

Amendment No. 3 of Contract No. NA170000192 for

FRESH FOR LESS MEDIA AND MARKETING INITIATIVE

between

Rindy and Associates Inc. dba Rindy Miller Media and the . City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby exercises the extension option for the subject contract. Effective February 15, 2019 to February 14, 2020. Two options remain.
- 2.0 The total contract amount is increased by \$18,000.00 for the extension option period. The total Contract authorization is recapped below:

Term	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Basic Term: 07/14/2017 - 02/14/2018	\$30,000 00	\$30,000,00
Amendment No. 1: Administrative Increase 09/08/2017	\$7,500 00	\$37,500.00
Amendment No. 2: Option 1 02/15/2018 – 02/14/2019	\$58,000.00	\$95.500 00
Amendment No. 3: Option 2 . 02/15/2019 – 02/14/2020	\$18.000.00	\$113,500.00

- 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 principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the General Services Administration (GSA) List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.
- 5.0 All other terms and conditions remain the same.

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

Signature and Date:

Printed Name Cynith A

Authorized Representative

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Signature and Date: Control of the C

City of Austin

Purchasing Office

Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media

2401 E. 6th Street 1007 Austin, TX 78702



Amendment No. 2 Contract No. NA170000192

FRESH FOR LESS MEDIA AND MARKETING INITIATIVE between

Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media and the City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby amends the contract as follows:
 - 1.1. Exercises the first option of the contract from 02/15/2018 through 02/14/2019.
- 2.0 The total Contract authorization is recapped below:

Term	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Basic Term 07/14/2017 - 02/14/2018	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Amendment No. 1: Administrative Increase in funding.	\$7,500.00	\$37,500.00
Amendment No. 2: Extension option 1 02/15/2018 – 02/14/2019	\$58,000.00	\$95,500.00

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

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

Signature and Date:

Printed Name:

Cynthia Miller Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media

March 8, 2016

2401 E. 6th Street 1007

Austin, TX 78702

Signature and Date:

Marty James, Procurement Specialist III

04-16-2018

City of Austin

Purchasing Office



Amendment No. 1 of Contract No. NA170000192 for FRESH FOR LESS MEDIA AND MARKETING INITIATIVE

between
Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media
and the
City of Austin

- 1.0 The City hereby amends the contract as follows:
 - 1.1. Increases the contract amount by \$7,500 for the first term.
- 2.0 The total Contract authorization is recapped below:

Term	Action Amount	Total Contract Amount
Basic Term 07/14/2017 - 02/14/2018	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Amendment No. 1: Administrative Increase in funding.	\$7,500.00	\$37,500.00

- 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 principals are not currently suspended or debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the General Services Administration (GSA) List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs, the State of Texas, or the City of Austin.
- 5.0 All other terms and conditions remain the same.

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

Signature and Date:

Printed Name: (20, 20, 20)
Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media

2401 E. 6th Street 1007

Austin, TX 78702

Signature and Date:

Marty James, Procurement Specialist II

09-08-2017

City of Austin Purchasing Office

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

Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media ("Contractor") for

FRESH FOR LESS MEDIA AND MARKETING INITIATIVE NA170000192

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 Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media having offices at Austin, TX 78702 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 RFP MHJ0113.

1.1 This Contract is composed of the following documents:

- 1.1.1 This Contract
- 1.1.2 The City's Solicitation, Request for Proposal (RFP), MHJ0113 including all documents incorporated by reference
- 1.1.3 Rindy and Associates Inc dba Rindy Miller Media Offer, dated June 27,2017, 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 Contract
 - 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 seven (7) months and may be extended thereafter for up to four (4) 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 \$30,000.00 for the initial Contract term and up to \$58,000.00 for each extension option based on approved annual funding. 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 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.

RINDY AND ASSOCIATES INC DBA RINDY MILLER MEDIA	CITY OF AUSTIN
Cynthia Miller Printed Name of Authorized Person	Marty James Printed Name of Authorized Person
Signature	Signature
OWNER CEO	Procurement Specialist II Title:
July 14 2017	07-14-2017 Date:



CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Purchasing Office REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) OFFER SHEET

SOLICITATION NO: MHJ0113

COMMODITY/SERVICE DESCRIPTION: FRESH FOR LESS

MEDIA AND MARKETING INITIATIVE

DATE ISSUED: June 5, 2017

REQUISITION NO.: RQM 9100 17042000448

PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE TIME AND DATE: N/A

COMMODITY CODE: 96153

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

Marty James

Procurement Specialist II

Phone: (512) 974-3164

E-Mail: Marty.James@austintexas.gov

PROPOSAL DUE PRIOR TO: June 20, 2017 2:00 PM

PROPOSAL OPENING TIME AND DATE: June 20, 2017 3:00

PN

LOCATION: MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 124 W 8th STREET

RM 308, AUSTIN, TEXAS 78701

LIVE SOLICITATION OPENING ONLINE: For RFP's, only the

names of respondents will be read aloud

For information on how to attend the Solicitation Closing online,

please select this link:

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 # MHJ0113	Purchasing Office-Response Enclosed for Solicitation # MHJ0113
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.

SUBMIT 1 ORIGINAL AND 3 ELECTRONIC COPIES 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	5
0500	SCOPE OF WORK	5
0600	PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS & EVALUATION FACTORS	3
0605	LOCAL BUSINESS PRESENCE IDENTIFICATION FORM – Complete and return	2
0800	NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION CERTIFICATION—Complete and return	2
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

^{*} 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.

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: Rindy Miller Media
Company Address: 2401 6.6th St. #1007
City, State, Zip: Austin, TX 78702
Federal Tax ID No.
Printed Name of Officer or Authorized Representative:
Title: Owner/CEO
Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative:
Date: June 27 2017
Email Address: Cmiller @ rindymiller. com
Phone Number: 512-472-5715 office / 512.632.9788
Proposal response must be submitted with this Offer sheet to be considered for award

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	Kindy Miller Media	
Physical Address	2401 E. 6th St. #10	07, Austin TX 78702
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	CSM Madiaworks	
Physical Address	1519 W. 29th St. A	ustia. TX 78703
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

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	House of Design	
Physical Address	8408 D'Mac Drive	, Austin 1x 78729
ls 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
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USE ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY OFFEROR:

Name of Local Firm	Phil West / Orange Cone	
Physical Address	6503 Auburhhill,	Austin. 7 78723
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	PINK	Consulting	
Physical Address	122	Riviera St.	, San Marcos, TX
Is your headquarters located in the Corporate City Limits? (circle one)		Yes	(No) 7866
or			
Has your branch office been located in the Corporate City Limits for the last 5 years		Yes	No

City of Austin, Texas Section 0800 NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION CERTIFICATION

City of Austin, Texas

Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office

To: City of Austin, Texas,

I hereby certify that our firm complies with the Code of the City of Austin, Section 5-4-2 as reiterated below, and agrees:

- (1) Not to engage in any discriminatory employment practice defined in this chapter.
- (2) To take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without discrimination being practiced against them as defined in this chapter, including affirmative action relative to employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rate of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or any other terms, conditions or privileges of employment.
- (3) To post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office setting forth the provisions of this chapter.
- (4) To state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, sex or age.
- (5) To obtain a written statement from any labor union or labor organization furnishing labor or service to Contractors in which said union or organization has agreed not to engage in any discriminatory employment practices as defined in this chapter and to take affirmative action to implement policies and provisions of this chapter.
- (6) To cooperate fully with City and the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office in connection with any investigation or conciliation effort of the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office to ensure that the purpose of the provisions against discriminatory employment practices are being carried out.
- (7) To require of all subcontractors having 15 or more employees who hold any subcontract providing for the expenditure of \$2,000 or more in connection with any contract with the City subject to the terms of this chapter that they do not engage in any discriminatory employment practice as defined in this chapter

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

City of Austin Minimum Standard Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation in Employment Policy

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

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

The Contractor agrees to prohibit retaliation, discharge or otherwise discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment who has inquired about, discussed or disclosed their compensation.

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

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

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

Sanctions:

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

Term:

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

Dated this _____ day of ______

CONTRACTOR

Authorized Signature

Title

City of Austin, Texas Section 0805 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. Covered transactions include procurement contracts for goods or services equal to or in excess of \$25,000.00 and all non-procurement transactions. This certification is required for all Vendors on all City of Austin Contracts to be awarded and all contract extensions with values equal to or in excess of \$25,000.00 or more and all non-procurement transactions.

The Offeror hereby certifies that its firm and its principals are not currently suspended or debarred from bidding on any Federal, State, or City of Austin Contracts.

Contractor's Name:	Cynthia Miller Rindy
Signature of Officer or Authorized Representative:	Can a Date: Only (82012
Printed Name:	Cynthia Miller
Title	Owner / CEO

Section 0815: Living	Wages Contractor Co	ertification	Α
Company Name	Rindy	Miller	Media

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	
Cyntria Miller	Owner (CEO	
Dean Rindy	President	

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

Α.	Bidder must answer the following question	ons in accordance with Vernon's Texas Statues and Codes Annotated			
,	Government Code 2252.002, as amended:				
		this Bid a "Resident Bidder" or a "non-resident Bidder"?			
		se principle place of business is in Texas and includes a Contractor whose wner has its principal place of business in Texas. not a Texas Resident Bidder.			
B.	is located, have a law requiring a Nonresid	s the state, in which the Nonresident Bidder's principal place of business dent Bidder of that state to bid a certain amount or percentage under the der for the nonresident Bidder of that state to be awarded a Contract or			
	Answer:	Which State:			
C.	If the answer to Question B is "yes", then what amount or percentage must a Texas Resident Bidder bid under the bid price of a Resident Bidder of that state in order to be awarded a Contract on such bid in said state?				
	Answer:				



ADDENDUM CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Solicitation: RFP MHJ0113 Addendum No: 2 Date of Addendum: 06/20/2017

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

1.0 Extension

- 1.1. Solicitation extended to a new closing date of Tuesday, June 27, 2017 @ 2:00 PM CST.
- 1.2. Bid Opening will occur on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 3:00 PM CST.

2.0 AL	_ OTHER	TERMS	AND	CONDITIONS	REMAIN	THE SAME
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APPROVED BY:

Marty James, Procurement Specialist II Purchasing Office, 512-974-3164

Date

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Name

Authorized Signature

RETURN ONE COPY OF THIS ADDENDUM TO THE PURCHASING OFFICE, CITY OF AUSTIN, WITH YOUR RESPONSE OR PRIOR TO THE SOLICIATION CLOSING DATE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CONSTITUTE GROUNDS FOR REJECTION.



ADDENDUM CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Solicitation: MHJ0113 Addendum No: 1 Date of Addendum: 06/16/17

This addendum is to incorporate the following questions and answers to the above referenced solicitation:

1.0 Questions and Answers:

- 1.1 (Q) Is there a place to see the existing identity elements? What creative materials already exist? Have any videos been produced?
 - (A) No videos have been produced. Only a draft flyer template has been created, which is only used by one contractor. We'd like the creation of creative materials to be a part of this contract. However the existing logo designs should stay the same. Reference Exhibit A, an example of a flyer and the logo treatments.
- 1.2 (Q) What is the timing for this campaign?
 - (A) Approximately six week's minimum depending on associated costs to complete paid media.
- 1.3 (Q) When would the media launch?
 - (A) No later than mid-September.
- 1.4 (Q) What agency created the existing Fresh for Less campaign identity?
 - (A) Sherry Matthews.
- 1.5 (Q) What is the preferred contract period you would like us to build a timeline out for? six months? Year long?
 - (A) Six months. Renewal options are built in, but this contract is specifically for six months.
- 1.6 (Q) Will the contractor be responsible for translating materials?
 - (A) Yes, but our Fresh for Less contractors like to be involved in this process as well. They like to give feedback and input related to translation work they have done in the past, preferences for word choice and expressions, and general agreement on the translation chosen.
- 1.7 (Q) 1.Referencing 4.2 page 2 of 5 & top of page 3 of 5, What collateral pieces are already created, and how many pieces are you looking to adapt? Example are there 5 pieces to adapt?
 - (A) The City wants the logo design elements to remain the same. One flyer template was created but it is not used by every vendor (see Exhibit A). Each individual contractor has their own materials and this contract is to specifically develop a way to communicate Fresh for Less while also recognizing and cross promoting the other organizations running the initiative.

- 1.8 (Q) 2.Reference 4.5 Can you provide a list of previous type and number of events that you had for this initiative in the past, and how many speaking engagements did you have?
 - (A) None other than the contractors themselves going to health fairs and town hall meetings to set up a table to discuss the projects.
- 1.9 (Q) Was this contract awarded before?
 - (A) No, this is the first solicitation for this specific contract.
- 2.0 Exhibit A added.

3.0 ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

APPROVED BY: 6

Marty James, Procurement Specialist II Purchasing Office, 512-974-3164

Date

06-15-2017

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Name

Authorized Signature

RETURN ONE COPY OF THIS ADDENDUM TO THE PURCHASING OFFICE, CITY OF AUSTIN, WITH YOUR RESPONSE OR PRIOR TO THE SOLICIATION CLOSING DATE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY CONSTITUTE GROUNDS FOR REJECTION.

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.
- 2. **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. Contractor is subject to City Code chapter 2-11 (Records Management), and as it may subsequently be amended. 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 whether in digital or physical format, except a record specifically relating to the Contractor's internal administration.
- 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 requested by the City
- 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. <u>WARRANTY SERVICES</u>: 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.
- TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:. In the event of a default by the Contractor, the City shall have the right to terminate 27. 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).

A. 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:</u> <u>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) 36. 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.
- CONFIDENTIALITY: In order to provide the Deliverables to the City, Contractor may require access to certain of the 37. 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. <u>ASSIGNMENT-DELEGATION</u>: 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. <u>WAIVER</u>: 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. INTERPRETATION: The Contract is intended by the parties as a final, complete and exclusive statement of the terms of their agreement. No course of prior dealing between the parties or course of performance or usage of the trade shall be relevant to supplement or explain any term used in the Contract. Although the Contract may have been substantially drafted by one party, it is the intent of the parties that all provisions be construed in a manner to be fair to both parties, reading no provisions more strictly against one party or the other. Whenever a term defined by the Uniform Commercial Code, as enacted by the State of Texas, is used in the Contract, the UCC definition shall control, unless otherwise defined in the Contract.

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:

<u>Holiday</u>	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
 - i. "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".

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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 no later than 1:00 PM, one (1) week prior to the proposal opening date. Submissions may be made via email to Marty.James@austintexas.gov.

- 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 disgualification 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:

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- (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 seven (7) months and may be extended thereafter for up to four (4) 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 resolicit 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. **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	Public Health
Attn:	Stephanie Helfman
Address	P.O. Box 1088
City, State Zip Code	Austin, TX 78767

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The Contractor agrees to accept payment by either 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.

5. 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

6. **ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT:**

- A. 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 percent (20%) 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.

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- 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: Complete table as they may apply.

Weight % or \$ of Base Price: 100%		
Database Name: Employment Cost Index		
Series ID: CIU2010000300000A (B)		
	☐ Seasonally Adjusted	
Geographical Area: United States (National)		
Description of Series ID: Total compensation for Private industry workers in Service occupations, 12- month percent change		
This Index shall apply to the following items of the Bid Sheet / Cost Proposal: Reference Proposal		

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

- 7. 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.

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8. **CONTRACT MANAGER:** 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:

Sarah Stein Lobovits
Austin Public Health
(512) 972-5425
Sarah.SteinLobovits@austintexas.gov

*Note: The above listed Contract Manager is not the authorized Contact Person for purposes of the **NON-CONFLICT OF INTEREST, AND ANTI-LOBBYING Provision** of this Section; and therefore, contact with the Contract Manager is prohibited during the no contact period.

CITY OF AUSTIN SCOPE OF WORK FRESH FOR LESS MEDIA AND MARKETING INITIATIVE RFP MHJ0113

1.0 PURPOSE

The City of Austin, Austin Public Health (APH) is seeking qualified media and marketing firms for the development and execution of media and marketing strategies to promote "Fresh for Less" healthy food access projects.

2.0 BACKGROUND

Fresh for Less consists of three projects to address healthy food access. Addresses and a map of locations for these initiatives can be found here: https://www.austintexas.gov/freshforless.

The media and marketing campaign shall target low income families (those families making less than 200% of the federal poverty limit) and may also include some marketing moderate income individuals and families who live or work near the mobile markets, farm stands, and healthy corner stores.

2.1 Definitions:

- 2.1.1 Mobile Market: Markets on wheels that are run by a local non-profit, Farmshare Austin. They can be easily set up and moved to another location but prioritize areas that have few to no options for buying fresh produce. In addition to produce from local Austin farms, staple foods like pasta, spices, and beans are sold. Prices are reduced, making them more affordable and all markets accept Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program--formerly known as food stamps (SNAP) benefits and offer the Sustainable Food Center (SFC) Double Dollars program (which doubles the benefits for purchase of fruits and vegetables up to \$30 per visit). Currently these markets are in 78617, 78724, 78741and 78758 zip codes.
- 2.1.2 Farm Stands: Community-run markets that are strategically located in areas that are easily walkable to residents of the community. Fresh produce from local Austin farms is sold at reduced prices, making it more affordable than a traditional farmer's market. Most stands accept SNAP benefits and offer the SFC Double Dollars program. Farm Stands are managed by the SFC. Currently these markets are in 78745,78744, and 78758, zip codes.
- 2.1.3 Healthy Corner Store Initiative: Healthy Corner stores are convenience stores, including gas stations that offer more than the typical amount and variety of healthier food items. Go Austin! Vamos Austin is the nonprofit Contractor and has supported eight corner stores in the 78744 and 78745 zip codes in Southeast Austin to increase their capacity to offer healthy food items. Healthy foods include both fresh produce and shelf goods that follow specific nutrition standards.

3.0 CAMPAIGN GOALS

One of the primary goals of the Fresh for Less projects is to reduce food insecurity associated with lack of access to healthy and affordable fruits and vegetables. The media strategies utilized shall use effective advertising messages to motivate and educate individuals about these opportunities to purchase fresh, local foods close to home at affordable prices. Additionally, the media and marketing campaign shall develop an integrated Fresh for Less branding campaign with the individual project brands to create a cohesive message to consumers, since all three projects promote fresh and affordable food close to home. The ultimate goal of these media and marketing efforts is to increase the number of individuals who visit the mobile markets, healthy corner stores, and farm stands, and ultimately purchase fresh fruits and vegetables and healthy staple items at these locations.

An additional long-term goal of these projects is to promote availability of locally grown and sustainable produce, and to reduce chronic conditions such as type 2 diabetes and obesity which are associated with unhealthy eating.

4.0 WORK PLAN

The Contractor shall focus on the following tasks:

- 1. Materials adaptation, creation, and further integration of the existing Fresh for Less campaign identity
- 2. Execution of grassroots outreach strategies and events
- 3. Execution of paid media, to include social media
- 4. Leveraging earned media or public relations strategies

No more than 50% of the budget may be used for media planning, campaign development, brand integration, or creation or updating collateral materials. The remaining 50% of funds should be spent on purchase of media, outreach/marketing events, and other direct strategies.

The Contractor shall be responsible for the following activities:

4.1 Develop a Media and Marketing Campaign Plan and Timeline

The Contractor shall produce a media and marketing plan that includes the following components:

- **4.1.1** Creative brief outlining the strategies to be utilized in the campaign, including types and mix of media platforms utilized, events/outreach and earned-media activities.
- **4.1.2** Detailed media and marketing timeline with lead time for Austin Public Health and partner review, creative execution, material revision, and final production of any new or adapted creative materials.

4.2 Material Adaptation and/or Creation and Integration of Campaign Identity

This initiative will use direct-to-consumer advertisements and other communications to increase awareness of the Fresh for Less initiatives, motivate individuals to visit the mobile markets, farm stands, and corner stores and to purchase healthy and affordable fresh produce and healthy staple goods that are sold there. Target populations may be segmented by language (English, Spanish, and others as appropriate), and may be

segmented by type of Fresh for Less program utilized (Mobile Market, Farm Stand, Corner Store). A logo, tagline, and brand identity has been created for Fresh for Less and should be integrated in the campaign. Fresh for Less has a website, located at https://www.austintexas.gov/freshforless which maintains the listing of mobile markets, farm stands, and healthy corner stores participating in this effort and should be integrated into this campaign. Individual non-profit Contractors managing the Farm Stands, Mobile Market, and Healthy Corner Store initiative have logos and in some cases have created collateral materials. Integration is needed to incorporate the Fresh for Less branding with the individual project branding for a cohesive message to consumers, since all three projects promote fresh and affordable food close to home. All materials and advertisements created or adapted should be co-branded with the Fresh for Less brand identity, City Logo, as well as with the individual Contractor's logos for attribution of the work to each Contractor.

Given the short timelines for campaign planning and launch, the Contractor shall primarily use prior research and materials that Austin Public Health and Fresh for Less Contractors have undertaken to create the initial plan and confirm the audience segments. The Contractor shall use public and partner engagement tactics in the early stages of the campaign to help assess the resonance of the themes and the audience appropriateness of any new messages and materials created. The Contractor shall utilize culturally and linguistically appropriate practices including using plain non-technical language, professional translation, and if possible, no greater than 5th grade reading level for any written materials created for the general public.

4.3 Execution of Paid Media Strategies

Media/advertising may be purchased in a variety of platforms, such as print/direct mail, online advertising including social media, or other channels. The Contractor will determine the most cost-effective mix of media to purchase to reach the populations that live near the farm stands, mobile markets, and healthy corner stores. Specific focus should be made to reach low to moderate income families. Low income is defined as families that earn less than twice the federal poverty line. Media buys should be highly targeted by geographic location to reach potential customers close to Fresh for Less project locations. In addition, the Contractor shall seek matching (leveraged) ratios of media time to media purchases (for example, utilization of Public Service Announcements or other free advertisements in addition to paid media). Social media is encouraged as it can be cost-effective because of the minimal costs for distribution once messages are crafted and the potential for viral retransmission of these messages among individuals and user groups on the Internet.

4.4 Outreach and Events

Contractor shall plan and implement events and grassroots marketing strategies to promote the farm stands, mobile markets, and healthy corner stores. This may include street team marketing activities, events at the farm stands, mobile markets, and corner stores participating in the project, or partnering with other events that are reaching the priority population for Fresh for Less. At least 6 events should take during the contract period (either street team marketing or on-site events) to promote new locations or existing sites to increase customer base. The Contractor is responsible for all aspects of event and grassroots marketing strategies but shall coordinate these events with the

Fresh for Less Contractors and APH staff to assure appropriate dates/times of events and location sites.

4.5 Media Relations and Earned Media

The Contractor may conduct appropriate proactive media relations strategies to leverage earned media opportunities. The Contractor may attempt to gain news coverage of the Fresh for Less programs, or to schedule speaking engagements for City staff or Fresh for Less Contractors at appropriate local events to further promote campaign messages.

5.0 DELIVERABLES

- 5.1 Contractor will work with APH and a team of Fresh for Less contractors to define marketing strategy and solidify messaging. Develop a creative brief which includes outlining the goals, strategies, media platforms and outreach strategies, including justification for these approaches. At a minimum, plan must include events/grassroots outreach and paid media/advertising. Provide detailed timeline for implementation.
- 5.2 Build upon existing Fresh for Less campaign identity, and further integrate individual Contactor's Logos for joint recognition and attribution of these programs to both the City of Austin and individual Contractors. Update existing collateral materials previously developed for Farm Stands, Mobile Markets, and Corner Stores if needed, and develop new collateral materials as appropriate based on media platforms and outreach strategies chosen. Engage partners, especially Fresh for Less Contractors, for maximum participation and feedback on new or updated campaign materials.
- **5.3** Implement media and marketing plan, and report monthly on campaign output measures including:
 - 5.3.1 Number and reach of ads/spots/direct mail pieces issued
 - **5.3.2** Number of outreach/grassroots marketing events and number of encounters during these events.
 - **5.3.3** Number of flyers, banners, or other creative materials printed and distributed.
- **5.4** Submit summary report at the end of the contract period on total campaign reach/ads distributed, total events or grassroots marketing reach, leveraged media buys, news media coverage, and lessons learned.

6.0 CONTRACT MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

The Contractor shall be required to report on the number of individuals reached through outreach and grassroots marketing, as well as process and impact measures such as numbers and types of advertisements delivered, click thru rates, market saturation, etc. Data on sales and number of customer encounters is being collected by APH staff and Contractors and will be used to help gauge the efficacy of marketing and media efforts. In advance of drafting its marketing plan, the Contractor shall participate in a kick-off meeting with APH to review the campaign mission, goals, objectives, and associated tasks. This meeting will serve as the time for all parties to establish working relationships, work styles, expectations, and APH's requirements, and initial steps to develop the most effective campaign strategies.

The contractor shall comply with APH reporting requirements, including written reports and potential on-site reviews. Written reports shall be submitted to the APH Contract Manager by an agreed upon day of the month for the duration of the contract. Written reports shall consist of an update on progress made to date on deliverables, as well as the outcomes of outreach and events. A final campaign summary will be provided by the Contractor at the end of the contract period with total impressions and reach of all paid advertising. The reporting template will be sent to the Contractor shortly after the Plan and Timeline is finalized. The Contractor will be reimbursed after required reporting documentation, including complete and accurate Payment Request and Expenditure reports, are submitted, reviewed, and approved by the APH Contract Manager on a monthly basis.

7.0 VENDOR REQUIREMENTS

Contractor shall meet the following requirements in order to be eligible for award:

- **7.1.** A permanently staffed office in Austin or Travis County Texas for conducting daily business operations.
- **7.2.** At least 3 years of experience conducting high-impact media campaigns, and message development and distribution on multiple platforms.
- **7.3.** Experience developing or implementing public health, health, nutrition, or food access media campaigns
- **7.4.** Experience developing messages and marketing campaigns for Spanish-speaking communities.
- **7.5.** Experience using social marketing for message development and delivery.
- **7.6.** Experience with branding of campaigns.
- **7.7.** Ability to leverage use of in-kind or media matches (i.e., free and discounted, public service announcements).
- **7.8.** Experience successfully utilizing events and grassroots outreach strategies for marketing efforts.

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PROPOSAL FORMAT

Submit one original paper copy and an electronic copy of the original proposal in PDF version on six separate flash drives. The original proposal shall contain ink signatures and shall be typed on standard 8 ½" X 11" paper, double-sided, and have consecutively numbered pages.

The proposal itself shall be organized in the following format and informational sequence. Use tabs to divide each part of the Proposal and include a Table of Contents:

Section I

Tab 1: City of Austin Purchasing Documents-Complete and submit the following documents:

- 1. Signed Offer Sheet
- Section 0605-Local Business Presence Form
- 3. 0800-Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation Certification
- 4. Section 0815-Living Wages Certification
- 5. Section 0835-Non-Resident Bidder Provisions

<u>Tab 2 - Business Organization</u>: State full name and address of your organization and identify parent company if you are a subsidiary. Specify the branch office or other subordinate element which will perform, or assist in performing, work herein. Indicate whether you operate as a partnership, corporation, or individual. Include the State in which incorporated or licensed to operate and provide your non-profit organization status.

<u>Tab 3 – Authorized Negotiator</u>: Include name, address, e-mail address, and telephone number of person in your organization authorized to negotiate Contract terms and render binding decisions on Contract matters.

<u>Tab 4 – References</u>: Provide a list of three (3) current or previous public sector clients. All client reference information must be supported and verified. Reference contacts must be aware that they are being used and agreeable to City interview for follow-up. References shall include the following:

- Agency
- Year contract was awarded and length of contract
- Agency contract manager
- Title
- Direct telephone number
- Email address

<u>Tab 5 – Executive Summary</u>: Proposer shall provide an Executive Summary of three (3) pages or less, which gives in brief, concise terms, a summation of the proposal. Please address how your organization will serve the City of Austin's needs relative to the needs of your other clients.

Section II

<u>Tab 6 – Work Plan</u>: Describe your plan for accomplishing the required work. Include such time-related displays and charts as necessary to show tasks, sub-tasks, milestones, and decision points related to the Scope of Work and your plan for accomplishment.

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<u>Tab 7 – Personnel with Experience</u>: Provide a general explanation and organization chart which specifies project leadership and reporting responsibilities. Identify all key persons and their title, including the account manager, who will be assigned to the City of Austin and include the following:

- A. Percentage of time they will be allocated to the City of Austin
- B. Office location
- C. Resumes

<u>Tab 8 - Price Proposal:</u> Information described in the following subsections is required from each Proposer. Your method of costing may or may not be used but should be described. A firm fixed price or not-to-exceed Contract is contemplated, with progress payments as mutually determined to be appropriate. In the proposal, provide a price chart similar to the one listed below. The prices listed in the table shall be inclusive of all fees, including travel, if required. No fees will be paid separately. Include a breakdown of each cost (administrative fees, hourly rates, etc.).

<u>NOTE:</u> APH is soliciting proposals to procure the services for a firm fixed price. Respondent shall include all costs for providing the services, as defined by this RFP. In its proposal, Respondent shall price each service individually, with no price bearing on any other services. Proposals must include all costs for providing the services as described in this RFP including all associated costs of media and television airtime, print or electronic media, and/or Respondent's fee for placement of advertising. APH will not pay for any additional goods or services not specifically requested within this RFP.

The proposed budget for this media initiative is approximately \$30,000 and is all-inclusive (e.g. all labor, materials, supplies, equipment, transportation, translation, studio time, royalties, purchasing of all media buys) as necessary to meet requirements of this contract. 50% of funds should be spent on purchase of media and outreach/marketing events, and other direct costs.

Section III

- A. Exceptions: Be advised that exceptions to any portion of the Solicitation may jeopardize acceptance of the Proposal. The failure to identify exceptions or proposed changes with a full explanation will constitute acceptance by the Proposer of the Solicitation as proposed by the City. The City reserves the right to reject a Proposal containing exceptions, additions, qualifications or conditions not called for in the Solicitation.
- B. <u>Proposal Preparation Costs:</u> All costs directly or indirectly related to preparation of a response to the RFP or any oral presentation required to supplement and/or clarify a proposal which may be required by the City shall be the sole responsibility of the Proposer.
- C. <u>Proposal Acceptance Period</u>: All proposals are valid for a period of one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days subsequent to the RFP closing date unless a longer acceptance period is offered in the proposal.
- D. <u>Proprietary Information</u>: All material submitted to the City becomes public property and is subject to the Texas Open Records Act upon receipt. <u>If a Proposer does not desire proprietary information in the proposal to be disclosed, each page must be identified and marked proprietary at time of <u>submittal</u>. The City will, to the extent allowed by law, endeavor to protect such information from disclosure. The final decision as to what information must be disclosed, however, lies with the Texas Attorney General. Failure to identify proprietary information will result in all unmarked sections being deemed non-proprietary and available upon public request.</u>

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Section IV

EVALUATION FACTORS AND AWARD

- A. <u>Competitive Selection</u>: This procurement will comply with applicable City Policy. The successful Proposer will be selected by the City on a rational basis. Evaluation factors outlined in Paragraph B below shall be applied to all eligible, responsive Proposers in comparing proposals and selecting the Best Offeror. Award of a Contract may be made without discussion with Proposers after proposals are received. Proposals should, therefore, be submitted on the most favorable terms.
- B. **Evaluation Factors**: All proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria and rankings. Maximum 100 points.
 - (1) Work Plan & Approach (reference Section II Tab 6). 40 Points
 - (2) Applicable Experience including Personnel Qualifications (reference Section II Tab 7). 40 Points
 - (3) Total Evaluated Price (reference Section II Tab 8) Whichever Offeror offers the City the most competitive price will be awarded the maximum amount of points. Remaining points will be distributed on a pro-rated basis. **10 Points**
 - (4) LOCAL BUSINESS PRESENCE (Maximum 10 points)

Team's Local Business Presence	Points Awarded
Local business presence of 90% to 100%	10
Local business presence of 75% to 89%	8
Local business presence of 50% to 74%	6
Local business presence of 25% to 49%	4
Local presence of between 1 and 24%	2
No local presence	0



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June 26, 2017

Dear City of Austin and Fresh for Less Program,

Thank you so much for the opportunity to submit a proposal for the City of Austin Fresh for Less Media and Marketing Initiative. We would very much like to be a part of this project.

Rindy Miller Media is a full-service branding, marketing, and advertising agency that is woman-owned, has been established for almost 30 years. We are Texas HUB and City of Austin WMBE certified, based in Austin, and work nationally. Rindy Miller Media has been a vital part of dozens of progressive community efforts in Austin over the last 30 years. We have been the lead communications and strategy agency for many high-impact community projects, including Affordable Housing Bonds, the establishment of Central Health, Save Our Springs, United Way 211 outreach, Transportation bonds, Our City, Our Safety, Our Choice ... and helping to elect dozens of Austin Mayors and local officials who work for progress in our community.

I personally serve on the board of AVANCE-Austin, which creates school-readiness for poverty-level children 0-3 and their mothers, most of which are Hispanic and living on the East Side of Austin – overlapping with your targeted audiences for this project. Nutrition is something we try to focus on in that process. As a mother myself, I know what a difference proper nutrition makes – and how hard it is even for those of us living near fresh produce to not succumb to all the unhealthy options out there.

This proposal is not generic. It is thoughtful. It is tailored to your needs. We have reached out to the right people in the community to help make this a success.

Thank you again for your consideration, and we would very much appreciate the opportunity to visit with you in person about our proposal. We are eager to work with the City. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Cynthia Miller
Owner and CEO
Rindy Miller Media
TX HUB and Austin WMBF Certified