# Sourcing Event SFGOV-0000006795

## Formal Request for Qualifications for:
**As-Needed Communications Consultants**

This RFQ can be viewed on the City’s Supplier Portal at: [https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/index.aspx](https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/index.aspx)

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| Contract Administrator: | Lorna Garrido  
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**Attachments**

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I. INTRODUCTION

A. General

This Request for Qualifications (hereinafter “RFQ” or “Solicitation”) is being issued by San Francisco District Attorney’s Office (hereinafter, “SFDA” or “City”). SFDA is seeking to create a list of qualified suppliers (“Proposers”) to provide as-needed communications consulting services to educate the public about crime prevention, consumer protection, office initiatives, and how to access services. (“Proposals”).

The City shall evaluate Proposals to create a Prequalified Pool of Proposers (“Prequalified Pool”). Proposers prequalified under this RFQ are not guaranteed a contract. The City may use the Prequalified Pool, at its sole and absolute discretion, on an as-needed basis. Project specific terms, along with applicable portions of the Proposer’s Written Proposal and Price Proposal, shall be incorporated into the Proposed Agreement at the time a Proposer is selected from the Prequalified Pool.

B. Creation and Duration of the Prequalified Pool

Proposers meeting the Minimum Qualifications shall be added to the Prequalified Pool and eligible for potential contract negotiations (“Resulting Contract”) with the City, on an as-needed basis. A Prequalified Pool list is valid for 3 years, but may be extended for up to 3 additional years if re-opened by City in accordance with Section 21.4 of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Responsive Proposals will be evaluated by a panel (“Evaluation Panel”) consisting of one or more parties with expertise related to goods and/or services being procured through this RFQ. The Evaluation Panel may include staff from various City departments. Proposals will be evaluated based on the criteria outlined herein. If applicable, a Contract Monitoring Division (CMD) Contract Compliance Officer will assess Proposal compliance with Local Business Enterprise (LBE) requirements and assign a rating bonus. The CMD-adjusted scores (if applicable) will then be tabulated and Proposers will be assigned scores.

C. Resulting Contracts

1. Selection of Contractors from the Prequalified Pool

Pursuant to Section 21.4 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, City may select contractors from the Prequalified Pool for Resulting Contracts pursuant to three options, as described below.

a. Select highest available ranked (if a ranking was done when the pool was created).

b. Conduct a Request for Quotes or Request for Proposals to the Prequalified Pool from which to make a selection.

c. For Resulting Contracts that are less than the Minimum Competitive Amount (currently $706,000 for general services and $129,000 for commodities and professional services), select a contractor from the Prequalified Pool without any further solicitation. In choosing this option, the department must notify the Prequalified Pool of its selection. The Notice must specify the commodities and/or services awarded; their cost; and the selected Contractor’s unique qualifications for having been selected without a further solicitation. Such notice must be retained for 3 years.
2. Notice of Intent to Award a Resulting Contract to the Prequalified Pool

Except where a contractor was selected without a further solicitation for a contract amount equal to or less than the Minimum Competitive Amount, City shall not issue a Notice of Intent to Award when awarding a Resulting Contract to a contractor from the Prequalified Pool. The City’s award of a Resulting Contract to a contractor from the Prequalified Pool is final and not subject to further review.

3. Anticipated Term of Resulting Contracts

A Resulting Contract awarded to the Prequalified Pool shall be non-exclusive, with an original term to be determined at the time of Contract award based on the awarding Department’s business needs, but shall not exceed six (6) years.

4. Anticipated Not to Exceed Amount of Resulting Contracts

The Not-to-Exceed (NTE) amount of a Resulting Contract awarded to the Prequalified Pool shall be determined at the time of Contract award based on the awarding Department’s business needs.

5. Indefinite Quantity, As-Needed Resulting Contract

Resulting Contracts awarded to the Prequalified Pool will result in term, indefinite quantities, as-needed contracts. There is no guarantee of a minimum amount of goods or services for any Proposers selected for the Prequalified Pool or for any Resulting Contracts therefrom. Estimated quantities, if any, stated in this RFQ are approximations only. City, in its sole discretion, may purchase any greater or lesser quantity. City may also make purchases of items awarded pursuant to this RFQ from other suppliers when City determines, in its sole discretion, that it is in the best interest of the City to do so.

D. Reserved (Cooperative Agreement)

E. Public Disclosure

All documents under this solicitation process are subject to public disclosure per the California Public Records Act (California Government Code Section §6250 et. Seq) and the San Francisco Sunshine Ordinance (San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 67). Contracts, Proposals, responses, and all other records of communications between the City and Proposers shall be open to inspection immediately after a contract has been awarded. Nothing in this Administrative Code provision requires the disclosure of a private person’s or organization’s net worth or other proprietary financial data submitted for qualification for a contract or other benefit until and unless that person or organization is awarded the contract or benefit.

If the City receives a Public Records Request (“Request”) pertaining to this solicitation, City will use its best efforts to notify the affected Proposer(s) of the Request and to provide the Proposer with a description of the material that the City deems responsive and the due date for disclosure (“Response Date”). If the Proposer asserts that some or all of the material requested contains or reveals valuable trade secret or other information belonging to the Proposer that is exempt from disclosure and directs the City in writing to withhold such material from production (“Withholding Directive”), then the City will comply with the Withholding Directive on the condition that the Proposer seeks judicial relief on or before the Response Date. Should Proposer fail to seek judicial relief on or before the Response Date, the City shall proceed with the disclosure of responsive documents.
F. Limitation on Communications During RFQ

From the date this RFQ is issued until the date the competitive process of this RFQ is completed (either by cancelation or final Award), Proposers and their subcontractors, vendors, representatives and/or other parties under Proposer’s control, shall communicate solely with the Contract Administrator whose name appears in this RFQ. Any attempt to communicate with any party other than the Contract Administrator whose name appears in this RFQ – including any City official, representative or employee – is strictly prohibited. Failure to comply with this communications protocol may, at the sole discretion of City, result in the disqualification of the Proposer or potential Proposer from the competitive process. This protocol does not apply to communications with the City regarding business not related to this RFQ.

G. RFQ Schedule

The anticipated schedule for this RFQ is set forth below. These dates are tentative and subject to change. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to check for any Addenda to this RFQ or other pertinent information posted in the City’s Supplier Portal.

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**The Pre-Proposal Conference Details:** The Pre-Proposal Conference will begin at the time specified. Proposers’ representatives are urged to arrive on time. Topics already covered will not be repeated for the benefit of late arrivals. **Failure to attend the Pre-Proposal Conference shall not excuse the awarded Proposer from any obligations of a Resulting Contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ.** Any change or addition to the requirements contained in this RFQ as a result of the Pre-Proposal Conference will be executed by a written Addendum to this RFQ. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to check for any Addendum to this RFQ or other pertinent information posted on the City’s Supplier Portal https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/index.aspx.

H. How to Register as a City Supplier

The following requirements pertain only to Proposers not currently registered with the City as a Supplier.

**Step 1:** Register as a BIDDER at City’s Supplier Portal:

https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/index.aspx

**Step 2:** Follow instructions for converting your BIDDER ID to a SUPPLIER ID. This will require you to register with the City Tax Collector’s Office and submit Chapter 12B and 12C forms through the Supplier portal. Once these forms have been completed, submitted, and processed, you will be notified via email with your organization's new Supplier ID. That email will also provide instructions for completing your Supplier registration.
• **City Business Tax Registration Inquiries:** For questions regarding business tax registration procedures and requirements, contact the Tax Collector’s Office at (415) 554-4400 or, if calling from within the City and County of San Francisco, 311.

• **Chapter 12(B) and 12(C) Inquiries:** For questions concerning the City’s Chapter 12(B) and 12(C) Equal Benefits and Non-Discrimination in Contracting requirements, go to: [www.sfgov.org/cmd](http://www.sfgov.org/cmd).

I. **Proposal Questions and Submissions**

1. **Proposer Questions and Requests for Clarification**

   Proposers shall address any questions regarding this RFQ to the Contract Administrator whose name and contact information appears on the cover page of this RFQ. Proposers who fail to submit questions concerning this RFQ and its requirements will waive all further rights to protest based on the specifications and conditions herein. **Questions must be submitted by email to the Contract Administrator whose name and contact information appears on the cover page of this RFQ no later than the deadline for submission of written questions or requests for clarification.** A written Addendum will be executed addressing each question and answer and posted publicly. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to check for any Addenda and other updates that will be posted on the City’s Supplier Portal: [https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/Events-BS3/event-search.aspx](https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/Events-BS3/event-search.aspx).

2. **Proposal Format**

   Proposals must be created using a word processing software (e.g. Microsoft Word or Excel) and typed in a serif font (e.g.-Times New Roman). The document must have page margins of at least .5” on all sides. Information must be provided at a level of detail that enables effective evaluation and comparison between Proposals. Failure to follow formatting, submission, or content requirements, as well as page limit restrictions (if any), may negatively impact the evaluation of your Proposal.

3. **Time and Place for Submission of Proposals**

   Prior to the Proposal submission deadline, Proposers must upload their complete Proposals into the City’s Supplier Portal: [https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/index.aspx](https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/index.aspx). Late submissions will not be considered. Each original Proposal received will be screened to ensure that all content required by this RFQ is included. Partial or complete omission of any required content may disqualify Proposals from further consideration. Late Proposal submissions will not be considered and failure to adhere to the above requirements may result in the complete rejection of your Proposal.

   Proposers are encouraged to upload their Proposals to the SF Supplier Portal as early as possible to address any technical issues that may arise during the submission process. In the event a Proposer is unable to upload its complete Proposal into the SF Supplier Portal, Proposer must email its Proposal to the Contract Administrator whose name and contact information appears on the cover page of this RFQ prior to the Proposal submission deadline and request confirmation of receipt. Proposer must include in its email: (a) documentation (e.g. screenshots) verifying its inability to upload its Proposal into the SF Supplier Portal and (b) a detailed justification explaining why it was not able to have the issue addressed prior to the submission deadline.
J. Proposal Selection

The acceptance and/or selection of any Proposal(s) shall not imply acceptance by the City of all terms of the Proposal(s), which may be subject to further approvals before the City may be legally bound thereby.

K. Contract Terms and Negotiations

In the event a Proposer is selected from the Prequalified Pool established pursuant this RFQ, the successful Proposer will be required to enter into the Agreement attached hereto as Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms. The Proposed Agreement Terms are not subject to negotiation. However, the Scope of Work and Price Proposal appendices to the Proposed Agreement shall be updated at the time a Proposer is selected from the Prequalified Pool established pursuant this RFQ.

L. Protest Procedures for Protesting the Creation of the Prequalified Pool

1. Protest of Non-Responsiveness Determination

Within three (3) business days of the City's issuance of a Notice of Non-Responsiveness, a Proposer may submit a written Notice of Protest of Non-Responsiveness. The Notice of Protest must include a written statement specifying in detail each and every one of the grounds asserted for the protest. The Notice of Protest must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the Proposer, and must cite the law, rule, local ordinance, procedure or RFQ provision on which the protest is based. In addition, the Notice of Protest must specify facts and evidence sufficient for the City to determine the validity of the protest.

2. Protest of Non-Responsible Determination

Within three (3) business days of the City's issuance of a Notice of Non-Responsibility, a Proposer may submit a written Notice of Protest of Non-Responsibility. The Notice of Protest must include a written statement specifying in detail each and every one of the grounds asserted for the protest. The Notice of Protest must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the Proposer, and must cite the law, rule, local ordinance, procedure or RFQ provision on which the protest is based. In addition, the Notice of Protest must specify facts and evidence sufficient for the City to determine the validity of the protest.

3. Protest of Prequalified Pool

Within three (3) business days of the City's issuance of a Notice of Intent to name the Proposers selected for the Prequalified Pool established pursuant this RFQ, a Proposer may submit a written Notice of Protest of the Proposers selected for the Prequalified Pool established pursuant this RFQ. The Notice of Protest must include a written statement specifying in detail each and every one of the grounds asserted for the protest. The Notice of Protest must be signed by an individual authorized to represent the Proposer, and must cite the law, rule, local ordinance, procedure or RFQ provision on which the protest is based. In addition, the Notice of Protest must specify facts and evidence sufficient for the City to determine the validity of the protest.

4. Delivery of Protests

A Notice of Protest must be written. Protests made orally (e.g., by telephone) will not be considered. A Notice of Protest must be delivered by mail or email to the Contract Administrator whose name and contact information appears on the cover page to this RFQ and received by the due dates stated above. A Notice of Protest shall be transmitted by a means that will objectively
establish the date the City received the Notice of Protest. If a Notice of Protest is mailed, the
protestor bears the risk of non-delivery within the deadlines specified herein.

II. CITY’S SOCIAL POLICY REQUIREMENTS

The San Francisco Municipal Code establishes a number of requirements for people
seeking to do business with the City (“Social Policy Requirements”). These Social Policy
Requirements can be found in Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms. The Social Policy
Requirements set forth below are NOT intended to be a complete list of all Social Policy
Requirements applicable to this RFQ and any contracts awarded from it. Proposers are encouraged
to carefully review the Social Policy Requirements applicable to this RFQ contained in Attachment
1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms.

A. Proposers Unable to do Business with the City

1. Generally

Proposers that do not comply with laws set forth in San Francisco’s Municipal Codes may
be unable to enter into a contract with the City. Laws applicable to this RFQ are set forth below
and in Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms.

2. Reserved (Administrative Code Chapter 12X)

3. Administrative Code Chapter 12B

A Proposer selected pursuant to this RFQ to participate in the resulting Prequalified Pool
may not, if awarded a contract, in any of its operations in San Francisco, on real property owned
by San Francisco, or where work is being performed for the City elsewhere in the United States,
discriminate in the provision of bereavement leave, family medical leave, health benefits,
membership or membership discounts, moving expenses, pension and retirement benefits or travel
benefits, as well as any benefits other than the benefits specified above, between employees with
domestic partners and employees with spouses, and/or between the domestic partners and spouses
of such employees, where the domestic partnership has been registered with a governmental entity
pursuant to state or local law authorizing such registration, subject to the conditions set forth in
§12B.2(b) of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Refer to Attachment 1, City’s Proposed
Agreement Terms for additional details related to the application of this Ordinance to a Resulting
Contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ.

B. Reserved (Prevailing Wage Ordinance)

C. Health Care Accountability Ordinance

A Proposer selected pursuant to this RFQ to participate in the resulting Prequalified Pool,
if awarded a contract, shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 12Q. For each Covered
Employee, an awarded Proposer shall provide the appropriate health benefit set forth in Section
12Q.3 of the Health Care Accountability Ordinance (HCAO). If a Proposer selected pursuant
to this RFQ chooses to offer the health plan option, such health plan shall meet the minimum
standards are set forth by the San Francisco Health Commission. Information about and the text
of the Chapter 12Q and the Health Commission’s minimum standards available at
http://sfgov.org/olse/hcao. Any Subcontract entered into by Proposer shall also be required to
comply with the requirements of the HCAO and shall contain contractual obligations substantially
the same as those set forth in this section. Refer to Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms
for additional details related to the application of this Ordinance to a Resulting Contract awarded
pursuant to this RFQ.
D. Minimum Compensation Ordinance

A Proposer selected pursuant to this RFQ to participate in the resulting Prequalified Pool shall, if awarded a contract, comply with Administrative Code Chapter 12P. A Proposer selected pursuant to this RFQ shall pay covered employees no less than the minimum compensation required by San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 12P, including a minimum hourly gross compensation, compensated time off, and uncompensated time off. A Proposer selected pursuant to this RFQ is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 12P. Information about and the text of the Chapter 12P is available on the web at http://sfgov.org/olse/mco. Refer to Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms for additional details related to the application of this Ordinance to a Resulting Contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ.

E. Reserved (First Source Hiring Program)

F. Reserved (Sweatfree Procurement)

G. Other Social Policy Provisions

Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms, identifies they City’s applicable social policy provisions related to a contract awarded pursuant to a Proposer from the Prequalified Pool of Proposers resulting from this RFQ. Proposers are encouraged to carefully review these terms and ensure they are able to comply with them.

III. LOCAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (LBE) PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Chapter 14B subcontracting requirements and the rating bonus do not apply to this solicitation due to the state or federal funding source.

A. Reserved (Application of LBE Bid Discounts and Rating Bonuses)

B. LBE Subcontracting Requirements for Resulting Contracts

1. Application of LBE Subcontracting Participation Requirements to Resulting Contracts

There shall be no LBE Participation Requirement for any Resulting Contract awarded to contractors selected from the Prequalified Pool.

2. Reserved (LBE Good Faith Outreach Forms for Resulting Contracts)

3. Reserved (CMD Compliance Officer)

4. Reserved (LBE Payment and Utilization Tracking)

IV. GOODS AND SERVICES REQUESTED

A. Goods and/or Services Requested

This RFQ is being issued to create a Prequalified Pool of suppliers to provide as-needed communications services to educate the public about crime prevention, consumer protection, office initiatives, and how to access services.

Minimum Qualifications. As a minimum qualification, proposers must demonstrate experience in providing successful public awareness and/or consumer awareness campaigns to a diverse population. Experience should include all of the following:

1. Communication Services: messaging, branding, strategies in building public awareness around an issue or topic.
2. Design Services: marketing strategies for collateral materials, website, paid advertisements, and social media.
3. Printing Services: production of print materials for distribution and/or display.

Desirable Qualifications. Though not a requirement, proposers will ideally have experience working with municipalities (or similar government agencies) on public and consumer awareness campaigns. Proposers without government agency experience must demonstrate how their experience working in other sectors is applicable to the scope of this RFQ and to providing services to the City.

B. Reserved (Regulatory and Compliance Requirements Specific to the Goods/Services Solicited)
C. Reserved (Articles Furnished)
D. Reserved (Alternates)
E. Reserved (Samples)
F. Reserved ( Freight on Board and Shipping Costs)
G. Green Purchasing Requirements

In preparation for any Proposal submitted in response to this RFQ, Proposers are required to review the City Mandatory Green Purchasing Requirements to ensure all goods and services offered to City in response to this RFQ comply with the City’s Green Purchasing Requirements. In addition, Proposers are encouraged to refer to Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms, for additional details related to the Green Purchasing Requirements applicable to any contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ.

V. PROPOSAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

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VI. REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Proposers must provide each Required Supporting Documentation (“RSD”) identified below with their Proposal. Failure to do so may result in the Proposal being deemed Non Responsive.

**RSD1** Evidence that Proposer is 12B compliant or likely to become compliant within 30 days.
RSD2  Completed Proposal Attachments:
☐ Attachment 2: Proposer Questionnaire and References
☐ Attachment 3: CMD Form 3
☐ Attachment 8: HCAO and MCO Declaration Forms

RSD3  Signed copies of all RFQ Addenda, if any.

RSD4  Non Profit Entities: If a Proposer is a non-profit entity that receives a cumulative total per year of at least $250,000 in City funds or City-administered funds and is a non-profit organization as defined in Chapter 12L of the S.F. Administrative Code, the Proposer must comply with Chapter 12L and include in its Proposal:

(1) a statement describing its efforts to comply with the Chapter 12L provisions regarding public access to Proposer’s meetings and records, and

(2) a summary and disposition of all complaints concerning the Proposer’s compliance with Chapter 12L that were filed with the City in the last two years and deemed by the City to be substantiated. If no such complaints were filed, the Proposer shall include a statement to that effect.

Failure to comply with the reporting requirements of Chapter 12L or material misrepresentation in Proposer’s Chapter 12L submissions shall be grounds for rejection of the Proposal and/or termination of any subsequent Agreement reached on the basis of the Proposal.

VII. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS DOCUMENTATION (PASS/FAIL)

Proposers must provide documentation that clearly demonstrates each Minimum Qualification (MQ) listed below has been met. Minimum Qualification documentation should be clearly marked as “MQ1”, MQ2”, etc…. to indicate which MQ it supports. Each Proposal will be reviewed for determination on whether Proposer meets the MQs referenced in this section. This screening is a pass or fail determination and a Proposal that fails to meet the Minimum Qualifications will not be eligible for further consideration in the evaluation process. The City reserves the right to request clarifications from Proposers prior to rejecting a Proposal for failure to meet the Minimum Qualifications.

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MQ2 Evidence that Proposer has experience in design services, such as marketing strategies for collateral materials, website, paid advertisements, and social media.

MQ3 Evidence that Proposer has experience in printing services, such as production of print materials for distribution and/or display.

MQ4 Evidence that Proposer has experience in public service announcements (PSA), such as production and placement of PSAs for radio, television, and the internet.

VIII. PRICE PROPOSAL

A. Price Proposal Format and Allocation of Points

Proposers shall submit a Pricing Narrative in response to this RFQ. The pricing narrative should, at a minimum, address the following points:

(a) Unit pricing by service or product line, manufacturer, etc. including how the pricing will be determined and adjusted over the contract term (e.g. fixed price adjusted annually, X% off of list, X% mark up, etc.).

(b) Indicate if any further discounts are offered, i.e. volume, quantity, prompt payment etc.

(c) Discuss why the Proposer believes pricing is fair and reasonable and how it relates to most favored customer pricing.

Proposer’s pricing narrative, including any proposed price list discounts or markups, must remain firm during the term of the contract unless stated otherwise. Submission of the Pricing Narrative will be evaluated on a Pass/Fail basis.

Price Proposal Evaluation Period

B. Price Proposal Evaluation Period

The City will attempt to evaluate Proposals within thirty (30) days after receipt of Proposals. If City requires additional evaluation time, all Proposers will be notified in writing of the new expected award date.

C. Price Lists

If a Price Proposal is based on prices from a catalog or price list, Proposer shall furnish copies of the catalog or price list in electronic format. Proposer shall furnish additional price lists as required. Proposer’s pricing narrative, including any proposed price list discounts or markups, must remain firm during the term of the contract.

D. Reserved (Proposing on Separate Items or in Aggregate(s))

E. Application of Discounts for Evaluating Price Proposals

1. Reserved (LBE Bid Discount/Rating Bonus)

2. Prompt Payment Discounts

   Where price is a factor in City’s evaluation process in creating the Prequalified Pool and/or City’s selection process from the Prequalified Pool after its creation: Prompt Payment discount (discount for prompt payment) will be taken into consideration in determining the Lowest Responsive Proposal.
a. The prompt payment period must be at least 30 days. Example: “1%/30 Net31.”
b. The evaluation discount will be equal to the prompt payment discount amount, up to a maximum evaluation discount of 2%. Example: Prompt payment discount offered is 3%. Evaluation discount to be applied will be 2%.

3. Reserved (Anticipated Local Tax Revenue (Admin Code Section 21.32) Discount)

4. Sample Discount Calculation

Evaluations are performed on a pre-tax basis except in rare instances, where tax may be a factor (i.e. One vendor bundles the commodities and services in such a way that the entire amount must be taxed, while another vendor clearly separates commodities and services). Below is an example of how bid discounts and/or rating bonuses are applied to a Price Proposal for commodities and services.

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IX. WRITTEN PROPOSAL (100 POINTS)

In addition to submitting documents supporting each Minimum Qualification as required by this RFQ, Proposers shall also submit a complete Proposal consisting of each item set forth below. The content of all Proposals must consist of the information specified below, in the order outlined below, in order to be deemed responsive.

A. Description of Goods/Services being Provided (30 Points)

Proposer shall provide a Proposal consisting of the full line of goods and/or services being offered in response to this Solicitation, including manufacturer names and product descriptions, if applicable. Proposer must also provide detailed descriptions of how the Proposer will execute the work associated with each task outlined in this Solicitation. The description provided for each task should include, as appropriate, the following information:

- Task-specific approach and associated work elements;
- Dependencies on/among other tasks (including activities of others and required key information);
- Responsible party within the Proposer; and
- Output/deliverables from the task.

B. Business Profile (5 Points)

Provide a brief description of the Proposer’s size and organization structure, including:

1. Proposer’s financial stability, capacity and resources supported by two (2) most recent annual financial statements by which City can analyze Proposer’s financial resources. If
financial statements are unavailable due to confidentiality reasons, submit recent Dun & Bradstreet reports. Include all lines of credits the City should consider in its analysis.

2. A listing and description of any lawsuit resulting from (a) any public project undertaken by the Proposer or by its subcontractors where litigation is still pending or has occurred within the last five years or (b) any type of project where claims or settlements were paid by the Proposer or its insurers within the last five years.

C. Project Team (20 Points)

1. **Team Members** (7 Points). Provide the role, responsibilities, qualifications, and company affiliation of every individual on the Proposer team who will perform the services outlined in this Solicitation. Discuss each team member’s background and experience in order to demonstrate a strong ability to successfully perform the work.

2. **Key/Lead Team Members** (10 Points). Identify and provide resumes for all staff who will serve as the Key/Lead Team Members so that the Evaluation Panel can evaluate the ability of each team member to successfully fulfill their project roles and complete the scope of services. Upload a letter of commitment from each Key/Lead Team Member. Each letter of commitment shall be signed by the applicable individual, and dated within five (5) days of the date that Proposals are due. Each letter of commitment must include a statement by the applicable individuals that, if the City awards an agreement to the Proposer, they intend to work on the Agreement at the percentage of work time specified by Proposer in its Proposal for the duration of the Agreement.

3. **Team Organization Chart** (3 Points). Attach an Organizational Chart that illustrates the team structure (include the integration/interaction with City project team staff). Note the Proposer name and title/role for each team member.

D. Qualifications Summary (20 Points)

Proposer must demonstrate corporate qualifications, commitment, strength, and technical capabilities to fulfill all services specified and required to successfully accomplish the work. If Proposer is a JV, include a description of the organization, relationships, and defined responsibilities of all Partners in the JV. Describe any previous project-specific associations of the JV Partners. The Lead JV Partner shall demonstrate proven experience in managing and leading.

E. Past Projects (10 Points)

Proposer must describe 2 most recent projects previously managed by the Proposer or, if applicable, JV Partners within the last 10 years.

1. **Similar Size and Scope**: Each project must be of the type and scope of services specified in this Solicitation. (5 Points)

2. **Project Details**: The descriptions shall include each item listed below. (5 Points)
   a. Project name;
   b. Project scope summary;
   c. Dates when the project was performed;
   d. Project costs;
   e. Proposer’s role and responsibilities in the project;
   f. Proposer’s performance on delivering the project on schedule and on budget;
g. Proposer staff members who worked on the project; and  
h. Client name, reference, and contact info.

F. Work Approach (10 Points)

Proposer must describe their overall work approach to successfully deliver the goods and/or services requested in this Solicitation by addressing each item listed below:

1. Approach for coordinating/managing all work activities, including coordination and communication with City staff, to meet project milestones and deliverable due dates. (3 Points)
2. Processes/measures for controlling cost and schedule, tracking delivery/performance, and maximizing quality (QA/QC). (2 Points)
3. Approach for monitoring expended labor hours and tracking various factors affecting task costs. Include description (frequency, days after timesheet submittal) of project manager’s access to reports on staff labors hours and other cost items. (1 Point)
4. Processes for internal and external notification and resolution of technical conflicts and cost/schedule variances. (2 Points)
5. Understanding of potential project/task issues and constraints, and approach to managing project-specific challenges to complete tasks on schedule and within budget. (1 Point)
6. Approach and procedures for contending with the public in adversarial or difficult situations. (1 Point)

G. Business Infrastructure (5 Points)

Provide a description of Proposer’s capabilities and infrastructure related to:

(a) Ordering  
(b) Delivery  
(c) Estimating lead times  
(d) Inventory management  
(e) Quality Control  
(f) Warranties  
(g) Environmentally friendly practices  
(h) Warehousing  
(i) Brick and mortar presence

X. RESERVED (ORAL INTERVIEWS)

XI. INSURANCE AND BONDS

A. Insurance

In the event a Proposer is selected from the Prequalified Pool established pursuant this RFQ, and prior to award of a Contract, the successful Proposer(s) will be required to furnish evidence of insurance as outlined in Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms.

B. Reserved (Performance Bond)

C. Reserved (Fidelity Bond)

D. Failure to Provide Insurance and/or Bonds

In the event a Proposer is selected from the Prequalified Pool established pursuant this RFQ, and prior to award of a Contract, within ten business days of the receipt of a notice of award of a Contract, the Proposer to whom the contract is awarded shall deliver the required bond
documents and/or specified insurance certificates and policy endorsements to City. If the Proposer fails or refuses to furnish the required bond and/or insurance within ten days after receiving notice to award a Contract, City may, at its option, determine that the Proposer has abandoned its Proposal. Thereupon the tentative award of said contract to this Proposer shall be canceled and City shall notify the Proposer’s surety and collect on the Proposer’s bond (or the check accompanying its Proposal shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the City and County of San Francisco for collection) and the proceeds thereof shall be retained by City as partial liquidated damages for failure of such Proposer to properly file the bonds and insurance herein required. The foregoing in no way limits the damages which are recoverable by City whether or not defined elsewhere in the contract documents.

XII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR RECEIPT OF PROPOSALS

A. Cybersecurity Risk Assessment

As part of City’s evaluation process, City may engage in Cybersecurity Risk Assessment (CRA). CRA may be performed for each entity manufacturing the product, performing technical functions related to the product’s performance, and/or accessing City’s networks and systems. Where a prime contractor or reseller plays an active role in each of these activities, CRA may also be required for the prime contractor or reseller.

To conduct a CRA, City may collect as part of this RFQ process (or as part of a subsequent solicitation to the Prequalified Pool) one of the following two reports:

1. **SOC-2 Type 2 Report**: Report on Controls at a Service Organization Relevant to Security, Availability, Processing Integrity, Confidentiality or Privacy; or

2. **City’s Cyber Risk Assessment Questionnaire**: Proposer’s responses to a City’s Cyber Risk Assessment Questionnaire.

The above reports may be requested at such time City has selected or is considering a potential Proposer. The reports will be evaluated by the soliciting Department and the City’s Department of Technology to identify existing or potential cyber risks to City. Should such risks be identified, City may afford a potential Proposer an opportunity to cure such risk within a period of time deemed reasonable to City. Such remediation and continuing compliance shall be subject to City’s on-going review and audit through industry-standard methodologies, including but not limited to: on-site visits, review of the entities’ cybersecurity program, penetration testing, and/or code reviews.

B. RFQ Errors and Omissions

Proposers are responsible for reviewing all portions of this RFQ. Proposers are to promptly notify the City, in writing and to the RFQ contact person if the Proposer discovers any ambiguity, discrepancy, omission, or other error in the RFQ. Any such notification should be directed to the City promptly after discovery, but in no event later than the deadline for questions. Modifications and clarifications will be made by Addenda as provided below.

C. Objections to RFQ Terms

Should a Proposer object on any ground to any provision or legal requirement set forth in this RFQ, the Proposer must, no later than the deadline for questions, provide written notice to the City setting forth with specificity the grounds for the objection. The failure of a Proposer to object
in the manner set forth in this paragraph shall constitute a complete and irrevocable waiver of any such objection.

D. RFQ Addenda

The City may modify this RFQ, prior to the Proposal due date, by issuing an Addendum to the RFQ, which will be posted on the San Francisco Supplier Portal. Every Addendum will create a new version of the Sourcing Event and Proposers must monitor the event for new versions. The Proposer shall be responsible for ensuring that its Proposal reflects any and all RFQ Addenda issued by the City prior to the Proposal due date regardless of when the Proposal is submitted. Therefore, the City recommends that the Proposer consult the website frequently, including shortly before the Proposal due date, to determine if the Proposer has downloaded all RFQ Addenda. It is the responsibility of the Proposer to check for any Addenda, Questions and Answers documents, and updates, which may be posted to the subject RFQ.

THE SUBMITTAL OF A RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION SHALL EXPLICITLY STIPULATE ACCEPTANCE BY THE PROPOSERS OF THE TERMS FOUND IN THIS SOLICITATION, ANY AND ALL ADDENDA ISSUED TO THIS SOLICITATION, AND THE PROPOSED CONTRACT TERMS.

E. Proposal Term

Submission of a Proposal signifies that the proposed products, services and prices are valid for the duration of the Prequalified Pool established pursuant to this RFQ. Proposal due date and that the quoted prices are genuine and not the result of collusion or any other anti-competitive activity. At Proposer’s election, the Proposal may remain valid beyond the duration of the Prequalified Pool established pursuant to this RFQ.

F. Revision to Proposal

A Proposer may revise a Proposal on the Proposer’s own initiative at any time before the deadline for submission of Proposals. The Proposer must submit the revised Proposal in the same manner as the original. A revised Proposal must be received on or before, no later than the Proposal due date and time. In no case will a statement of intent to submit a revised Proposal, or commencement of a revision process, extend the Proposal deadline for any Proposer. At any time during the Proposal evaluation process, the City may require a Proposer to provide oral or written clarification of its Proposal. The City reserves the right to make an award without further clarifications of Proposals received.

G. Proposal Errors and Omissions

Failure by the City to object to an error, omission, or deviation in the Proposal will in no way modify the RFQ or excuse the Proposer from full compliance with the specifications of this RFQ or any contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ.

H. Financial Responsibility

The City accepts no financial responsibility for any costs incurred by a Proposer in responding to this RFQ. Proposers acknowledge and agree that their submissions in response to this RFQ will become the property of the City and may be used by the City in any way deemed appropriate.
I. **Proposer’s Obligations under the Campaign Reform Ordinance**

If a Resulting Contract awarded to the Prequalified Pool has (A) a value of $100,000 or more in a fiscal year and (B) requires the approval of an elected City official, Proposers are hereby advised:

1. Submission of a Proposal in response to a solicitation made to the Prequalified Pool may subject the Proposers to restrictions under Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Section 1.126, which prohibits City contractors, Proposers, and their affiliates from making political contributions to certain City elective officers and candidates; and

2. Before submitting a Proposal in response to a solicitation made to the Prequalified Pool, Proposers are required to notify their affiliates and subcontractors listed in the awarded contract or Proposal of the political contribution restrictions set forth in Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code Section 1.126.

This restriction applies to the party seeking the contract, the party’s board of directors, chairperson, chief executive officer, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, any person with an ownership interest greater than ten percent, and any political committees controlled or sponsored by the party, as well as any subcontractors listed in the contract awarded to a Proposer in the Prequalified Pool of Proposers. The law both prohibits the donor from giving contributions and prohibits the elected official from soliciting or accepting them.

The people and entities listed in the preceding paragraph may not make a campaign contribution to the elected official at any time from the submission of a Proposal for a contract until either: (1) negotiations are terminated and no contract is awarded; or (2) twelve months have elapsed since the award of the contract.

A violation of Section 1.126 may result in criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. For further information, Proposers should contact the San Francisco Ethics Commission at (415) 252-3100 or go to https://sfethics.org/compliance/city-officers/city-contracts/city-departments/notifying-bidders-and-potential-bidders.

J. **Reservations of Rights by the City**

The issuance of this RFQ does not constitute a guarantee by the City that a contract will be awarded or executed by the City. The City expressly reserves the right at any time to:

1. Waive or correct any defect or informality in any response, Proposal, or Proposal procedure;

2. Reject any or all Proposals;

3. Reissue the RFQ;

4. Prior to submission deadline for Proposals, modify all or any portion of the selection procedures, including deadlines for accepting responses, the specifications or requirements for any materials, equipment or services to be provided under this RFQ, or the requirements for contents or format of the Proposals;

5. Procure any materials, equipment or services specified in this RFQ by any other means; or
6. Determine that the subject goods or services are no longer necessary.

K. No Waiver

No waiver by the City of any provision of this RFQ shall be implied from the City’s failure to recognize or take action on account of a Proposer’s failure to comply with this RFQ.

L. Other

1. The City may make such investigation, as it deems necessary, prior to the creation of the Prequalified Pool or the award of a contract to a Proposer in the Prequalified Pool to determine the conditions under which the goods are to be delivered or the work is to be performed. Factors considered by the City shall include, but not be limited to:

   a. Any condition set forth in this RFQ;
   b. Adequacy of Proposer’s plant facilities and/or equipment, location and personnel location to properly perform all services called for under the Contract; and
   c. Delivery time(s).

2. City reserves the right to inspect an awarded Proposer’s place of business prior to the award of or at any time during the contract term (or any extension thereof) to aid City in determining an awarded Proposer’s capabilities and qualifications.

3. Failure to timely execute a contract, or to furnish any and all insurance certificates and policy endorsements, surety bonds or other materials required in the contract, shall be deemed an abandonment of a contract offer. The City, in its sole discretion, may select another Proposer and may proceed against the original selectee for damages.

4. City reserves the right to reject any Proposal on which the information submitted by Proposer fails to satisfy City and/or if Proposer is unable to supply the information and documentation required by this RFQ within the period of time requested.

5. Any false statements made by a Proposer or any related communication/clarification may result in the disqualification of its Proposal from receiving further evaluation and a contract award.
City’s Proposed Agreement Terms
Agreement between the City and County of San Francisco and

[Insert name of contractor]
[Insert agreement number (if applicable)]

This Agreement is made this [insert day] day of [insert month], [insert year], in the City and County of San Francisco (“City”), State of California, by and between [name and address of Contractor] (“Contractor”) and City.

Recitals

WHEREAS, the [name of department making purchase] (“Department”) wishes to procure [insert short description of the services City intends to buy] from Contractor; and

WHEREAS, Contractor represents and warrants that it is qualified to perform the Services required by City as set forth under this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Contractor was competitively selected pursuant to Sourcing Event ID [Enter Number]; and

WHEREAS, this Contract is deemed exempt from Chapter 14B of the San Francisco Administrative Code and there is no Local Business Entity (“LBE”) subcontracting participation requirement for this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, approval for the Agreement was obtained on [insert date of Civil Service Commission action or DHR approval date if under $100K] from the [Civil Service Commission or Department of Human Resources on behalf of the Civil Service Commission] under PSC number [insert PSC number] in the amount of [insert Dollar Amount] for the period of [insert number of years]; and

Now, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

Article 1 Definitions

The following definitions apply to this Agreement:

1.1 “Agreement” means this contract document, including all attached appendices, and all applicable City Ordinances and Mandatory City Requirements specifically incorporated into this Agreement by reference as provided herein.

1.2 “City” or “the City” means the City and County of San Francisco, a municipal corporation, acting by and through both its Director of the Office of Contract Administration or
the Director’s designated agent, hereinafter referred to as “Purchasing” and [insert name of department].

1.3 “City Data” means that data as described in Article 13 of this Agreement which includes, without limitation, all data collected, used, maintained, processed, stored, or generated by or on behalf of the City in connection with this Agreement. City Data includes, without limitation, Confidential Information.

1.4 “CMD” means the Contract Monitoring Division of the City.

1.5 “Confidential Information” means confidential City information including, but not limited to, personally-identifiable information (“PII”), protected health information (“PHI”), or individual financial information (collectively, “Proprietary or Confidential Information”) that is subject to local, state or federal laws restricting the use and disclosure of such information, including, but not limited to, Article 1, Section 1 of the California Constitution; the California Information Practices Act (Civil Code § 1798 et seq.); the California Confidentiality of Medical Information Act (Civil Code § 56 et seq.); the federal Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C. §§ 6801(b) and 6805(b)(2)); the privacy and information security aspects of the Administrative Simplification provisions of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (45 CFR Part 160 and Subparts A, C, and E of part 164); and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 12M (Chapter 12M).

1.6 “Contractor” or “Consultant” means [insert name and address of contractor].

1.7 “Deliverables” means Contractor’s work product resulting from the Services provided by Contractor to City during the course of Contractor’s performance of the Agreement, including without limitation, the work product described in the “Scope of Services” attached as Appendix A.

1.8 “Mandatory City Requirements” means those City laws set forth in the San Francisco Municipal Code, including the duly authorized rules, regulations, and guidelines implementing such laws that impose specific duties and obligations upon Contractor.

1.9 “Party” and “Parties” means the City and Contractor either collectively or individually.

1.10 “Services” means the work performed by Contractor under this Agreement as specifically described in the “Scope of Services” attached as Appendix A, including all services, labor, supervision, materials, equipment, actions and other requirements to be performed and furnished by Contractor under this Agreement.

**Article 2  Term of the Agreement**

2.1 The term of this Agreement shall commence on [insert Contractor’s start date] and expire on [insert expiration date], unless earlier terminated as otherwise provided herein.

2.2 The City has [number of options] options to renew the Agreement for a period of [one year or other time span] each. The City may extend this Agreement beyond the expiration date by exercising an option at the City’s sole and absolute discretion and by modifying this Agreement as provided in Section 11.5, “Modification of this Agreement.”
Article 3  Financial Matters

3.1 Certification of Funds; Budget and Fiscal Provisions; Termination in the Event of Non-Appropriation. This Agreement is subject to the budget and fiscal provisions of the City’s Charter. Charges will accrue only after prior written authorization certified by the Controller, and the amount of City’s obligation hereunder shall not at any time exceed the amount certified for the purpose and period stated in such advance authorization. This Agreement will terminate without penalty, liability or expense of any kind to City at the end of any fiscal year if funds are not appropriated for the next succeeding fiscal year. If funds are appropriated for a portion of the fiscal year, this Agreement will terminate, without penalty, liability or expense of any kind at the end of the term for which funds are appropriated. City has no obligation to make appropriations for this Agreement in lieu of appropriations for new or other agreements. City budget decisions are subject to the discretion of the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors. Contractor’s assumption of risk of possible non-appropriation is part of the consideration for this Agreement.

THIS SECTION CONTROLS AGAINST ANY AND ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT.

3.2 Guaranteed Maximum Costs. The City’s payment obligation to Contractor cannot at any time exceed the amount certified by City’s Controller for the purpose and period stated in such certification. Absent an authorized Emergency per the City Charter or applicable Code, no City representative is authorized to offer or promise, nor is the City required to honor, any offered or promised payments to Contractor under this Agreement in excess of the certified maximum amount without the Controller having first certified the additional promised amount and the Parties having modified this Agreement as provided in Section 11.5, “Modification of this Agreement.”

3.3 Compensation.

3.3.1 Calculation of Charges. Contractor shall provide an invoice to the City on a monthly basis for goods delivered and/or Services completed in the immediate preceding month, unless a different schedule is set out in Appendix B, “Calculation of Charges.” Compensation shall be made for goods and/or Services identified in the invoice that the City, in his or her sole discretion, concludes has been satisfactorily performed. In no event shall the amount of this Agreement exceed [insert whole dollar amount in numbers and words -- no pennies and no “.00”]. The breakdown of charges associated with this Agreement appears in Appendix B, “Calculation of Charges.” A portion of payment may be withheld until conclusion of the Agreement if agreed to by both Parties as retainage, described in Appendix B. In no event shall City be liable for interest or late charges for any late payments. City will not honor minimum service order charges for any services covered by this Agreement.

3.3.2 Payment Limited to Satisfactory Services and Delivery of Goods. Contractor is not entitled to any payments from City until City approves the goods and/or Services delivered pursuant to this Agreement. Payments to Contractor by City shall not excuse Contractor from its obligation to replace unsatisfactory delivery of goods and/or Services even if the unsatisfactory character may not have been apparent or detected at the time such payment was made. Goods and/or Services delivered pursuant to this Agreement that do not conform to the requirements of this Agreement may be rejected by City and in such case must be replaced by Contractor without delay at no cost to the City.
3.3.3 **Withhold Payments.** If Contractor fails to provide goods and/or Services in accordance with Contractor’s obligations under this Agreement, the City may withhold any and all payments due Contractor until such failure to perform is cured, and Contractor shall not stop work as a result of City’s withholding of payments as provided herein.

3.3.4 **Invoice Format.** Invoices furnished by Contractor under this Agreement must be in a form acceptable to the Controller and City and include a unique invoice number and a specific invoice date. Payment shall be made by City as specified in Section 3.3.8, or in such alternate manner as the Parties have mutually agreed upon in writing. All invoices must show the PeopleSoft Purchase Order ID Number, PeopleSoft Supplier Name and ID, Item numbers (if applicable), complete description of goods delivered or Services performed, sales/use tax (if applicable), contract payment terms and contract price. Invoices that do not include all required information or contain inaccurate information will not be processed for payment.

3.3.5 **Reserved (LBE Payment and Utilization Tracking System) Getting paid by the City for Goods and/or Services.**

   (a) The City and County of San Francisco utilizes the Paymode-X® service offered by Bank of America Merrill Lynch to pay City contractors. Contractor must sign up to receive electronic payments to be paid under this Agreement. To sign up for electronic payments, visit [http://portal.paymode.com/city_countyofsanfrancisco](http://portal.paymode.com/city_countyofsanfrancisco).

   (b) At the option of the City, Contractor may be required to submit invoices directly in the City’s financial and procurement system (PeopleSoft) via eSettlement. Refer to [https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/training.aspx](https://sfcitypartner.sfgov.org/pages/training.aspx) for more information on eSettlement. For access to PeopleSoft eSettlement, submit a request through [sfemployeeportalsupport@sfgov.org](mailto:sfemployeeportalsupport@sfgov.org).

3.3.6 **Grant Funded Contracts.**

   (a) **Disallowance.** If Contractor requests or receives payment from City for Services, reimbursement for which is later disallowed by the State of California or United States Government, Contractor shall promptly refund the disallowed amount to City upon City’s request. At its option, City may offset the amount disallowed from any payment due or to become due to Contractor under this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and City.

   (b) **Grant Terms.** The funding for this Agreement is provided in full or in part by a Federal or State Grant to the City. As part of the terms of receiving the funds, the City is required to incorporate some of the terms into this Agreement. The incorporated terms may be found in Appendix [choose C/D/E etc.], “Grant Terms.” To the extent that any Grant Term is inconsistent with any other provisions of this Agreement such that Contractor is unable to comply with both the Grant Term and the other provision(s), the Grant Term shall apply.

   (c) Contractor shall insert each Grant Term into each lower tier subcontract. Contractor is responsible for compliance with the Grant Terms by any subcontractor, lower-tier subcontractor or service provider.

3.3.7 **Payment Terms.**

   (a) **Payment Due Date:** Unless City notifies the Contractor that a dispute exists, Payment shall be made within [Enter number of days, generally ≥ 30] calendar
days, measured from (1) the delivery of goods and/or the rendering of services or (2) the date of receipt of the invoice, whichever is later. Payment is deemed to be made on the date on which City has issued a check to Contractor or, if Contractor has agreed to electronic payment, the date on which City has posted electronic payment to Contractor.

(b) **Payment Discount Terms:** The Payment Discount Terms for this Agreement are as follows: [___]%/[___] Days, Net [___]. The Payment Discount period begins upon date of completion of delivery of the goods and/or services on a Purchase Order for which payment is sought, or upon date of receipt of properly prepared invoices covering such items, whichever is later. Payment is deemed to be made, for the purpose of earning the discount, on the date on which City has issued a check to Contractor or, if Contractor has agreed to electronic payment, the date on which City has posted electronic payment to Contractor.

3.4 **Audit and Inspection of Records.** Contractor agrees to maintain and make available to the City, during regular business hours, accurate books and accounting records relating to its Services. Contractor will permit City to audit, examine and make excerpts and transcripts from such books and records, and to make audits of all invoices, materials, payrolls, records or personnel and other data related to all other matters covered by this Agreement, whether funded in whole or in part under this Agreement. Contractor shall maintain such data and records in an accessible location and condition for a period of not less than five years after final payment under this Agreement or until after final audit has been resolved, whichever is later. The State of California or any Federal agency having an interest in the subject matter of this Agreement shall have the same rights as conferred upon City by this Section. Contractor shall include the same audit and inspection rights and record retention requirements in all subcontracts.

3.5 **Submitting False Claims.** The full text of San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 21, Section 21.35, including the enforcement and penalty provisions, is incorporated into this Agreement. Pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code §21.35, any contractor or subcontractor who submits a false claim shall be liable to the City for the statutory penalties set forth in that section. A contractor or subcontractor will be deemed to have submitted a false claim to the City if the contractor or subcontractor: (a) knowingly presents or causes to be presented to an officer or employee of the City a false claim or request for payment or approval; (b) knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used a false record or statement to get a false claim paid or approved by the City; (c) conspires to defraud the City by getting a false claim allowed or paid by the City; (d) knowingly makes, uses, or causes to be made or used a false record or statement to conceal, avoid, or decrease an obligation to pay or transmit money or property to the City; or (e) is a beneficiary of an inadvertent submission of a false claim to the City, subsequently discovers the falsity of the claim, and fails to disclose the false claim to the City within a reasonable time after discovery of the false claim.

3.6 **Payment of Prevailing Wages**

3.6.1 **Covered Services.** Services to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement may involve the performance of trade work covered by the provisions of Section 6.22(e) [Prevailing Wages] of the Administrative Code or Section 21C [Miscellaneous Prevailing Wage Requirements] (collectively, “Covered Services”). The provisions of Section 6.22(e) and 21C of the Administrative Code are incorporated as provisions of this Agreement as if fully set
forth herein and will apply to any Covered Services performed by Contractor and its subcontractors.

3.6.2 **Wage Rates.** The latest prevailing wage rates for private employment on public contracts as determined by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations, as such prevailing wage rates may be changed during the term of this Agreement, are hereby incorporated as provisions of this Agreement. Copies of the prevailing wage rates as fixed and determined by the Board of Supervisors are available from the Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement (“OLSE”) and on the Internet at [http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD](http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD) and [http://sfgov.org/olse/prevailing-wage](http://sfgov.org/olse/prevailing-wage). Contractor agrees that it shall pay not less than the prevailing wage rates, as fixed and determined by the Board, to all workers employed by Contractor who perform Covered Services under this Agreement.

3.6.3 **Subcontract Requirements.** As required by Section 6.22(e)(5) of the Administrative Code, Contractor shall insert in every subcontract or other arrangement, which it may make for the performance of Covered Services under this Agreement, a provision that said subcontractor shall pay to all persons performing labor in connection with Covered Services under said subcontract or other arrangement not less than the highest general prevailing rate of wages as fixed and determined by the Board of Supervisors for such labor or services.

3.6.4 **Posted Notices.** As required by Section 1771.4 of the California Labor Code, Contractor shall post job site notices prescribed by the California Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”) at all job sites where services covered by Chapter 6.22 are to be performed.

3.6.5 **Payroll Records.** As required by Section 6.22(e)(6) of the Administrative Code and Section 1776 of the California Labor Code, Contractor shall keep or cause to be kept complete and accurate payroll records for all trade workers performing Covered Services. Such records shall include the name, address and social security number of each worker who provided Covered Services on the project, including apprentices, his or her classification, a general description of the services each worker performed each day, the rate of pay (including rates of contributions for, or costs assumed to provide fringe benefits), daily and weekly number of hours worked, deductions made and actual wages paid. Every subcontractor who shall undertake the performance of any part of Covered Services shall keep a like record of each person engaged in the execution of Covered Services under the subcontract. All such records shall at all times be available for inspection of and examination by the City and its authorized representatives and the DIR.

3.6.6 **Certified Payrolls.** Certified payrolls shall be prepared pursuant to Administrative Code Section 6.22(e)(6) and California Labor Code Section 1776 for the period involved for all employees, including those of subcontractors, who performed labor in connection with Covered Services. Contractor and each subcontractor performing Covered Services shall submit certified payrolls to the City and to the DIR electronically. Contractor shall submit payrolls to the City via the reporting system selected by the City. The DIR will specify how to submit certified payrolls to it. The City will provide basic training in the use of the reporting system at a scheduled training session. Contractor and all subcontractors that will perform Covered Services must attend the training session. Contractor and applicable subcontractors shall comply with electronic certified payroll requirements (including training) at no additional cost to the City.
3.6.7 **Compliance Monitoring.** Covered Services to be performed under this Agreement are subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement of prevailing wage requirements by the DIR and/or the OLSE. Contractor and any subcontractors performing Covered Services will cooperate fully with the DIR and/or the OLSE and other City employees and agents authorized to assist in the administration and enforcement of the prevailing wage requirements, and agrees to take the specific steps and actions as required by Section 6.22(e)(7) of the Administrative Code. Steps and actions include but are not limited to requirements that: (i) the Contractor will cooperate fully with the Labor Standards Enforcement Officer and other City employees and agents authorized to assist in the administration and enforcement of the Prevailing Wage requirements and other labor standards imposed on Public Works Contractor by the Charter and Chapter 6 of the San Francisco Administrative Code; (ii) the Contractor agrees that the Labor Standards Enforcement Officer and his or her designees, in the performance of their duties, shall have the right to engage in random inspections of job sites and to have access to the employees of the Contractor, employee time sheets, inspection logs, payroll records and employee paychecks; (iii) the contractor shall maintain a sign-in and sign-out sheet showing which employees are present on the job site; (iv) the Contractor shall prominently post at each job-site a sign informing employees that the project is subject to the City’s Prevailing Wage requirements and that these requirements are enforced by the Labor Standards Enforcement Officer; and (v) that the Labor Standards Enforcement Officer may audit such records of the Contractor as he or she reasonably deems necessary to determine compliance with the Prevailing Wage and other labor standards imposed by the Charter and this Chapter on Public Works Contractors. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in penalties and forfeitures consistent with analogous provisions of the California Labor Code, including Section 1776(g), as amended from time to time.

3.6.8 **Remedies.** Should Contractor, or any subcontractor who shall undertake the performance of any Covered Services, fail or neglect to pay to the persons who perform Covered Services under this Contract, subcontract or other arrangement for the Covered Services, the general prevailing rate of wages as herein specified, Contractor shall forfeit, and in the case of any subcontractor so failing or neglecting to pay said wage, Contractor and the subcontractor shall jointly and severally forfeit, back wages due plus the penalties set forth in Administrative Code Section 6.22(e) and/or California Labor Code Section 1775. The City, when certifying any payment which may become due under the terms of this Agreement, shall deduct from the amount that would otherwise be due on such payment the amount of said forfeiture.

**Article 4  Services and Resources**

4.1 **Services Contractor Agrees to Perform.** Contractor agrees to perform the Services stated in Appendix A, “Scope of Services.” Officers and employees of the City are not authorized to request, and the City is not required to reimburse the Contractor for, Services beyond the Scope of Services listed in Appendix A, unless Appendix A is modified as provided in Section 11.5, “Modification of this Agreement.”

4.2 **Personnel**

4.2.1 **Qualified Personnel.** Contractor shall utilize only competent personnel under the supervision of, and in the employment of, Contractor (or Contractor’s authorized subcontractors) to perform the Services. Contractor will comply with City’s reasonable requests...
regarding assignment and/or removal of personnel, but all personnel, including those assigned at City’s request, must be supervised by Contractor. Contractor shall commit adequate resources to allow timely completion within the project schedule specified in this Agreement.

4.2.2 Contractor Vaccination Policy.

(a) Contractor acknowledges that it has read the requirements of the 38th Supplement to Mayoral Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency (“Emergency Declaration”), dated February 25, 2020, and the Contractor Vaccination Policy for City Contractors issued by the City Administrator (“Contractor Vaccination Policy”), as those documents may be amended from time to time. A copy of the Contractor Vaccination Policy can be found at: https://sf.gov/confirm-vaccine-status-your-employees-and-subcontractors.

(b) A Contract subject to the Emergency Declaration is an agreement between the City and any other entity or individual and any subcontract under such agreement, where Covered Employees of the Contractor or Subcontractor work in-person with City employees in connection with the work or services performed under the agreement at a City owned, leased, or controlled facility. Such agreements include, but are not limited to, professional services contracts, general services contracts, public works contracts, and grants. Contract includes such agreements currently in place or entered into during the term of the Emergency Declaration. Contract does not include an agreement with a state or federal governmental entity or agreements that do not involve the City paying or receiving funds.

(c) In accordance with the Contractor Vaccination Policy, Contractor agrees that:

(i) Where applicable, Contractor shall ensure it complies with the requirements of the Contractor Vaccination Policy pertaining to Covered Employees, as they are defined under the Emergency Declaration and the Contractor Vaccination Policy, and insure such Covered Employees are either fully vaccinated for COVID-19 or obtain from Contractor an exemption based on medical or religious grounds; and

(ii) If Contractor grants Covered Employees an exemption based on medical or religious grounds, Contractor will promptly notify City by completing and submitting the Covered Employees Granted Exemptions Form (“Exemptions Form”), which can be found at https://sf.gov/confirm-vaccine-status-your-employees-and-subcontractors (navigate to “Exemptions” to download the form).

4.3 Subcontracting.

4.3.1 Contractor may subcontract portions of the Services only upon prior written approval of City. Contractor is responsible for its subcontractors throughout the course of the work required to perform the Services. All Subcontracts must incorporate the terms of Article 10 “Additional Requirements Incorporated by Reference” of this Agreement, unless inapplicable. Neither Party shall, on the basis of this Agreement, contract on behalf of, or in the name of, the other Party. Any agreement made in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

4.3.2 City’s execution of this Agreement constitutes its approval of the subcontractors listed below.

[Insert names of desired approved subcontractors here]
4.4 Independent Contractor; Payment of Employment Taxes and Other Expenses.

4.4.1 Independent Contractor. For the purposes of this Section 4.4, “Contractor” shall be deemed to include not only Contractor, but also any agent or employee of Contractor. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that at all times, Contractor or any agent or employee of Contractor shall be deemed at all times to be an independent contractor and is wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs the services and work requested by City under this Agreement. Contractor, its agents, and employees will not represent or hold themselves out to be employees of the City at any time. Contractor or any agent or employee of Contractor shall not have employee status with City, nor be entitled to participate in any plans, arrangements, or distributions by City pertaining to or in connection with any retirement, health or other benefits that City may offer its employees. Contractor or any agent or employee of Contractor is liable for the acts and omissions of itself, its employees and its agents. Contractor shall be responsible for all obligations and payments, whether imposed by federal, state or local law, including, but not limited to, FICA, income tax withholdings, unemployment compensation, insurance, and other similar responsibilities related to Contractor’s performing services and work, or any agent or employee of Contractor providing same. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating an employment or agency relationship between City and Contractor or any agent or employee of Contractor. Any terms in this Agreement referring to direction from City shall be construed as providing for direction as to policy and the result of Contractor’s work only, and not as to the means by which such a result is obtained. City does not retain the right to control the means or the method by which Contractor performs work under this Agreement. Contractor agrees to maintain and make available to City, upon request and during regular business hours, accurate books and accounting records demonstrating Contractor’s compliance with this Section. Should City determine that Contractor, or any agent or employee of Contractor, is not performing in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement, City shall provide Contractor with written notice of such failure. Within five (5) business days of Contractor’s receipt of such notice, and in accordance with Contractor policy and procedure, Contractor shall remedy the deficiency. Notwithstanding, if City believes that an action of Contractor, or any agent or employee of Contractor, warrants immediate remedial action by Contractor, City shall contact Contractor and provide Contractor in writing with the reason for requesting such immediate action.

4.4.2 Payment of Employment Taxes and Other Expenses. Should City, in its discretion, or a relevant taxing authority such as the Internal Revenue Service or the State Employment Development Division, or both, determine that Contractor is an employee for purposes of collection of any employment taxes, the amounts payable under this Agreement shall be reduced by amounts equal to both the employee and employer portions of the tax due (and offsetting any credits for amounts already paid by Contractor which can be applied against this liability). City shall then forward those amounts to the relevant taxing authority. Should a relevant taxing authority determine a liability for past services performed by Contractor for City, upon notification of such fact by City, Contractor shall promptly remit such amount due or arrange with City to have the amount due withheld from future payments to Contractor under this Agreement (again, offsetting any amounts already paid by Contractor which can be applied as a credit against such liability). A determination of employment status pursuant to this Section 4.4 shall be solely limited to the purposes of the particular tax in question, and for all other purposes of this Agreement, Contractor shall not be considered an employee of City.
Notwithstanding the foregoing, Contractor agrees to indemnify and save harmless City and its officers, agents and employees from, and, if requested, shall defend them against any and all claims, losses, costs, damages, and expenses, including attorneys’ fees, arising from this Section.

4.5 Assignment. The Services to be performed by Contractor are personal in character. Neither this Agreement, nor any duties or obligations hereunder, may be directly or indirectly assigned, novated, hypothecated, transferred, or delegated by Contractor, or, where the Contractor is a joint venture, a joint venture partner, (collectively referred to as an “Assignment”) unless first approved by City by written instrument executed and approved in the same manner as this Agreement in accordance with the Administrative Code. The City’s approval of any such Assignment is subject to the Contractor demonstrating to City’s reasonable satisfaction that the proposed transferee is: (i) reputable and capable, financially and otherwise, of performing each of Contractor’s obligations under this Agreement and any other documents to be assigned, (ii) not forbidden by applicable law from transacting business or entering into contracts with City; and (iii) subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California. A change of ownership or control of Contractor or a sale or transfer of substantially all of the assets of Contractor shall be deemed an Assignment for purposes of this Agreement. Contractor shall immediately notify City about any Assignment. Any purported Assignment made in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

4.6 Warranty. Contractor warrants to City that the Services will be performed with the degree of skill and care that is required by current, good and sound professional procedures and practices, and in conformance with generally accepted professional standards prevailing at the time the Services are performed so as to ensure that all Services performed are correct and appropriate for the purposes contemplated in this Agreement.

4.7 Liquidated Damages. By entering into this Agreement, Contractor agrees that in the event the Services are delayed beyond the scheduled milestones and timelines as provided in Appendix A, City will suffer actual damages that will be impractical or extremely difficult to determine. Contractor agrees that the sum of [insert whole dollar amount in words and numbers -- no pennies and no “.00”] per calendar day for each day of delay beyond scheduled milestones and timelines is not a penalty, but is a reasonable estimate of the loss that City will incur based on the delay, established in light of the circumstances existing at the time this Agreement was awarded. City may deduct a sum representing the liquidated damages from any money due to Contractor under this Agreement or any other contract between City and Contractor. Such deductions shall not be considered a penalty, but rather agreed upon monetary damages sustained by City because of Contractor’s failure to furnish deliverables to City within the time fixed or such extensions of time permitted in writing by City.

4.8 Bonding Requirements. The Contractor is required to furnish a performance bond on the form in a form acceptable to the City, in a sum of not less than [insert bonding level] of the annual amount of the contract to guarantee the faithful performance of this contract. The bond must be approved as to sufficiency and qualifications of the surety by the Controller.

Article 5 Insurance and Indemnity

5.1 Insurance.
5.1.1 **Required Coverages.** Without in any way limiting Contractor’s liability pursuant to the “Indemnification” section of this Agreement, Contractor must maintain in force, during the full term of the Agreement, insurance in the following amounts and coverages:

(a) Commercial General Liability Insurance with limits not less than $1,000,000 each occurrence for Bodily Injury and Property Damage, including Contractual Liability, Personal Injury, Products and Completed Operations.

(b) Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance with limits not less than $1,000,000 each occurrence, “Combined Single Limit” for Bodily Injury and Property Damage, including Owned, Non-Owned and Hired auto coverage, as applicable.

(c) Workers’ Compensation, in statutory amounts, with Employers’ Liability Limits not less than $1,000,000 each accident, injury, or illness.

(d) Reserved. (Professional Liability Insurance Coverage)

(e) Reserved. (Technology Errors and Omissions Coverage)

(f) Reserved. (Cyber and Privacy Coverage)

(g) Reserved. (Pollution Liability Insurance)

5.1.2 **Additional Insured Endorsements**

(a) The Commercial General Liability policy must be endorsed to name as Additional Insured the City and County of San Francisco, its Officers, Agents, and Employees.

(b) The Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance policy must be endorsed to name as Additional Insured the City and County of San Francisco, its Officers, Agents, and Employees.

(c) Reserved. (Pollution Auto Liability Insurance Additional Insured Endorsement)

5.1.3 **Waiver of Subrogation Endorsements**

(a) The Workers’ Compensation policy(ies) shall be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City for all work performed by the Contractor, its employees, agents and subcontractors.

5.1.4 **Primary Insurance Endorsements**

(a) The Commercial General Liability policy shall provide that such policies are primary insurance to any other insurance available to the Additional Insureds, with respect to any claims arising out of this Agreement, and that the insurance applies separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought.

(b) The Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance policy shall provide that such policies are primary insurance to any other insurance available to the Additional Insureds, with respect to any claims arising out of this Agreement, and that the insurance applies separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought.

(c) Reserved. (Pollution Liability Insurance Primary Insurance Endorsement)
5.1.5 Other Insurance Requirements

(a) Thirty (30) days’ advance written notice shall be provided to the City of cancellation, intended non-renewal, or reduction in coverages, except for non-payment for which no less than ten (10) days’ notice shall be provided to City. Notices shall be sent to the City address set forth in Section 11.1 entitled “Notices to the Parties.”

(b) Should any of the required insurance be provided under a claims-made form, Contractor shall maintain such coverage continuously throughout the term of this Agreement and, without lapse, for a period of three years beyond the expiration of this Agreement, to the effect that, should occurrences during the Agreement term give rise to claims made after expiration of the Agreement, such claims shall be covered by such claims-made policies.

(c) Should any of the required insurance be provided under a form of coverage that includes a general annual aggregate limit or provides that claims investigation or legal defense costs be included in such general annual aggregate limit, such general annual aggregate limit shall be double the occurrence or claims limits specified above.

(d) Should any required insurance lapse during the term of this Agreement, requests for payments originating after such lapse shall not be processed until the City receives satisfactory evidence of reinstated coverage as required by this Agreement, effective as of the lapse date. If insurance is not reinstated, the City may, at its sole option, terminate this Agreement effective on the date of such lapse of insurance.

(e) Before commencing any Services, Contractor shall furnish to City certificates of insurance and additional insured policy endorsements with insurers with ratings comparable to A-, VIII or higher, that are authorized to do business in the State of California, and that are satisfactory to City, in form evidencing all coverages set forth above. Approval of the insurance by City shall not relieve or decrease Contractor’s liability hereunder.

(f) If Contractor will use any subcontractor(s) to provide Services, Contractor shall require the subcontractor(s) to provide all necessary insurance and to name the City and County of San Francisco, its officers, agents and employees and the Contractor as additional insureds.

5.2 Indemnification. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless City and its officers, agents and employees from, and, if requested, shall defend them from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, expenses, and liability (legal, contractual, or otherwise) arising from or in any way connected with any: (i) injury to or death of a person, including employees of City or Contractor; (ii) loss of or damage to property; (iii) violation of local, state, or federal common law, statute or regulation, including but not limited to privacy or personally identifiable information, health information, disability and labor laws or regulations; (iv) strict liability imposed by any law or regulation; or (v) losses arising from Contractor’s execution of subcontracts not in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement applicable to subcontractors; so long as such injury, violation, loss, or strict liability (as set forth in subsections (i) – (v) above) arises directly or indirectly from Contractor’s performance of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Contractor’s use of facilities or equipment provided by City or others, regardless of the negligence of, and regardless of whether liability without fault is imposed or sought to be imposed on City, except to the extent that such indemnity is void or
otherwise unenforceable under applicable law, and except where such loss, damage, injury, liability or claim is the result of the active negligence or willful misconduct of City and is not contributed to by any act of, or by any omission to perform some duty imposed by law or agreement on Contractor, its subcontractors, or either’s agent or employee. The foregoing indemnity shall include, without limitation, reasonable fees of attorneys, consultants and experts and related costs and City’s costs of investigating any claims against the City.

In addition to Contractor’s obligation to indemnify City, Contractor specifically acknowledges and agrees that it has an immediate and independent obligation to defend City from any claim which actually or potentially falls within this indemnification provision, even if the allegations are or may be groundless, false or fraudulent, which obligation arises at the time such claim is tendered to Contractor by City and continues at all times thereafter.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold City harmless from all loss and liability, including attorneys’ fees, court costs and all other litigation expenses for any infringement of the patent rights, copyright, trade secret or any other proprietary right or trademark, and all other intellectual property claims of any person or persons arising directly or indirectly from the receipt by City, or any of its officers or agents, of Contractor’s Services.

Article 6 Liability of the Parties

6.1 Liability of City. CITY’S PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE COMPENSATION PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 3.3.1, “PAYMENT,” OF THIS AGREEMENT. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT, IN NO EVENT SHALL CITY BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER ANY CLAIM IS BASED ON CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR ANY SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, LOST PROFITS, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT OR THE SERVICES PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT.

6.2 Liability for Use of Equipment. City shall not be liable for any damage to persons or property as a result of the use, misuse or failure of any equipment used by Contractor, or any of its subcontractors, or by any of their employees, even though such equipment is furnished, rented or loaned by City.

6.3 Liability for Incidental and Consequential Damages. Contractor shall be responsible for incidental and consequential damages resulting in whole or in part from Contractor’s acts or omissions.

Article 7 Payment of Taxes

7.1 Contractor to Pay All Taxes. Except for any applicable California sales and use taxes charged by Contractor to City, Contractor shall pay all taxes, including possessory interest taxes levied upon or as a result of this Agreement, or the Services delivered pursuant hereto. Contractor shall remit to the State of California any sales or use taxes paid by City to Contractor under this Agreement. Contractor agrees to promptly provide information requested by the City to verify Contractor’s compliance with any State requirements for reporting sales and use tax paid by City under this Agreement.
7.2 Possessory Interest Taxes. Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement may create a “possessory interest” for property tax purposes. Generally, such a possessory interest is not created unless the Agreement entitles the Contractor to possession, occupancy, or use of City property for private gain. If such a possessory interest is created, then the following shall apply:

7.2.1 Contractor, on behalf of itself and any permitted successors and assigns, recognizes and understands that Contractor, and any permitted successors and assigns, may be subject to real property tax assessments on the possessory interest.

7.2.2 Contractor, on behalf of itself and any permitted successors and assigns, recognizes and understands that the creation, extension, renewal, or assignment of this Agreement may result in a “change in ownership” for purposes of real property taxes, and therefore may result in a revaluation of any possessory interest created by this Agreement. Contractor accordingly agrees on behalf of itself and its permitted successors and assigns to report on behalf of the City to the County Assessor the information required by Revenue and Taxation Code Section 480.5, as amended from time to time, and any successor provision.

7.2.3 Contractor, on behalf of itself and any permitted successors and assigns, recognizes and understands that other events also may cause a change of ownership of the possessory interest and result in the revaluation of the possessory interest. (see, e.g., Rev. & Tax. Code Section 64, as amended from time to time). Contractor accordingly agrees on behalf of itself and its permitted successors and assigns to report any change in ownership to the County Assessor, the State Board of Equalization or other public agency as required by law.

7.2.4 Contractor further agrees to provide such other information as may be requested by the City to enable the City to comply with any reporting requirements for possessory interests that are imposed by applicable law.

7.3 Withholding. Contractor agrees that it is obligated to pay all amounts due to the City under the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code during the term of this Agreement. Pursuant to Section 6.10-2 of the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code, Contractor further acknowledges and agrees that City may withhold any payments due to Contractor under this Agreement if Contractor is delinquent in the payment of any amount required to be paid to the City under the San Francisco Business and Tax Regulations Code. Any payments withheld under this paragraph shall be made to Contractor, without interest, upon Contractor coming back into compliance with its obligations.

Article 8 Termination and Default

8.1 Termination for Convenience

8.1.1 City shall have the option, in its sole discretion, to terminate this Agreement, at any time during the term hereof, for convenience and without cause. City shall exercise this option by giving Contractor written notice of termination. The notice shall specify the date on which termination shall become effective.

8.1.2 Upon receipt of the notice of termination, Contractor shall commence and perform, with diligence, all actions necessary on the part of Contractor to effect the termination of this Agreement on the date specified by City and to minimize the liability of Contractor and
City to third parties as a result of termination. All such actions shall be subject to the prior approval of City. Such actions may include any or all of the following, without limitation:

(a) Halting the performance of all Services under this Agreement on the date(s) and in the manner specified by City.

(b) Terminating all existing orders and subcontracts, and not placing any further orders or subcontracts for materials, Services, equipment or other items.

(c) At City’s direction, assigning to City any or all of Contractor’s right, title, and interest under the orders and subcontracts terminated. Upon such assignment, City shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts.

(d) Subject to City’s approval, settling all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of the termination of orders and subcontracts.

(e) Completing performance of any Services that City designates to be completed prior to the date of termination specified by City.

(f) Taking such action as may be necessary, or as the City may direct, for the protection and preservation of any property related to this Agreement which is in the possession of Contractor and in which City has or may acquire an interest.

8.1.3 Within 30 days after the specified termination date, Contractor shall submit to City an invoice, which shall set forth each of the following as a separate line item:

(a) The reasonable cost to Contractor, without profit, for all Services prior to the specified termination date, for which Services City has not already tendered payment. Reasonable costs may include a reasonable allowance for actual overhead, not to exceed a total of 10% of Contractor’s direct costs for Services. Any overhead allowance shall be separately itemized. Contractor may also recover the reasonable cost of preparing the invoice.

(b) A reasonable allowance for profit on the cost of the Services described in the immediately preceding subsection (a), provided that Contractor can establish, to the satisfaction of City, that Contractor would have made a profit had all Services under this Agreement been completed, and provided further, that the profit allowed shall in no event exceed 5% of such cost.

(c) The reasonable cost to Contractor of handling material or equipment returned to the vendor, delivered to the City or otherwise disposed of as directed by the City.

(d) A deduction for the cost of materials to be retained by Contractor, amounts realized from the sale of materials and not otherwise recovered by or credited to City, and any other appropriate credits to City against the cost of the Services or other work.

8.1.4 In no event shall City be liable for costs incurred by Contractor or any of its subcontractors after the termination date specified by City, except for those costs specifically listed in Section 8.1.3. Such non-recoverable costs include, but are not limited to, anticipated profits on the Services under this Agreement, post-termination employee salaries, post-termination administrative expenses, post-termination overhead or unabsorbed overhead,
attorneys’ fees or other costs relating to the prosecution of a claim or lawsuit, prejudgment interest, or any other expense which is not reasonable or authorized under Section 8.1.3.

8.1.5 In arriving at the amount due to Contractor under this Section, City may deduct: (i) all payments previously made by City for Services covered by Contractor’s final invoice; (ii) any claim which City may have against Contractor in connection with this Agreement; (iii) any invoiced costs or expenses excluded pursuant to the immediately preceding subsection 8.1.4; and (iv) in instances in which, in the opinion of the City, the cost of any Service performed under this Agreement is excessively high due to costs incurred to remedy or replace defective or rejected Services, the difference between the invoiced amount and City’s estimate of the reasonable cost of performing the invoiced Services in compliance with the requirements of this Agreement.

8.1.6 City’s payment obligation under this Section shall survive termination of this Agreement.

8.2 Termination for Default; Remedies.

8.2.1 Each of the following shall constitute an immediate event of default (“Event of Default”) under this Agreement:

8.2.2 Contractor fails or refuses to perform or observe any term, covenant or condition contained in any of the following Sections of this Agreement:

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(a) Contractor fails or refuses to perform or observe any other term, covenant or condition contained in this Agreement, including any obligation imposed by ordinance or statute and incorporated by reference herein, and such default is not cured within ten days after written notice thereof from City to Contractor. If Contractor defaults a second time in the same manner as a prior default cured by Contractor, City may in its sole discretion immediately terminate the Agreement for default or grant an additional period not to exceed five days for Contractor to cure the default.

(b) Contractor (i) is generally not paying its debts as they become due; (ii) files, or consents by answer or otherwise to the filing against it of a petition for relief or reorganization or arrangement or any other petition in bankruptcy or for liquidation or to take advantage of any bankruptcy, insolvency or other debtors’ relief law of any jurisdiction; (iii) makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors; (iv) consents to the appointment of a custodian, receiver, trustee or other officer with similar powers of Contractor or of any substantial part of Contractor’s property; or (v) takes action for the purpose of any of the foregoing.
(c) A court or government authority enters an order (i) appointing a custodian, receiver, trustee or other officer with similar powers with respect to Contractor or with respect to any substantial part of Contractor’s property, (ii) constituting an order for relief or approving a petition for relief or reorganization or arrangement or any other petition in bankruptcy or for liquidation or to take advantage of any bankruptcy, insolvency or other debtors’ relief law of any jurisdiction or (iii) ordering the dissolution, winding-up or liquidation of Contractor.

8.2.3 On and after any Event of Default, City shall have the right to exercise its legal and equitable remedies, including, without limitation, the right to terminate this Agreement or to seek specific performance of all or any part of this Agreement. In addition, where applicable, City shall have the right (but no obligation) to cure (or cause to be cured) on behalf of Contractor any Event of Default; Contractor shall pay to City on demand all costs and expenses incurred by City in effecting such cure, with interest thereon from the date of incurrence at the maximum rate then permitted by law. City shall have the right to offset from any amounts due to Contractor under this Agreement or any other agreement between City and Contractor: (i) all damages, losses, costs or expenses incurred by City as a result of an Event of Default; and (ii) any liquidated damages levied upon Contractor pursuant to the terms of this Agreement; and (iii), any damages imposed by any ordinance or statute that is incorporated into this Agreement by reference, or into any other agreement with the City. This Section 8.2.2 shall survive termination of this Agreement.

8.2.4 All remedies provided for in this Agreement may be exercised individually or in combination with any other remedy available hereunder or under applicable laws, rules and regulations. The exercise of any remedy shall not preclude or in any way be deemed to waive any other remedy. Nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a waiver or limitation of any rights that City may have under applicable law.

8.2.5 Any notice of default must be sent by registered mail to the address set forth in Article 11.

8.3 Non-Waiver of Rights. The omission by either Party at any time to enforce any default or right reserved to it, or to require performance of any of the terms, covenants, or provisions hereof by the other Party at the time designated, shall not be a waiver of any such default or right to which the Party is entitled, nor shall it in any way affect the right of the Party to enforce such provisions thereafter.

8.4 Rights and Duties upon Termination or Expiration.

8.4.1 This Section and the following Sections of this Agreement listed below, shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement:

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8.4.2 Subject to the survival of the Sections identified in Section 8.4.1, above, if this Agreement is terminated prior to expiration of the term specified in Article 2, this Agreement shall be of no further force or effect. Contractor shall transfer title to City, and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent, if any, directed by City, any work in progress, completed work, supplies, equipment, and other materials produced as a part of, or acquired in connection with the performance of this Agreement, and any completed or partially completed work which, if this Agreement had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to City.

Article 9 Rights In Deliverables

9.1 Ownership of Results. Any interest of Contractor or its subcontractors, in the Deliverables, including any drawings, plans, specifications, blueprints, studies, reports, memoranda, computation sheets, computer files and media or other documents prepared by Contractor or its subcontractors for the purposes of this Agreement, shall become the property of and will be transmitted to City. However, unless expressly prohibited elsewhere in this Agreement, Contractor may retain and use copies for reference and as documentation of its experience and capabilities.

9.2 Works for Hire. If, in connection with Services, Contractor or its subcontractors creates Deliverables including, without limitation, artwork, copy, posters, billboards, photographs, videotapes, audiotapes, systems designs, software, reports, diagrams, surveys, blueprints, source codes, or any other original works of authorship, whether in digital or any other format, such works of authorship shall be works for hire as defined under Title 17 of the United States Code, and all copyrights in such works shall be the property of the City. If any Deliverables created by Contractor or its subcontractor(s) under this Agreement are ever determined not to be works for hire under U.S. law, Contractor hereby assigns all Contractor’s copyrights to such Deliverables to the City, agrees to provide any material and execute any documents necessary to effectuate such assignment, and agrees to include a clause in every subcontract imposing the same duties upon subcontractor(s). With City’s prior written approval, Contractor and its subcontractor(s) may retain and use copies of such works for reference and as documentation of their respective experience and capabilities.

Article 10 Additional Requirements Incorporated by Reference

10.1 Laws Incorporated by Reference. The full text of the laws listed in this Article 10, including enforcement and penalty provisions, are incorporated by reference into this

10.2 **Conflict of Interest.** By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that it does not know of any fact which constitutes a violation of Section 15.103 of the City’s Charter; Article III, Chapter 2 of City’s Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code; Title 9, Chapter 7 of the California Government Code (Section 87100 *et seq.*), or Title 1, Division 4, Chapter 1, Article 4 of the California Government Code (Section 1090 *et seq.*), and further agrees promptly to notify the City if it becomes aware of any such fact during the term of this Agreement.

10.3 **Prohibition on Use of Public Funds for Political Activity.** In performing the Services, Contractor shall comply with San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 12G, which prohibits funds appropriated by the City for this Agreement from being expended to participate in, support, or attempt to influence any political campaign for a candidate or for a ballot measure. Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 12G.

10.4 **Consideration of Salary History.** Contractor shall comply with San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 12K, the Consideration of Salary History Ordinance or “Pay Parity Act.” Contractor is prohibited from considering current or past salary of an applicant in determining whether to hire the applicant or what salary to offer the applicant to the extent that such applicant is applying for employment to be performed on this Agreement or in furtherance of this Agreement, and whose application, in whole or part, will be solicited, received, processed or considered, whether or not through an interview, in the City or on City property. The ordinance also prohibits employers from (1) asking such applicants about their current or past salary or (2) disclosing a current or former employee’s salary history without that employee’s authorization unless the salary history is publicly available. Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 12K. Information about and the text of Chapter 12K is available on the web at https://sfgov.org/olse/consideration-salary-history. Contractor is required to comply with all of the applicable provisions of 12K, irrespective of the listing of obligations in this Section.

10.5 **Nondiscrimination Requirements.**

10.5.1 **Nondiscrimination in Contracts.** Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Chapters 12B and 12C of the San Francisco Administrative Code. Contractor shall incorporate by reference in all subcontracts the provisions of Sections 12B.2(a), 12B.2(c)-(k), and 12C.3 of the San Francisco Administrative Code and shall require all subcontractors to comply with such provisions. Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapters 12B and 12C.

10.5.2 **Nondiscrimination in the Provision of Employee Benefits.** San Francisco Administrative Code 12B.2. Contractor does not as of the date of this Agreement, and will not during the term of this Agreement, in any of its operations in San Francisco, on real property owned by San Francisco, or where work is being performed for the City elsewhere in the United States, discriminate in the provision of employee benefits between employees with domestic partners and employees with spouses and/or between the domestic partners and spouses of such employees, subject to the conditions set forth in San Francisco Administrative Code Section 12B.2.
10.6 **Local Business Enterprise and Non-Discrimination in Contracting Ordinance.** Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of Chapter 14B (“LBE Ordinance”). Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 14B.

10.7 **Minimum Compensation Ordinance.** If Administrative Code Chapter 12P applies to this contract, Contractor shall pay covered employees no less than the minimum compensation required by San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 12P, including a minimum hourly gross compensation, compensated time off, and uncompensated time off. Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 12P. Information about and the text of the Chapter 12P is available on the web at http://sfgov.org/olse/mco. Contractor is required to comply with all of the applicable provisions of 12P, irrespective of the listing of obligations in this Section. By signing and executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that it complies with Chapter 12P.

10.8 **Health Care Accountability Ordinance.** If Administrative Code Chapter 12Q applies to this contract, Contractor shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 12Q. For each Covered Employee, Contractor shall provide the appropriate health benefit set forth in Section 12Q.3 of the HCAO. If Contractor chooses to offer the health plan option, such health plan shall meet the minimum standards set forth by the San Francisco Health Commission. Information about and the text of the Chapter 12Q, as well as the Health Commission’s minimum standards, is available on the web at http://sfgov.org/olse/hcao. Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 12Q. Any Subcontract entered into by Contractor shall require any Subcontractor with 20 or more employees to comply with the requirements of the HCAO and shall contain contractual obligations substantially the same as those set forth in this Section.

10.9 **First Source Hiring Program.** Contractor must comply with all of the provisions of the First Source Hiring Program, Chapter 83 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, that apply to this Agreement, and Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 83.

10.10 **Alcohol and Drug-Free Workplace.** City reserves the right to deny access to, or require Contractor to remove from, City facilities personnel of any Contractor or subcontractor who City has reasonable grounds to believe has engaged in alcohol abuse or illegal drug activity which in any way impairs City’s ability to maintain safe work facilities or to protect the health and well-being of City employees and the general public. City shall have the right of final approval for the entry or re-entry of any such person previously denied access to, or removed from, City facilities. Illegal drug activity means possessing, furnishing, selling, offering, purchasing, using or being under the influence of illegal drugs or other controlled substances for which the individual lacks a valid prescription. Alcohol abuse means possessing, furnishing, selling, offering, or using alcoholic beverages, or being under the influence of alcohol.

Contractor agrees in the performance of this Agreement to maintain a drug-free workplace by notifying employees that unlawful drug use is prohibited and specifying what actions will be taken against employees for violations; establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program that includes employee notification and, as appropriate, rehabilitation. Contractor can comply with this requirement by implementing a drug-free workplace program that complies with the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. § 701) [or California Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 Cal. Gov. Code, § 8350 et seq., if state funds involved].
10.11 **Limitations on Contributions.** By executing this Agreement, Contractor acknowledges its obligations under Section 1.126 of the City’s Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, which prohibits any person who contracts with, or is seeking a contract with, any department of the City for the rendition of personal services, for the furnishing of any material, supplies or equipment, for the sale or lease of any land or building, for a grant, loan or loan guarantee, or for a development agreement, from making any campaign contribution to (i) a City elected official if the contract must be approved by that official, a board on which that official serves, or the board of a state agency on which an appointee of that official serves, (ii) a candidate for that City elective office, or (iii) a committee controlled by such elected official or a candidate for that office, at any time from the submission of a proposal for the contract until the later of either the termination of negotiations for such contract or twelve months after the date the City approves the contract. The prohibition on contributions applies to each prospective party to the contract; each member of Contractor’s board of directors; Contractor’s chairperson, chief executive officer, chief financial officer and chief operating officer; any person with an ownership interest of more than 10% in Contractor; any subcontractor listed in the bid or contract; and any committee that is sponsored or controlled by Contractor. Contractor certifies that it has informed each such person of the limitation on contributions imposed by Section 1.126 by the time it submitted a proposal for the contract, and has provided the names of the persons required to be informed to the City department with whom it is contracting.

10.12 **Reserved. (Slavery Era Disclosure)**

10.13 **Reserved. (Working with Minors)**

10.14 **Consideration of Criminal History in Hiring and Employment Decisions.**

10.14.1 Contractor agrees to comply fully with and be bound by all of the provisions of Chapter 12T, “City Contractor/Subcontractor Consideration of Criminal History in Hiring and Employment Decisions,” of the San Francisco Administrative Code (“Chapter 12T”), including the remedies provided, and implementing regulations, as may be amended from time to time. The provisions of Chapter 12T are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement as though fully set forth herein. The text of the Chapter 12T is available on the web at http://sfgov.org/olse/fco. Contractor is required to comply with all of the applicable provisions of 12T, irrespective of the listing of obligations in this Section. Capitalized terms used in this Section and not defined in this Agreement shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in Chapter 12T.

10.14.2 The requirements of Chapter 12T shall only apply to a Contractor’s or Subcontractor’s operations to the extent those operations are in furtherance of the performance of this Agreement, shall apply only to applicants and employees who would be or are performing work in furtherance of this Agreement, and shall apply when the physical location of the employment or prospective employment of an individual is wholly or substantially within the City of San Francisco. Chapter 12T shall not apply when the application in a particular context would conflict with federal or state law or with a requirement of a government agency implementing federal or state law.

10.15 **Reserved. (Public Access to Nonprofit Records and Meetings)**
10.16 **Food Service Waste Reduction Requirements.** Contractor shall comply with the Food Service Waste Reduction Ordinance, as set forth in San Francisco Environment Code Chapter 16, including but not limited to the remedies for noncompliance provided therein.

10.17 **Reserved. (Distribution of Beverages and Water)**

10.18 **Tropical Hardwood and Virgin Redwood Ban.** Pursuant to San Francisco Environment Code Section 804(b), the City urges Contractor not to import, purchase, obtain, or use for any purpose, any tropical hardwood, tropical hardwood wood product, virgin redwood or virgin redwood wood product.

10.19 **Reserved. (Preservative Treated Wood Products)**

**Article 11 General Provisions**

11.1 **Notices to the Parties.** Unless otherwise indicated in this Agreement, all written communications sent by the Parties may be by U.S. mail or e-mail, and shall be addressed as follows:

   **To City:** [insert name or title of department contact person, name of department, mailing address, and e-mail address]

   **To Contractor:** [insert name of contractor, mailing address, and e-mail address]

   Any notice of default must be sent by registered mail or other trackable overnight mail. Either Party may change the address to which notice is to be sent by giving written notice thereof to the other Party. If email notification is used, the sender must specify a receipt notice.

11.2 **Compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act.** Contractor shall provide the Services in a manner that complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), including but not limited to Title II’s program access requirements, and all other applicable federal, state and local disability rights legislation.

11.3 **Incorporation of Recitals.** The matters recited above are hereby incorporated into and made part of this Agreement.

11.4 **Sunshine Ordinance.** Contractor acknowledges that this Agreement and all records related to its formation, Contractor’s performance of Services, and City’s payment are subject to the California Public Records Act, (California Government Code §6250 et. seq.), and the San Francisco Sunshine Ordinance, (San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 67). Such records are subject to public inspection and copying unless exempt from disclosure under federal, state or local law.

11.5 **Modification of this Agreement.** This Agreement may not be modified, nor may compliance with any of its terms be waived, except as noted in Section 11.1, “Notices to Parties,” regarding change in personnel or place, and except by written instrument executed and approved in the same manner as this Agreement. Contractor shall cooperate with Department to submit to the Director of CMD any amendment, modification, supplement or change order that would result in a cumulative increase of the original amount of this Agreement by more than 20% (CMD Contract Modification Form).
11.6 Dispute Resolution Procedure.

11.6.1 Negotiation; Alternative Dispute Resolution. The Parties will attempt in good faith to resolve any dispute or controversy arising out of or relating to the performance of services under this Agreement. If the Parties are unable to resolve the dispute, then, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 21.36, Contractor may submit to the Contracting Officer a written request for administrative review and documentation of the Contractor’s claim(s). Upon such request, the Contracting Officer shall promptly issue an administrative decision in writing, stating the reasons for the action taken and informing the Contractor of its right to judicial review. If agreed by both Parties in writing, disputes may be resolved by a mutually agreed-upon alternative dispute resolution process. If the Parties do not mutually agree to an alternative dispute resolution process or such efforts do not resolve the dispute, then either Party may pursue any remedy available under California law. The status of any dispute or controversy notwithstanding, Contractor shall proceed diligently with the performance of its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with the Agreement and the written directions of the City. Neither Party will be entitled to legal fees or costs for matters resolved under this Section.

11.6.2 Government Code Claim Requirement. No suit for money or damages may be brought against the City until a written claim therefor has been presented to and rejected by the City in conformity with the provisions of San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 10 and California Government Code Section 900, et seq. Nothing set forth in this Agreement shall operate to toll, waive or excuse Contractor’s compliance with the California Government Code Claim requirements set forth in San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 10 and California Government Code Section 900, et seq.

11.7 Agreement Made in California; Venue. The formation, interpretation and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Venue for all litigation relative to the formation, interpretation and performance of this Agreement shall be in San Francisco.

11.8 Construction. All paragraph captions are for reference only and shall not be considered in construing this Agreement.

11.9 Entire Agreement. This contract sets forth the entire Agreement between the Parties, and supersedes all other oral or written provisions. This Agreement may be modified only as provided in Section 11.5, “Modification of this Agreement.”

11.10 Compliance with Laws. Contractor shall keep itself fully informed of the City’s Charter, codes, ordinances and duly adopted rules and regulations of the City and of all state, and federal laws in any manner affecting the performance of this Agreement, and must at all times comply with such local codes, ordinances, and regulations and all applicable laws as they may be amended from time to time.

11.11 Severability. Should the application of any provision of this Agreement to any particular facts or circumstances be found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, then (i) the validity of other provisions of this Agreement shall not be affected or impaired thereby, and (ii) such provision shall be enforced to the maximum extent possible so as to effect the intent of the Parties and shall be reformed without further action by the Parties to the extent necessary to make such provision valid and enforceable.
11.12 **Cooperative Drafting.** This Agreement has been drafted through a cooperative effort of City and Contractor, and both Parties have had an opportunity to have the Agreement reviewed and revised by legal counsel. No Party shall be considered the drafter of this Agreement, and no presumption or rule that an ambiguity shall be construed against the Party drafting the clause shall apply to the interpretation or enforcement of this Agreement.

11.13 **Order of Precedence.** Contractor agrees to perform the services described below in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement, implementing task orders, the RFP, and Contractor’s proposal dated [Insert Date of Proposal]. The RFP and Contractor’s proposal are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Should there be a conflict of terms or conditions, this Agreement and any implementing task orders shall control over the RFP and the Contractor’s proposal. If the Appendices to this Agreement include any standard printed terms from the Contractor, Contractor agrees that in the event of discrepancy, inconsistency, gap, ambiguity, or conflicting language between the City’s terms and Contractor’s printed terms attached, the City’s terms shall take precedence, followed by the procurement issued by the department, Contractor’s proposal, and Contractor’s printed terms, respectively.

11.14 **Notification of Legal Requests.** Contractor shall immediately notify City upon receipt of any subpoenas, service of process, litigation holds, discovery requests and other legal requests (“Legal Requests”) related to all data given to Contractor by City in the performance of this Agreement (“City Data” or “Data”), or which in any way might reasonably require access to City’s Data, and in no event later than 24 hours after it receives the request. Contractor shall not respond to Legal Requests related to City without first notifying City other than to notify the requestor that the information sought is potentially covered under a non-disclosure agreement. Contractor shall retain and preserve City Data in accordance with the City’s instruction and requests, including, without limitation, any retention schedules and/or litigation hold orders provided by the City to Contractor, independent of where the City Data is stored.

**Article 12 Department Specific Terms**

12.1 **Reserved.**

**Article 13 Data and Security**

13.1 **Nondisclosure of Private, Proprietary or Confidential Information.**

13.1.1 **Protection of Private Information.** If this Agreement requires City to disclose “Private Information” to Contractor within the meaning of San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 12M, Contractor and subcontractor shall use such information only in accordance with the restrictions stated in Chapter 12M and in this Agreement and only as necessary in performing the Services. Contractor is subject to the enforcement and penalty provisions in Chapter 12M.

13.1.2 **Confidential Information.** In the performance of Services, Contractor may have access to, or collect on City’s behalf, City’s proprietary or Confidential Information, the disclosure of which to third parties may damage City. If City discloses proprietary or Confidential Information to Contractor, or Contractor collects such information on City’s behalf, such information must be held by Contractor in confidence and used only in performing the Agreement. Contractor shall exercise the same standard of care to protect such information as a
reasonably prudent contractor would use to protect its own proprietary or Confidential Information.

13.2 **Reserved. (Payment Card Industry (“PCI”) Requirements)**

13.3 **Reserved. (Business Associate Agreement)**

13.4 **Management of City Data and Confidential Information.**

13.4.1 **Use of City Data and Confidential Information.** Contractor agrees to hold City’s Data received from, or collected on behalf of, the City, in strictest confidence. Contractor shall not use or disclose City’s Data except as permitted or required by the Agreement or as otherwise authorized in writing by the City. Any work using, or sharing or storage of, City’s Data outside the United States is subject to prior written authorization by the City. Access to City’s Data must be strictly controlled and limited to Contractor’s staff assigned to this project on a need-to-know basis only. Contractor is provided a limited non-exclusive license to use the City Data solely for performing its obligations under the Agreement and not for Contractor’s own purposes or later use. Nothing herein shall be construed to confer any license or right to the City Data or Confidential Information, by implication, estoppel or otherwise, under copyright or other intellectual property rights, to any third-party. Unauthorized use of City Data by Contractor, subcontractors or other third-parties is prohibited. For purpose of this requirement, the phrase “unauthorized use” means the data mining or processing of data, stored or transmitted by the service, for commercial purposes, advertising or advertising-related purposes, or for any purpose other than security or service delivery analysis that is not explicitly authorized.

13.4.2 **Disposition of Confidential Information.** Upon request of City or termination or expiration of this Agreement, and pursuant to any document retention period required by this Agreement, Contractor shall promptly, but in no event later than thirty (30) calendar days, return all data given to or collected by Contractor on City’s behalf, which includes all original media. Once Contractor has received written confirmation from City that City’s Data has been successfully transferred to City, Contractor shall within ten (10) business days clear or purge all City Data from its servers, any hosted environment Contractor has used in performance of this Agreement, including its subcontractors environment(s), work stations that were used to process the data or for production of the data, and any other work files stored by Contractor in whatever medium. Contractor shall provide City with written certification that such purge occurred within five (5) business days of the purge. Secure disposal shall be accomplished by “clearing,” “purging” or “physical destruction,” in accordance with National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Special Publication 800-88 or most current industry standard.

13.5 **Ownership of City Data.** The Parties agree that as between them, all rights, including all intellectual property rights, in and to the City Data and any derivative works of the City Data is the exclusive property of the City.

**Article 14 MacBride And Signature**

14.1 **MacBride Principles - Northern Ireland.** The provisions of San Francisco Administrative Code §12F are incorporated herein by this reference and made part of this
Agreement. By signing this Agreement, Contractor confirms that Contractor has read and understood that the City urges companies doing business in Northern Ireland to resolve employment inequities and to abide by the MacBride Principles, and urges San Francisco companies to do business with corporations that abide by the MacBride Principles.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the day first mentioned above.

CITY

Recommended by:

_________________________

[name]

[title]

[department]

Approved as to Form:

David Chiu
City Attorney

By: _________________________

[name of Deputy City Attorney]

Deputy City Attorney

Approved:

Sailaja Kurella
Director of the Office of Contract Administration, and Purchaser

By: _________________________

[name of Purchaser or “Name:_________________”]

Appendices

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Appendix A
Scope of Services

1. **Description of Services**

   Contractor agrees to perform the following Services:

   All written Deliverables, including any copies, shall be submitted on recycled paper and printed
   on double-sided pages to the maximum extent possible.

2. **Services Provided by Attorneys.** Any services to be provided by a law firm or attorney must be reviewed and approved in writing in advance by the City Attorney. No invoices for services provided by law firms or attorneys, including, without limitation, as subcontractors of Contractor, will be paid unless the provider received advance written approval from the City Attorney.

3. **Reports.** Contractor shall submit written reports as requested by the [insert name of department]. Format for the content of such reports shall be determined by the [insert name of department]. The timely submission of all reports is a necessary and material term and condition of this Agreement. The reports, including any copies, shall be submitted on recycled paper and printed on double-sided pages to the maximum extent possible.

4. **Department Liaison**

   In performing the Services provided for in this Agreement, Contractor’s liaison with the [insert name of department] will be [insert name of contact person in department].
Appendix B
Calculation of Charges

No invoices for Services provided by law firms or attorneys, including, without limitation, as subcontractors of Contractor, will be paid unless the provider received advance written approval from the City Attorney.
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<td>4. Have you registered your business with the San Francisco Treasurer &amp; Tax Collector as required prior to submission of any Proposal? Enter your Business Tax Registration ID here:</td>
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<td>5. Are you claiming LBE preference on this solicitation per Chapter 14B? If you responded YES, check appropriate line below:</td>
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<td>6. Can you comply with the terms set forth in Attachment 1, City’s Proposed Agreement Terms? If you reply NO, you must submit a redline copy of any proposed changes.</td>
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### Part III

**Proposer References**

All proposers, including current Contractor, must provide references for at least three (3) organizations of the approximate size and volume comparable to commodities and/or services described in this Solicitation. Upon request, successful proposer(s) may also be required to submit a letter of reference from each reference listed within five (5) days of notification. Failure to do so may result in rejection of proposal.

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Part IV
Proposer Release of Liability for References

The undersigned hereby fully and forever release, exonerate, discharge and covenant not to sue the City, its commissions and boards, officers and employees, and all individuals, entities and firms providing information, comments, or conclusions ("Reference Information") in response to inquiries that the City may make regarding the qualifications or experience of a Prime proposer, proposed joint venture partner, proposed subconsultant or proposed key/lead team member in connection with the selection process for **SFGOV-0000006795 Formal Request for Qualifications for As-Needed Communications Consultants** from and for any and all claims, causes of action, demands, damages, and any and all liabilities of any kind or description, in law, equity, or otherwise arising out of the provision of said Reference Information. This Release and Waiver is freely given and will be applicable whether or not the responses by said individuals, entities or firms are accurate or not, or made willfully or negligently.

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Part V.
Proposer Certification of Truth, Accuracy, and Completeness

I certify that based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the statements and information contained in this document are true, accurate, and complete.

Company Name

Signature of Authorized Representative of Company

Date

Print Name and Title
Sourcing Event SFGOV-0000006795
Attachment 3
CMD Form 3

This form will be required from Proposers upon award of any contract to the Prequalified Pool. It is not required with Proposer’s Proposal submission to the Request for Qualifications.

**CMD FORM 3: NON-DISCRIMINATION AFFIDAVIT**

1. I will ensure that my firm complies fully with the provisions of Chapter 14B of the San Francisco Administrative Code and its implementing Rules and Regulations and attest to the truth and accuracy of all information provided regarding such compliance.

2. Upon request, I will provide the CMD with copies of contracts, subcontract agreements, certified payroll records and other documents requested so the CMD may investigate claims of discrimination or non-compliance with either Chapter 12B or Chapter 14B.

3. I acknowledge and agree that any monetary penalty assessed against my firm by the Director of the Contract Monitoring Division shall be payable to the City and County of San Francisco upon demand. I further acknowledge and agree that any monetary penalty assessed may be withheld from any monies due to my firm on any contract with the City and County of San Francisco.

4. I declare and swear under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing statements are true and correct and accurately reflect my intentions.

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Health Care Accountability Ordinance (HCAO) & Minimum Compensation Ordinance (MCO) Declaration Forms
Health Care Accountability Ordinance (HCAO) Declaration

What the Ordinance Requires. The Health Care Accountability Ordinance (HCAO), which became effective July 1, 2001, requires Contractors that provide services to the City or enter into certain leases with the City, and certain Subcontractors, Subtenants and parties providing services to Tenants and Subtenants on City property, to provide health plan benefits to Covered Employees, or make payments to the City for use by the Department of Public Health (DPH), or, under limited circumstances, make payments directly to Employees.

The HCAO applies only to Contractors with at least $25,000 ($50,000 for non-profit organizations) in cumulative annual business with a City department(s) and have more than 20 Employees (50 Employees for non-profit organizations) including Employees of any parent or subsidiaries.

The City may require Contractors to submit reports on the number of Employees affected by the HCAO.

Effect on City Contracting. For contracts and amendments signed on or after July 1, 2001, the HCAO requires the following:

• Each contract must include terms ensuring that the Contractor will agree to abide by the HCAO and either to provide its employees with health plan benefits meeting the Minimum Standards set forth by the Director of Health or to make the payments required by the HCAO;

• All City Contractors must agree to comply with the requirements of the HCAO unless the Contracting Department has obtained an approved exemption or waiver under the HCAO from the Office of Labor Standards (OLSE).

• Contractors must require any Subcontractors subject to the HCAO to comply with the HCAO:

The Purpose of This Declaration. By submitting this declaration, you are providing assurances to the City that, beginning with the first City contract or amendment you receive after July 1, 2001 and until further notice, you will either provide the health plan benefits meeting the Minimum Standards to your covered employees or make the payments required by the HCAO, and will ensure that your Subcontractors also abide by these requirements. If you cannot provide this assurance, do not return this form.

To obtain more information regarding the HCAO, Visit our website, which includes links to the complete text of the HCAO, at www.sfgov.org/olse/hcao; send an e-mail to HCAO@sfgov.org; or call (415) 554-7903.

Where to Send this Form. Submit this form via San Francisco’s centralized vendor portal sfcitypartnersupport@sfgov.org or call the Supplier Support Desk at 415-944-2442, Ext 1

Declaration

In order to be a certified vendor with the City and County of San Francisco, the company named below will either provide, if applicable, health benefits specified in the HCAO to our covered employees or make the payments required by the HCAO, and will ensure that our subcontractors that are subject to the HCAO also comply with these requirements, until further notice. The company named below will provide such notice as soon as possible.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

Signature ___________________________ Date __________

Print Name ___________________________ Bidder/Supplier # - if known __________

Company Name ________________________ Phone ___________ Federal Employer ID # __________
Minimum Compensation Ordinance (MCO) Declaration

What the Ordinance does. The Minimum Compensation Ordinance (MCO) became effective October 8, 2000, and was later amended by the Board of Supervisors, with an effective date for the amendments of October 14, 2007. The MCO requires City contractors and subcontractors to pay Covered Employees a minimum hourly wage and to provide 12 compensated and 10 uncompensated days off per year. The minimum wage rate may change from year to year and Contractor is obligated to keep informed of the then-current requirements.

The MCO applies only if you have at least $25,000 in cumulative annual business with a City department or departments and have more than 5 employees, including employees of any parent, subsidiaries and subcontractors.

The City may require contractors to submit reports on the number of employees affected by the MCO.

Effect on City contracting. For contracts and amendments signed on or after October 8, 2000 the MCO will have the following effect:

• In each contract, the contractor will agree to abide by the MCO and to provide its employees the minimum benefits the MCO requires, and to require its subcontractors subject to MCO to do the same.

• If a contractor does not agree to provide the MCO’s minimum benefits, the City will award a contract to that contractor only if the contractor has received an approved exemption or waiver under MCO from the Office of Labor Standards Enforcement (OLSE) through the contracting Department. The contract will not contain the agreement to abide by the MCO if there is an exemption or waiver on file.

What this form does. If you can assure the City now that, beginning with the first City contract or amendment you receive after October 8, 2000 and until further notice, you will provide the minimum benefit levels specified in the MCO to your covered employees, and will ensure that your subcontractors also subject to the MCO do the same, this will help the City’s contracting process.

If you cannot make this assurance now, please do not return this form.

For more information, (1) see our Website, including the complete text of the ordinance: www.sfgov.org/olse, (2) e-mail us at: MCO@sfgov.org, (3) Phone us at (415) 554-7903.

Where to Send this Form. Submit this form via San Francisco’s centralized vendor portal sfcitypartnersupport@sfgov.org or call the Supplier Support Desk at 415-944-2442, Ext 1

Declaration

In order to be a certified vendor with the City and County of San Francisco, this company will provide, if applicable, the minimum benefit levels specified in the MCO to our Covered Employees, and will ensure that our subcontractors also subject to the MCO do the same, until further notice. This company will give such notice as soon as possible.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct.

Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

Print Name __________________________ Bidder/Supplier # - if known __________________________

Company Name ______________________ Phone __________________________ Federal Employer ID # __________________________