBR did not assign subcontract goals to this Solicitation, I will comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program if I intend to include Subcontractors in my Offer. I further agree that this completed Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Form , and if applicable my completed Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan , shall become a part of any Contract I may be awarded as the result of this Solicitation. Further, if I am awarded a Contract and I am not using Subcontractor(s) but later intend to add			

Subcontractor(s), before the Subcontractor(s) is hired or begins work, I will comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program and submit the **Request For Change** form to add any Subcontractor(s) to the Project Manager or the Contract Manager for prior authorization by the City and perform Good Faith Efforts (GFE), if applicable. I understand that, if a Subcontractor is not listed in my **Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan**, it is a violation of the City's M/WBE Procurement Program for me to hire the Subcontractor or allow the Subcontractor to begin work, unless I first obtain City approval of my **Request for Change** form. I understand that, if a Subcontractor is not listed in my **Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan**, it is a violation of the City's M/WBE Procurement Program for me to hire the Subcontractor or allow the Subcontractor to begin work, unless I first obtain City approval of my **Request for Change** form.

Rita Gamboa, President Rita Gamboa 8/23/22

Name and Title of Authorized Representative (Print or Type)

Signature/Date

SUBCONTRACTING UTILIZATION PLAN

INSTRUCTIONS: Offerors who DO intend to use Subcontractors must either utilize M/WBE Subcontractor(s) or perform Good Faith efforts when retaining Non-certified Subcontractor(s). Offerors must determine which type of Subcontractor(s) they are anticipating to use (CERTIFIED OR NON-CERTIFIED), check the box of their applicable decision, and comply with the additional Instructions associated with that particular selection.

☒ I intend to use City of Austin CERTIFIED M/WBE Subcontractor/Sub-consultant(s).

Instructions: Offerors may use Subcontractor(s) that ARE City of Austin certified M/WBE firms. Offerors shall contact SMBR (512-974-7600 or SMBRComplianceDocuments@austintexas.gov) to confirm if the Offeror's intended Subcontractor(s) are City of Austin certified M/WBE and if these firm(s) are certified to provide the goods and services the Offeror intends to subcontract. If the Offeror's Subcontractor(s) are current valid certified City of Austin M/WBE firms, the Offeror shall insert the name(s) of their Subcontractor(s) into the table below and must include the following documents in their sealed Offer:

- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Form (completed and signed)
- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan (completed)

☐ I intend to use NON-CERTIFIED Subcontractor/Sub-Consultant(s) after performing Good Faith Efforts.

Instructions: Offerors may use Subcontractors that ARE NOT City of Austin certified M/WBE firms ONLY after Offerors have first demonstrated Good Faith Efforts to provide subcontracting opportunities to City of Austin M/WBE firms.

STEP ONE: Contact SMBR for an availability list for the scope(s) of work you wish to subcontract;

STEP TWO: Perform Good Faith Efforts (Check List provided below);

STEP THREE: Offerors shall insert the name(s) of their certified or non-certified Subcontractor(s) into the table below and must include the following documents in their sealed Offer:

- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Form (completed and signed)
- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan (completed)
- All required documentation demonstrating the Offeror's performance of Good Faith Efforts (see Check List below)

GOOD FAITH EFFORTS CHECK LIST –

When using NON-CERTIFIED Subcontractor/Sub-consultants(s), **ALL of the following CHECK BOXES MUST be completed in order to meet and comply with the Good Faith Effort requirements and all documentation must be included in your sealed Offer. Documentation CANNOT be added or changed after submission of the bid.**

☒ **Contact SMBR.** Offerors shall contact SMBR (512-974-7600 or SMBRComplianceDocuments@austintexas.gov) to obtain a list of City of Austin certified M/WBE firms that are certified to provide the goods and services the Offeror intends to subcontract out. (Availability List). Offerors shall document their contact(s) with SMBR in the "SMBR Contact Information" table on the following page.

☐ **Contact M/WBE firms.** Offerors shall contact all of the M/WBE firms on the Availability List with a Significant Local Business Presence which is the Austin Metropolitan Statistical Area, to provide information on the proposed goods and services proposed to be subcontracted and give the Subcontractor the opportunity to respond on their interest

to bid on the proposed scope of work. When making the contacts, Offerors shall use at least two (2) of the following communication methods: email, fax, US mail or phone. Offerors shall give the contacted M/WBE firms at least seven days to respond with their interest. Offerors shall document all evidence of their contact(s) including: emails, fax confirmations, proof of mail delivery, and/or phone logs. These documents shall show the date(s) of contact, company contacted, phone number, and contact person.

- ☐ **Follow up with responding M/WBE firms.** Offeror shall follow up with all M/WBE firms that respond to the Offeror's request. Offerors shall provide written evidence of their contact(s): emails, fax confirmations, proof of mail delivery, and/or phone logs. These documents shall show the date(s) of contact, company contacted, phone number, and contact person.
- ☐ **Advertise.** Offerors shall place an advertisement of the subcontracting opportunity in a local publication (i.e. newspaper, minority or women organizations, or electronic/social media). Offerors shall include a copy of their advertisement, including the name of the local publication and the date the advertisement was published.
- ☐ **Use a Community Organization.** Offerors shall solicit the services of a community organization(s); minority persons/women contractors'/trade group(s); local, state, and federal minority persons/women business assistance office(s); and other organizations to help solicit M/WBE firms. Offerors shall provide written evidence of their Proof of contact(s) include: emails, fax confirmations, proof of mail delivery, and/or phone logs. These documents shall show the date(s) of contact, organization contacted, phone number, email address and contact person.

(Offerors may duplicate this page to add additional Subcontractors as needed)

Subcontractor/Sub-consultant	
City of Austin Certified	<input type="checkbox"/> MBE <input type="checkbox"/> WBE Ethnic/Gender Code: <input type="checkbox"/> NON-CERTIFIED
Company Name	
Vendor ID Code	
Contact Person	Phone Number:
Additional Contact Info	Fax Number: E-mail:
Amount of Subcontract	\$
List commodity codes & description of services	
Justification for not utilizing a certified MBE/WBE	

Subcontractor/Sub-consultant	
City of Austin Certified	<input type="checkbox"/> MBE <input type="checkbox"/> WBE Ethnic/Gender Code: <input type="checkbox"/> NON-CERTIFIED
Company Name	
Vendor ID Code	
Contact Person	Phone Number:
Additional Contact Info	Fax Number: E-mail:
Amount of Subcontract	\$
List commodity codes & description of services	
Justification for not utilizing a certified MBE/WBE	

SMBR Contact Information			
SMBR Contact Name	Contact Date	Means of Contact	Reason for Contact
		<input type="checkbox"/> Phone OR <input type="checkbox"/> Email	

FOR SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS RESOURCES DEPARTMENT USE ONLY:	
Having reviewed this plan, I acknowledge that the Offeror <input type="checkbox"/> HAS or <input type="checkbox"/> HAS NOT complied with these instructions and City Code Chapters 2-9A/B/C/D, as amended.	
Reviewing Counselor	Date
I have reviewed the completing the Subcontracting/Sub-Consultant Utilization Plan and <input type="checkbox"/> Concur <input type="checkbox"/> Do Not Concur with the Reviewing Counselor's recommendation.	
Director/Assistant Director or Designee	Date



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August 24, 2021

Rita Gamboa
Blue Chip Services, LLC
P.O. Box 841833
Pearland, TX 77584

Certification # 21-03-14915

Dear Rita Gamboa:

CONGRATULATIONS! Your application for certification as a City of Houston Women Business Enterprise (WBE) is approved for a three-year period thru March 31, 2024. The approval is contingent upon your firm maintaining certification eligibility throughout the three year period. Your firm will be required to complete a three year cycle review form to be considered for certification eligibility beyond the three year period. We will provide you with notification to submit the three year cycle review form prior to your firm's three year expiration date.

We have certified **Blue Chip Services, LLC**, only for **Private Security, Private Investigations, Coordinate Law Enforcement Off-Duty Police Officers For Security and Sell Personal Protective Equipment and Construction Supplies, Traffic Control, Flagging, and Safety Consulting/ Poured Concrete Foundation and Structure Contractors, Concrete Paving and Reinforcement, Signs and Signboards, Security Equipment**. You are being listed in the Directory of certified M/W/S/DBE, in the following Directory Capability listing:

NAICS 237310: CONCRETE PAVING (I.E., HIGHWAY, ROAD, STREET, PUBLIC SIDEWALK)
NAICS 238110: POURED CONCRETE FOUNDATION AND STRUCTURE CONTRACTORS
NAICS 238120: CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT PLACEMENT
NAICS 238190: CONCRETE FORM CONTRACTORS
NAICS 238990: CONCRETE PAVING, RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DRIVEWAY AND PARKING AREA
NAICS 333991: TOOLS, HANDHELD POWER-DRIVEN, MANUFACTURING
NAICS 339113: PERSONAL SAFETY DEVICES, NOT SPECIFIED ELSEWHERE, MANUFACTURING
NAICS 339950: SIGNS AND SIGNBOARDS (EXCEPT PAPER, PAPERBOARD) MANUFACTURING
NAICS 423810: STREET SWEEPING AND CLEANING EQUIPMENT MERCHANT WHOLESALERS
NAICS 541690: SAFETY CONSULTING SERVICES
NAICS 561611: INVESTIGATION SERVICES
NAICS 561612: PERSONAL PROTECTION SERVICES (EXCEPT SECURITY SYSTEMS SERVICES)
NAICS 561612: SECURITY GUARDS AND PATROL SERVICES
NAICS 561990: FLAGGING (I.E., TRAFFIC CONTROL) SERVICES

The certification covers only the company, that is listed in this letter and not any other company with which you may be associated, and only for those specific functions mentioned herein.

Now that you are certified, the adventure begins. You will also receive emails on upcoming contracting opportunities, networking events, and free training. Check our website at www.houstontx.gov/obo/index.html for valuable resource information.

Here is important information that you need to know:

Two months prior to the expiration date of your certification, you will receive instructions on how to complete the Three year cycle Update Form and Affidavit. This form must be completed and returned along with signed copies of your Business Income Tax (Form 1120, 1065 or 1040 All Schedules including Schedule C) for the past three years. Please note

that for Tax Returns not yet filed under an extension of time to file, a copy of the extension will suffice. If you do not complete and return the above items, your certification may be revoked.

Also, failure to report company changes to us such as (ownership changes, address, phone number, business structure changes, etc.), or any subsequently discovered material misrepresentation in the certification application or in the execution of a contract, will be reason for revocation of certification for up to a five-year period.

It is your responsibility to periodically monitor the online M/W/S/DBE Directory at <https://houston.mwdbe.com/VendorSearch.asp> to ensure the accuracy of your contact information and profile. Attached is a copy of your firm's certification profile. If there are any changes to your firm's contact information (name, address, phone, fax, email), please contact our office immediately at (832) 393-0600 so that the appropriate adjustments can be made.

I want to emphasize several important facts for your consideration:

First, we are here to assist you with any question or problems about how the City's M/W/S/DBE program works, and also provide you with assistance with any challenges you may have on a City contract.

Second, never allow a company to submit your name unless you will, through your own efforts, be doing the work. The following practices are violations of the City's M/W/S/DBE program and will result in the revocation of certification for a five-year period.

1. Allowing your company's name to be submitted toward satisfying the MWBE goal for a scope of work for which you are not certified;
2. Serving as a pass-through by allowing your company's name to be submitted toward satisfying the M/W/S/DBE goal, but not actually performing, with your own workforce, the exact scope of work represented in the prime's contract documents;
3. Hiring members of the prime contractor's workforce;
4. Requesting or allowing the prime contractor to "advance" dollars or otherwise meet payroll for your employees.
5. OBO discovers that the firm provided false or misleading information for the purpose of certification during the original application process or as part of the certification update.

Third, after you sign a Letter of Intent or contract with a prime contractor to provide services or supplies on a City contract, should you experience ANY problems with actually getting or completing the contract, or being paid, please call us immediately to file a complaint. We cannot know whether you have actually been given the contract, or working on a project as reported to City Council, unless you tell us.

Fourth, the M/W/S/DBE Directory is available online at www.houstontx.gov. It is used internally by City procurement staff and externally by prime contractors and vendors to identify certified firms as they attempt to meet M/W/S/DBE goals assigned to City contracts. Our directory is also used by several other agencies and corporations in their search for confirmed M/W/S/DBE companies. You must maintain an accurate mailing address, a working telephone number with means to leave a message, and a valid email address. It is essential that you return solicitation calls immediately. The accomplishment of the spirit and intent of our program is seriously affected when MWBE's cannot be reached. Those interested in contracting with you must be able to reach you quickly and consistently.

Fifth, please notify us immediately if you are ever, by action or inaction, discouraged from bidding on any City project, by a prime contractor or subcontractor, or any employee of the City. Our program requires that all information on a contract be given to you in a time frame, which will give you an opportunity to develop your bid.

Sixth, your certification has value, so your Certification Number should be guarded carefully. We suggest that you not give your Certification Number to people who call and those who express an interest in doing business with you. Rather, we suggest you wait until your bid is accepted and you have a contract or signed Letter of Intent before releasing your Certification Number. OBO may be called to verify the validity of your certification.

Seventh, be advised that the percentage of M/W/S/DBE goal credit for Material Supply will depend on whether your company meets the commercially useful function requirements for material supplier credit.

Eighth, the expiration date, which appears on this Certification letter, approval certificate, or other related documentation will be superseded by a graduation date, should your firm be designated as an Established Business. Approval letters and certificates are available on demand for use via <https://houston.mwdbbe.com> after logging into your firm's account.

The City M/W/S/DBE program's focus is to open the competitive process, and to afford you an opportunity to actually perform work or provide services/goods related to City taxpayers' projects. This program is working! Our FY 2015 figures are among the highest in the nation--\$288.0 million earned by minority and women owned companies. We hope that in next year's figures we can count contracts you have received.

Finally, be sure to register as a vendor. All suppliers and contractors interested in registering with the City of Houston and/or bidding on products and services procured by the City of Houston, must first register with the City's Strategic Procurement Division for an online web account by accessing the following web-link:
http://purchasing.houstontx.gov/registration_form.aspx.

Once a user name and a password are obtained, you may then proceed to place bids, update your company profile and complete and submit a Supplier Registration Form to enroll on the City of Houston's registered supplier list. New supplier registration is incomplete until an IRS W-9 form is sent via email to houstonpurchasing@houstontx.gov. The information on this form must be the same as listed on the request for Taxpayer Identification Number as required by the Internal Revenue Service.

Again, congratulations. We welcome your participation, and wish you every success.

Very truly yours,



Marsha Murray
Director
The Office of Business Opportunity



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Dear Rita Gamboa:

CONGRATULATIONS! Your application for certification as a City of Houston Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) is approved for a three-year period thru March 31, 2024. The approval is contingent upon your firm maintaining certification eligibility throughout the three year period. Your firm will be required to complete a three year cycle review form to be considered for certification eligibility beyond the three year period. We will provide you with notification to submit the three year cycle review form prior to your firm's three year expiration date.

We have certified **Blue Chip Services, LLC**, only for **Private Security, Private Investigations, Coordinate Law Enforcement Off-Duty Police Officers For Security and Sell Personal Protective Equipment and Construction Supplies, Traffic Control, Flagging, and Safety Consulting/ Poured Concrete Foundation and Structure Contractors, Concrete Paving and Reinforcement, Signs and Signboards, Security Equipment**. You are being listed in the Directory of certified M/W/S/DBE, in the following Directory Capability listing:

NAICS 237310: CONCRETE PAVING (I.E., HIGHWAY, ROAD, STREET, PUBLIC SIDEWALK)
NAICS 238110: POURED CONCRETE FOUNDATION AND STRUCTURE CONTRACTORS
NAICS 238120: CONCRETE REINFORCEMENT PLACEMENT
NAICS 238190: CONCRETE FORM CONTRACTORS
NAICS 238990: CONCRETE PAVING, RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DRIVEWAY AND PARKING AREA
NAICS 333991: TOOLS, HANDHELD POWER-DRIVEN, MANUFACTURING
NAICS 339113: PERSONAL SAFETY DEVICES, NOT SPECIFIED ELSEWHERE, MANUFACTURING
NAICS 339950: SIGNS AND SIGNBOARDS (EXCEPT PAPER, PAPERBOARD) MANUFACTURING
NAICS 423810: STREET SWEEPING AND CLEANING EQUIPMENT MERCHANT WHOLESALERS
NAICS 541690: SAFETY CONSULTING SERVICES
NAICS 561611: INVESTIGATION SERVICES
NAICS 561612: PERSONAL PROTECTION SERVICES (EXCEPT SECURITY SYSTEMS SERVICES)
NAICS 561612: SECURITY GUARDS AND PATROL SERVICES
NAICS 561990: FLAGGING (I.E., TRAFFIC CONTROL) SERVICES

The certification covers only the company, that is listed in this letter and not any other company with which you may be associated, and only for those specific functions mentioned herein.

Now that you are certified, the adventure begins. You will also receive emails on upcoming contracting opportunities, networking events, and free training. Check our website at www.houstontx.gov/obo/index.html for valuable resource information.

Here is important information that you need to know:

Two months prior to the expiration date of your certification, you will receive instructions on how to complete the Three year cycle Update Form and Affidavit. This form must be completed and returned along with signed copies of your Business Income Tax (Form 1120, 1065 or 1040 All Schedules including Schedule C) for the past three years. Please note

that for Tax Returns not yet filed under an extension of time to file, a copy of the extension will suffice. If you do not complete and return the above items, your certification may be revoked.

Also, failure to report company changes to us such as (ownership changes, address, phone number, business structure changes, etc.), or any subsequently discovered material misrepresentation in the certification application or in the execution of a contract, will be reason for revocation of certification for up to a five-year period.

It is your responsibility to periodically monitor the online M/W/S/DBE Directory at <https://houston.mwdbe.com/VendorSearch.asp> to ensure the accuracy of your contact information and profile. Attached is a copy of your firm's certification profile. If there are any changes to your firm's contact information (name, address, phone, fax, email), please contact our office immediately at (832) 393-0600 so that the appropriate adjustments can be made.

I want to emphasize several important facts for your consideration:

First, we are here to assist you with any question or problems about how the City's M/W/S/DBE program works, and also provide you with assistance with any challenges you may have on a City contract.

Second, never allow a company to submit your name unless you will, through your own efforts, be doing the work. The following practices are violations of the City's M/W/S/DBE program and will result in the revocation of certification for a five-year period.

1. Allowing your company's name to be submitted toward satisfying the MWBE goal for a scope of work for which you are not certified;
2. Serving as a pass-through by allowing your company's name to be submitted toward satisfying the M/W/S/DBE goal, but not actually performing, with your own workforce, the exact scope of work represented in the prime's contract documents;
3. Hiring members of the prime contractor's workforce;
4. Requesting or allowing the prime contractor to "advance" dollars or otherwise meet payroll for your employees.
5. OBO discovers that the firm provided false or misleading information for the purpose of certification during the original application process or as part of the certification update.

Third, after you sign a Letter of Intent or contract with a prime contractor to provide services or supplies on a City contract, should you experience ANY problems with actually getting or completing the contract, or being paid, please call us immediately to file a complaint. We cannot know whether you have actually been given the contract, or working on a project as reported to City Council, unless you tell us.

Fourth, the M/W/S/DBE Directory is available online at www.houstontx.gov. It is used internally by City procurement staff and externally by prime contractors and vendors to identify certified firms as they attempt to meet M/W/S/DBE goals assigned to City contracts. Our directory is also used by several other agencies and corporations in their search for confirmed M/W/S/DBE companies. You must maintain an accurate mailing address, a working telephone number with means to leave a message, and a valid email address. It is essential that you return solicitation calls immediately. The accomplishment of the spirit and intent of our program is seriously affected when MWBE's cannot be reached. Those interested in contracting with you must be able to reach you quickly and consistently.

Fifth, please notify us immediately if you are ever, by action or inaction, discouraged from bidding on any City project, by a prime contractor or subcontractor, or any employee of the City. Our program requires that all information on a contract be given to you in a time frame, which will give you an opportunity to develop your bid.

Sixth, your certification has value, so your Certification Number should be guarded carefully. We suggest that you not give your Certification Number to people who call and those who express an interest in doing business with you. Rather, we suggest you wait until your bid is accepted and you have a contract or signed Letter of Intent before releasing your Certification Number. OBO may be called to verify the validity of your certification.

Seventh, be advised that the percentage of M/W/S/DBE goal credit for Material Supply will depend on whether your company meets the commercially useful function requirements for material supplier credit.

Eighth, the expiration date, which appears on this Certification letter, approval certificate, or other related documentation will be superseded by a graduation date, should your firm be designated as an Established Business. Approval letters and certificates are available on demand for use via <https://houston.mwdbe.com> after logging into your firm's account.

The City M/W/S/DBE program's focus is to open the competitive process, and to afford you an opportunity to actually perform work or provide services/goods related to City taxpayers' projects. This program is working! Our FY 2015 figures are among the highest in the nation--\$288.0 million earned by minority and women owned companies. We hope that in next year's figures we can count contracts you have received.

Finally, be sure to register as a vendor. All suppliers and contractors interested in registering with the City of Houston and/or bidding on products and services procured by the City of Houston, must first register with the City's Strategic Procurement Division for an online web account by accessing the following web-link:
http://purchasing.houstontx.gov/registration_form.aspx.

Once a user name and a password are obtained, you may then proceed to place bids, update your company profile and complete and submit a Supplier Registration Form to enroll on the City of Houston's registered supplier list. New supplier registration is incomplete until an IRS W-9 form is sent via email to houstonpurchasing@houstontx.gov. The information on this form must be the same as listed on the request for Taxpayer Identification Number as required by the Internal Revenue Service.

Again, congratulations. We welcome your participation, and wish you every success.

Very truly yours,



Marsha Murray
Director
The Office of Business Opportunity

By signing below, I represent and certify that I am submitting a binding Offer and am authorized to bind the Offeror to fully comply with the Solicitation to which I submit this Offer. I acknowledge that I have received, read, and understood the entire solicitation document packet sections, including any addenda issued, and agree to be bound by its terms. I understand and agree that Offers submitted with incomplete and/or unsigned Offer Sheets will not be considered and will be rejected as non-responsive.

By submitting this Offer, I certify the following statements are true now and will be for the term of any resulting contract:

1. That my firm and its principals (collectively "we" or "us") are not currently suspended or debarred from bidding on any Federal, State, or City of Austin Contracts.
2. That we have not in any way directly or indirectly:
 - a. Colluded, conspired, or agreed with any other person, firm, corporation, Proposer or potential Proposer to the amount of this Proposal or the terms or conditions of this Proposal.
 - b. paid or agreed to pay any other person, firm, corporation Proposer or potential Proposer any money or anything of value in return for assistance in procuring or attempting to procure a contract or in return for establishing the prices in the attached Proposal or the Proposal of any other Proposer.
3. That we have not received any compensation or a promise of compensation for participating in the preparation or development of the underlying Solicitation or Contract documents. In addition, we have not otherwise participated in the preparation or development of the underlying Solicitation or Contract documents, except to the extent of any comments or questions and responses in the solicitation process, which are available to all Proposers, so as to have an unfair advantage over other Proposers, provided that we may have provided relevant product or process information to a consultant in the normal course of its business.
4. That we have not participated in the evaluation of Proposals or other decision making process for this Solicitation and, if we are awarded a Contract, no individual, agent, representative, consultant, subcontractor, or sub-consultant associated with us, who may have been involved in the evaluation or other decision making process for this Solicitation, will have any direct or indirect financial interest in the Contract, provided that we may have provided relevant product or process information to a consultant in the normal course of its business.
5. In accordance with Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code, that we:
 - a. do not have an employment or other business relationship with any local government officer of the City or a family member of that officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income
 - b. have not given a local government officer of the City one or more gifts, other than gifts of food, lodging, transportation, or entertainment accepted as a guest, that have an aggregate value of more than \$100

- in the twelve month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware of the execution of the Contract or that City is considering doing business with the Offeror; and
- c. do not have a family relationship with a local government officer of the City in the third degree of consanguinity or the second degree of affinity.

6. That we have and will continue to comply with the City's Anti-Lobbying Ordinance, Chapter 2-7, Article 6.

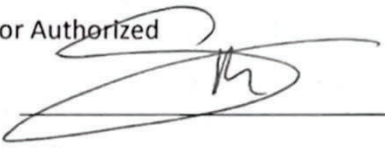
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Prohibited Communications. During the No Lobbying Period, Respondents to this Solicitation or their Agents, shall not make prohibited communications to City officials or City employees.

Ordinance. https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/afo_content.cfm?s=15&p=145

Rules. https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/afo_content.cfm?s=16&p=77

7. Pursuant to City Council Resolution No. 20191114-056, we are not currently and will not during the term of the Contract engage in practicing LGBTQ+ conversion therapy; referring persons to a healthcare provider or other person or organization for LGBTQ+ conversion therapy; or Contracting with another entity to conduct LGBTQ+ conversion therapy. If the City determines in its sole discretion that we have, during the term of the resulting Contract, engaged in any such practices, the City may terminate this Contract without penalty to the City.
8. Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2271.002, we verify that we do not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of the resulting contract.
9. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, we verify that if we have remote or direct access to communication infrastructure systems, cybersecurity systems, the electric grid, hazardous waste treatment systems, or water treatment facilities as a result of any City contract, that we are not owned by or the majority of stock or other ownership interest of our firm is not held or controlled by:
- a. individuals who are citizens of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a Governor-designated country; or
 - b. a company or other entity, including a governmental entity, that is owned or controlled by citizens of or is directly controlled by the government of China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a Governor-designated country; or
 - c. headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a Governor-designated country.
10. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, we verify that, if we have 10 or more full-time employees: (1) we do not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (2) will not discriminate during the term of the resulting contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.
11. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, we certify that, if we have 10 or more full-time employees: (1) we do not boycott energy companies; and (2) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract.

Company Name: Good Guard Security, Inc.
Company Address: 2025 Guadalupe St, Suite 260
City, State, Zip: Austin, TX 78705
City Vendor Registration No. _____
Printed Name of Officer or Authorized Representative: Shawn Helmandi
Title: Region President
Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative: 
Date: 08/25/2022
Email Address: Shawn@goodguardsecurity.com
Phone Number: (800) 651-0491 x1000

ACCEPTANCE BY THE CITY

For City Staff only. The City will complete and sign this section only if the City accepts the Offer.

Contract Number: MA 5000 NA2300000032

Printed Name of City's Authorized Procurement Staff: Marian Moore

Title of City's Authorized Procurement Staff: Procurement Supervisor

Signature: Marian Moore Digitally signed by Marian Moore
Date: 2023.03.01 12:45:01 -06'00'

Date: _____

Email: Marian.Moore@austintexas.gov

Phone: (512) 974-2062

ACCEPTANCE: The Offer is hereby accepted. Contractor is now bound to sell the materials or services specified in the Contract.

NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS

Instruction. Offerors shall read and checking the applicable boxes in response to both certifications below.

☒ YES ☐ NO **OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES**

(Check One) Offeror **IS (YES)** or **IS NOT (NO)** a Nonresident Bidder in accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002.

If "Yes" is checked, provide the name of the state where
Nonresident Bidder's Principle Place of Business is located.

California

(State)

☐ YES ☒ NO **OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES**

(Check One) Offer **INCLUDES (YES)** or **DOES NOT INCLUDE (NO)** Equipment, Supplies and/or Materials in accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002

If "YES" is checked, provide the name of the State where majority
of the Equipment, Supplies and/or Materials were manufactured

Click or tap here to enter text.

(State)

Reciprocal Preference. In accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002 (see below), the City must apply a reciprocal preference to a Nonresident Bidder's offer, consistent with the applicable preference granted by the state of the Nonresident Bidder's principal place of business. The City will also apply a reciprocal preference to a Resident Bidder or Nonresident Bidder's offer, consistent with the applicable preference granted by the state where the majority of the equipment, supplies and/or materials were manufactured.

Resident bidder. An Offeror whose principal place of business is in Texas, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in Texas.

Nonresident Bidder. An Offeror that is not a Resident Bidder.

Statute: <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/GV/htm/GV.2252.htm>

LOCAL PRESENCE CERTIFICATION - OPTIONAL

Instruction. Offerors wishing to claim Local Presence shall read and acknowledge this certification by checking the applicable box and providing the physical address below.

OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES

Offeror's **HEADQUARTERS** or a **BRANCH OFFICE** is within the Austin Corporate City Limits.

☐ **HEADQUARTERS**

2025 Guadalupe St., Suite 260, Austin, Texas 78705

☒ **BRANCH OFFICE**

(Physical Address of Offeror's Headquarters or Branch Office)

(Check One)

Do you employ anyone at the location checked above who is a resident of the City of Austin?

☒ **Yes**

☐ **No**

(Check One)

Benefit to the City. In accordance with Resolution No. 20140807-113, Council has determined that contracts awarded to local companies that provide employment to Austin residents are an economic benefit.

Local Presence. Offerors may claim Local Presence if at least one (1) of the following are located within the Austin Corporate City Limits, employing residents of Austin.

1. Headquarters; or
2. Branch office.

Austin Corporate City Limits. The City of Austin's Full Purpose Jurisdiction, not including the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction.

Headquarters. The Offeror's administrative center where most of the company's important functions and full responsibility for managing and coordinating the business activities of the firm are located.

Branch Office. A company office other than the Offeror's headquarters, that has been in place for at least five (5) years.

LIVING WAGE – CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

(Please duplicate as needed)

Pursuant to the City's Living Wages Program, Rule R161-17.14 (reference item 4.8, Solicitation Instructions) the Contractor is required to pay to all employees of the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors directly assigned to this City contract a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.

- (1) The below listed individuals are all known employees of the Prime Contractor and its subcontractors who are directly assigned to this contract, and all are compensated at wage rates equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour:

Employee Name	Employer	Prime or Sub	Your Normal Rate	Employee Job Title
Michael Evans	Good Guard Security, Inc	Prime	30.00	Project Manager
Allan Lamb	Good Guard Security, Inc	Prime	25.00	Operations Manager
Jimmy King	Good Guard Security, Inc	Prime	19.32	Security Guard Supervisor
Brandon Dixon	Good Guard Security, Inc	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer
Luis Gomez	Good Guard Security, Inc	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer
Justin Moreau	Good Guard Security, Inc	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer

- (2) All future employees of both the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors directly assigned to this Contract will be paid a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.

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Employee Name	Employer	Prime or Sub	Your Normal Rate	Employee Job Title
Barry Davis	Good Guard Security, Inc.	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer
Edwin Camas	Good Guard Security, Inc.	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer
Gare Hack	Good Guard Security, Inc.	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer
Fernando Vasquez	Good Guard Security, Inc.	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer
Eduardo Bonilla	Good Guard Security, Inc.	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer
Danny Guera	Good Guard Security, Inc.	Prime	17.28	Unarmed Security Officer

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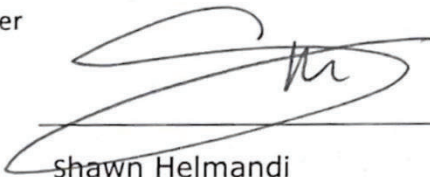
- (3) Our firm will not retaliate against any employee of either the Prime Contractor or any tier of subcontractors claiming non-compliance with the Living Wage provision.

A Prime Contractor or subcontractor that violates this Living Wage provision shall pay each of its affected employees the amount of the deficiency for each day the violation continues. Willful or repeated violations of the provision by either the Prime Contractor or any tier of subcontractor, or fraudulent statements made on this certification, may result in termination of this Contract for Cause, subject the violating firm to possible suspension or debarment, or result in legal action.

I hereby certify that all the listed employees of both the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors who are directly assigned to this contract are paid a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.

Contractor's Name: Good Guard Security, Inc.

Signature of Officer
or Authorized
Representative:



Date: 08/25/2022

Printed Name: Shawn Helmandi

Title Region President

SUBCONTRACTING UTILIZATION FORM

In accordance with the City of Austin's Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) Procurement Program (Program), Chapters 2-9A/B/C/D of the City Code and M/WBE Procurement Program Rules, this Solicitation was reviewed by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department (SMBR) to determine if M/WBE Subcontractor/Sub-Consultant ("Subcontractor") Goals could be applied. Due to insufficient subcontracting/subconsultant opportunities and/or insufficient availability of M/WBE certified firms, SMBR has assigned no subcontracting goals for this Solicitation. However, Offerors who choose to use Subcontractors must comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program as described below. Additionally, if the Contractor seeks to add Subcontractors after the Contract is awarded, the Program requirements shall apply to any Contract(s) resulting from this Solicitation.

Instructions:

- a.) Offerors who do not intend to use Subcontractors shall check the "NO" box and follow the corresponding instructions.
- b.) Offerors who intend to use Subcontractors shall check the applicable "YES" box and follow the instructions. Offers that do not include the following required documents shall be deemed non-compliant or nonresponsive as applicable, and the Offeror's submission may not be considered for award.

☒ **NO, I DO NOT intend to use Subcontractors/Sub-consultants.**

Instructions: Offerors that do not intend to use Subcontractors shall complete and sign this form below (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Form) and include it with their sealed Offer.

☐ **YES, I DO intend to use Subcontractors /Sub-consultants.**

Instructions: Offerors that do intend to use Subcontractors shall complete and sign this form below (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Form), and follow the additional instructions in the (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Plan). Contact SMBR if there are any questions about submitting these forms.

Offeror Information			
Company Name	Good Guard Security, Inc.		
City Vendor ID Code			
Physical Address	2025 Guadalupe St, Suite 260		
City, State Zip	Austin, TX 78705		
Phone Number	(800) 651-0491	Email Address	Shawn@goodguardsecurity.com
Is the Offeror City of Austin M/WBE certified?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES Indicate one: <input type="checkbox"/> MBE <input type="checkbox"/> WBE <input type="checkbox"/> MBE/WBE Joint Venture		
<p>Offeror Certification: I understand that even though SMBR did not assign subcontract goals to this Solicitation, I will comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program if I intend to include Subcontractors in my Offer. I further agree that this completed Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Form, and if applicable my completed Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan, shall become a part of any Contract I may be awarded as the result of this Solicitation. Further, if I am awarded a Contract and I am not using Subcontractor(s) but later intend to add</p>			

Subcontractor(s), before the Subcontractor(s) is hired or begins work, I will comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program and submit the **Request For Change** form to add any Subcontractor(s) to the Project Manager or the Contract Manager for prior authorization by the City and perform Good Faith Efforts (GFE), if applicable. I understand that, if a Subcontractor is not listed in my **Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan**, it is a violation of the City's M/WBE Procurement Program for me to hire the Subcontractor or allow the Subcontractor to begin work, unless I first obtain City approval of my **Request for Change** form. I understand that, if a Subcontractor is not listed in my **Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan**, it is a violation of the City's M/WBE Procurement Program for me to hire the Subcontractor or allow the Subcontractor to begin work, unless I first obtain City approval of my **Request for Change** form.

Shawn Helmandi - Region President



8/25/2022

Name and Title of Authorized Representative (Print or Type)

Signature/Date

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 - c. headquartered in China, Iran, North Korea, Russia, or a Governor-designated country.
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11. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2274, we certify that, if we have 10 or more full-time employees: (1) we do not boycott energy companies; and (2) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract.

Company Name: Comsec Security Agency

Company Address: 3010 LBJ Frwy. Ste. 1286

City, State, Zip: Dallas, TX 75234

City Vendor Registration No. V00000982447

Printed Name of Officer or Authorized Representative: L. Michael Pleasants

Title: CEO

Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative: 

Date: 08/11/2022

Email Address: pleasants@themichaelsongroup.us

Phone Number: (214) 682-6733

ACCEPTANCE BY THE CITY

For City Staff only. The City will complete and sign this section only if the City accepts the Offer.

Contract Number: MA 5000 NA230000032

Printed Name of City's Authorized Procurement Staff: Marian Moore

Title of City's Authorized Procurement Staff: Procurement Supervisor

Signature: Marian Moore Digitally signed by Marian Moore
Date: 2023.03.01 12:44:31 -06'00' Date: _____

Email: Marian.Moore@austintexas.gov Phone: (512) 974-2062

ACCEPTANCE: The Offer is hereby accepted. Contractor is now bound to sell the materials or services specified in the Contract.

NONRESIDENT BIDDER PROVISIONS

Instruction. Offerors shall read and checking the applicable boxes in response to both certifications below.

☐ YES ☒ NO **OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES**

(Check One) Offeror **IS (YES)** or **IS NOT (NO)** a Nonresident Bidder in accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002.

If "Yes" is checked, provide the name of the state where
Nonresident Bidder's Principle Place of Business is located.

Click or tap here to enter text.

(State)

☒ YES ☐ NO **OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES**

(Check One) Offer **INCLUDES (YES)** or **DOES NOT INCLUDE (NO)** Equipment, Supplies and/or Materials in accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002

If "YES" is checked, provide the name of the State where majority
of the Equipment, Supplies and/or Materials were manufactured

Texas

(State)

Reciprocal Preference. In accordance with Texas Government Code Ch. 2252.002 (see below), the City must apply a reciprocal preference to a Nonresident Bidder's offer, consistent with the applicable preference granted by the state of the Nonresident Bidder's principal place of business. The City will also apply a reciprocal preference to a Resident Bidder or Nonresident Bidder's offer, consistent with the applicable preference granted by the state where the majority of the equipment, supplies and/or materials were manufactured.

Resident bidder. An Offeror whose principal place of business is in Texas, including a contractor whose ultimate parent company or majority owner has its principal place of business in Texas.

Nonresident Bidder. An Offeror that is not a Resident Bidder.

Statute: <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/GV/htm/GV.2252.htm>

LOCAL PRESENCE CERTIFICATION - OPTIONAL

Instruction. Offerors wishing to claim Local Presence shall read and acknowledge this certification by checking the applicable box and providing the physical address below.

OFFEROR HEREBY CERTIFIES

Offeror's **HEADQUARTERS** or a **BRANCH OFFICE** is within the Austin Corporate City Limits.

☐ **HEADQUARTERS**

Offeror's Physical Address.

☐ **BRANCH OFFICE**

(Physical Address of Offeror's Headquarters or Branch Office)

(Check One)

Do you employ anyone at the location checked above who is a resident of the City of Austin?

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

(Check One)

Benefit to the City. In accordance with Resolution No. 20140807-113, Council has determined that contracts awarded to local companies that provide employment to Austin residents are an economic benefit.

Local Presence. Offerors may claim Local Presence if at least one (1) of the following are located within the Austin Corporate City Limits, employing residents of Austin.

1. Headquarters; or
2. Branch office.

Austin Corporate City Limits. The City of Austin's Full Purpose Jurisdiction, not including the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction.

Headquarters. The Offeror's administrative center where most of the company's important functions and full responsibility for managing and coordinating the business activities of the firm are located.

Branch Office. A company office other than the Offeror's headquarters, that has been in place for at least five (5) years.

LIVING WAGE – CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

(Please duplicate as needed)

Pursuant to the City's Living Wages Program, Rule R161-17.14 (reference item 4.8, Solicitation Instructions) the Contractor is required to pay to all employees of the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors directly assigned to this City contract a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.

- (1) The below listed individuals are all known employees of the Prime Contractor and its subcontractors who are directly assigned to this contract, and all are compensated at wage rates equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour:

Employee Name	Employer	Prime or Sub	Your Normal Rate	Employee Job Title
Submitted upon award				

- (2) All future employees of both the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors directly assigned to this Contract will be paid a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.
- (3) Our firm will not retaliate against any employee of either the Prime Contractor or any tier of subcontractors claiming non-compliance with the Living Wage provision.

A Prime Contractor or subcontractor that violates this Living Wage provision shall pay each of its affected employees the amount of the deficiency for each day the violation continues. Willful or repeated violations of the provision by either the Prime Contractor or any tier of subcontractor, or fraudulent statements made

on this certification, may result in termination of this Contract for Cause, subject the violating firm to possible suspension or debarment, or result in legal action.

I hereby certify that all the listed employees of both the Prime Contractor and all tiers of subcontractors who are directly assigned to this contract are paid a minimum Living Wage equal to or greater than \$15.00 per hour.

Contractor's Name: Comsec Security Agency

Signature of Officer
or Authorized
Representative:



Date: 08/11/2022

Printed Name:

L. Michael Pleasants

Title

CEO

SUBCONTRACTING UTILIZATION FORM

In accordance with the City of Austin's Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) Procurement Program (Program), Chapters 2-9A/B/C/D of the City Code and M/WBE Procurement Program Rules, this Solicitation was reviewed by the Small and Minority Business Resources Department (SMBR) to determine if M/WBE Subcontractor/Sub-Consultant ("Subcontractor") Goals could be applied. Due to insufficient subcontracting/subconsultant opportunities and/or insufficient availability of M/WBE certified firms, SMBR has assigned no subcontracting goals for this Solicitation. However, Offerors who choose to use Subcontractors must comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program as described below. Additionally, if the Contractor seeks to add Subcontractors after the Contract is awarded, the Program requirements shall apply to any Contract(s) resulting from this Solicitation.

Instructions:

- a.) Offerors who do not intend to use Subcontractors shall check the "NO" box and follow the corresponding instructions.
- b.) Offerors who intend to use Subcontractors shall check the applicable "YES" box and follow the instructions. Offers that do not include the following required documents shall be deemed non-compliant or nonresponsive as applicable, and the Offeror's submission may not be considered for award.

☒ **NO, I DO NOT intend to use Subcontractors/Sub-consultants.**

Instructions: Offerors that do not intend to use Subcontractors shall complete and sign this form below (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Form) and include it with their sealed Offer.

☐ **YES, I DO intend to use Subcontractors /Sub-consultants.**

Instructions: Offerors that do intend to use Subcontractors shall complete and sign this form below (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Form), and follow the additional Instructions in the (Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting ("Subcontractor") Utilization Plan). Contact SMBR if there are any questions about submitting these forms.

Offeror Information			
Company Name	N/A		
City Vendor ID Code			
Physical Address			
City, State Zip			
Phone Number		Email Address	
Is the Offeror City of Austin M/WBE certified?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES Indicate one: <input type="checkbox"/> MBE <input type="checkbox"/> WBE <input type="checkbox"/> MBE/WBE Joint Venture		
Offeror Certification: I understand that even though SMBR did not assign subcontract goals to this Solicitation, I will comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program if I intend to include Subcontractors in my Offer. I further agree that this completed Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Form , and if applicable my completed Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan , shall become a part of any Contract I may be awarded as the result of this Solicitation. Further, if I am awarded a Contract and I am not using Subcontractor(s) but later intend to add			

Subcontractor(s), before the Subcontractor(s) is hired or begins work, I will comply with the City's M/WBE Procurement Program and submit the **Request For Change** form to add any Subcontractor(s) to the Project Manager or the Contract Manager for prior authorization by the City and perform Good Faith Efforts (GFE), if applicable. I understand that, if a Subcontractor is not listed in my **Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan**, it is a violation of the City's M/WBE Procurement Program for me to hire the Subcontractor or allow the Subcontractor to begin work, unless I first obtain City approval of my **Request for Change** form. I understand that, if a Subcontractor is not listed in my **Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan**, it is a violation of the City's M/WBE Procurement Program for me to hire the Subcontractor or allow the Subcontractor to begin work, unless I first obtain City approval of my **Request for Change** form.

L. Michael Pleasants - CEO



08/11/2022

Name and Title of Authorized Representative (Print or Type)

Signature/Date

SUBCONTRACTING UTILIZATION PLAN

INSTRUCTIONS: Offerors who DO intend to use Subcontractors must either utilize M/WBE Subcontractor(s) or perform Good Faith efforts when retaining Non-certified Subcontractor(s). Offerors must determine which type of Subcontractor(s) they are anticipating to use (CERTIFIED OR NON-CERTIFIED), check the box of their applicable decision, and comply with the additional instructions associated with that particular selection.

☐ I intend to use City of Austin CERTIFIED M/WBE Subcontractor/Sub-consultant(s).

Instructions: Offerors may use Subcontractor(s) that ARE City of Austin certified M/WBE firms. Offerors shall contact SMBR (512-974-7600 or SMBRComplianceDocuments@austintexas.gov) to confirm if the Offeror's intended Subcontractor(s) are City of Austin certified M/WBE and if these firm(s) are certified to provide the goods and services the Offeror intends to subcontract. If the Offeror's Subcontractor(s) are current valid certified City of Austin M/WBE firms, the Offeror shall insert the name(s) of their Subcontractor(s) into the table below and must include the following documents in their sealed Offer:

- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Form (completed and signed)
- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan (completed)

☐ I intend to use NON-CERTIFIED Subcontractor/Sub-Consultant(s) after performing Good Faith Efforts.

Instructions: Offerors may use Subcontractors that ARE NOT City of Austin certified M/WBE firms ONLY after Offerors have first demonstrated Good Faith Efforts to provide subcontracting opportunities to City of Austin M/WBE firms.

STEP ONE: Contact SMBR for an availability list for the scope(s) of work you wish to subcontract;

STEP TWO: Perform Good Faith Efforts (Check List provided below);

STEP THREE: Offerors shall insert the name(s) of their certified or non-certified Subcontractor(s) into the table below and must include the following documents in their sealed Offer:

- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Form (completed and signed)
- Subcontracting/Sub-Consulting Utilization Plan (completed)
- All required documentation demonstrating the Offeror's performance of Good Faith Efforts (see Check List below)

GOOD FAITH EFFORTS CHECK LIST –

When using NON-CERTIFIED Subcontractor/Sub-consultants(s), **ALL of the following CHECK BOXES MUST be completed in order to meet and comply with the Good Faith Effort requirements and all documentation must be included in your sealed Offer. Documentation CANNOT be added or changed after submission of the bid.**

☐ **Contact SMBR.** Offerors shall contact SMBR (512-974-7600 or SMBRComplianceDocuments@austintexas.gov) to obtain a list of City of Austin certified M/WBE firms that are certified to provide the goods and services the Offeror intends to subcontract out. (Availability List). Offerors shall document their contact(s) with SMBR in the "SMBR Contact Information" table on the following page.

☐ **Contact M/WBE firms.** Offerors shall contact all of the M/WBE firms on the Availability List with a Significant Local Business Presence which is the Austin Metropolitan Statistical Area, to provide information on the proposed goods and services proposed to be subcontracted and give the Subcontractor the opportunity to respond on their interest

to bid on the proposed scope of work. When making the contacts, Offerors shall use at least two (2) of the following communication methods: email, fax, US mail or phone. Offerors shall give the contacted M/WBE firms at least seven days to respond with their interest. Offerors shall document all evidence of their contact(s) including: emails, fax confirmations, proof of mail delivery, and/or phone logs. These documents shall show the date(s) of contact, company contacted, phone number, and contact person.

☐ **Follow up with responding M/WBE firms.** Offeror shall follow up with all M/WBE firms that respond to the Offeror's request. Offerors shall provide written evidence of their contact(s): emails, fax confirmations, proof of mail delivery, and/or phone logs. These documents shall show the date(s) of contact, company contacted, phone number, and contact person.

☐ **Advertise.** Offerors shall place an advertisement of the subcontracting opportunity in a local publication (i.e. newspaper, minority or women organizations, or electronic/social media). Offerors shall include a copy of their advertisement, including the name of the local publication and the date the advertisement was published.

☐ **Use a Community Organization.** Offerors shall solicit the services of a community organization(s); minority persons/women contractors'/trade group(s); local, state, and federal minority persons/women business assistance office(s); and other organizations to help solicit M/WBE firms. Offerors shall provide written evidence of their Proof of contact(s) include: emails, fax confirmations, proof of mail delivery, and/or phone logs. These documents shall show the date(s) of contact, organization contacted, phone number, email address and contact person.

(Offerors may duplicate this page to add additional Subcontractors as needed)

Subcontractor/Sub-consultant	
City of Austin Certified	<input type="checkbox"/> MBE <input type="checkbox"/> WBE Ethnic/Gender Code: <input type="checkbox"/> NON-CERTIFIED
Company Name	
Vendor ID Code	
Contact Person	Phone Number:
Additional Contact Info	Fax Number: E-mail:
Amount of Subcontract	\$
List commodity codes & description of services	
Justification for not utilizing a certified MBE/WBE	

Subcontractor/Sub-consultant	
City of Austin Certified	<input type="checkbox"/> MBE <input type="checkbox"/> WBE Ethnic/Gender Code: <input type="checkbox"/> NON-CERTIFIED
Company Name	
Vendor ID Code	
Contact Person	Phone Number:
Additional Contact Info	Fax Number: E-mail:
Amount of Subcontract	\$
List commodity codes & description of services	
Justification for not utilizing a certified MBE/WBE	

SMBR Contact Information			
SMBR Contact Name	Contact Date	Means of Contact	Reason for Contact
		<input type="checkbox"/> Phone OR <input type="checkbox"/> Email	

FOR SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESS RESOURCES DEPARTMENT USE ONLY:

Having reviewed this plan, I acknowledge that the Offeror ☐ HAS or ☐ HAS NOT complied with these instructions and City Code Chapters 2-9A/B/C/D, as amended.

Reviewing Counselor

Date

I have reviewed the completing the Subcontracting/Sub-Consultant Utilization Plan and ☐ Concur ☐ Do Not Concur with the Reviewing Counselor's recommendation.

Director/Assistant Director or Designee

Date