INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

ON-CALL WIRING AND CABLEING SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION

SPECIFICATION NO. IT22-0334F
City of Tacoma
Information Technology
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS IT22-0334F
On-Call Wiring and Cabling Supply and Installation

Submittal Deadline: 11:00 a.m., Pacific Time, Tuesday, January 10, 2023
Submittals must be received by the City’s Procurement and Payables Division prior to 11:00 a.m. Pacific Time.
For electronic submittals, the City of Tacoma will designate the time of receipt recorded by our email, bids@cityoftacoma.org, as the official time of receipt. This clock will be used as the official time of receipt of all parts of electronic bid submittals.

Submittal Delivery: Sealed submittals will be received as follows:

By Email:

bids@cityoftacoma.org

Maximum file size: 35 MB. Multiple emails may be sent for each submittal.

Bid Opening: Sealed submittals in response to a RFB will be opened Tuesday’s at 11AM by a purchasing representative and read aloud during a public bid opening held at the Tacoma Public Utilities Administrative Building North, 3628 S. 35th Street, Tacoma, WA 98409, conference room M-1, located on the main floor. They will also be held virtually Tuesday’s at 11AM. Attend via this link or call 1 (253) 215 8782.

Submittals in response to an RFP, RFQ or RFI will be recorded as received. As soon as possible, after 1:00 PM, on the day of submittal deadline, preliminary results will be posted to www.TacomaPurchasing.org.

Solicitation Documents: An electronic copy of the complete solicitation documents may be viewed and obtained by accessing the City of Tacoma Purchasing website at www.TacomaPurchasing.org.

- Register for the Bid Holders List to receive notices of addenda, questions and answers and related updates.
- Click here to see a list of vendors registered for this solicitation.

Pre-Proposal Meeting: A pre-proposal meeting Choose one

Project Scope: Supply and install cabling and wiring and fiber optic at telecommunications and data network growth projects as assigned.

Estimate: Approximately $300,000
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Paid Sick Leave: The City of Tacoma requires all employers to provide paid sick leave as set forth in Title 18 of the Tacoma Municipal Code. For more information, visit our Minimum Employment Standards Paid Sick Leave webpage.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA Information): The City of Tacoma, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (Section 504) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), commits to nondiscrimination on the basis of disability, in all of its programs and activities. Specification materials can be made available in an alternate format by emailing Gail Himes at ghimes@cityoftacoma.org, or by calling her collect at 253-591-5785.

Title VI Information:

“The City of Tacoma” in accordance with provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. sections 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin in consideration of award.

Additional Information: Requests for information regarding the specifications may be obtained by contacting Tad Carlson, Senior Buyer by email to tcarlson@cityoftacoma.org

Protest Policy: City of Tacoma protest policy, located at www.tacomapurchasing.org, specifies procedures for protests submitted prior to and after submittal deadline.

Meeting sites are accessible to persons with disabilities. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities can be arranged with 48 hours advance notice by calling 253-502-8468.
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SPECIAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Public works and improvement projects for the City of Tacoma are subject to Washington state law and Tacoma Municipal Code, including, but not limited to the following:

I. STATE OF WASHINGTON

A. RESPONSIBILITY CRITERIA – STATE OF WASHINGTON

In order to be considered a responsible bidder the bidder must meet the following mandatory state responsibility criteria contained in RCW 39.04.350:

1. Have a current certificate of registration as a contractor in compliance with chapter 18.27 RCW, which must have been in effect at the time of bid submittal;
2. Have a current Washington Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number;
3. If applicable:
   a. Have Industrial Insurance (workers' compensation) coverage for the bidder’s employees working in Washington, as required in Title 51 RCW;
   b. Have a Washington Employment Security Department number, as required in Title 50 RCW;
   c. Have a Washington Department of Revenue state excise tax registration number, as required in Title 82 RCW and;
4. Not be disqualified from bidding on any public works contract under RCW 39.06.010 (unlicensed or unregistered contractors) or 39.12.065(3) (prevailing wage).
5. Have received training on the requirements related to public works and prevailing wage under this chapter and chapter 39.12 RCW and must designate a person or persons to be trained on these requirements. The training must be provided by the department of labor and industries or by a training provider whose curriculum is approved by the department. Bidders that have completed three or more public works projects and have had a valid business license in Washington for three or more years are exempt from this subsection.

B. RECIPROCAL PREFERENCE FOR RESIDENT CONTRACTORS:

Effective March 30, 2012, RCW 39.04.380 imposes a reciprocal preference for resident contractors. Any bid received from a non-resident contractor from a state that provides an in-state percentage bidding preference is subject application of a comparable percentage disadvantage.

A non-resident contractor from a state that provides an in-state percentage bidding preference means a contractor that:

1. Is from a state that provides a percentage bid preference to its resident contractors bidding on public works projects, and
2. Does not have a physical office located in Washington at the time of bidding on the City of Tacoma public works project.

The state of residence for a non-resident contractor is the state in which the contractor was incorporated, or if not a corporation, the state in which the contractor’s business entity was formed.

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The City of Tacoma will evaluate all non-resident contractors for an out of state bidder preference. If the state of the non-resident contractor provides an in state contractor preference, a comparable percentage disadvantage will be applied to the non-resident contractor’s bid prior to contract award. The responsive and lowest and best responsible bidder after application of any non-resident disadvantage will be awarded the contract.

The reciprocal preference evaluation does not apply to public works procured pursuant to RCW 39.04.155, RCW 39.04.280, federally funded competitive solicitations where such agencies prohibit the application of bid preferences, or any other procurement exempt from competitive bidding.

Bidders must provide the City of Tacoma with their state of incorporation or the state in which the business entity was formed and include whether the bidder has a physical office located in Washington.

The bidder shall submit documentation demonstrating compliance with above criteria on the enclosed State Responsibility and Reciprocal Bidder Information form.

C. SUBCONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY

1. The Contractor shall include the language of this subcontractor responsibility section in each of its first tier subcontracts, and shall require each of its subcontractors to include the same language of this section in each of their subcontracts, adjusting only as necessary the terms used for the contracting parties. The requirements of this section apply to all subcontractors regardless of tier.

2. At the time of subcontract execution, the Contractor shall verify that each of its first tier subcontractors meets the following bidder responsibility criteria:
   a. Have a current certificate of registration as a contractor in compliance with chapter 18.27 RCW, which must have been in effect at the time of subcontract bid submittal;
   b. Have a current Washington Unified Business Identifier (UBI) number;
   c. If applicable, have:
      i. Industrial Insurance (workers' compensation) coverage for the bidder’s employees working in Washington, as required in Title 51 RCW;
      ii. A Washington Employment Security Department number, as required in Title 50 RCW;
      iii. A Washington Department of Revenue state excise tax registration number, as required in Title 82 RCW;
      iv. An electrical contractor license, if required by Chapter 19.28 RCW;
      v. An elevator contractor license, if required by Chapter 70.87 RCW and;

3. Not be disqualified from bidding on any public works contract under RCW 39.06.010 (unlicensed or unregistered contractors) or 39.12.065(3) (prevailing wage).

II. CITY OF TACOMA

A. SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY CRITERIA – CITY OF TACOMA:

In order to be considered a responsible bidder, the prospective bidder shall have all of the following qualifications set forth in Tacoma Municipal Code 1.06.262:

1. Adequate financial resources or the ability to secure such resources;

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2. The necessary experience, stability, organization and technical qualifications to perform the proposed contract;
3. The ability to comply with the required performance schedule, taking into consideration all existing business commitments;
4. A satisfactory record of performance, integrity, judgment and skills; and
5. Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

In addition to the mandatory bidder responsibility criteria listed immediately above, the City may, in addition to price, consider any or all of the following criteria contained in Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 1.06.262 in determining bidder responsibility:

1. The ability, capacity, experience, stability, technical qualifications and skill of the respondent to perform the contract;
2. Whether the respondent can perform the contract within the time specified, without delay or interference;
3. Integrity, reputation, character, judgment, experience, and efficiency of the respondents, including past compliance with the City’s Ethics Code;
4. Quality of performance of previous contracts;
5. Previous and existing compliance with laws and ordinances relating to contracts or services;
6. Sufficiency of the respondent’s financial resources;
7. Quality, availability, and adaptability of the supplies, purchased services or public works to the particular use required;
8. Ability of the respondent to provide future maintenance and service on a timely basis;
9. Payment terms and prompt pay discounts;
10. The number and scope of conditions attached to the submittal;
11. Compliance with all applicable City requirements, including but not limited to the City’s Ethics Code and its Small Business Enterprise and Local Employment and Apprenticeship programs;
12. Other qualification criteria set forth in the specification or advertisement that the appropriate department or division head determines to be in the best interests of the City.

The City may require bidders to furnish information, sworn or certified to be true, to demonstrate compliance with the City responsibility criteria set forth above. If the city manager or director of utilities is not satisfied with the sufficiency of the information provided, or if the prospective respondent does not substantially meet all responsibility requirements, any submittal from such respondent must be disregarded.

B. ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL CRITERIA

See Minimum Requirements section.

C. MODIFICATIONS TO SUPPLEMENTAL CRITERIA

Potential bidders may request modifications to the City’s supplemental criteria by submitting a written request to the Purchasing Division via email to bids@cityoftacoma.org no later than 5:00 PM on the date specified in the Request for Proposal.

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p.m. Pacific Time, three days prior to the submittal deadline. Please include the Specification No. and Title when submitting such requests. Requests must include justification for why certain criteria should be modified. Requests received after this date and time will not be considered.

The City will respond to a timely submitted request prior to the bid opening date. Changes to the supplemental criteria, if warranted, will be issued by addendum to the solicitation documents and posted to the City’s website for the attention of all prospective bidders.

D. DETERMINATION OF BIDDER RESPONSIBILITY

If the City determines the bidder does not meet the criteria above and is therefore not a responsible bidder, the City shall notify the bidder in writing with the reasons for its determination. If the bidder disagrees, the bidder may appeal the determination in a manner consistent with the City’s Protest Policy. Appeals are coordinated by the Purchasing Division heard by the Procurement and Payables Division manager for contracts less than or equal to $500,000 and by Contracts and Awards Board for contracts greater than $500,000.
1. BACKGROUND
The City of Tacoma (City) / Information Technology Department is seeking an on-call cabling/wiring and fiber optic contract to help fulfill the ongoing requests for our telecommunications and data network growth. The awardee would provide network related ethernet cable and fiber optic cable, installation, runs, termination, and testing. This contract is to be used at various City of Tacoma locations and may include inside and outside plant cabling, wiring, splicing, and fiber optic supply, installation, and repair.

The resulting will be an on-call as needed contract, estimated at a contract value of $300,000, spend is not guaranteed.

The City of Tacoma anticipates awarding a single contract but reserves the right to split the award and/or execute contracts with multiple vendors if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the City.

To learn more about the City of Tacoma, visit www.cityoftacoma.org.

Submittals and/or the selected consultant(s) may be used for projects of similar type and scope at the sole discretion of the City for up to one year.

2. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS
City of Tacoma Standard Terms and Conditions apply.

3. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
At a minimum vendors should be able to:
   3.1 Respondents must not have been prohibited from doing business with any government entity for any reason within the last 10 years
   3.2 Respondents must not be operating under Chapter 11 or any other financial restraints that would preclude their ability to complete work outlined in the Scope of Work section.

4. SCOPE OF SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES
4.1 On-Call Nature
   4.1.1 This will be an on-call as needed cabling/wiring/fiber optic solutions contract.
   4.1.2 Contract value is an estimate based on previous work performed and not a guarantee of spend.
   4.1.3 Actual spend against the contract will depend upon the work performed under the contract.

4.2 Scope of Work
   4.2.1 Procurement, installation, and certification of cable/wire/fiber optics.
   4.2.2 Labeling at patch panels, cable/fiber ends, consistent with existing on-premises labeling schematic
   4.2.3 Awardee to pull permits for work required per premise location building/City/County protocols

4.3 Deliverables
4.3.1 Deliverables to be determined per location, per City’s requirement and may include, but not be limited to:
   A Single mode fiber rated per industry standards
   B Multimode fiber rated per industry standards
   C Fiber end connectors appropriate for location which may be ST, SC, LC, terminations in nature.
   D Fiber patch panels as required
      1 Minimum CAT-5E or CAT-6 ethernet cable, plenum rated, per location requirements
      2 RJ-45 end connectors
   E Required use of Ethernet faceplates, jacks and patch panels per City’s existing standards

4.3.2 End-to-end testing post installation

5. ANTICIPATED CONTRACT TERM
The anticipated duration of the contract is for a three-year period with the City’s sole option to renew for additional periods as applicable.

6. CALENDAR OF EVENTS
This is a tentative schedule only and may be altered at the sole discretion of the City.

The anticipated schedule of events concerning this RFP is as follows:

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7. PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING
No pre-proposal meeting will be held; however, questions and request for clarifications of the specifications may be submitted as stated in the inquiries section.

8. INQUIRIES
   8.1 Questions should be emailed to Tad Carlson at tcarlson@cityoftacoma.org. Subject line to read:
       IT22-0334F – Cabling and Installation – VENDOR NAME
   8.2 Questions must be received by 3 pm on the date given in the Calendar of Events.
   8.3 Questions marked confidential will not be answered or included.
   8.4 The City reserves the discretion to group similar questions to provide a single answer or not to respond when the requested information is confidential.
   8.5 The answers are not typically considered an addendum.

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8.6 The City will not be responsible for unsuccessful submittal of questions.

8.7 Written answers to questions will be posted in the alongside these specifications at www.tacomapurchasing.org.

9. DISCLAIMER
The City is not liable for any costs incurred by the Respondent for the preparation of materials or a submittal submitted in response to this RFP, for conducting any presentations to the City, or any other activities related to responding to this RFP, or related to the contract negotiation process.

10. EVALUATION CRITERIA
The relative weight of each scoring criteria is indicated in the table below.

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A Selection Advisory Committee (SAC) will review and evaluate submittals. After the evaluation, the SAC may conduct interviews of the most qualified Respondents before final selection.

10.1 The SAC may select one or more respondent to provide the services required.

10.2 The SAC may use references to clarify information in the submittals and interviews, if conducted, which may affect the rating. The City reserves the right to contact references other than those included in the submittal.

10.3 A significant deficiency in any single criteria may result in the rejection of the entire submittal.

11. CONTENT TO BE SUBMITTED – This section represents 100% of the possible scoring criteria.

Respondents are to provide complete and detailed responses to all items below. Submittals that are incomplete or conditioned in any way that contain alternatives or items not called for in this RFP, which materially deviate from the requirements of this RFP or which are not in conformity with law, may be rejected as being non-responsive.

Submittals should present information in a straightforward and concise manner, while ensuring complete and detailed descriptions of the Respondent’s abilities to meet the requirement of this RFP. Emphasis will be on completeness of content. The written submittals should be prepared in the sequential order as outlined below.

The City reserves the right to request clarification of any aspect of a submittal, or request additional information that might be required to properly evaluate the submittal. Failure to
respond to such a request may result in rejection of the firm’s submittal. Respondents are required to provide responses to any request clarification within two (2) business days.

Requests for clarification or additional information shall be made at the sole discretion of the City. The City’s retention of this right shall no way diminish a Respondent’s responsibility to submit a submittal that is current, clear, complete and accurate.

11.1 Qualifications/Experience of Respondent
Respondent to provide adequate certifications, licenses, and/or other documentation to support their qualifications and experience

11.2 Examples of Projects
Respondent to provide three examples of similar type of work conducted for other projects.

11.3 Client References
Provide three references to verify the expertise for this type of work. The references must be current within the last eighteen months. Provide complete information such as name of company, contact person, address, phone number, and email address. No points will be given for unreachable references.

11.4 Fees and Charges / Method of Billing / Hourly Rates
Provide recent pricing examples of:

Price out six projects, three for copper ethernet and three for fiber optics. See Appendix D for both copper and fiber Statement of Work and job specifications. Include a line item list of all costs associated with each job example, including equipment, material, service fees, and labor. Price Proposal Form included in Appendix A detailing required information in the line item pricing.

A. Copper Small (same floor run)
B. Copper Medium (two floors, same building)
C. Copper Large (new building, 5 floors, 10 IDFcs)
D. Fiber Small (single mode)
E. Fiber Medium (multimode)
F. Fiber Large (single mode)

11.5 Qualifications / Experience of Key Personnel
Personnel performing work are expected to be qualified to perform the tasks. Please include the following information:

A. Average years of experience by Crew Leads
B. Average years of experience by Technicians
C. Average years of experience by Project Manager/Coordinator
D. Personnel/crew certifications and licenses

11.6 Sustainability
Provide information on your commitment to the environment. Include your sustainability statement and current practices.
11.7 Equity in Contracting

Identify any certification of Respondent or Respondent partner held with Washington State for the below categories. Confirmation of any certification will award all points for this category.

A Combination Business Enterprise (CBE)
B Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)
C Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)
D Minority/Women Business Enterprise (MWBE)
E Small Business Enterprise (SBE)
F Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (SEDBE)
G Women Business Enterprise (WBE)

11.8 Credit Card Acceptance

Provide a statement regarding your ability to meet the City’s credit card requirements (state below) as well as identifying your reporting capabilities (Level I, II, or III). This information is not a consideration in the evaluation process.

11.9 Exceptions

If Respondent takes exception to any of the City of Tacoma's Standard Terms and Conditions stated herein or to any other part of this specifications, including the stated Insurance Requirements, they must identify the section and page that is the subject of the exception, specify the nature of the exception and, if applicable, provide proposed replacement language or proposed replacement form of Contract. Acceptance of any proposed changes are at the sole discretion of the City.

12. RESPONSIVENESS

Respondents agree their submittal is valid until a contract(s) has been executed.

All submittals will be reviewed by the City to determine compliance with the requirements and instructions specified in this RFP. The Respondent is specifically notified that failure to comply with any part of this RFP may result in rejection of the submittal as non-responsive. The City reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to waive irregularities deemed immaterial.

The final selection, if any, will be that submittal which, after review of submissions and potential interviews, in the sole judgement of the City, best meets the requirements set forth in this RFP.

13. CITY'S RESERVED RIGHTS

Respondents are advised that the City reserves the right to cancel any award at any time prior to mutual execution of a Contract if cancellation is deemed to be in the City’s best interest. City is not liable to Respondent for any costs or damages for the cancellation of an award. The Respondent assumes the sole risk and responsibility for all expenses connected with the preparation of this submittal.

In addition to any reserved rights contained in the City of Tacoma Standard Terms and Conditions, City specifically reserves the following rights:

- To waive any or all informalities or irregularities in any submittal which, in City’s sole judgement, are deemed minor or immaterial
- To award one or more contracts
• To not award a contract
• To issue subsequent solicitation

14. INTERVIEWS / ORAL PRESENTATIONS
An invitation to interview may be extended to Respondents based on SAC review of the written submittals. The SAC reserves the right to adjust scoring based on additional information and/or clarifications provided during interviews. The SAC may determine additional scoring criteria for the interviews following evaluation of written submittals.

The City reserves all rights to begin contract negotiations without conducting interviews.

Respondents must be available to interview within three business days’ notice.

If interviews are conducted, the SAC will schedule the interviews using the email address for communications provided on the signature page. Additional interview information will be provided at the time of invitation. At this time, it is anticipated that the main objective of the interview will be for the SAC to meet the project manager and key personnel that will have direct involvement with the project and hear about their relevant experience and expertise. The City does not intend to meet with firm officials unless they are to be directly involved with the project.

Following interviews, submittals will be rescored using the same criteria as stated in the Evaluation Criteria section above.

15. CONTRACT OBLIGATION
The selected Respondent(s) will be expected to execute a Contract with the City. At a minimum, any contract will incorporate the contents of this specification, including all stated services or deliverables and other requirements and the City of Tacoma Standard Terms and Conditions, together with the contents of Respondent’s submittal. The submittal contents of the successful Respondent will become contractual obligations.

16. FORM OF CONTRACT
In event the City’s Services Contract or other City Contract template is attached to this RFP as a sample form of Contract, the City expects to utilize the Terms and Conditions contained in the sample form of Contract. Post award negotiation may occur at the discretion of the City. Respondents should clearly state exceptions to City’s Standard Terms and Conditions as well as to the Terms and Conditions contained in any attached sample form of Contract and to any other portions of this RFP, including the stated Insurance Requirements. Respondents may also propose to utilize their own form of Contract and in such instances, Respondent must provide its form of Contract as part of its submittal. City, at its sole option, will decide whether engage in negation on any or all proposed exceptions. City reserves sole discretion to determine the final form of Contract that will be used.

17. WARRANTY

Labor: Minimum three (3) year warranty.

Parts: Manufacturer’s warranty or minimum one-year warranty whichever is greater.

Contractor shall arrive on-site at the within 24 hours of notification for all warranty repairs during normal work hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Repairs shall include free
pick-up and delivery. Repairs must be completed and vehicle returned within 48 hours of pick-up.

Contractor agrees to allow City to make minor warranty repairs where that is most cost effective and, if requested, contractor will credit City for cost of parts, but not labor.

Vendor will warrant goods according to the manufacturer’s warranty guidelines. The start of the warranty commences once the goods are delivered and accepted by the City.

18. INSPECTION

All goods are subject to final inspection and acceptance by the City. If any inspection fails, the vendor shall be required to make arrangements to exchange the goods at their own expense and replace it in a timely manner acceptable to the City.

Material failing to meet the requirements of this contract will be held at Vendor’s risk and may be returned to Vendor. If so returned, the cost of transportation, unpacking, inspection, repackaging, reshipping, or other like expenses are the responsibility of the Vendor.

19. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Successful proposer will provide proof of and maintain the insurance coverage in the amounts and in the manner specified in the City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements contained in this solicitation. See Appendix C.

20. PREVAILING WAGE INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)

If this project requires prevailing wages under 39.12 RCW, any worker, laborer, or mechanic employed in the performance of any part of the work shall be paid not less than the applicable prevailing rate of wage.

The project site is may be located in Pierce, King, Thurston, Lewis, Mason, or Grays Harbor County/Counties.

The effective date for prevailing wages on this project will be the submittal deadline with these exceptions:

1. If the project is not awarded within six months of the submittal deadline, the award date is the effective date.
2. If the project is not awarded pursuant to a competitive solicitation, the date the contract is executed is the effective date.

Except for janitorial contracts, these rates shall apply for the duration of the contract unless otherwise noted in the solicitation.

Look up prevailing rates of pay, benefits, and overtime codes from this link:
https://secure.lni.wa.gov/wagelookup/

REQUIRED FILINGS

The contractor and all subcontractors covered under 39.12 RCW shall submit to the Department of Labor and Industries (L&I) for work provided under this contract:

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1. A Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages must be filed with and approved by L&I upon award of contract.
2. An Affidavit of Wages Paid must be filed with and approved by L&I upon job completion.
3. For on-call contracts, please see the Information on Intents and Affidavits for On-Call Contracts in Appendix C.

Payments cannot be released by the City until verification of these filings are received by the engineer. Additional information regarding these filings can be obtained by calling the Department of Labor & Industries, Prevailing Wage at 360-902-5335, https://secure.lni.wa.gov or by visiting their MY L&I account.

21. BID BONDS
The attached Bid Bond (Appendix A) must be executed by the person legally authorized to sign the bid and must be properly signed by representatives of the surety company unless the bid is accompanied by a certified check or cashier’s check.

21.1 If a Bid Bond is used, the form furnished by the City must be followed; no variation from the language thereof will be accepted. The amount of the Bid Bond must be not less than five percent (5%) of $300,000; and, if shown in dollars and cents, the amount of said Bid Bond must be not less than the required five percent; or in lieu of dollars and cents, the bond may be completed by inserting therein, “five percent of the amount of the accompanying proposal”. Bid Bonds will not be returned. Bid Bond should be submitted electronically with bid submittal.

21.2 If a certified or cashier’s check is provided by the successful Respondent(s), the amount of their check will be refunded after award of the Contract, City’s receipt of the signed Contract, and acceptance of the Performance Bond, if applicable. Unsuccessful Respondents providing certified checks will be refunded the amount of their check upon award of the Contract.

21.3 Failure to furnish a Bid deposit of a minimum of 5 percent shall make the bid nonresponsive and shall cause the bid to be rejected by the City.

21.4 Bids submitted electronically must be accompanied by a scanned version of the bid bond or cashier’s check and hard copies must be postmarked no later than the bid submittal due date and must be received within seven calendar days at the below address:
   City of Tacoma Procurement & Payables Division
   3628 S 35th St
   Tacoma, WA 98409

22. PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BOND
A payment and performance bond, including power of attorney, for this project is required in the amount of 25 percent of the Contract total.

22.1 The City’s payment and performance bond forms must be used.
22.2 The payment and performance bonds must be executed by a surety company licensed to do business in the state of Washington.
22.3 The cost of a payment and performance bonds must be included in submittal prices. Bonds will not be paid as a separate line item.

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22.4 For a supply-type contract, a certified cashier’s check or cash may be substituted for the bonds; however, this cash or check must remain with the City through the guarantee period and any interest on said amount shall accrue to the City.

The same bonds can remain in place over the life of the contract and annual status inquiries can be directed to Tad Carlson via email to tcarlson@cityoftacoma.org. Subject line to read:

IT22-0334F – Cabling and Installation - Bond Status Inquiry

23. PARTNERSHIPS

The City will allow Respondents to partner in order to respond to this RFP. Respondents may team under a Prime Respondent’s submittal in order to provide responses to all sections in a single submission; however, each Respondent’s participation must be clearly delineated by section. The Prime Respondent will be considered the responding vendor and the responsible party at contract award. Any contract negotiations will be conducted only with the Prime Respondent. All contract payments will be made only to the Prime Respondent. Any agreements between the Prime Respondent and other companies will not be a part of the agreement between the City and the Prime Respondent. The City reserves the right to select more than one Prime Respondent.

24. COMMITMENT OF FIRM KEY PERSONNEL

The Respondent agrees that key personnel identified in its submittal or during contract negotiations as committed to this project will, in fact, be the key personnel to perform during the life of this contract. Should key personnel become unavailable for any reason, the selected Respondent shall provide suitable replacement personnel, subject to the approval of the City. Substantial organizational or personnel changes within the agency are expected to be communicated immediately. Failure to do so could result in cancellation of the Contract.

25. AWARD

After the Respondent(s) is selected by the SAC and prior to award, all other Respondents will be notified via the Purchasing Division using the email address for communications provided on the signature page.

Once a Respondent(s) has been selected for award by the SAC, contract negotiations will begin. If the a contract with the selected Respondent(s) is not successfully negotiated in that the City’s final offer is not accepted, the City may, in its sole discretion discontinue contract negotiations and commence negotiations with another Respondent. When a contract is successfully negotiated, the Contract will, if required, be submitted for final approval by the Public Utility Board and/or City Council.

26. PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The Washington State Public Disclosure Act (RCW 42.56 et seq.) requires public agencies in Washington make public records available for inspection and copying unless they fall within the specified exemptions contained in the Act, or are otherwise privileged. Documents submitted under this RFP shall be considered public records and, with limited exceptions, will be made available for inspection and copying by the public.

For complete detail on Respondent’s responsibility to identify and mark confidential information, and the applicability of the Public Disclosure Act, see the Standard Terms and Conditions.
27. PAID LEAVE
Effective February 1, 2016, the City of Tacoma requires all employers to provide Paid Leave and Minimum Wage, as set forth in Title 18 of the Tacoma Municipal Code. For more information visit http://www.cityoftacoma.org/employmentstandards.

28. ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PROCUREMENT
In accordance with the City’s Sustainable Procurement Policy, it is the policy of the City of Tacoma to encourage the use of products or services that help to minimize the environmental and human health impacts of City Operations. Respondents are encouraged to incorporate environmentally preferable products or services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. This comparison may consider raw materials acquisition, products, manufacturing, packaging, distribution reuse, operation, maintenance or disposal of the product or service.

The City of Tacoma encourages the use of sustainability practices and desires any awarded contractor(s) to assist in efforts to address such factors when feasible for:

- Reduction of pollutant releases
- Toxicity of materials used
- Waste generation
- Greenhouse gas emissions, including transportation of materials and services
- Recycle content
- Comprehensive energy conservation measures
- Waste manage reduction plans
- Potential impact on human health and the environment

29. EQUITY IN CONTRACTING
The City of Tacoma is committed to encouraging firms certified through the Washington State Office of Minority and Women’s Business Enterprise to participate in City contracting opportunities. See the TMC 1.07 Equity in Contracting Policy at the City’s Equity in Contracting Program website.

30. LEAP REQUIREMENTS
This project has LEAP Requirements as follows – see attached your LEAP Bid documents to add to your spec.

- 15% Local Employment

See Appendix C for complete LEAP documentation.

31. ADDENDUMS
In the event it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFP, an addendum will be posted along with this specification on http://www.tacomapurchasing.org. Failure to acknowledge addendum(s) on the required Signature Page may result in a submittal being deemed non-responsive by the City.
APPENDIX A

Signature Page
Proposal Package
Bid Bond
Certification of Compliance With Wage Payment Statutes
State Responsibility and Reciprocal Bid Preference Information
EIC Utilization Form
SIGNATURE PAGE

CITY OF TACOMA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

All submittals must be in ink or typewritten, executed by a duly authorized officer or representative of the bidding/proposing entity, and received and time stamped as directed in the Request for Proposals page near the beginning of the specification. If the bidder/proposer is a subsidiary or doing business on behalf of another entity, so state, and provide the firm name under which business is hereby transacted.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SPECIFICATION NO. IT22-0334F
On-Call Wiring and Cabling Supply and Installation

The undersigned bidder/proposer hereby agrees to execute the proposed contract and furnish all materials, labor, tools, equipment and all other facilities and services in accordance with these specifications.

The bidder/proposer agrees, by submitting a bid/proposal under these specifications, that in the event any litigation should arise concerning the submission of bids/proposals or the award of contract under this specification, Request for Bids, Request for Proposals or Request for Qualifications, the venue of such action or litigation shall be in the Superior Court of the State of Washington, in and for the County of Pierce.

Non-Collusion Declaration

The undersigned bidder/proposer hereby certifies under penalty of perjury that this bid/proposal is genuine and not a sham or collusive bid/proposal, or made in the interests or on behalf of any person or entity not herein named; and that said bidder/proposer has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any contractor or supplier on the above work to put in a sham bid/proposal or any person or entity to refrain from submitting a bid/proposal; and that said bidder/proposer has not, in any manner, sought by collusion to secure to itself an advantage over any other contractor(s) or person(s).

Bidder/Proposer’s Registered Name
__________________________

Signature of Person Authorized to Enter into Contracts for Bidder/Proposer
__________________________

Date
__________________________

Address
__________________________

Printed Name and Title
__________________________

City, State, Zip
__________________________

(Area Code) Telephone Number / Fax Number
__________________________

Authorized Signatory E-Mail Address
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State Business License Number
in WA, also known as UBI (Unified Business Identifier) Number
__________________________

E-Mail Address for Communications
__________________________

State Contractor’s License Number
(See Ch. 18.27, R.C.W.)
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Addendum acknowledgement #1_____  #2_____  #3_____  #4_____  #5_____

THIS PAGE MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH SUBMITTAL.
PROPOSAL PACKAGE

The following nine pages presents sample scopes of work and sample project to be used to provide sample pricing. Please provide a separate proposal form and associated product/pricing list for each of the six projects.
INTRODUCTION

This Scope of Work (SOW) document defines the scope of the services that the Respondent will provide to the City of Tacoma.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this RFP is to select a contractor to install communications cabling and equipment as outlined in this SOW. Contractor will provide labor, materials, and equipment required to install a structured cabling system to add either Unshielded Twisted Pair CAT-5E or CAT-6 rated voice and data connections at designated work areas, locations, or buildings. Work includes all associated terminations (Ethernet 568-B), tie cabling, cable support systems, patch panels, cable testing, repair, and troubleshooting for indoor and outdoor areas, as requested by the City of Tacoma.

This document is intended to ensure that the awarded Contractor and the City of Tacoma share a common and equal understanding of the results that the City of Tacoma expects for each project.

INCLUSIONS

This Statement of Work included the following:
1. Wiring work performed by the awardee
   A. Cabling
   B. Cable terminations in work and ceiling areas
2. Facility Impact Considerations
3. Warranty
4. Site Visit

1. Wiring Work Performed by Contractor

The Contractor shall provide all materials, supplied, and labor to complete the work outlined below. All materials and supplies utilized shall be in new condition. The Contractor shall not re-purpose or otherwise utilized any existing data cabling, outlets, or connections without the approval of the City of Tacoma.
   A. UTP Data Cabling
      I. All cabling must adhere to ANSI/TIA/EIA 568-B standards and industry best practices.
II. Contractor shall provide, install, secure, terminate, test, and label CAT 5E or CAT-6 UTP Plenum grade cable from patch panel to the termination points consistent with the existing on-premise labeling schematic.

III. All UTP cabling shall be white, blue, or yellow in color, unless directly negotiated between the Contractor and the City of Tacoma. Color determined by location use (walls/ceilings vs patch cords)

IV. Contractor shall test all cabling per ANSI/TIA-568-C standards

B. Cable Terminations in Work and Ceiling Areas

V. Contractor shall label all voice/data faceplates, following existing on-premise schematic

VI. Contractor shall use equipment consistent with existing on-premise infrastructure. This includes faceplates, patch panels, and fiber panels

VII. For termination point which have multiple cables bundled together in one spot, the Contractor shall utilize quad-port faceplates. For any ports not required for a cable termination, a blank insert of similar color to the faceplate shall be installed

VIII. All wall faceplates shall be complimentary in color to the wall where installed. This is typically beige, ivory, or white, but will be determined by the City of Tacoma. Faceplates must also utilize RJ-45 Category 5E or Category 6 ports, location dependent

2. Facility Impact Considerations

A. Drop ceilings, conduit, or other architecture factors shall be considered for each location

B. The Contractor shall repair or replace any items damaged or destroyed during the performance of tasks

C. Contractor is responsible for the cleanup and disposal of refuse generated in the performance of their duties

D. Contractor is responsible for obtaining any permits required to perform their duties within or on-premise of the identified work locations per City/County protocols
Equipment and Service Pricing

Below is a table of various equipment that has been used within the City of Tacoma’s indoor and outdoor wiring jobs. Please use the list as a reference guide when providing a line item detail in Section 11.5. Please note the list below is a reference only.

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<td>760180059</td>
<td>COMMSCOPE 48 port, CAT-6 patch panel</td>
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<td>760180018</td>
<td>COMMSCOPE 48 port CAT-5E patch panel</td>
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Job Examples - copper

Copper Small (same floor run)
- Four 50’ cable runs
- RJ-45 terminations at each end
- No conduit, required; bundled with existing runs
- No patch panel required
- Near end to connect to switch, far ends to connect to installed wireless APs

Copper Medium (two floors, same building)
- 192 new runs, each approximately 150’ in distance
- Four 48 port patch panels
- 48 4-port faceplates

Copper Large (new building, five floors, ten IDFs)
- 100 offices/cubicles per floor
- 800 runs per floor approximately 250’ in distance
- 200 4-port faceplates per floor
- 2 IDFs per floor
- 10 48-port patch panels per/IDF
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**TOTALS**
INTRODUCTION

This Scope of Work (SOW) document defines the scope of the services that the Respondent will provide to the City of Tacoma.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this RFP is to select a contractor to install communications cabling and/or fiber optic cabling and equipment as outlined in this SOW. Contractor will provide labor, materials, and equipment required to install a structured cabling system to add fiber optic cabling at designated work areas, locations, or buildings. Work includes all associated terminations (LC, ST, or SC), tie cabling, cable support systems, patch panels, cable and fiber testing, repair, and troubleshooting for indoor and outdoor areas, as requested by the City of Tacoma.

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   A. Fiber cabling
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4. Site Visit

1. Wiring Work Performed by Contractor

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A. Fiber Cabling
   I. All fiber cabling shall be installed in accordance with ANSI/TIA-568-D.3 standards and any industry best practices
   II. All fiber cabling shall be yellow (single mode) or orange (multimode)
III. Contractor shall install fiber termination panels where identified

IV. Contractor shall provide fiber optic cable suitable to the existing on-premise cabling. This may range from OM1-OM4 (62.5 or 50 microns) multimode fiber including 850nm or 1300nm.

V. Contractor shall provide fiber optic cable suitable for the existing on-premise cabling. This may include 9 micron single mode fiber in 1310nm or 1550nm.

VI. All fiber patch panels should be suitable for fiber interconnects that adhere to the specifications listed above in IV and V.

VII. Fiber optic terminations may vary dependent on location. Contractor to be able to terminate fiber optic ends using ST, LC, or SC.

VIII. Contractor shall test all cabling per ANSI/TIA-568-C standards

2. Facility Impact Considerations
   A. Drop ceilings, conduit, or other architecture factors shall be considered for each location
   B. The Contractor shall repair or replace any items damaged or destroyed during the performance of tasks
   C. Contractor is responsible for the cleanup and disposal of refuse generated in the performance of their duties
   D. Contractor is responsible for obtaining any permits required to perform their duties within or on-premise of the identified work locations per City/County protocols
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<td>FHD High Density 2U Rack Mount Enclosure Unloaded, Sliding Drawer, Holds up to 8 x FHD Cassettes or Panels, 288 Fibers (LC)</td>
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Job Examples- fiber

Fiber Small (singlemode):
- 6 strand singlemode fiber
- 500’ in length
- 1 6-fiber wall mount termination box, LC connectors
- Flexible conduit

Fiber Medium (multimode):
- 12 strand multimode fiber
- 750’ in length
- 1 two panel fiber enclosure, LC connectors
- 3 6-fiber wall mount termination boxes, each with 4 strands, LC connectors
- 400’ 1-1/2” conduit
- 350’ flexible conduit

Fiber Large (singlemode):
- 72 strands singlemode fiber
- 12000’ in length, divided among 6 point-to-point runs, 2000’ each
- 5 6-fiber wall mount termination boxes, each with 6 strands, LC connectors
- 1 12-fiber rack mount termination box, 12 strands, LC connectors
- 1 high density rack mount termination box, 72 strands, LC connectors
Price Proposal Form

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Herewith find deposit in the form of a cashier’s check in the amount of $______________ which amount is not less than 5-percent of the total bid.

SIGN HERE__________________________________

BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, ______________________________________________________________, as Principal, and ______________________________________________________________, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the City of Tacoma, as Obligee, in the penal sum of __________________________ dollars, for the payment of which the Principal and the Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, by these presents.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the Obligee shall make any award to the Principal for

according to the terms of the proposal or bid made by the Principal therefor, and the Principal shall duly make and enter into a contract with the Obligee in accordance with the terms of said proposal or bid and award and shall give bond for faithful performance thereof, with Surety or Sureties approved by the Obligee; or if the Principal shall, in case of failure to do so, pay and forfeit to the Obligee the penal amount of the deposit specified in the call for bids, then this obligation shall be null and void; otherwise it shall be and remain in full force and effect and the Surety shall forthwith pay and forfeit to the Obligee, as penalty and liquidated damages, the amount of this bond.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED THIS _______________ DAY OF __________________, 20______.

PRINCIPAL: ____________________________________________________________

SURETY: _____________________________________________________________

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_________________________________________  ____________________________

Received return of deposit in the sum of $ _________________________________

_________________________________________  ____________________________

Form No. SPEC-090A

Revised: 08/2004
Certification of Compliance with Wage Payment Statutes

The bidder hereby certifies that, within the three-year period immediately preceding the bid solicitation date (December 1, 2022), that the bidder is not a “willful” violator, as defined in RCW 49.48.082, of any provision of chapters 49.46, 49.48, or 49.52 RCW, as determined by a final and binding citation and notice of assessment issued by the Department of Labor and Industries or through a civil judgment entered by a court of limited or general jurisdiction.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Bidder

Signature of Authorized Official*

Printed Name

Title

Date

City

State

Check One:

Individual ☐  Partnership ☐  Joint Venture ☐  Corporation ☐

State of Incorporation, or if not a corporation, the state where business entity was formed:

If a co-partnership, give firm name under which business is transacted:

* If a corporation, proposal must be executed in the corporate name by the president or vice-president (or any other corporate officer accompanied by evidence of authority to sign). If a co-partnership, proposal must be executed by a partner.
State Responsibility and Reciprocal Bid Preference Information

Certificate of registration as a contractor (Must be in effect at the time of bid submittal):

Number: ______________________
Effective Date: __________________
Expiration Date: __________________

Current Washington Unified Business Identifier (UBI) Number:

Number: ______________________

Do you have industrial insurance (workers’ compensation) Coverage nor your employees working in Washington?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable

Washington Employment Security Department Number

Number: ______________________
☐ Not Applicable

Washington Department of Revenue state excise tax Registration number:

Number: ______________________
☐ Not Applicable

Have you been disqualified from bidding any public works contracts under RCW 39.06.010 or 39.12.065(3)?

☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, provide an explanation of your disqualification on a separate page.

Do you have a physical office located in the state of Washington?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If incorporated, in what state were you incorporated?

State: _______________ ☐ Not Incorporated

If not incorporated, in what state was your business entity formed?

State: _______________

Have you completed the training required by RCW 39.04.350, or are you on the list of exempt businesses maintained by the Department of Labor and Industries?

☐ Yes ☐ No
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING EIC UTILIZATION FORM

The purpose of these instructions is to assist bidders in properly completing the EIC Utilization Form.

This form when submitted with your bid, provides information to the City of Tacoma to accurately review and evaluate your proposed EIC usage.

1. * Base Bid is the prime contractor’s bid, plus any alternates, additives and deductibles selected by the City of Tacoma. Also, please refer to Items #10-12 below.

2. Column “a” – List all **Certified Business(s)** that you will be awarding a contract to if you are the successful bidder.

3. Column "b" – Identify if the **Certified Business(s)** is being utilized as an MBE, WBE, or SBE. (Businesses may count towards multiple requirements).

4. Column "c" – List the appropriate NAICS code(s) for the scope of work, services, or materials/supplies for each **Certified Business**.

5. Column “d” – The bid amount must be indicated for **all** listed **Certified Businesses** that you plan on doing business with. This quote is the price that you and the **Certified Businesses** have negotiated prior to bid opening.

6. Column “e” – The bid amount must be indicated for **all** listed **Certified Businesses** that you plan on doing business with. This quote is the price that you and the material supplier have negotiated prior to bid opening.

7. Column "f" – Estimated MBE Usage Dollar Amount: For all MBE firms used, multiply the amount in Column “d” by 1.0 plus the amount in Column “e” by 0.20. Insert the total amount in this column.

8. Column “g” – Estimated WBE Usage Dollar Amount: For all WBE firms used, multiply the amount in Column “d” by 1.0 plus the amount in Column “e” by 0.20. Insert the total amount in this column.

9. Column “h”– Estimated SBE Usage Dollar Amount: For all MBE, WBE, or SBE firms used, Multiply the amount in Column “d” by 1.0 plus the amount in Column “e” by 0.20. Insert the total amount in this column.

10. Block “i” – The percentage of actual MBE utilization calculated on the Base Bid only. (Divide the sum of Estimated MBE Usage Dollar Amount (Column “f”) by your Base Bid (*) then multiply by 100 to get a percentage: $ amounts from column “f” divided by Base Bid (*) x 100 = MBE usage as a percentage of the Base Bid.)

11. Block “j” – The percentage of actual WBE utilization calculated on the Base Bid only. (Divide the sum of Estimated WBE Usage Dollar Amount (Column “g”) by your Base Bid (*) then multiply by 100 to get a percentage: $ amounts from column “g” divided by Base Bid (*) x 100 = WBE usage as a percentage of the Base Bid.)
12. Block "k" – The percentage of actual SBE utilization calculated on the Base Bid only. (Divide the sum of Estimated SBE Usage Dollar Amount (Column “h”) by your Base Bid (*) then multiply by 100 to get a percentage: $ amounts from column “h” divided by Base Bid (*) x 100 = SBE usage as a percentage of the Base Bid.)

It is the prime contractor’s responsibility to check the status of Certified Businesses prior to bid opening. Call the EIC Office at 253-591-5826 or email at EICOffice@cityoftacoma.org for additional information.
**EQUITY IN CONTRACTING UTILIZATION FORM**

This form is to document **only** the contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers or other types of firms that are intended to be used to meet the stated EIC requirements for the contract awarded from this solicitation. This information will be used to determine contract award. Additional forms may be used if needed.

- You must include this form with your bid submittal in order for your bid to be responsive.
- Prime contractors are **required** to solicit bids from Businesses that are "Certified" by the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE) [www.omwbe.wa.gov](http://www.omwbe.wa.gov) as a MBE, WBE, and SBE to be know as "Certified Business".
- It is the Prime contractor’s responsibility to verify the certification status of the business(s) intended to be utilized prior to the submittal deadline.

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By signing and submitting this form the bidder certifies that the OMWBE Certified Business(s) listed will be used on this project including all applicable change orders.

**Type or Print Name of Responsible Officer / Title**

**Signature of Responsible Officer**

**Date**

CCD/EIC/BID DOCS revised March 4, 2022
APPENDIX B

Sample Contract
Sample Payment Bond
Sample Performance Bond
Sample General Release Form
SERVICES CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into effective as of [Month] [Day], [Year] (“EFFECTIVE DATE”), by and between the CITY OF TACOMA, a municipal corporation of the State of Washington (hereinafter referred to as the “CITY”), and [INSERT legal name of Supplier exactly as it appears in Ariba including any dbas or trade names], (hereinafter may be referred to as “CONTRACTOR” or “SUPPLIER”);

In consideration of the mutual promises and obligations hereinafter set forth, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **Scope of Services**

   The CONTRACTOR agrees to diligently and completely perform the services or deliverables consisting of [INSERT A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK TO BE PERFORMED] as is described in [Exhibit A, B, ETC., if needed] attached hereto and incorporated herein.

2. **Changes to Scope of Work**

   The CITY shall have the right to make changes within the general scope of services or deliverables upon execution in writing of a change order or amendment hereto. If the changes will result in additional work effort by CONTRACTOR, the CITY will agree to reasonably compensate the CONTRACTOR for such additional effort up to the maximum amount specified herein or as otherwise provided by City Code.

3. **On Call Contracts**

   If the services and deliverables performed under this Contract are performed on an on call or as assigned basis, service and deliverables will be assigned by Task Authorization or Statements of Work or other similar mechanism, each of which will contain the scope of the specific services or deliverables to be performed or provided, together with a schedule and budget, which will be in accordance with rates, charges and times for performance as set forth in this Contract. The total compensation paid under this Contract is dependent on the quantity of on call or as assigned services actually provided, subject to the not to exceed amount stated herein. Services or deliverables provided under this Contract, and the corresponding compensation, cannot augment compensation under a different contract with the CITY for the same Scope of Services as are provided under this Contract.

4. **Term**

   All services shall be satisfactorily completed on or before [INSERT CONTRACT TERMINATION DATE] and this Contract shall expire on said date unless mutually extended by a written and executed Amendment to this Contract.

5. **Renewals**

   At CITY’s sole option, the Term of this Contract may be renewed for additional [INSERT THE RENEWAL PERIOD - 1 YEAR, ETC] periods, not to exceed [INSERT THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF RENEWAL PERIODS]. CITY will provide written notice of its
intent to exercise any renewal options at least 30 days prior to the then existing Term
and a written Amendment to this Contract will be mutually executed.

6. Delay

Neither party shall be considered to be in default in the performance of this Contract to
the extent such performance is prevented or delayed by any cause which is beyond the
reasonable control of the affected party and, in such event, the time for performance
shall be extended for a period equal to any time lost as a result thereof. In the event
CONTRACTOR is unable to proceed due to a delay solely attributable to CITY,
CONTRACTOR shall advise CITY of such delay in writing as soon as is practicable.

7. Compensation

The CITY shall compensate the CONTRACTOR for the services and deliverables
performed under this Contract [on the basis of] [EXHIBIT XXXX and/or a DESCRIPTION
OF COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENTS –MILESTONES, TIME AND MATERIALS,
LUMP SUM ETC.]

8. Prevailing Wages

A. If federal, state, local, or any applicable law requires CONTRACTOR to pay
prevailing wages in connection with this Contract, and CONTRACTOR is so notified
by the CITY, then CONTRACTOR shall pay applicable prevailing wages and
otherwise comply with the Washington State Prevailing Wage Act (RCW 39.12) in
the performance of this Contract.

B. If applicable, a Schedule of Prevailing Wage Rates and/or the current prevailing
wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor for the locality or localities
where the Contract will be performed is made of part of the Contract by this
reference. If prevailing wages apply to the Contract, CONTRACTOR and its
subcontractors shall:

1. Be bound by and perform all transactions regarding the Contract relating to
prevailing wages and the usual fringe benefits in compliance with the
provisions of Chapter 39.12 RCW, as amended, the Washington State
Prevailing Wage Act and/or the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and
3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable,
including the federal requirement to pay wages not less than once a week.

2. Ensure that no worker, laborer or mechanic employed in the performance of
any part of the Contract shall be paid less than the prevailing rate of wage
specified on that Schedule and/or specified in a wage determination made by
the Secretary of Labor (unless specifically preempted by federal law, the
higher of the Washington state prevailing wage or federal Davis-Bacon rate of
wage must be paid.

3. Immediately upon award of the Contract, contact the Department of Labor
and Industries, Prevailing Wages section, Olympia, Washington and/or the
federal Department of Labor, to obtain full information, forms and procedures
relating to these matters. Per such procedures, a Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages and/or other or additional documentation required by applicable federal law, must be submitted by CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors to the CITY, in the manner requested by the CITY, prior to any payment by the CITY hereunder, and an Affidavit of Wages Paid and/or other or additional documentation required by federal law must be received or verified by the CITY prior to final Contract payment.

9. Not to Exceed Amount

The total price to be paid by CITY for CONTRACTOR’S full and complete performance of the Scope of Work hereunder shall not exceed $ [INSERT TOTAL AMOUNT OF CONTRACT] plus applicable taxes without a written and executed Amendment to this Contract. Said price shall be the total compensation for CONTRACTOR’S performance hereunder including, but not limited to, all work, deliverables, materials, supplies, equipment, subcontractor’s fees, and all reimbursable travel and miscellaneous or incidental expenses to be incurred by CONTRACTOR.

In the event the CONTRACTOR incurs cost in excess of the sum authorized for service under this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall pay such excess from its own funds, and the CITY shall not be required to pay any part of such excess, and the CONTRACTOR shall have no claim against the CITY on account thereof.

10. Payment

CONTRACTOR shall submit [Pick one of the following monthly, weekly, annual, Contract milestone, other (describe in detail)] invoices for services completed and/or deliverables furnished during the invoice period. Upon CITY’S request, CONTRACTOR shall submit necessary and appropriate documentation, as determined by the CITY, for all invoiced services and deliverables. For transactions conducted in SAP Ariba, invoices shall be submitted directly through Ariba. For invoices paid by ACH or by check, unless stated otherwise, invoices shall be electronically submitted by email with corresponding PO number or other identifying number listed in the subject line to accountspayable@cityoftacoma.org.

Payment shall be made through the CITY’S ordinary payment process, and shall be considered timely if made within 30 days of receipt of a properly completed invoice. All payments shall be subject to adjustment for any amounts, upon audit or otherwise, determined to have been improperly invoiced. The CITY may withhold payment to the CONTRACTOR for any services or deliverables not performed as required hereunder until such time as the CONTRACTOR modifies such services or deliverables to the satisfaction of the CITY.

11. Payment Method

The City’s preferred method of payment is by ePayables (Payment Plus), followed by credit card (aka procurement card), then Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) by Automated Clearing House (ACH), then check or other cash equivalent. CONTRACTOR may be required to have the capability of accepting the City’s ePayables or credit card methods of payment. The City of Tacoma will not accept price changes or pay additional fees
when ePayables (Payment Plus) or credit card is used. The City, in its sole discretion, will determine the method of payment for this Contract.

12. Independent Contractor Status

The services and deliverables shall be furnished by the CONTRACTOR as an independent Contractor, and nothing herein contained shall be construed to create an employer and employee relationship. The CONTRACTOR shall provide at its sole expense all materials, office space, and other necessities to perform its duties under this Contract, unless stated otherwise in this Contract. No payroll or employment taxes of any kind shall be withheld or paid by the CITY with respect to payments to CONTRACTOR. The payroll or employment taxes that are the subject of this paragraph include, but are not limited to, FICA, FUTA, federal income tax, state personal income tax, state disability insurance tax and state unemployment insurance tax. By reason of CONTRACTOR’s status as an independent Contractor hereunder, no workers’ compensation insurance has been or will be obtained by the CITY on account of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR may be required to provide the CITY proof of payment of these said taxes and benefits. If the CITY is assessed or deemed liable in any manner for those charges or taxes, the CONTRACTOR agrees to hold the CITY harmless from those costs, including attorney’s fees.

13. Services Warranty

The CONTRACTOR warrants that all services performed pursuant to this Contract shall be generally suitable for the use to which CITY intends to use said services and deliverables as expressed in the Scope of Work. In the performance of services under this Contract, the CONTRACTOR and its employees further agree to exercise the degree of skill and care required by customarily accepted good practices and procedures followed by professionals or service providers rendering the same or similar type of service. All obligations and services of the CONTRACTOR hereunder shall be performed diligently and completely according to such professional standards.

14. Reliance on CITY Provided Data or Information

CONTRACTOR is not entitled to rely on any information or data supplied by CITY and is obligated to independently verify any information or data supplied by CITY.

15. Contract Administration

[INSERT NAME TITLE AND DEPARTMENT OF CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR] for the CITY shall have primary responsibility for contract administration and approval of services to be performed by the CONTRACTOR, and shall coordinate all communications between the CONTRACTOR and the CITY.

16. Specific Personnel
If before, during, or after the execution of this Contract, CONTRACTOR represents to the CITY that certain personnel would or will be responsible for performing services and deliverables under this Contract, then the CONTRACTOR is obligated to ensure that said personnel perform said Contract services to the maximum extent permitted by law. This Contract provision shall only be waived by written authorization by the CITY, and on a case-by-case basis.

17. Records Related to Performance of Contract

Upon CITY’s request, CONTRACTOR shall make available to CITY all accounts, records and documents related to the performance of this Contract for CITY’s inspection, auditing or evaluation during normal business hours as reasonably needed by CITY to assess performance, compliance and quality assurance under this Contract. Upon City’s request CONTRACTOR shall provide to CITY any and all records or documents related to the performance of this Contract that CITY deems to be public records responsive to a request made to the CITY pursuant to the Washington State Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 Revised Code of Washington.

18. Records Retention

The CONTRACTOR shall establish and maintain records in accordance with requirements prescribed by the CITY, with respect to all matters related to the performance of this Contract. Except as otherwise authorized by the CITY, the CONTRACTOR shall retain such records for a period of [INSERT THE TIME THE RECORDS SHOULD BE KEPT, MOST COMMON IS 6 YEARS] years after receipt of the final payment under this Contract or termination of this Contract.

19. Notices

Except for routine operational communications, which may be delivered personally or transmitted by electronic mail all notices required hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered personally or mailed first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the parties at the following addresses:

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20. Termination
A. Except as otherwise provided herein, the CITY may terminate this Contract at any time, for CITY’s own reasons and without cause, by giving ten (10) business days written notice to CONTRACTOR. In the event of termination, all finished and unfinished work prepared by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract shall be provided to the CITY. CITY may terminate this Contract in the event of any material breach of any of the terms and conditions of this Contract if CONTRACTOR’s breach continues in effect after written notice of breach and 30 days to cure such breach and fails to cure such breach.

B. In the event CITY terminates this Contract due to the CITY’s own reasons and without cause due to the CONTRACTOR’s actions or omissions, the CITY shall pay the CONTRACTOR the amount due for actual work and services necessarily performed under this Contract up to the effective date of termination, not to exceed the total compensation set forth herein.

C. In the event of material default or breach by CONTRACTOR of any of the terms or conditions of the Contract, CITY may, at its election, procure services and deliverables under this CONTRACT from other sources, and may deduct from the unpaid balance due CONTRACTOR, or collect against the bond or security (if any), or may invoice and recover from CONTRACTOR all costs paid in excess of the price(s) set forth in the Contract.

D. Termination of this Contract by CITY shall not constitute a waiver of any claims or remaining rights the CITY may have against CONTRACTOR relative to performance hereunder.

21. Suspension

The CITY may suspend this Contract, at its sole discretion, upon seven (7) business days' written notice to the CONTRACTOR. Such notice shall indicate the anticipated period of suspension. Any reimbursement for expenses incurred due to the suspension shall be limited to the CONTRACTOR’S reasonable expenses and shall be subject to verification. The CONTRACTOR shall resume performance of services under this Contract without delay when the suspension period ends. Suspension of this Contract by CITY shall not constitute a waiver of any claims or remaining rights the CITY may have against CONTRACTOR relative to performance hereunder.

22. Federal Funds

If federal funds will be used to fund, pay or reimburse all or a portion of the services provided under the Contract, the terms and conditions set forth at Appendix A to this Contract are incorporated into and made part of this Contract and CONTRACTOR will comply with all applicable provisions of Appendix A and with all applicable federal laws, regulations, executive orders, policies, procedures, and directives in the performance of this Contract. If CONTRACTOR’s receipt of federal funds under this Contract is as a sub-recipient, Appendix B, “Sub-recipient Information and Requirements” must be completed and incorporated into and made part of this Contract.

23. Taxes
Unless stated otherwise herein, CONTRACTOR is responsible for the payment of all charges and taxes applicable to the services performed under this Contract, and CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable laws regarding the reporting of income, maintenance of records, and all other requirements and obligations imposed pursuant to applicable law. If the CITY is assessed, made liable, or responsible in any manner for such charges or taxes, the CONTRACTOR holds CITY harmless from such costs, including attorney's fees.

If CONTRACTOR fails to pay any taxes, assessments, penalties, or fees imposed by any governmental body, including by Tacoma City ordinance, and including by a court of law, CITY will deduct and withhold or pay over to the appropriate governmental body those unpaid amounts upon demand by the governmental body. Any such payments shall be deducted from the CONTRACTOR's total compensation.

24. Licenses and Permits

The CONTRACTOR, at its expense, shall obtain and keep in force any and all necessary licenses and permits. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a business license as required by Tacoma Municipal Code Subtitle 6B.20 and shall pay business and occupation taxes as required by Tacoma Municipal Code Subtitle 6A.30. If applicable, CONTRACTOR must have a Washington state business license.

25. Indemnification

CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the CITY, its officials, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, from any and all claims, demands, damages, lawsuits, liabilities, losses, liens, expenses and costs arising out of the subject matter of this Contract; provided that this provision shall not apply to the extent that damage or injury results from the sole negligence of the CITY or its officers, agents, or employees. This indemnification shall extend to and include attorneys' fees and the cost of establishing the right of indemnification hereunder in favor of the CITY. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Contract.

It is expressly agreed that with respect to design professional services performed by CONTRACTOR herein, CONTRACTOR's duty of indemnification, including the duty and cost to defend, against liability for damages arising out of such services or out of bodily injury to persons or damage to property shall, as provided in RCW 4.24.115 apply only to the extent of CONTRACTOR's negligence.

26. Title 51 Waiver

CONTRACTOR specifically assumes potential liability for actions brought by the CONTRACTOR'S own employees against the CITY and, solely for the purpose of this indemnification and defense, the CONTRACTOR specifically waives any immunity under the state industrial insurance law, Title 51 RCW. THE CONTRACTOR RECOGNIZES THAT THIS WAIVER WAS THE SUBJECT OF MUTUAL NEGOTIATION.

27. Insurance
During the course and performance of the services herein specified, CONTRACTOR will maintain the insurance coverage in the amounts and in the manner specified in the City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements as is applicable to the services and deliverables provided under this Contract. The City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements documents are fully incorporated herein by reference.

Failure by CITY to identify a deficiency in the insurance documentation provided by CONTRACTOR or failure of CITY to demand verification of coverage or compliance by CONTRACTOR with these insurance requirements shall not be construed as a waiver of CONTRACTOR’s obligation to maintain such insurance.

28. Nondiscrimination

The CONTRACTOR agrees to take all steps necessary to comply with all federal, state, and City laws and policies regarding non-discrimination and equal employment opportunities. The CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate in any employment action because of race, religion, creed, color, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, marital status, familial status, veteran or military status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a disabled person. In the event of non-compliance by the CONTRACTOR with any of the non-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the CITY shall be deemed to have cause to terminate this Contract, in whole or in part.

29. Conflict of Interest

No officer, employee, or agent of the CITY, nor any member of the immediate family of any such officer, employee, or agent as defined by City ordinance, shall have any personal financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract, either in fact or in appearance. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all federal, state, and City conflict of interest laws, statutes, and regulations. The CONTRACTOR represents that the CONTRACTOR presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in the program to which this Contract pertains which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the CONTRACTOR’S services and obligations hereunder. The CONTRACTOR further covenants that, in performance of this Contract, no person having any such interest shall be employed. The CONTRACTOR also agrees that its violation of the CITY’S Code of Ethics contained in Chapter 1.46 of the Tacoma Municipal Code shall constitute a breach of this Contract subjecting the Contract to termination.

30. Public Disclosure

This Contract and documents provided to the CITY by CONTRACTOR hereunder are deemed public records subject to disclosure under the Washington State Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW (Public Records Act). Thus, the CITY may be required, upon request, to disclose this Contract and documents related to it unless an exemption under the Public Records Act or other laws applies. In the event CITY receives a request for such disclosure, determines in its legal judgment that no applicable exemption to disclosure applies, and CONTRACTOR has complied with the requirements herein to mark all content considered to be confidential or proprietary, CITY agrees to provide CONTRACTOR ten (10) days written notice of impending release. Should legal action
thereafter be initiated by CONTRACTOR to enjoin or otherwise prevent such release, all expense of any such litigation shall be borne by CONTRACTOR, including any damages, attorneys fees or costs awarded by reason of having opposed disclosure. CITY shall not be liable for any release where notice was provided and CONTRACTOR took no action to oppose the release of information. Notice of any proposed release of information pursuant to Chapter 42.56 RCW, shall be provided to CONTRACTOR according to the “Notices” provision herein.

31. Confidential or Proprietary Records Must be Marked

If CONTRACTOR provides the CITY with records that CONTRACTOR considers confidential or proprietary, CONTRACTOR must mark all applicable pages of said record(s) as “Confidential” or “Proprietary.” If CONTRACTOR fails to so mark record(s), then (1) the CITY, upon request, may release said record(s) without the need to satisfy the notice requirements above; and (2) the CONTRACTOR expressly waives its right to allege any kind of civil action or claim against the CITY pertaining to the release of said record(s).

32. Approval for Release of Information Related to Contract

If requested by CITY, CONTRACTOR shall not release any information or documentation concerning the work under this Contract or any part thereof for marketing, advertising, or other commercial activities or publication including, but not limited to, news releases or professional articles without CITY’s prior written approval. CONTRACTOR may submit at any time for review and approval a generic abstract describing the component parts of the completed Scope of Services (“Project Abstract”). After receiving written approval of the Project Abstract from the CITY, the CONTRACTOR may make minor insignificant changes to the Project Abstract and use all or parts of the Project Abstract in proposals.

This Section shall survive for six (6) years after the termination or expiration of this Contract.

33. Dispute Resolution

In the event of a dispute pertaining to this Contract, the parties agree to attempt to negotiate in good faith an acceptable resolution. If a resolution cannot be negotiated, then the parties agree to submit the dispute to voluntary non-binding mediation before pursuing other remedies. This provision does not limit the CITY’S right to terminate authorized by this Contract.

34. Miscellaneous Provisions

Governing Law and Venue

Washington law shall govern the interpretation of this Contract. Pierce County shall be the venue of any mediation, arbitration, or litigation arising out of this Contract.

Assignment
The CONTRACTOR shall not assign, subcontract, delegate, or transfer any obligation, interest or claim to or under this Contract or for any of the compensation due hereunder without the prior written consent of the CITY.

**No Third Party Beneficiaries**
This Contract shall be for the sole benefit of the parties hereto, and nothing contained herein shall create a contractual relationship with, or create a cause of action in favor of, a third party against either party hereto.

**Waiver**
A waiver or failure by either party to enforce any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a continuing waiver of such provisions, nor shall the same constitute a waiver of any other provision of this Contract.

**Severability and Survival**
If any term, condition or provision of this Contract is declared void or unenforceable or limited in its application or effect, such event shall not affect any other provisions hereof and all other provisions shall remain fully enforceable. The provisions of this Contract, which by their sense and context are reasonably intended to survive the completion, expiration or cancellation of this Contract, shall survive termination of this Contract.

**Entire Agreement**
This Contract and the attached Exhibits and Appendices, as modified herein, contain the entire agreement between the parties as to the services to be rendered hereunder. All previous and contemporaneous agreements, representations or promises and conditions relating to the subject matter of this Contract are superseded hereby. The Parties hereto mutually acknowledge, understand and agree that the terms and conditions set forth herein shall control and prevail over any conflicting terms and conditions stated in any attachments hereto.

**Modification**
No modification or amendment of this Contract shall be effective unless set forth in a written and executed Amendment to this Contract.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have accepted and executed this Contract, as of the Effective Date stated above, which shall be Effective Date for bonding purposes as applicable. The undersigned Contractor representative, by signature below, represents and warrants they are duly authorized to execute this legally binding Contract for and on behalf of Contractor.

CITY OF TACOMA:                  CONTRACTOR:
Signature:                       Signature:

Name:                           Name:
Title:                          Title:

(City of Tacoma use only - blank lines are intentional)

Director of Finance: ________________________________

Deputy/City Attorney (approved as to form): ________________________________

Approved By: ________________________________

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APPENDIX A
FEDERAL FUNDING

1. COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACT

For Contracts subject to Davis Bacon Act the following clauses will be incorporated into the Contract:

A. CONTRACTOR shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this Contract.

B. CONTRACTOR or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses federal agencies may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these Contract clauses.

C. Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

2. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

During the performance of this Contract, CONTRACTOR will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. If the CONTRACTOR does over $10,000 in business a year that is funded, paid or reimbursed with federal funds, CONTRACTOR will take specific and affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

A. Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. CONTRACTOR agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

B. CONTRACTOR will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

C. CONTRACTOR will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation
information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee’s essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the Contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

D. CONTRACTOR will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

E. CONTRACTOR will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

G. In the event of CONTRACTOR's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this Contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for further federally funded contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

H. CONTRACTOR will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (A) and the provisions of paragraphs (A) through (G) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. CONTRACTOR will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event CONTRACTOR becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the CONTRACTOR may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

3. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

A. Overtime requirements. Neither CONTRACTOR or subcontractor contracting for any part of the Contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
B. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (3)(A) of this section the CONTRACTOR and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such CONTRACTOR and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (3)(A) of this section, in the sum of $27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (3)(A) of this section.

C. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The CITY shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the CONTRACTOR or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such CONTRACTOR or sub-contractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (3)(B) of this section.

D. Subcontracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (3)(A) through (D) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (3)(A) through (D) of this section.

4. CLEAN AIR ACT

A. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.

B. CONTRACTOR agrees to report each violation to the CITY and understands and agrees that the CITY will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

CONTRACTOR agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $150,000 financed in whole or in part with federal funds.

5. FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

A. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as
amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

B. CONTRACTOR agrees to report each violation to the CITY and understands and agrees that the CITY will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the appropriate federal agency.

C. CONTRACTOR agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $150,000 financed in whole or in part with federal funding.

6. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

A. This Contract is a Covered Transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the CONTRACTOR is required to verify that none of the contractor’s principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

B. CONTRACTOR must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier Covered Transaction it enters into.

C. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the CITY. If it is later determined that the CONTRACTOR did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to CITY, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

D. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C throughout the period of this Contract and to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

7. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT

A. Contractors who apply or bid for an award of $100,000 or more shall file the required certification with CITY. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the CITY.

B. If applicable, CONTRACTOR must sign and submit to the CITY the certification required by Appendix A to 44 CFR Part 18 contained at Appendix A-1 to this Contract.
8. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

A. In the performance of this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:

1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;

2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or

3. At a reasonable price.

B. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at EPA’s Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.

C. CONTRACTOR also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.
APPENDIX A-1

APPENDIX A to 44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING
Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, “Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying,” in accordance with its instructions.

3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, __________, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap.38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

________________________
Signature of Contractor’s Authorized Official

________________________
Name and Title of Contractor’s Authorized Official

________________________
Date
**APPENDIX B—Sub-recipient information and requirements**

Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.332(a)(1) Federal Award Identification

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PAYMENT BOND
TO THE CITY OF TACOMA

Resolution No. 
Bond No. 

That we, the undersigned, as principal, and as a surety, are jointly and severally held and firmly bound to the CITY OF TACOMA, in the penal sum of, $ , for the payment whereof Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

This obligation is entered into in pursuance of the statutes of the State of Washington, the Ordinances of the City of Tacoma.

WHEREAS, under and pursuant to the City Charter and general ordinances of the City of Tacoma, the said City has or is about to enter with the above bounden principal, a contract, providing for

Specification No. 
Specification Title: 
Contract No. 

(which contract is referenced to herein and is made a part hereof as though attached hereto), and

WHEREAS, the said principal has accepted, the said contract, and undertake to perform the work therein provided for in the manner and within the time set forth.

This statutory payment bond shall become null and void, if and when the Principal, its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns shall pay all persons in accordance with RCW 39.08, 39.12, and 60.28, including all workers, laborers, mechanics, subcontractors, and materialmen, and all person who shall supply such contractor or subcontractor with provisions and supplies for the carrying on of such work, and all taxes incurred on said Contract under Titles 50 and 51 RCW and all taxes imposed on the Principal under Title 82 RCW; and if such payment obligations have not been fulfilled, this bond shall remain in full force and effect.

The Surety for value received agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract shall in any way affect its obligation on this bond, and waivers notice of any changes, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the Contract or the work performed. The Surety agrees that modifications and changes to the terms and conditions of the Contract that increase the total amount to be paid the Principal shall automatically increase the obligation of the Surety on this bond and notice to Surety is not required for such increased obligation.

No suit or action shall be commenced hereunder by any claimant unless claimant shall have given the written notices to the City, and where required, the Contractor, in accordance with RCW 39.08.030.

The amount of this bond shall be reduced by and to the extent of any payment or payments made in good faith hereunder, inclusive of the payment by Surety of claims which may be properly filed in accordance with RCW 39.08 whether or not suit is commenced under and against this bond.

If any claimant shall commence suit and obtain judgment against the Surety for recovery hereunder, then the Surety, in addition to such judgment and attorney fees as provided by RCW 39.08.030, shall also pay such costs and attorney fees as may be incurred by the City as a result of such suit. Venue for any action arising out of or in connection with this bond shall be in Pierce County, WA.

Surety companies executing bonds must be authorized to transact business in the State of Washington as surety and named in the current list of "Surety Companies Acceptable in Federal Bonds" as published in the Federal Register by the Audit Staff Bureau of Accounts, U.S. Department of the Treasury.
One original bond shall be executed, and be signed by the parties' duly authorized officers. This bond will only be accepted if it is accompanied by a fully executed power of attorney for the office executing on behalf of the surety.

Principal: Enter Vendor Legal Name

__________________________________________________________
By: ______________________________________________________

Surety:

__________________________________________________________
By: ______________________________________________________
By: ______________________________________________________

Agent's Name: ____________________________________________

Agent's Address: __________________________________________
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This statutory performance bond shall become null and void, if and when the principal, its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, or assigns shall well and faithfully perform all of the Principal’s obligations under the Contract and fulfill all terms and conditions of all duly authorized modifications, additions and changes to said Contract that may hereafter be made, at the time and in the manner therein specified; and if such performance obligations have not been fulfilled, this bond shall remain in force and effect.

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By: ________________________________

Surety:

By: ________________________________

Agent’s Name: ________________________________

Agent’s Address: ________________________________
General Release to the City of Tacoma

The undersigned, named as the Contractor in a certain agreement between contractor name and the City of Tacoma, dated __________, 20__, hereby releases the City of Tacoma, its departmental officers, employees, and agents, from any and all claim or claims known or unknown, in any manner whatsoever, arising out of, or in connection with, or relating to said contract, excepting only the equity of the undersigned in the amount now retained by the City of Tacoma under said contract, to-wit: the sum of $_______________.

Signed on this ______ day of ________________, 20__.  

Contractor Name

Contractor Authorized Signature

Title

Type or Print Signature Name
APPENDIX C

City of Tacoma Insurance Requirement
City of Tacoma General Provisions
Intents and Affidavits for On-Call Contracts
LEAP Documents
EIC Documents
The Contractor (Contractor) shall maintain at least the minimum insurance set forth below. By requiring such minimum insurance, the City of Tacoma shall not be deemed or construed to have assessed the risk that may be applicable to Contractor under this Contract. Contractor shall assess its own risks and, if it deems appropriate and/or prudent, maintain greater limits and/or broader coverage.

1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The following General Requirements apply to Contractor and to Subcontractor(s) of every tier performing services and/or activities pursuant to the terms of this Contract. Contractor acknowledges and agrees to the following insurance requirements applicable to Contractor and Contractor’s Subcontractor(s):

1.1. City of Tacoma reserves the right to approve or reject the insurance provided based upon the insurer, terms and coverage, the Certificate of Insurance, and/or endorsements.

1.2. Contractor shall not begin work under the Contract until the required insurance has been obtained and approved by City of Tacoma.

1.3. Contractor shall keep this insurance in force during the entire term of the Contract and for Thirty (30) calendar days after completion of all work required by the Contract, unless otherwise provided herein.

1.4. Insurance policies required under this Contract that name “City of Tacoma” as Additional Insured shall:

1.4.1. Be considered primary and non-contributory for all claims.

1.4.2. Contain a “Separation of Insured provision and a “Waiver of Subrogation” clause in favor of City of Tacoma.

1.5. Section 1.4 above does not apply to contracts for purchasing supplies only.

1.6. Verification of coverage shall include:

1.6.1. An ACORD certificate or equivalent.

1.6.2. Copies of all endorsements naming the City of Tacoma as additional insured and showing the policy number.

1.6.3. A notation of coverage enhancements on the Certificate of Insurance shall not satisfy these requirements – actual endorsements must be submitted.

1.7. Liability insurance policies, with the exception of Professional Liability and Workers’ Compensation, shall name the City of Tacoma and its officers, elected officials, employees, agents, and authorized volunteers as additional insured.

1.7.1. No specific person or department should be identified as the additional insured.

1.7.2. All references on certificates of insurance and endorsements shall be listed as “City of Tacoma”.

1.7.3. The City of Tacoma shall be additional insured for both ongoing and completed operations using Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CG 20 10 04 13 and CG 20
1.8. Contractor shall provide a Certificate of Insurance for each policy of insurance meeting the requirements set forth herein when Contractor provides the signed Contract for the work to City of Tacoma. Contractor shall provide copies of any applicable Additional Insured, Waiver of Subrogation, and Primary and Non-contributory endorsements. Contract or Permit number and the City Department must be shown on the Certificate of Insurance.

1.9. Insurance limits shown below may be written with an excess policy that follows the form of an underlying primary liability policy or an excess policy providing the required limit.

1.10. Liability insurance policies shall be written on an “occurrence” form, except for Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions, Pollution Liability, and Cyber/Privacy and Security.

1.11. If coverage is approved and purchased on a “Claims-Made” basis, Contractor warrants continuation of coverage, either through policy renewals or by the purchase of an extended reporting period endorsement as set forth below.

1.12. The insurance must be written by companies licensed or authorized in the State of Washington pursuant to RCW 48 with an (A-) VII or higher in the A.M. Best’s Key Rating Guide www.ambest.com.

1.13. Contractor shall provide City of Tacoma notice of any cancellation or non-renewal of this required insurance within Thirty (30) calendar days.

1.14. Contractor shall not allow any insurance to be cancelled or lapse during any term of this Contract, otherwise it shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which City of Tacoma may, after giving Five (5) business day notice to Contractor to correct the breach, immediately terminate the Contract or, at its discretion, procure or renew such insurance and pay any and all premiums in connection therewith; with any sums so expended to be repaid to City of Tacoma by Contractor upon demand, or at the sole discretion of City of Tacoma, offset against funds due Contractor from City of Tacoma.

1.15. Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of all premiums, deductibles and self-insured retentions, and shall indemnify and hold the City of Tacoma harmless to the extent such a deductible or self-insured retained limit may apply to the City of Tacoma as an additional insured. Any deductible or self-insured retained limits in excess of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000) must be disclosed and approved by City of Tacoma Risk Manager and shown on the Certificate of Insurance.

1.16. City of Tacoma reserves the right to review insurance requirements during any term of the Contract and to require that Contractor make reasonable adjustments when the scope of services has changed.
1.17. All costs for insurance shall be incidental to and included in the unit or lump sum prices of the Contract and no additional payment will be made by City of Tacoma to Contractor.

1.18. Insurance coverages specified in this Contract are not intended and will not be interpreted to limit the responsibility or liability of Contractor or Subcontractor(s).

1.19. Failure by City of Tacoma to identify a deficiency in the insurance documentation provided by Contractor or failure of City of Tacoma to demand verification of coverage or compliance by Contractor with these insurance requirements shall not be construed as a waiver of Contractor’s obligation to maintain such insurance.

1.20. If Contractor is a State of Washington or local government and is self-insured for any of the above insurance requirements, a certification of self-insurance shall be attached hereto and be incorporated by reference and shall constitute compliance with this Section.

2. CONTRACTOR

As used herein, "Contractor" shall be the Supplier(s) entering a Contract with City of Tacoma, whether designated as a Supplier, Contractor, Vendor, Proposer, Bidder, Respondent, Seller, Merchant, Service Provider, or otherwise.

3. SUBCONTRACTORS

It is Contractor's responsibility to ensure that each subcontractor obtain and maintain adequate liability insurance coverage. Contractor shall provide evidence of such insurance upon City of Tacoma's request.

4. REQUIRED INSURANCE AND LIMITS

The insurance policies shall provide the minimum coverages and limits set forth below. Providing coverage in these stated minimum limits shall not be construed to relieve Contractor from liability in excess of such limits.

4.1 Commercial General Liability Insurance

Contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability Insurance policy with limits not less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) each occurrence and Two Million Dollars ($2,000,000) annual aggregate. The Commercial General Liability Insurance policy shall be written on an Insurance Services Office form CG 00 01 04 13 or its equivalent. Products and Completed Operations shall be maintained for a period of three years following Substantial Completion of the Work related to performing construction services.

This policy shall include product liability especially when a Contract solely is for purchasing supplies. The Commercial General Liability policy shall be endorsed to include:

4.2 A per project aggregate policy limit, using ISO form CG 25 03 05 09 or an equivalent endorsement.

4.3 Commercial (Business) Automobile Liability Insurance

Contractor shall maintain Commercial Automobile Liability policy with limits not less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) each accident for bodily injury and property damage and bodily injury and property damage coverage for owned (if any), non-owned, hired, or leased vehicles.
Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance shall be written using ISO form CA 00 01 or equivalent. Contractor must also maintain an MCS 90 endorsement or equivalent and a CA 99 48 endorsement or equivalent if “Pollutants” are to be transported.

4.4 Workers’ Compensation
Contractor shall comply with Workers’ Compensation coverage as required by the Industrial Insurance laws of the State of Washington, as well as any other similar coverage required for this work by applicable federal laws of other states. The Contractor must comply with their domicile State Industrial Insurance laws if it is outside the State of Washington.

4.5 Employers’ Liability Insurance
Contractor shall maintain Employers’ Liability coverage with limits not less than One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) each employee, One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) each accident, and One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) policy limit.

4.6 Installation Floater Insurance
Contractor shall maintain during the term of the Contract, at its own expense, Installation Floater Insurance covering Contractor's labor, materials, and equipment to be used for completion of the work performed under this Contract against all risks of direct physical loss, excluding earthquake and flood, for an amount equal to the full amount of the Contract improvements.

4.7 Other Insurance
Other insurance may be deemed appropriate to cover risks and exposures related to the scope of work or changes to the scope of work required by City of Tacoma. The costs of such necessary and appropriate Insurance coverage shall be borne by Contractor.
GENERAL PROVISIONS

(Revised December 15, 2020)

SECTION I - BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

SECTION I REQUIREMENTS ARE BINDING ON ALL RESPONDENTS.

1.01 USE AND COMPLETION OF CITY PROPOSAL SHEETS

A. Respondent’s Proposal

Each Respondent must bid exactly as specified on the Proposal sheets. All proposals must remain open for acceptance by the City for a period of at least 60 calendar days from the date of opening of the bids.

B. Alterations of Proposals Not Allowed

Proposals that are incomplete or conditioned in any way contain alternatives or items not called for in the General Provisions and Specifications, or not in conformity with law may be rejected as being nonresponsive. The City cannot legally accept any proposal containing a substantial deviation from these Specifications.

C. Filling Out City Proposal Sheets

All proposals must be completed using the proposal sheets and forms included with this specification, and the prices must be stated in figures either written in ink or typewritten. No proposal having erasures or interlineations will be accepted unless initialed by the Respondent in ink.

1.02 CLARIFICATION OF PROPOSAL FOR RESPONDENT

If a prospective Respondent has any questions concerning any part of the Proposal, he/she may submit a written request for answer of his/her questions. Any interpretation of the Proposal will be made by an Addendum duly issued and mailed or delivered to each prospective Respondent. Such addendum must be acknowledged in the proposal. The City of Tacoma will not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretation of the bid documents.

1.03 RESPONDENT’S BOND OR CERTIFIED CHECK

Each bid for construction must be accompanied either by a certified or cashier’s check for 5 percent of the total amount bid, including tax, payable to the City Treasurer, or an approved bid bond, by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Washington, for 5 percent of the total amount bid. The person legally authorized to sign the bid must sign all bid bonds. The approved bid bond form attached to these Specifications should be used: no substantial variations from the language thereof will be accepted.

If a bid bond is used, the 5 percent may be shown either in dollars and cents, or the bid bond may be filled in as follows, "5 percent of the total amount of the accompanying proposal."

The check of the successful Respondent will be returned after award of the Contract, acceptance of the Payment and Performance Bond and City’s receipt of the signed Contract. The checks of all other Respondents will be returned immediately upon the award of the Contract. Bid bonds will not be returned.

1.04 DELIVERY OF PROPOSALS TO THE CITY’S PURCHASING OFFICE

A. Proposal packages must be received by the City’s Procurement and Payables Division in SAP Ariba (unless another form of delivery is stated), prior to the scheduled time and date stated in the Solicitation.

B. Supplier is solely responsible for timely delivery of its Submittal.

C. Submittals received after the time stated in the solicitation will not be accepted.

D. For purposes of determining whether a Submittal has been timely received in SAP Ariba, the City’s Procurement and Payables Division will rely on the submittal clock in SAP Ariba.
1.05 LICENSES/PERMITS

A. Suppliers, if applicable, must have a Washington state business license at the time of Submittal and throughout the term of the Contract. Failure to include a Washington state business license may be grounds for rejection of the Submittal or cancellation of contract award. Information regarding Washington state business licenses may be obtained at http://bls.dor.wa.gov.

B. Upon award, it is the responsibility of the Supplier to register with the City of Tacoma's Tax and License Division, 733 South Market Street, Room 21, Tacoma, WA 98402-3768, 253-591-5252, https://www.cityoftacoma.org/government/city_departments/finance/tax_and_license/. Supplier shall obtain a business license as is required by Tacoma Municipal Code Subtitle 6C.20.

C. During the term of the Contract, Supplier, at its expense, shall obtain and keep in force any and all necessary licenses and permits.

1.06 CONTRACTOR'S STATE REGISTRATION NUMBER

Contractors for construction or public works construction are required to be licensed by the state. If the provisions of Chapter 18.27 of the Revised Code of Washington apply to the Respondent, then the Respondent's Washington State Contractor's Registration No. must accompany the bid.

1.07 BID IS NONCOLLUSIVE

The Respondent represents by the submission of the Proposal that the prices in this Bid are neither directly nor indirectly the result of any formal or informal agreement with another Respondent.

1.08 EVALUATION OF BID

A. Price, Experience, Delivery Time and Responsibility

In the evaluation of bids, the Respondent's experience, delivery time, quality of performance or product, conformance to the specifications and responsibility in performing other contracts (including satisfying all safety requirements) may be considered in addition to price. In addition, the bid evaluation factors set forth in City Code Section 1.06.262 may be considered by the City. Respondents who are inexperienced or who fail to properly perform other contracts may have their bids rejected for such cause.

B. Prequalified Electrical Contractor

Certain types of electrical construction require special expertise, experience, and prequalification of the Contractor (or subcontractor) by the City. In such cases, the Respondent must be prequalified or the Respondent must subcontract with a City prequalified electrical contractor for the specialty work.

C. Insertions of Material Conflicting with Specifications

Only material inserted by the Respondent to meet requirements of the Specifications will be considered. Any other material inserted by the Respondent will be disregarded as being nonresponsive and may be grounds for rejection of the Respondent's Proposal.

D. Correction of Ambiguities and Obvious Errors

The City reserves the right to correct obvious errors in the Respondent's proposal. In this regard, if the unit price does not compute to the extended total price, the unit price shall govern.

1.09 WITHDRAWAL OF BID

A. Prior to Bid Opening

Any Respondent may withdraw his/her Proposal prior to the scheduled bid opening time by delivering a written notice to the City’s Procurement and Payables Office. The notice may be submitted in person or by mail; however, it must be received by the City’s Procurement and Payables Office prior to the time of bid opening.

B. After Bid Opening

No Respondent will be permitted to withdraw his/her Proposal after the time of bid opening, as set forth in the Call for Bids, and before the actual award of the Contract, unless the award of Contract is delayed more than sixty (60) calendar days after the date set for bid opening. If a delay of more than 60 calendar days does occur, then the Respondent must submit written notice withdrawing his/her Proposal to the Purchasing Manager.
1.10 OPENING OF BIDS
At the time and place set for the opening of bids, all Proposals, unless previously withdrawn, will be publicly
opened and read aloud, irrespective of any irregularities or informalities in such Proposal.

1.11 CITY COUNCIL/PUBLIC UTILITY BOARD FINAL DETERMINATION
The City Council or Public Utility Board of the City of Tacoma shall be the final judge as to which is the
lowest and best bid in the interest of the City of Tacoma. The City reserves the right to reject any and all
bids, waive minor deviations or informalities, and if necessary, call for new bids.

1.12 RESPONDENT’S REFUSAL TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT
Any Respondent who refuses to enter into a Contract after it has been awarded to the Respondent will be in
breach of the agreement to enter the Contract and the Respondent's certified or cashier’s check or bid bond
shall be forfeited.

1.13 TAXES
A. Include In Proposal All Taxes
Respondent shall include in his/her Proposal all applicable local, city, state, and federal taxes. It is the
Respondent's obligation to state on his/her Proposal sheet the correct percentage and total applicable
Washington State and local sales tax. The total cost to the City including all applicable taxes may be the
basis for determining the low Respondent.
B. Federal Excise Tax
The City of Tacoma is exempt from federal excise tax. Where applicable, the City shall furnish a Federal
Excise Tax Exemption certificate.
C. City of Tacoma Business and Occupation Tax
Sub-Title 6A of the City of Tacoma Municipal Code (TMC) provides that transactions with the City of
Tacoma, may be subject to the City of Tacoma's Business and Occupation Tax. It is the responsibility of the
Respondent awarded the Contract to register with the City of Tacoma's Department of Tax and License, 733
South Market Street, Room 21, Tacoma, WA 98402-3768, telephone 253-591-5252. The City's Business
and Occupation Tax amount shall not be shown separately but shall be included in the unit and/or lump sum
prices bid.

1.14 FIRM PRICES/ESCALATION
Except as specifically allowed by the Special Provisions, only firm prices will be accepted.

1.15 AWARD
A. Construction and/or Labor Contracts
Unless specifically noted in the Special Provisions or Proposal sheets, all construction and/or labor contracts
will be awarded to only one Respondent.
B. Supply/Equipment Contracts
The City reserves the right to award an equipment or supply contract for any or all items to one or more
Respondents as the interests of the City will be best satisfied.

1.16 INCREASE OR DECREASE IN QUANTITIES
The City of Tacoma reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantities of any items under this
Contract and pay according to the unit prices quoted in the Proposal (with no adjustments for anticipated
profit).

1.17 EXTENSION OF CONTRACT
Contracts resulting from this specification shall be subject to extension by mutual agreement per the same
prices, terms and conditions.
1.18 PAYMENT TERMS

A. Prices will be considered as net 30 calendar days if no cash discount is shown. Payment discount periods of twenty (20) calendar days or more if offered in the submittal, will be considered in determining the apparent lowest responsible submittal. Discounts will be analyzed in context of their overall cumulative effect. Invoices will not be processed for payment nor will the period of cash discount commence until receipt of a properly completed invoice and until all invoiced items are received and satisfactory performance of the Contractor has been attained. If an adjustment in payment is necessary due to damage or dispute, the cash discount period shall commence on the date final approval for payment is authorized.

B. ePayable/Credit Card Acceptance. Submittals offering ePayable/Credit card acceptance may be compared against submittals offering a prompt payment discount to evaluate the overall cumulative effect of the discount against the advantage to the City of the ePayable/Credit card acceptance, and may be considered in determining the apparent lowest responsible submittal.

1.19 PAYMENT METHOD – EPAYABLES – CREDIT CARD ACCEPTANCE – EFT/ACH ACCEPTANCE

A. Payment methods include:

• EPayables (Payment Plus). This is payment made via a virtual, single use VISA card number provided by the City’s commercial card provider. Suppliers accepting this option will receive “due immediately” payment terms. Two options for acceptance are available to suppliers. Both are accompanied by an emailed advice containing complete payment details:
  - Straight-through processing (buyer initiated). Immediate, exact payments directly deposited to supplier accounts by the City’s provider bank; the supplier does not need to know card account details.
  - Supplier retrieves card account through the secure, on-line portal provided via email notifications sent by the City’s commercial card provider.

• Credit card. Tacoma’s VISA procurement card program is supported by standard bank credit suppliers and requires that merchants abide by the VISA merchant operating rules. It provides “due immediately” payment terms.
  - Suppliers must be PCI-DSS compliant (secure credit card data management) and federal FACTA (sensitive card data display) compliant.
  - Suppliers must be set up by their card processing equipment provider (merchant acquirer) as a minimum of a Level II merchant with the ability to pass along tax, shipping and merchant references information.

• Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) by Automated Clearing House (ACH). Standard terms are net 30 for this payment method.

• Check or other cash equivalent. Standard terms are net 30 for this payment method.

B. The City’s preferred method of payment is by ePayables (Payment Plus) followed by credit card (aka procurement card). Suppliers may be required to have the capability of accepting the City’s ePayables or credit card methods of payment. The City of Tacoma will not accept price changes or pay additional fees when ePayables (Payment Plus) or credit card is used.

C. The City, in its sole discretion, will determine the method of payment for goods and/or services as part of the Contract.

1.20 COOPERATIVE PURCHASING

The Washington State Interlocal Cooperative Act RCW 39.34 provides that other governmental agencies may purchase goods and services on this solicitation or contract in accordance with the terms and prices indicated therein if all parties are agreeable.

1.21 PUBLIC DISCLOSURE: PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

A. Respondent’s Submittals, all documents and records comprising any Contract awarded to Respondent, and all other documents and records provided to the City by Respondent are deemed public records subject to disclosure under the Washington State Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW (Public Records Act). Thus, City may be required, upon request, to disclose the Contract and documents or records related to it unless an exemption under the Public Records Act or other laws applies. In the event CITY receives a request for such disclosure, determines in its legal judgment that no applicable exemption to disclosure applies; and Respondent has complied with the requirements to Respondent has complied with the requirements to mark records considered confidential or proprietary.
as such requirements are stated below, City agrees to provide Respondent 10 days written notice of impending release. Should legal action thereafter be initiated by Respondent to enjoin or otherwise prevent such release, all expense of any such litigation shall be borne by Respondent, including any damages, attorneys’ fees or costs awarded by reason of having opposed disclosure. City shall not be liable for any release where notice was provided and Respondent took no action to oppose the release of information.

B. If Respondent provides City with records or information that Respondent considers confidential or proprietary, Respondent must mark all applicable pages or sections of said record(s) as “Confidential” or “Proprietary.” Further, in the case of records or information submitted in response to a Request for Proposals, an index must be provided indicating the affected pages or sections and locations of all such material identified Confidential or Proprietary. Information not included in the required index will not be reviewed for confidentiality or as proprietary before release. If Supplier fails to so mark or index Submittals and related records, then the City, upon request, may release said record(s) without the need to satisfy the requirements of subsection A above; and Respondent expressly waives its right to allege any kind of civil action or claim against the City pertaining to the release of said record(s). Submission of materials in response to City’s Solicitation shall constitute assent by Respondent to the foregoing procedure and Respondent shall have no claim against the City on account of actions taken pursuant to such procedure.

1.22 FEDERAL AID PROJECTS

The City of Tacoma in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, part 21, nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR, part 26, will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

SECTION II - CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

2.01 CONTRACTOR’S RESPONSIBILITY

A. Contract Documents

The Respondent to whom the Contract is awarded, hereinafter called the Contractor, shall enter into a Contract with the City of Tacoma, within 10 days after receipt from the City of Tacoma of a properly prepared Contract. In addition, the Contractor will do all things required to promptly perform this Contract pursuant to the terms of this Contract. Certain contracts for supplies, goods or equipment may use the City Purchase Order in place of a formal contract document.

B. Surety Bonds

Except as modified by the Special Provisions, the Respondent to whom the Contract is awarded shall provide a payment and performance bond, including power of attorney, for 100 percent of the amount of his/her bid (including sales taxes), to insure complete performance of the Contract including the guarantee. The bonds must be executed by a surety company licensed to do business in the State of Washington. For a supply-type contract, a cashier’s check or cash may be substituted for the bonds; however, this cash or cashier’s check must remain with the City through the guarantee period and any interest on said amount shall accrue to the City.

C. Independent Contractor

Contractor is an independent contractor; no personnel furnished by the Contractor shall be deemed under any circumstances to be the agent or servant of the City. Contractor shall be fully responsible for all acts or omissions of Subcontractors and its and their suppliers and of persons employed by them, and shall be specifically responsible for sufficient and competent supervision and inspection to assure compliance in every respect with the Contract. There shall be no contractual relationship between any Subcontractors or supplier and the City arising out of or by virtue of this agreement. No provision of the Contract is intended or is to be construed to be for the benefit of any third party.
2.02 CONFLICTS IN SPECIFICATIONS

Anything mentioned in the Specifications and not shown on the Drawings and anything on the Drawings and not mentioned in the Specifications shall be of like effect and shall be understood to be shown and/or mentioned in both. In case of differences between Drawings and Specifications, the Specifications shall govern. In addition, in the event of any conflict between these General Provisions, the Special Provisions, the Technical Provisions and/or the Proposal pages, the following order of precedence shall control:

1. Proposal pages prevail if they conflict with the General, Special or Technical Provisions.
3. Technical Provisions prevail if they are in conflict with the General Provisions.

In case of discrepancy of figures between Drawings, Specifications or both, the matter shall immediately be submitted to the Engineer for determination. Failure to submit the discrepancy issue to the Engineer shall result in the Contractor's actions being at his/her own risk and expense. The Engineer shall furnish from time to time such detailed drawings and other information as he/she may consider necessary.

2.03 INSPECTION

A. Of the Work

All materials furnished and work done shall be subject to inspection.

The Inspector administering the Contract shall at all times have access to the work wherever it is in progress or being performed, and the Contractor shall provide proper facilities for such access and inspection. Such inspection shall not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility of performing the work correctly, utilizing the best labor and materials in strict accordance with the Specifications of this Contract. All material or work approved and later found to be defective shall be replaced without cost to the City of Tacoma.

B. Inspector's Authority

The inspector shall have power to reject materials or workmanship which do not fulfill the requirements of these Specifications, but in case of dispute the Contractor may appeal to the Director or Superintendent, whose decision shall be final. The word “Director” means the Director of the City of Tacoma General Government department that is administering the contract. The word “Superintendent” means the Superintendent of the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities Division that is administering the contract.

The Contract shall be carried out under the general control of the representative of the particular City Department or Division administering the Contract, who may exercise such control over the conduct of the work as may be necessary, in his or her opinion, to safeguard the interest of the City of Tacoma. The Contractor shall comply with all orders and instructions given by the representative of the particular Department or Division administering the Contract in accordance with the terms of the Contract.

Provided, that for the purposes of construction contracts, such control shall only apply (a) to the extent necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of this contract, and (b) to the extent necessary to fulfill any nondelegable duty of the City for the benefit of third parties not engaged in promoting the activity of this contract.

Nothing herein contained, however, shall be taken to relieve the Contractor of his/her obligations or responsibilities under the Contract.

2.04 FEDERAL, STATE AND MUNICIPAL REGULATIONS

All federal, state, municipal and/or local regulations shall be satisfied in the performance of all portions of this Contract. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for all violations of the law from any cause in connection with work performed under this Contract.
2.05 INDEMNIFICATION

A. Indemnification

Contractor acknowledges that pursuant to the terms of this agreement, Contractor is solely and totally responsible for the safety of all persons and property in the performance of this Contract. To the greatest extent allowed by law, Contractor assumes the risk of all damages, loss, cost, penalties and expense and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Tacoma, from and against any and all liability which may accrue to or be sustained by the City of Tacoma on account of any claim, suit or legal action made or brought against the City of Tacoma for the death of or injury to persons (including Contractor's or subcontractor's employees) or damage to property involving Contractor, or subcontractor(s) and their employees or agents, arising out of and in connection with or incident to the performance of the Contract including if the City is found to have a nondelegable duty to see that work is performed with requisite care, except for injuries or damages caused by the sole negligence of the City. In this regard, Contractor recognizes that Contractor is waiving immunity under industrial Insurance Law, Title 51 RCW. This indemnification extends to the officials, officers and employees of the City and also includes attorney's fees and the cost of establishing the right to indemnification hereunder in favor of the City of Tacoma. In addition, within the context of competitive bidding laws, it is agreed that this indemnification has been mutually negotiated. Provided however, this provision is intended to be applicable to the parties to this agreement and it shall not be interpreted to allow a Contractor's employee to have a claim or cause of action against Contractor.

B. Limitation of Liability for Primarily Supply-Type Contracts

In all contracts where the total cost of the supply of materials and/or equipment constitute at least 70 percent of the total contract price (as determined by the City), the City agrees that it will not hold the contractor, supplier or manufacturer liable for consequential damages for that part of the contract related to the manufacture and/or design of the equipment, materials or supplies.

2.06 CONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE

A. During the course and performance of a Contract, Contractor will provide proof and maintain the insurance coverage in the amounts and in the manner specified in the City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements as is applicable to the services, products, and deliverables provided under the Contract. The City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements document, if issued, is fully incorporated into the Contract by reference.

B. Failure by City to identify a deficiency in the insurance documentation provided by Contractor or failure of City to demand verification of coverage or compliance by Contractor with these insurance requirements shall not be construed as a waiver of Contractor's obligation to maintain such insurance.

2.07 ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING OF CONTRACT

C. Assignment

The Contract shall not be assigned except with the consent of the Superintendent or his/her designee.

Requests for assignment of this contract must be in writing with the written consent of the surety, and the request must show the proposed person or organization to which the contract is assigned is capable, experienced and equipped to perform such work. The proposed substitute person or organization may be required to submit to the City information as to his/her experience, financial ability and give statements covering tools, equipment, organization, plans and methods to fulfill any portion of the Contract prior to approval of assignment.

D. Subletting

The Contract shall not be sublet except with the written consent of the Superintendent or his/her designee. In the event that a prequalified electrical contractor is necessary to perform certain portions of the work, such work may be subcontracted with a City prequalified electrical contractor for the type of work involved.

Requests for subletting of this Contract must be in writing with the written consent of the Surety, and the request must show the proposed person or organization to which the Contract is sublet is capable, experienced and equipped to perform such work. The proposed substitute person or organization may be required to submit to the City information as to his experience, financial ability and give statements covering tools, equipment, organization, plans and methods to fulfill any portion of the Contract prior to approval of subletting.
The written consent approving the subletting of the Contract shall not be construed to relieve the Contractor of his/her responsibility for the fulfillment of the Contract. The Subcontractor shall be considered to be the agent of the Contractor and the Contractor agrees to be responsible for all the materials, work and indebtedness incurred by the agent.

A subcontractor shall not sublet any portion of a subcontract for work with the City without the written consent of the City.

2.08 DELAY

E. Extension of Time

With the written approval of the Superintendent or his/her designee, the Contractor may be granted additional time for completion of the work required under this Contract, if, in the Superintendent's opinion the additional time requested arises from unavoidable delay.

F. Unavoidable Delay

Unavoidable delays in the prosecution of the work shall include only delays from causes beyond the control of the Contractor and which he/she could not have avoided by the exercise of due care, prudence, foresight and diligence. Delay caused by persons other than the Contractor, Subcontractors or their employees will be considered unavoidable delays insofar as they necessarily interfere with the Contractor's completion of the work, and such delays are not part of this Contract.

Unavoidable delay will not include delays caused by weather conditions, surveys, measurements, inspections and submitting plans to the Engineer of the particular Division involved in administering this Contract.

2.09 GUARANTEE

A. Guarantee for Construction, Labor or Services Contract

Neither the final certificate of payment or any provision in the Contract Documents, nor partial or entire occupancy of the premises by the City, shall constitute an acceptance of work not done in accordance with the Contract Documents or relieve the Contractor of liability in respect to any express warranties or responsibility for faulty materials or workmanship. The Contractor shall remedy any defects in the work and pay for any damage to other work resulting therefrom, which shall appear within a period of one year from the date of final acceptance of the work unless a longer period is specified. The City will give notice of observed defects with reasonable promptness.

If it has been discovered, before payment is required under the terms of the Contract, that there is a failure to comply with any of the terms and provisions of this Contract, the City has the right and may withhold payment.

In case of a failure of any part of the work, materials, labor and equipment furnished by the Contract or to fully meet all of the requirements of the Contract, the Contractor shall make such changes as may be necessary to fully meet all of the specifications and requirements of this Contract. Such changes shall be made at the Contractor's sole cost and expense without delay and with the least practicable inconvenience to the City of Tacoma. Rejected material and equipment shall be removed from the City's property by and at the expense of the Contractor.

B. Guarantee for Supply Contracts

Unless a longer period is specified, the supplier and/or manufacturer of the supplies, materials and/or equipment furnished pursuant to this Contract agrees to correct any defect or failure of the supplies, materials and/or equipment which occurs within one year from the date of: (1) test energization if electrical or mechanical equipment; (2) commencement of use if supplies or materials, provided, however, said guarantee period shall not extend beyond eighteen months after date of receipt by the City. All of the costs (including shipping, dismantling and reinstallation) of repairs and/or corrections of defective or failed equipment, supplies and/or material is the responsibility of the supplier and/or manufacturer.

When the supplier is not the manufacturer of the item of equipment, supplier agrees to be responsible for this guarantee and supplier is not relieved by a manufacturer's guarantee.
C. Guarantee Period Extension

The Contract guarantee period shall be suspended from the time a significant defect is first documented by the City until the work or equipment is repaired or replaced by Contractor and accepted by the City. In addition, in the event less than ninety (90) days remain on the guarantee period (after recalculating), the guarantee period shall be extended to allow for at least ninety (90) days from the date the work or equipment is repaired or replaced and accepted by the City.

2.10 DEDUCTIONS FOR UNCORRECTED WORK

If the City of Tacoma deems it expedient to correct work not done in accordance with the terms of this Contract, an equitable deduction from the Contract price shall be made.

2.11 CITY OF TACOMA’S RIGHT TO TERMINATE CONTRACT

A. Termination for Convenience

1. Supplies. The City may terminate a Contract for supplies at any time upon prior written notice to Contractor. Upon the effective date of termination specified in such notice, and payment by the City, all conforming supplies, materials, or equipment previously furnished hereunder shall become its property.

2. Services. The City may terminate a Contract for services at any time, with or without cause, by giving 10-business day’s written notice to Supplier. In the event of termination, all finished and unfinished work prepared by Supplier pursuant to the Contract shall be provided to the City. In the event City terminates the Contract due to the City’s own reasons and without cause due to Supplier’s actions or omissions, the City shall pay Supplier the amount due for actual work and services necessarily performed under the Contract up to the effective date of termination, not to exceed the total compensation set forth in the Contract.

B. Termination for Cause

1. The City may terminate a Contract for either services or supplies in the event of any material breach of any of the terms and conditions of the Contract if the Contractor’s breach continues in effect after written notice of breach and 30 days to cure such breach and fails to cure such breach

2. Bankruptcy. If the Contractor should be adjudged as bankrupt, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or a receiver should be appointed on account of his/her insolvency, or if he/she or any of his/her subcontractors should violate any of the provisions of the Contract, or if the work is not being properly and diligently performed, the City of Tacoma may serve written notice upon the Contractor and Surety, executing the Payment and Performance Bond, of its intention to terminate the Contract; such notice will contain the reasons for termination of the Contract, and unless within 10 days after the serving of such notice, such violation shall cease and an arrangement satisfactory to the City of Tacoma for correction thereof shall be made, the Contract shall, upon the expiration of said 10 days, cease and terminate and all rights of the Contractor hereunder shall be forfeited. In the event the Contract is terminated for cause, Contractor shall not be entitled to any lost profits resulting therefrom.

3. Notice. In the event of any such termination for cause, the City of Tacoma shall immediately send (by regular mail or other method) written notice thereof to the Surety and the Contractor. Upon such termination the Surety shall have the right to take over and perform the Contract, provided however, the Surety must provide written notice to the City of its intent to complete the work within 15 calendar days of its receipt of the original written notice (from the City) of the intent to terminate. Upon termination and if the Surety does not perform the work, the City of Tacoma may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by any method it may deem advisable, for the account of and at the expense of the Contractor, and the Contractor and the Surety shall be liable to the City of Tacoma for all cost occasioned to the City of Tacoma thereby. The City of Tacoma may without liability for doing so, take possession of and utilize in completing the work, such materials, equipment, plant and other property belonging to the Contractor as may be on the site of the work and necessary therefore.
2.12 LIENS

In the event that there are any liens on file against the City of Tacoma, the City of Tacoma shall be entitled to withhold final or progress payments to the extent deemed necessary by the City of Tacoma to properly protect the outstanding lien claimants until proper releases have been filed with the City Clerk.

2.13 LEGAL DISPUTES

A. General

Washington law shall govern the interpretation of the Contract. The state or federal courts located in Pierce County Washington shall be the sole venue of any mediation, arbitration, or litigation arising out of the Contract.

Respondents providing submittals from outside the legal jurisdiction of the United States of America will be subject to Tacoma's City Attorney’s Office (CAO) opinion as to the viability of possible litigation pursuant to a contract resulting from this Specification. If it is the opinion of the CAO that any possible litigation would be beyond reasonable cost and/or enforcement, the submittal may be excluded from evaluation.

B. Attorney Fees

For contracts up to $250,000, which become the subject of litigation or arbitration, the substantially prevailing party may be entitled to reasonable attorney fees, as provided in RCW 39.04.240. Provided, however, the attorney fee hourly rate for the City of Tacoma's assistant city attorneys is agreed to be $150 per hour or the same as the hourly rate for Contractor's legal counsel, whichever is greater.

2.14 DELIVERY

Prices must be quoted F.O.B. destination, freight prepaid and allowed with risk of loss during transit remaining with Contractor/Supplier (unless otherwise stated in these Specifications) to the designated address set forth in these Specifications.

Deliveries shall be between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.; Monday through Friday only (except legal holidays of the City of Tacoma).

Legal holidays of the City of Tacoma are:

New Year's Day January 1
Martin Luther King's Birthday 3rd Monday in January
Washington's Birthday 3rd Monday in February
Memorial Day Last Monday in May
Independence Day July 4
Labor Day 1st Monday in September
Veteran's Day November 11
Thanksgiving Day 4th Thursday of November
Day after Thanksgiving 4th Friday of November
Christmas Day December 25

When any of these holidays occur on Saturday or Sunday, the preceding Friday or the following Monday, respectively, is a legal holiday for the City of Tacoma.

2.15 PACKING SLIPS AND INVOICES

A. Packing slips and shipping notices shall be sent to the specific City Division or Department receiving the item(s) at the address stated in City's Solicitation or as otherwise stated in the Contract and include complete description of items, contents of items if crated or cased, quantity, shipping point, carrier, bill of lading number and City of Tacoma purchase order.

B. Each invoice shall show City of Tacoma purchase order number, release number if applicable, quantity, unit of measure, item description, unit price and extended price for each line if applicable, services and deliverables provided if applicable. Line totals shall be summed to give a grand total to which sales tax shall be added, if applicable.

1. For transactions conducted in SAP Ariba, invoices shall be submitted through Ariba.
2. For invoices paid by ACH or by check, unless stated otherwise, invoices shall be electronically submitted by email with corresponding PO number listed in the subject line to accountspayable@cityoftacoma.org.
3. For invoices paid by credit card, invoices shall also display the last name of the cardholder and last four digits (only) of the card number (e.g., Jones/6311). Unless stated otherwise, invoices shall be electronically submitted by email with corresponding PO number listed in the subject line to (do not combine different POs into one invoice or charge) to pcardadmin@cityoftacoma.org.

2.16 APPROVED EQUALS

A. Unless an item is indicated as "No substitute", special brands, when named, are intended to describe the standard of quality, performance or use desired. Equal items will be considered by the City, provided that the respondent specifies the brand and model, and provides all descriptive literature, independent test results, product samples, local servicing and parts availability to enable the City to evaluate the proposed "equal".

B. The decision of the City as to what items are equal shall be final and conclusive. If the City elects to purchase a brand represented by the respondent to be an "equal", the City's acceptance of the item is conditioned on the City's inspection and testing after receipt. If, in the sole judgment of the City, the item is determined not to be an equal, the item shall be returned at the respondent's expense.

C. When a brand name or level of quality is not stated by the respondent, it is understood the offer is exactly as specified. If more than one brand name is specified, respondents must clearly indicate the brand and model/part number being bid.

2.17 ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This written contract represents the entire Agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior oral statements, discussions or understandings between the parties.

2.18 CODE OF ETHICS

The City's Code of Ethics, Chapter 1.46, Tacoma Municipal Code, provides ethical standards for City personnel and prohibits certain unethical conduct by others including respondents and contractors. Violation of the City's Code of Ethics will be grounds for termination of this contract.

2.19 FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

If federal funds, including FEMA financial assistance to the City of Tacoma, will be used to fund, pay or reimburse all or a portion of the Contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives and the following clauses will be incorporated into the Contract:

A. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY During the performance of this Contract, Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1. Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

2. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

3. The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other
employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

4. The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

5. The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

6. The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

7. In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

8. The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

B. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

1. Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

2. Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (B)(1) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (B)(1) of this section, in the sum of $27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (b)(1) of this section.
3. Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The City shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (B)(2) of this section.

4. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (B)(1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (B)(1) through (4) of this section.

C. CLEAN AIR ACT

1. Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.

2. Contractor agrees to report each violation to the City and understands and agrees that the City will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

3. Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

D. FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

1. Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

2. Contractor agrees to report each violation to the City, understands, and agrees that the City will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

3. Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding $150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

E. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

1. This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor’s principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

2. Contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

3. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by the City. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to (insert name of recipient/subrecipient/applicant), the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

4. Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.
F. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT

1. Contractors who apply or bid for an award of $100,000 or more shall file the required certification with City. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient who in turn will forward the certification(s) to the City.

2. If applicable, Contractor must sign and submit to the City the following certification:

APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING
Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $10,000 and not more than $100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, ___________, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap.38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

___________________________________
Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

___________________________________
Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

_______________ Date
G. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

1. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired:
   a. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
   b. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
   c. At a reasonable price.

2. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designated items, is available at EPA’s Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program.

3. Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

[Section III is for contracts that involve construction and/or labor, and are not applicable to contracts solely for material/supply purchases.]

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION III - CONSTRUCTION AND/OR LABOR CONTRACTS

SECTION III REQUIREMENTS APPLY ONLY TO CONSTRUCTION AND/OR LABOR CONTRACTS AND ARE IN ADDITION TO APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN SECTION II CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS.

3.01 RESPONDENT'S DUTY TO EXAMINE

The Respondent agrees to be responsible for examining the site(s) and to have compared them with the Specifications and Contract Drawings, and to be satisfied as to the facilities and difficulties attending the execution of the proposed Contract (such as uncertainty of weather, floods, nature and condition of materials to be handled and all other conditions, obstacles and contingencies) before the delivery of his/her Proposal. No allowance will be subsequently made by the City on behalf of the Respondent by reason of any error or neglect on Respondent's part, for such uncertainties as aforesaid.

3.02 PERMITS

Except when modified by the Special Provisions, the Contractor shall procure and pay for all permits and licenses necessary for the completion of this Contract including those permits required by the City of Tacoma. The City will obtain county or state road crossing permits if required. In the event a necessary permit is not obtained, the Contractor will not be permitted to work on items subject to said permit and any delays caused thereby will not be subject to extra compensation or extensions.

3.03 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES AND UTILITIES WHEN UNDERGROUND WORK IS INVOLVED

The Contractor shall notify all other affected governmental agencies and utilities whenever underground work is done under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor is required to obtain permission of the appropriate public and private utilities and governmental agencies before performing underground work pursuant to the terms of this Contract. The Contractor is required to call "one call" at 1-800-424-5555 for all work involving excavation or digging more than 12 inches beneath ground or road surface.

The City may have indicated on the plans and specifications the existence of certain underground facilities that are known to the City department responsible for this Contract. It is the Contractor's responsibility to fully comply with the Underground Utility Locate Law, Chapter 19.122 RCW. If the site conditions are "changed or differing" as defined by RCW 19.122.040(l), the Contractor may pursue the party responsible for not properly marking or identifying the underground facility. The Contractor agrees not to file any claim or legal action against the City (department responsible for this Contract) for said "changed or differing" conditions unless said City department is solely responsible for the delay or damages that the Contractor may have incurred.
3.04 TRENCH EXCAVATION BID ITEM

In the event that “trench excavation” in excess of four feet requires a safety system pursuant to Washington State law and safety shoring, sloping, sheeting, or bracing is used, a separate bid item should be set forth in the Proposal for this work. If a separate bid item is not set forth in the Proposal pages, said installed safety system shall be paid at $3.00 per lineal foot of trench, which unit price includes both sides of the trench.

3.05 SAFETY

A. General

The Contractor shall, at all times, exercise adequate precautions for the safety of all persons, including its employees and the employees of a Subcontractor, in the performance of this Contract and shall comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state, county and municipal safety laws and regulations. It is the Contractor's responsibility to furnish safety equipment or to contractually require Subcontractors to furnish adequate safety equipment relevant to their responsibilities.

The Contractor shall obtain the necessary line clearance from the inspector before performing any work in, above, below or across energized Light Division circuits.

The Inspector and/or Engineer may advise the Contractor and the Safety Officer of any safety violations. It is the Contractor's responsibility to make the necessary corrections. Failure to correct safety violations is a breach of this Contract and, as such, shall be grounds for an order from the Safety Officer, Inspector or Engineer to cease further work and remove from the job site until the condition is corrected. Time and wages lost due to such safety shutdowns shall not relieve the Contractor of any provisions of Section 3.14 of this Specification and shall be at the sole cost of the Contractor. The purpose of this authority to stop work is to enforce the contract and not to assume control except to the extent necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of this contract.

Any of the above actions by employees of the City of Tacoma shall in no way relieve the Contractor of his/her responsibility to provide for the safety of all persons, including his/her employees.

B. Work Hazard Analysis Report

The Contractor will be required to complete a work hazard analysis report. This report shall outline how the Contractor proposes to satisfy all safety laws and regulations involved in performing the work. This report shall be completed and submitted to the City Safety Officer before the pre-construction conference. A copy of the report shall be maintained at the work site (accessible to the supervisor).

3.06 PROTECTION OF WORKERS AND PROPERTY

The Contractor shall erect and maintain good and sufficient guards, barricades and signals at all unsafe places at or near the work and shall, in all cases, maintain safe passageways at all road crossings, and crosswalks, and shall do all other things necessary to prevent accident or loss of any kind.

The Contractor shall protect from damage all utilities, improvements, and all other property that is likely to become displaced or damaged by the execution of the work under this Contract.

The Contractor is responsible for all roads and property damaged by his/her operations as shall be determined by the Engineer administering this Contract. The Contractor shall be responsible for repairing all damage to roads caused by his/her operations to the satisfaction of the particular governmental body having jurisdiction over the road.

3.07 CONTRACTOR - SUPERVISION AND CHARACTER OF EMPLOYEES

A. Superintendent to Supervise Contractor's Employees

The Contractor shall keep on his/her work, during its progress, a competent superintendent and any necessary assistants, all of whom must be satisfactory to the City of Tacoma. The Contractor's superintendent shall not be changed except with the consent of the City of Tacoma, unless the Contractor's superintendent proves to be unsatisfactory to the Contractor and ceases to be in his/her employ. The Contractor's superintendent shall represent the Contractor in his/her absence and all directions given to him/her shall be binding as if given to the Contractor directly. The Contractor shall give efficient supervision to the work, using his/her best skill and attention.
B. Character of Contractor's Employees

The Contractor shall employ only competent, skillful, faithful and orderly persons to do the work, and whenever the Engineer administering the Contract shall notify the Contractor in writing that any person on the work is, in his or her opinion, incompetent, unfaithful, disorderly or otherwise unsatisfactory, the Contractor shall forthwith discharge such persons from the work and shall not again employ him or her on this Contract.

3.08 CONTRACTOR'S COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW

A. Hours of Labor

The Contractor and Subcontractors shall be bound by the provisions of RCW Chapter 49.28 (as amended) relating to hours of labor. Except as set forth in the Special Provisions, eight (8) hours in any calendar day shall constitute a day's work on a job performed under this Contract.

In the event that the work is not performed in accordance with this provision and in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, then this Contract may be terminated by the City of Tacoma for the reason that the same is not performed in accordance with the public policy of the State of Washington as defined in said statutes.

B. Prevailing Wages

If federal, state, local, or any applicable law requires Supplier to pay prevailing wages in connection with a Contract, and Supplier is so notified by the City, then Supplier shall pay applicable prevailing wages.

If applicable, a Schedule of Prevailing Wage Rates and/or the current prevailing wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor for the locality or localities where the Contract will be performed is attached and made of part of the Contract by this reference. If prevailing wages do apply to the Contract, Supplier and its subcontractors shall:

1. Be bound by and perform all transactions regarding the Contract relating to prevailing wages and the usual fringe benefits in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 39.12 RCW, as amended, the Washington State Prevailing Wage Act and/or the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable, including the federal requirement to pay wages not less than once a week,

2. Ensure that no worker, laborer or mechanic employed in the performance of any part of the Contract shall be paid less than the prevailing rate of wage specified on that Schedule and/or specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor (unless specifically preempted by federal law, the higher of the Washington state prevailing wage or federal Davis-Bacon rate of wage must be paid) and Additionally, in compliance with applicable federal law, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

3. Immediately upon award of the Contract, contact the Department of Labor and Industries, Prevailing Wages section, Olympia, Washington and/or the federal Department of Labor, to obtain full information, forms and procedures relating to these matters. Per such procedures, a Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages and/or other or additional documentation required by applicable federal law, must be submitted by Contractor and its subcontractors to the City, in the manner requested by the City, prior to any payment by the City hereunder, and an Affidavit of Wages Paid and/or other or additional documentation required by federal law must be received or verified by the City prior to final Contract payment. In the event any dispute arises as to what are the prevailing rates of wages for work of a similar nature and such dispute cannot be adjusted by the parties in interest, including labor and management representatives, the matter shall be referred for arbitration to the Director of the State of Washington, Department of Labor and Industries whose decision shall be final, conclusive and binding on all parties involved in the dispute.
3.09 COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACT

For contracts subject to Davis Bacon Act the following clauses will be incorporated into the Contract:

A. **Contractor.** The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.

B. **Subcontracts.** The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.

C. **Breach.** A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. § 5.12.

3.10 CHANGES

A. In Plans or Quantities

The City of Tacoma, without invalidating this Contract, or any part of this Contract, may order extra work or make reasonable changes by altering, adding to or deducting from the materials, work and labor and the Contract sum will be adjusted accordingly. All such work and labor shall be executed under the conditions of the original Contract except that any claim for extension of time caused thereby shall be adjusted at the time of ordering such change. When work or bid items are deducted, reduced or eliminated, it is agreed that no payment will be made to Contractor for anticipated profit.

B. Extra Work

Any claim or order for extra materials, work and labor made necessary by alterations or additions to the plans or by other reasons for which no price is provided in this Contract, shall not be valid unless the Contractor and Engineer administering the Contract have agreed upon a price prior to commencing extra work, and the agreement has been signed by the Contractor and approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee, and approved by the payment and performance bond surety.

C. Extra Work - No Agreed Price

If it is impracticable to fix an increase in price definitely in advance, the order may fix a maximum price which shall not under any circumstances, be exceeded, and subject to such limitation, such alteration, modification, or extra shall be paid for at the actual necessary cost as determined by the City of Tacoma, which cost (including an allowance for profit) shall be determined as the sum of the following items (1) to (7) inclusive:

1. Labor, computed at regular wage scale, including premium on compensation insurance and charge for social security taxes, and other taxes, pertaining to labor; no charge for premium pay shall be allowed unless authorized by the Engineer administering the Contract;

2. The proportionate cost of premiums on comprehensive general liability and other insurance applicable to the extra work involved and required under this Contract;

3. Material, including sales taxes pertaining to materials;

4. Plant and equipment rental, to be agreed upon in writing before the work is begun; no charge for the cost of repairs to plant or equipment will be allowed;

5. Superintendence, general expense and profit computed at 20 percent of the total of paragraphs (1) to (4) inclusive;

6. The proportionate cost of premiums on bonds required by this Contract, computed by 1 1/2 percent of the total of paragraphs (1) to (5) inclusive.

7. The City of Tacoma reserves the right to furnish such materials as it may deem expedient, and no allowance will be made for profit thereon.

Whenever any extra work is in progress, for which the definite price has not been agreed on in advance, the Contractor shall each day, report to the Engineer the amount and cost of the labor and material used, and any other expense incurred in such extra work on the preceding day, and no claim for compensation for such extra work will be allowed unless such report shall have been made.
The above-described methods of determining the payment for work and materials shall not apply to the performance of any work or the furnishing of any material, which, in the judgment of the Engineer administering the Contract, may properly be classified under items for which prices are established in the Contract.

D. Claims for Extra Work

If the Contractor claims that any instructions by drawings or otherwise, involve extra cost under this Contract, he/she shall give the City of Tacoma written notice thereof within 30 days after receipt of such instruction, and in any event before proceeding to execute the work, except in an emergency endangering life or property, and the procedures governing the same shall be as provided for immediately above in this paragraph. The method in these paragraphs is the only method available to the Contractor for payment of claims for extra work performed under the terms of this Contract.

3.11 CLEANING UP

The Contractor shall at all times, at his/her own expense, keep the premises free from accumulation of waste materials or debris caused by any workers or the work, at the completion of the work the Contractor shall remove all his waste materials from and about the site and all his/her equipment, sanitary facilities and surplus materials. In the case of dispute, the City of Tacoma may remove the debris and charge the cost to the Contractor as the City of Tacoma shall determine to be just. All material that is deposited or placed elsewhere than in places designated or approved by the Engineer administering the Contract will not be paid for and the Contractor may be required to remove such material and deposit or place it where directed.

3.12 PROGRESS PAYMENT

Progress payments will be made up to the amount of ninety-five percent (95%) of the actual work completed as shall be determined by the Engineer administering the Contract.

The Contractor may request that an escrow account be established as permitted by law, in which event the Contractor will earn interest on the retained funds.

When the time for construction, services and/or installation will exceed thirty (30) days, the Contractor may request, by invoice, to be paid a progress payment based on percentage of work completed. The Engineer will review and approve the progress payment request on a monthly basis.

3.13 FINAL PAYMENT

The final payment of five percent (5%) of the Contract price shall be approved on final acceptance of the work under this Contract by the Superintendent or his/her designee. In addition, before final payment is made, the Contractor shall be required to:

A. Provide a certificate from the Washington State Department of Revenue that all taxes due from the Contractor have been paid or are collectible in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 60.28 and Title 82 of the Revised Code of Washington;

B. Provide the General Release to the City of Tacoma on the form set forth in these Contract documents;

C. Provide a release of any outstanding liens that have been otherwise filed against any monies held or retained by the City of Tacoma;

D. File with the City Director of Finance, and with the Director of the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries, on the state form to be provided, an affidavit of wages paid;

E. File with the City Director of Finance, on the state form to be provided, a statement from the State of Washington, Department of Labor and Industries, certifying that the prevailing wage requirements have been satisfied.

F. File with the City Director of Finance, on the state form to be provided, a statement of release from the Public Works Contracts Division of the State of Washington, Department of Labor and Industries, verifying that all industrial insurance and medical aid premiums have been paid.

If there is a fee assessed to the City for any certificate, release or other form required by law, the contractor agrees that the fee amount may be passed on to the Contractor and deducted from the monies paid to the Contractor.
3.14 **FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE WORK ON TIME**

Should the completion of the work required under the Contract be delayed beyond the expiration of the period herein set for the completion of said work, or such extension of said period as may be allowed by reason of unavoidable delays, there shall be deducted from the total Contract price of work, for each calendar day by which such completion shall be delayed beyond said period of such extension thereof the sum of $300 or a sum of money as set forth hereinafter in these Specifications, as the amount of such deduction per calendar day.

Said sum shall be considered not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages, which the City will suffer by reason of the failure of the Contractor to perform and complete the work within the period, herein fixed or such extensions of said period as may be allowed by reason of unavoidable delays.

Any money due or to become due the Contractor may be retained by the City to cover said liquidated damages, and should such money not be sufficient to cover such damages, the City shall have the right to recover the balance from the Contractor or his/her Sureties.

The filing of any bid for the work herein contemplated shall constitute acknowledgment by the Respondent that he/she understands, agrees and has ascertained that the City will actually suffer damages to the amount hereinabove fixed for each and every calendar day during which the completion of the work herein required shall be delayed beyond the expiration of the period herein fixed for such completion or such extension of said period as may be allowed by reason of unavoidable delays.

3.15 **CITY RESERVES RIGHT TO USE FACILITIES PRIOR TO ACCEPTANCE**

The City of Tacoma hereby reserves the right to use the facilities herein contracted prior to final acceptance under this Contract. The use of said facilities, as mentioned herein, shall not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of any rights that the City of Tacoma has under this Contract.

3.16 **LIST OF SUBCONTRACTORS**

Bid proposals for construction, alteration or repair of any building or other public works that may exceed $1,000,000 including tax shall satisfy the following requirement: Respondent shall submit as part of the bid, the names of the subcontractors, with whom the respondent, if awarded the contract, will subcontract performance of the work of heating, ventilation and air conditioning, plumbing as described in chapter 18.106 RCW, and electrical as described in chapter 19.28 RCW, or to name itself for the work. The respondent shall not list more than one subcontractor for each category of work identified, unless subcontractors vary with bid alternates, in which case the respondent must indicate which subcontractor will be used for which alternate. Failure to comply with this provision or the naming of two or more subcontractors to perform the same work shall require the City (pursuant to state law RCW 39.30.060) to determine that respondent’s bid is nonresponsive; therefore, the bid will be rejected.
A. One Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages and a corresponding approved Affidavit of Wages Paid (Affidavits) are to be filed for each 12 month (one year) period of the contract performance for the Contractor and all subcontractors of any tier. Intents for the Contractor and all subcontractors shall be filed prior to any payment for work performed following contract execution. Following the first 12 month period, Affidavits must be received prior to final payment for work performed during the first 12 month period. New Intents shall be filed prior to any payment for work performed during the second 12 month period for the Contractor and all subcontractors. Affidavits from the Contractor and all subcontractors must be received from Washington State’s Department of labor and Industries (L&I) per Article 6 of the General Conditions.

B. Immediately following the end of all work completed under this Contract, the Contractor, and each Subcontractor of any tier, shall file an approved Affidavit of Wages Paid with the L&I.

C. The Contractor shall post in a location readily visible to works at the Project site (1) a copy of the Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages approved by the Industrial Statistician of the Department of Labor and Industries and (2) the address and telephone number of the Industrial Statistician of the Department of labor and Industries to whom a complaint or inquiry concerning prevailing wages may be directed.

D. If a State of Washington prevailing wage rate conflicts with another applicable wage rate (such as Davis-Bacon Ace wage rate) for the same labor classification, the higher of the two shall govern.

E. Pursuant to RCW 39.12.060, if any dispute arises concerning the appropriate prevailing wage rate for work of a similar nature, and the dispute cannot be adjusted by the parties in interest, including labor and management representatives, the mater shall be referred for arbitration to the Director of the Department of Labor and Industries, and his or her decision shall be final and conclusive and binding on all parties involved in the dispute.

F. The Contractor shall defend (at the Contractor’s sole costs, with legal counsel approved by the City of Tacoma), indemnify and hold the City harmless from all liabilities, obligations, claims, demands, damages, disbursements, lawsuits, losses, fines, penalties, costs and expenses, whether direct, indirect, including but not limited to attorneys’ fees and consultants’ fees and other costs and expenses, from any violation or alleged violation by the Contractor or any Subcontractor of any tier of RCW 39.12 (“Prevailing Wages on Public Works”) or Chapter 51 RCW (“Industrial Insurance”), including but not limited to RCW 51.12.050.
LEAP

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM
ABBREVIATED PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

LEAP is a mandatory City of Tacoma program adopted to provide employment opportunities for City of Tacoma residents and residents of Economically Distressed Areas of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area. Based on the dollar amounts of projects, it requires Prime Contractors performing qualifying public works projects or service contracts ensure that a percentage of the total labor hours worked on the project are performed by LEAP-Qualified local employees and/or LEAP-Qualified apprentices approved by the Washington State Apprenticeship Council (SAC), youth, veterans, residents of Tacoma, residents of surrounding Economically Distressed Areas, and/or TPU Service Areas (as outlined below). Compliance may be met through any combination LEAP-Qualified employees.

Prime Contractors may obtain further information by contacting the City of Tacoma’s LEAP Coordinator, Deborah Trevorrow, at (253) 591-5590, or e-mail leap@cityoftacoma.org. The LEAP Coordinator can assist contractors in the recruitment of qualified entry-level workers to work on City of Tacoma Public Works projects. The LEAP Office is in the Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Rm 900.

LEAP PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:
1. LOCAL EMPLOYMENT GOAL: The Prime Contractor is required to ensure that 15 percent of the total Labor Hours worked on the project are performed by residents of the City of Tacoma or Economically Distressed ZIP Codes for the following projects:
   a) Civil Projects over $250,000
   b) Building Projects over $750,000

2. APPRENTICE GOAL: The Contractor is required to ensure that an additional 15 percent of the total Labor Hours worked on any project over $1,000,000 are performed by Apprentices who are residents of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area. This is in addition to the Local Employment Goal.

3. SUBCONTRACTOR NOTIFICATION: Prime Contractors shall notify all Subcontractors of the LEAP Program requirement. Subcontractor labor hours may be utilized towards achievement of the LUG. Owner/Operator hours may be used for the Local Employment Goal.

4. FAILURE TO MEET LEAP UTILIZATION GOAL: Contractors shall be assessed an amount for each hour that is not achieved. The amount per hour shall be based on the extent the Contractor met its goal. The amount per hour that shall be assessed shall be as follows:
   - 100% achievement $0.00 penalty
   - 99% to 90% achievement $2.00 penalty
   - 89% to 75% achievement $3.50 penalty
   - 74% to 50% achievement $5.00 penalty
   - 49% to 1% achievement $7.50 penalty
   - 0% achievement $10.00 penalty

*Penalty may be waived in the best interests of the City of Tacoma.
LEAP DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS**:

1. **LEAP EMPLOYEE VERIFICATION FORM**: The Contractor must provide the LEAP Office with a form for every person whom the contractor thinks will assist with attaining credit towards meeting the LEAP Utilization requirements with at least one piece of verifying documentation. The LEAP Office staff will respond regarding whether or not the employee is LEAP-Qualified.

2. **WEEKLY CERTIFIED PAYROLL**: In LCP Tracker: the Prime and Subcontractors must submit weekly Certified Payrolls that include, employee name, address, social security number, craft/trade, class, hours worked on this job, rate of pay, and gross wages paid including benefits for this job.

3. **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIES (L&I)**: The Prime must enter the project in the L&I project site under the ‘Tacoma, City of’ account and notify the LEAP Office when this has been completed.

**WITHHOLDING PROGRESS PAYMENTS**: The LEAP Coordinator may withhold progress payments for failure to follow the above-outlined procedures
LEAP
Documents and Submittal Schedule

In the attached packet, you will find the LEAP forms that are required to be submitted by the Prime and Sub Contractors.

- **LEAP Abbreviated Program Requirements**: brief overview of LEAP Program requirements
- **Prime Contractor LEAP Utilization Plan**: to be submitted at the Pre-Construction Meeting
  *(Required by Prime Contractor Only)*
- **LEAP Employee Verification Form**: to be submitted on an ongoing basis for each qualified LEAP employee
- **LEAP Weekly Payroll Report**: must be attached and filled out to the front of each certified payroll
- **Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area Map, Economically Distressed ZIP Codes Map**: for your reference on LEAP-qualified zoning areas

In addition, the City of Tacoma will also require from the Prime Contractor and all its Subcontractors:

- **Weekly Certified Payrolls**: to be submitted via LCP Tracker weekly, biweekly or monthly with the LEAP Payroll Report attached as scheduled by the Prime
- **Statement of Intent to Pay Prevailing Wages**: to be submitted prior to commencing work
- **Affidavit of Wages Paid**: to be submitted upon completion of each contractor’s work
- **Document Verification**: provide required information when requested from LEAP Office

Please submit above documents as instructed by the LEAP Coordinator.

If you have any questions or request further information, please feel free to contact the City of Tacoma’s LEAP Program at (253) 591-5590 or email dtrevorrow@cityoftacoma.org
CHAPTER 1.90
LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

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1.90.010 Purpose.
The purpose of this Chapter is to establish a means of providing for the development of a trained and capable workforce possessing the skills necessary to fully participate in the construction trades.
(Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.020 Scope.
The provisions of this Chapter shall apply to all Public Works or Improvements funded in whole or in part with City funds or funds which the City expends or administers in accordance with the terms of a grant.
(Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.030 Definitions.
As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
A. “Apprentice” shall mean a person enrolled in a course of training specific to a particular construction trade or craft, which training shall be approved by the Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council established pursuant to RCW 49.04.010.
B. “Building Projects” shall mean all Public Works or Improvements having an Estimated Cost greater than $750,000.00, and for which a building permit must be issued pursuant to Chapter 1 of the current edition of the state building code (Uniform Building Code).
C. “City” shall mean all divisions and departments of the City of Tacoma, and all affiliated agencies, provided, however, that the Tacoma Community Redevelopment Authority shall not be included within this definition.
D. “Civil Projects” shall mean all Public Works or Improvements that are not defined as a “Building Project,” provided that those projects having an Estimated Cost of less than $250,000.00 shall not be included in this definition.
E. “Contractor or Service Provider” means a person, corporation, partnership, or joint venture entering into a contract with the City to construct a Public Work or Improvement.
F. “Director” shall mean the Director of Community and Economic Development, or the Director’s Designee.
G. “Economically Distressed ZIP Codes” shall mean ZIP codes in the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area that meet two out of three (2/3) of the thresholds of:
1. High concentrations of residents living under 200% of the federal poverty line in terms of persons per acre (69th percentile)
2. High concentrations of unemployed people in terms of persons per acre (45th percentile)
3. High concentrations of people 25 years or older without a college degree in terms of persons per acre (75th percentile)
Said thresholds shall be updated within 30 days following any Prevailing Wage updates issued by the Washington State Labor and Industry. All updates are to be published on the first business day in August and in February of each calendar year.
H. “Electrical Utility” and “Water Utility” shall mean, respectively, the Light Division of the Department of Public Utilities of the City of Tacoma, and shall include the electrical and telecommunications services of that Division, and the Water Division of the Department of Public Utilities of the City of Tacoma.

I. “Estimated Cost” shall mean the anticipated cost of a Public Work or Improvement, as determined by the City, based upon the expected costs of materials, supplies, equipment, and labor, but excluding taxes and contingency funds.

J. “Estimated Labor Hours” shall mean the anticipated number of Labor Hours determined by the City to be necessary to construct a Public Work or Improvement and set forth in the specifications for the project, or as may be subsequently revised due to contract or project adjustment, or pursuant to an agreed upon change order.

K. “Existing Employee” shall mean an employee whom the Contractor or Service Provider can demonstrate was actively employed by the Contractor or Service Provider for at least 1000 hours in the calendar year prior to bid opening plus one month following bid opening, and who was performing work in the construction trades.

L. “Labor Hours” shall mean the actual number of hours worked by workers receiving an hourly wage who are employed on the site of a Public Work or Improvement, and who are subject to state or federal prevailing wage requirements. The term “Labor Hours” shall include hours performed by workers employed by the Contractor or Service Provider and all Subcontractors, and shall include additional hours worked as a result of a contract or project adjustment or pursuant to an agreed upon change order. The term “Labor Hours” shall not include hours worked by workers who are not subject to the prevailing wage requirements set forth in either RCW 39.12 or the Davis-Bacon Act - 40 U.S.C. 276 (a).

M. “LEAP Coordinator” shall mean the City of Tacoma staff member who administers LEAP.

N. “LEAP Program” or “Program” shall mean the City of Tacoma’s Local Employment and Apprenticeship Training Program, as described in this chapter.

O. “LEAP Regulations” or “Regulations” shall mean the rules and practices established in this document.

P. “LEAP Utilization Plan” shall mean the document submitted by the Contractor to the LEAP Coordinator which outlines how the associated goals will be met on the project.

Q. “Priority Hire Resident” shall mean any resident within the Economically Distressed ZIP Codes.

R. “Project Engineer” shall mean the City employee who directly supervises the engineering or administration of a particular construction project subject to this chapter.

S. “Public Work or Improvement” shall have the same meaning as provided in Section 39.04.010 RCW, as that Section may now exist or hereafter be amended.

T. “Resident of Tacoma” shall mean any person, not defined as a Resident of the Community Empowerment Zone, who continues to occupy a dwelling within the boundaries of the City of Tacoma, has a present intent to continue residency within the boundaries of the City, and who demonstrates the genuineness of that intent by producing evidence that the person’s presence is more than merely transitory in nature.

U. “Service Area - Electrical” or “Electrical Service Area” shall mean that area served with retail sales by the Electrical Utility of the City of Tacoma at the time a bid is published by the Electrical Utility for a Public Work or Improvement to be performed primarily for the Electrical Utility.

V. “Service Area - Water” or “Water Service Area” shall mean that area served with retail sales by the water utility of the City of Tacoma at the time a bid is published by the water utility for a Public Work or Improvement to be performed primarily for the water utility.

W. “Service Contract” shall mean all City contracts relating to a Public Work or Improvement which utilize labor at a City site and which are not within the exceptions to nor defined as “Building Projects” or “Civil Projects.”

X. “Subcontractor” means a person, corporation, partnership, or joint venture that has contracted with the Contractor or Service Provider to perform all or part of the work to construct a Public Work or Improvement by a Contractor.

Y. “Tacoma Public Utilities” means the City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities.

Z. “Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area” shall mean every ZIP code listed by Tacoma Public Utilities as an area that either receives services or maintains infrastructure to provide services.

AA. Washington State Labor and Industry Prevailing Wage shall mean the hourly wage, usual benefits and overtime, paid in the largest city in each county, to the majority of workers, laborers, and mechanics. Prevailing wages are established, by the Department of Labor & Industries, for each trade and occupation employed in the performance of public work. They are established separately for each county, and are reflective of local wage conditions.
1.90.040 LEAP goals.

A. Utilization Goals.

1. All Contractors constructing Civil Projects or Building Projects, and all Service Providers involved with the construction of a Public Work or Improvement, shall ensure that at least 15 percent of the total Labor Hours actually worked on the Project are performed by persons having their residence within the boundaries of the City of Tacoma or Economically Distressed ZIP Codes, whether or not any such person is an Apprentice.

   a. The thresholds for this section shall be $250,000.00 for Civil Projects and $750,000.00 for Building Projects.

2. Fifteen percent (15%) of the Total Labor Hours on contracts above one-million dollars ($1,000,000.00) shall have work performed by Apprentices who are residents of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area consistent with RCW 39.04.320(1)(a), subject to waiver based on exceptions as specified in RCW 39.04.320(2)(a), (b), and (c).

3. Labor Hours performed by non-residents of the State of Washington will be deducted from a project’s total Labor Hours for purposes of determining compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

4. All Contractors and Service Providers shall submit a LEAP Utilization Plan as provided for in the regulations adopted under this chapter, and shall meet with the LEAP Coordinator to review said Plan prior to being issued a Notice to Proceed. Failure to submit a LEAP Utilization Plan may be grounds for the City to withhold remittance of a progress payment until such Plan is received from the responsible Contractor or Provider. A meeting with the LEAP Coordinator prior to issuance of a Notice to Proceed shall be excused only when the LEAP Coordinator is unavailable to meet prior to the scheduled date for issuance of the Notice to Proceed and the Contractor and the LEAP Coordinator have otherwise scheduled a meeting for the coordinator to review the Contractor’s or Provider’s plan.

   The Contractor or Service Provider shall be responsible for meeting the LEAP utilization goal requirements of the contract, including all amendments and change orders thereto, and shall be responsible for overall compliance for all hours worked by Subcontractors. To the extent possible, the Contractor or Service Provider shall recruit Apprentices from multiple trades or crafts.

B. Failure to Meet Utilization Goal.

1. Contracts for the construction of Building projects or Civil projects and Service Contracts shall provide that Contractors or Service Providers failing to meet the LEAP utilization goals shall be assessed an amount for each hour that is not achieved. The amount per hour shall be based on the extent the Contractor or Service Provider met its goal. The amount per hour that shall be assessed shall be as follows:

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   When determining the percent of goal that is met, all rounding shall be down to the nearest whole percent. No penalty shall be waived by the City unless it is determined by the Director to be in the best interests of the City, which determination shall be made after consultation with the LEAP Coordinator.

2. Deposit of Assessments. All assessments imposed pursuant to this section shall be deposited into a separate account and utilized to support the City’s pre-apprenticeship and training program. The policies and regulations adopted by the City Manager and Director of Utilities pursuant to this chapter shall address issues pertaining to a Contractor’s existing workforce. Contributions need not be made for Labor Hours that have been adjusted in accordance with Section 1.90.040(E).

C. LEAP Reports.

Notwithstanding the provisions of TMC 1.90.100, the Director shall, not less than annually, publish a LEAP report setting forth Contractor compliance with this chapter. Said report shall include information on all contracts and all Contractors to which this chapter applies, and shall detail the level and nature of LEAP participation by contract and by Contractor, The
Director’s LEAP report may include such other information as may be helpful to assuring fair and accurate representation of the contracts, Contractors or projects covered in the report. The Director’s LEAP reports may be considered by the Board of Contracts and Awards in its determinations as to bidder responsibility.

D. LEAP Goal Adjustments.

1. LEAP utilization goals may be adjusted prior to bid opening and/or as a result of a contract amendment or change order on a Building Project, Civil Project, or Service Contract.

a. If LEAP utilization goals are adjusted prior to bid opening, they shall be set forth in the bid or Request For Proposal advertisement and specification documents or in an addendum timely provided to prospective bidders, provided that such adjustment shall be based upon a finding by the Project Engineer that the reasonable and necessary requirements of the contract render LEAP utilization unfeasible at the required levels. The Director shall concur with the Project Engineer’s finding, provided that should the Project Engineer and the Director fail to reach agreement on the Project Engineer’s finding, then in that circumstance the matter shall be referred to the City Manager or the Director of Utilities, as appropriate, for ultimate resolution. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, the decision of the City Manager or the Director of Utilities with regard to LEAP goal adjustment may not be appealed.

b. If LEAP utilization goals are adjusted due to contract amendment or change order, the amount of adjustment shall be consistent with the utilization goals set forth in this chapter and shall be determined pursuant to regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter for administration of LEAP utilization goal adjustments.

2. The methodology of determining the appropriate adjustments to LEAP utilization goals shall be determined in consultation with the LEAP Advisory Committee, established pursuant to this ordinance for so long as the LEAP Advisory Committee remains in existence.

3. LEAP utilization goals shall not apply to those portions of a project that are funded by sources other than (a) City funds, or (b) funds which the City expends or administers in accordance with the terms of a grant to the City, provided that the Project Engineer shall notify the Director of such non-application prior to bid advertisement. For the purposes of this paragraph, credits extended by another entity for the purpose of providing project funding shall not be considered to be City funds.

E. Utilization - Electrical Projects Outside Electrical Service Area.

Civil Projects or Building Projects that are constructed primarily for the benefit or use by the City’s Electrical Utility, which are wholly situated outside the Electrical Service Area, and for which the estimated cost is less than $1,000,000.00, are exempt from the requirements of this chapter.

F. Utilization - Water Projects Outside Water Service Area.

Civil Projects or Building Projects that are constructed primarily for the benefit or use by the City’s water utility, which are wholly situated outside the Water Service Area, and for which the estimated cost is less than $1,000,000.00 are exempt from the requirements of this chapter.

G. Utilization - Projects Outside Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area.

Civil Projects or Building Projects that are constructed primarily for the benefit or use by Tacoma Public Utilities, which are wholly situated outside the retail service area of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area, and for which the estimated cost is less than $1,000,000.00 are exempt from the requirements of this chapter. Projects wholly situated outside the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area, and for which the estimated cost is more than $1,000,000.00, shall be exempt from 15% utilization goal specified in subsection A1. of this section. The 15% utilization goal specified in subsection A2. of this section may be met if project work is performed by Apprentices who are enrolled in a course of training specific to a particular construction trade or craft, provided such training has been approved by the Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council in accordance with Chapter 49.04, RCW.

H. Emergency.

This chapter shall not apply in the event of an Emergency. For the purposes of this section, an “Emergency” means unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the City that either: (a) present a real, immediate threat to the proper performance of essential functions; or (b) will likely result in material loss or damage to property, bodily injury, or loss of life if immediate action is not taken.

I. Conflict with State or Federal Requirements.

If any part of this chapter is found to be in conflict with federal or state requirements which are a prescribed condition to the allocation of federal or state funds to the City, then the conflicting part of this chapter is inoperative solely to the extent of the conflict and with respect to the City departments directly affected. This provision does not affect the operation of the
The remainder of this chapter. Administrative rules or regulations adopted under this chapter shall meet federal and state requirements which are a necessary condition to the receipt of federal or state funds by the City.

(Ord. 28520 Ex. A; passed Jul. 17, 2018; Ord. 28147 Ex. B; passed May 7, 2013; Ord. 27815 Ex. A; passed Jun. 30, 2009; Ord. 27368 § 2; passed Jun. 21, 2005; Ord. 26992 § 1; passed Oct. 15, 2002; Ord. 26698 § 2; passed Sept. 12, 2000; Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.050  **Repealed by Ord. 27368. Good faith efforts.**

(Ord. 27368 § 3; passed Jun. 21, 2005; Ord. 26998 § 3; passed Sept. 12, 2000; Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.060  **Effect of program on prime contractor/service provider - subcontractor relationship.**

The LEAP Program shall not be construed so as to modify or interfere with any relationship between any Contractor or Service Provider and Subcontractor. The LEAP Program shall not grant the City any authority to control the manner or method of accomplishing any construction work that is additional to any authority retained by the City in a Public Works contract.

(Ord. 26698 § 4; passed Sept. 12, 2000; Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.070  **Apprentice utilization requirements – Bidding and contractual documents.**

All packages of bid documents for every Building Project and every Civil Project shall incorporate provisions satisfactory to the City Attorney so as to allow enforcement of the provisions contained in this Chapter. Such contractual provisions may include liquidated damages, calculated to reimburse the City for the Contractor’s breach of these performance requirements, which shall be published with the City’s call for bids.

(Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.080  **Enforcement.**

A. The Director shall review the Contractor’s or Service Provider’s and all Subcontractor’s employment practices during the performance of the work for compliance with LEAP Program requirements. On-site visits may be conducted as necessary to verify compliance with the requirements of the LEAP Program. The Contractor, Service Provider, or Subcontractors shall not deny to the City the right to interview its employees, provided that the Director shall make reasonable efforts to coordinate employee interviews with employers.

B. Any knowing failure or refusal to cooperate in compliance monitoring may disqualify the defaulting Contractor, Service Provider, or Subcontractor from eligibility for other City contracts.

C. The making of any material misrepresentation may disqualify the defaulting Contractor, Service Provider, or Subcontractor from eligibility for other City contracts.

D. Any action by the City, its officers and employees, under the provisions of this Chapter may be reviewed by the Board of Contracts and Awards, upon written application of the party so affected. Application shall be made within twenty (20) days of the date of the action upon which the appeal is based, and provided to the City by certified mail or by personal service. Any action taken by the Board of Contracts and Awards may be appealed to the City Council or Public Utility Board, as appropriate, and thereafter if desired, to the Superior Court of Pierce County, Washington, within fifteen (15) days of the previous decision.

(Ord. 26698 § 5; passed Sept. 12, 2000; Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.090  **Compliance with applicable law.**

Nothing in this Chapter shall excuse a Prime Contractor, Service Provider, or Subcontractor from complying with all relevant federal, state, and local laws.

(Ord. 26698 § 6; passed Sept. 12, 2000; Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.100  **Review and reporting.**

The City Manager and Director of Utilities shall review the Program on or before January 1, 2000, and every two (2) years thereafter, and shall report to the City Council and Public Utility Board the Manager’s and Director’s findings, conclusions, and recommendations as to the continued need for the Program, and any revisions thereto that should be considered by the Council and Board.
1.90.105 Authority.

The City Manager and the Director of Utilities shall have authority to jointly adopt policies and regulations consistent with this chapter to implement the LEAP program.

(Ord. 26698 § 7; passed Sept. 12, 2000; Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)

1.90.110 Interpretation.

This Chapter shall not be interpreted or construed so as to conflict with any state or federal law, nor shall this Chapter be enforced such that enforcement results in the violation of any applicable judicial order.

(Ord. 26301 § 1; passed Oct. 6, 1998)
LOCAL EMPLOYMENT AND APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM (LEAP)

LEAP REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES:

The LEAP office enforces post-award mandatory requirements. Bidders do not have to submit any information in the bid submittal package to be in compliance with LEAP.

Post-award Submittals:

- **Prime Contractor LEAP Utilization Plan.** This form is to be completed and presented at the Pre-Construction Meeting.
- **LEAP Employee Verification Form.** This form is to be completed for every qualifying LEAP employee.

The City of Tacoma’s LEAP office enforces two mandatory requirements on City projects based on certain monetary thresholds.

Local Employment Utilization Goal - the Prime Contractor performing a qualifying public works project must ensure that 15 percent of the total labor hours worked on the project are performed by residents of the City of Tacoma or Economically Distressed Zip Codes whether or not any such person is an apprentice.

Apprenticeship Utilization Goal – for contracts above one-million dollars, the Prime Contractor performing a qualifying public works project must ensure that 15 percent of the total labor hours worked on the project are performed by Apprentices who are residents of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area. The accompanying LEAP Regulations, forms, and maps are included in these specifications.

*Exceptions: If the project is located outside of the retail service area of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area, then Apprentices may come from the county in which the work is performed.

This project is below $1 million and is thusly subject to the:

1. 15% Local Employment Utilization Goal

LEAP staff can assist contractors in the recruitment, screening and selection of qualified City of Tacoma residents, Economically Distressed Area residents, and Apprentices. Contractors may obtain further information by contacting the City’s LEAP Office at (253) 316-3057 or (253) 591-5590. The LEAP Office is located in the Tacoma Municipal Building, 747 Market Street, Room 900, Tacoma, WA 98402. www.cityoftacoma.org/leap
No Work Performed (NWP) Report

Prime/Sub Contractor: ___________________________________________________________

Specification Number: ___________________________________________________________

Project Description: _____________________________________________________________

Payroll Week Ending Date: __________________________           Payroll Number: __________

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury, that the information contained herein is true and correct.

_________________________         ______________________       __________
Signature of Responsible Officer     Title              Date

NO WORK PERFORMED
LEAP EMPLOYEE VERIFICATION FORM

Contractor/Sub: ___________________________  Specification Number: ___________________________

Project Description: ________________________________________________________________

Employee Name: ___________________________  Craft: ______________________________________

Ethnic Group (optional):  ☐ Asian/Pac Isl.  ☐ Black  ☐ Hispanic  ☐ Native American  ☐ White  ☐ Other

Gender (optional):  ☐ MALE  ☐ FEMALE

Complete Physical Address (No PO Boxes): ________________________________________________

City: ________  State: ________  Zip: ________  Telephone: ________  Date of Hire: ________

Apprenticeship County: ________  Apprentice Registration I.D. (if applicable): _____________

Age: ______  Copy of DD-214: ______

******Please fill out entire form for tracking LEAP performance******

LEAP qualified employee categories: (check all that apply and provide evidence for each check)

_____ a. Resident (journey level or certified apprentice) within the geographic boundaries of the City of Tacoma

_____ b. Resident (journey level or certified apprentice) within Economically Distressed ZIP Codes of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area

_____ c. WA State Approved Apprentice living in the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area (Only valid for projects over $1,000,000)

_____ d. WA State Approved Apprentice *(Only valid for contracts where 100% of work is performed outside of Pierce County)

Signature of Employee: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________

Contractor Representative: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________
LEAP EMPLOYEE VERIFICATION FORM

To be Completed by Contractor or Subcontractor

Please attach a legible copy of one or more of the following document(s) showing the address of residence as proof of local (Tacoma) and/or Economically Distressed Area and/or TPU Service Areas residency. For youth, see first line and for veteran status, see second line.

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For Youth - Copy of Birth Certificate or WA State ID or
WA Driver’s License (projects advertised after 05-20-13)

For Veterans – Copy of DD-214(Projects advertised after
05-20-13)

Driver’s License with current address

Utility Bill/Phone Bill/Cell Bill/Cable Bill with current address

Copy of current tax form W-4

Rental Agreement/Lease (residential)

Computer Printout From Other Government Agencies

Property Tax Records

Apprentice Registration I.D.

Food Stamp Award Letter

Housing Authority Verification

Insurance Policy (Residence/Auto)

*Any of the above must have a complete physical address verified by the www.govme.org website.

No PO Boxes

Contractor Representative: ________________________________ Date: ________________

Title: __________________________________________________________________________
Appendix C: Economically Distressed ZIP Codes Map

Map is for reference only.

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Community & Economic Development Department
GIS Analysis & Data Service
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EIC REQUIREMENT FORM

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURES:

All bidders must complete and submit with their bid the following solicitation form contained in the bid submittal package:

   City of Tacoma – EIC Utilization Form

IMPORTANT NOTE:

It is the bidder’s responsibility to ensure that the subcontractor(s) listed on the EIC Utilization Form are currently certified by the State of Washington’s Office of Minority and Women Business Enterprises (OMWBE) at the time of bid opening. This may be verified by contacting the EIC Office at 253-591-5075 between 8 AM and 5 PM, Monday through Friday or the OMWBE Office at (866) 208-1064. Please refer to the City of Tacoma EIC code.

EQUITY IN CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS

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A list of EIC-eligible companies is available on the following web site addresses:

   www.omwbe.diversitycompliance.com*

MATERIAL MISSTATEMENTS CONCERNING COMPLETED ACTIONS BY THE BIDDER IN ANY SWEAR STATEMENT OR FAILURE TO MEET COMMITMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE EIC UTILIZATION FORM MAY RENDER THE BIDDER IN DEFAULT OF CITY ORDINANCE 1.07

CCD/SBE: 597000/5310100
Date of Record: 11/22/2022
Project Spec#: IT22-0334F
Project Title: On-Call Wiring & Cabling Supply & Installation

*For the OMWBE list, be sure to look for businesses in Pierce, King, Lewis, Mason, Grays Harbor, Thurston, or any counties adjacent to the county in which the work is performed per 1.07.050(2)(b-c). Contact the EIC Office if you have any questions.
CITY OF TACOMA EQUITY IN CONTRACTING (EIC) AND LEAP PROGRAMS

Bidders Special Instructions

As part of the City of Tacoma's ongoing work to address past disparities and to increase the City’s contracting with and utilization of historically underutilized businesses, the Equity in Contracting (EIC) Program places requirements on City contracts for utilization of businesses certified by the Washington State Office of Minority and Women’s Business Enterprise (OMWBE) and approved by the Equity in Contracting Program (“Certified Businesses”). The EIC Program also provides guidance and technical assistance to Certified Businesses who are interested in providing supplies, services and public works to the City of Tacoma.

The EIC Program requirements are contained in Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 1.07.

Contractors bidding on City of Tacoma projects are required to meet the stated EIC requirements. Bids will be evaluated on an individual basis to determine EIC compliance. **A contractor who fails to meet the stated EIC requirements will be considered non-responsible.** Bidders are also subject to the City’s Equal Employment Opportunity policies prohibiting discrimination.

The stated EIC requirements may be met by the contractor or by identified subcontractors. All EIC Requirements may be met by using MBEs, WBEs, DBEs or SBEs from the OMWBE certified list (OMWBE website). It is the bidder’s responsibility to ensure that their firm or identified subcontractors are certified by OMWBE and approved by the City of Tacoma EIC Program at the time of bid submittal. Business certification may be verified by contacting the EIC Office*.

*For the OMWBE list, be sure to look for businesses in Pierce, King, Lewis, Mason, Grays Harbor, Thurston, or any counties adjacent to the county in which the work is performed per 1.07.050(2)(b-c). Contact the EIC Office* if you have any questions.

The Equity in Contracting (EIC) forms included in these bid documents must be fully completed (including attachments) and included with bid submittals. Failure to include the required forms will result in the submittal being rejected as nonresponsive.

**Post-Award Important Information**

For all contracts that have requirements related to the EIC and LEAP policies, the City of Tacoma is utilizing two cloud-based software systems:

- **B2Gnow** - Contractors and subcontractors must report payment information in the B2Gnow System on a monthly basis. The EIC Staff will monitor/audit that retainage is paid by the prime contractor to the subcontractor(s) within 10 [working] days after the subcontractors’ work is satisfactorily completed. This will be monitored/audited using the B2Gnow System.

- **LCP Tracker** - This system must be used for submitting certified payroll(s) for both EIC and LEAP compliance.
Both systems are monitored/audited by EIC and LEAP staff to ensure contract compliance, proactively identify potential issues and track contract progress.

*EIC & LEAP STAFF Contact Information*

- For questions regarding Certifications, EIC Compliance and B2GNow support, contact EIC Staff:
  - Malika Godo at (253) 591-5630, or via email at mgodo@cityoftacoma.org
  - Gary Lizama at (253) 591-5826, or via email at glizama@cityoftacoma.org

- For questions in regards to LEAP compliance and LCP Tracker support, contact LEAP Staff:
  - Deborah Trevorrow at (253) 591-5590, or via email at dtrevorrow@cityoftacoma.org
CHAPTER 1.07
EQUITY IN CONTRACTING

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1.07.010 Policy and purpose.
It is the policy of the City of Tacoma that citizens be afforded an opportunity for full participation in our free enterprise system and that historically underutilized business enterprises shall have an equitable opportunity to participate in the performance of City contracts. The City finds that in its contracting for supplies, services and public works, there has been historical underutilization of small and minority-owned businesses located in certain geographically and economically disfavored locations and that this underutilization has had a deleterious impact on the economic well-being of the City. The purpose of this chapter is to remedy the effects of such underutilization through use of narrowly tailored contracting requirements to increase opportunities for historically underutilized businesses to participate in City contracts. It is the goal of this chapter to facilitate a substantial procurement, education, and mentorship program designed to promote equitable participation by historically underutilized businesses in the provision of supplies, services, and public works to the City. It is not the purpose of this chapter to provide any person or entity with any right, privilege, or claim, not shared by the public, generally, and this chapter shall not be construed to do so. This chapter is adopted in accordance with Chapter 35.22 RCW and RCW 49.60.400.

(Ord. 28625 Ex. A; passed Nov. 5, 2019: Ord. 27867 Ex. A; passed Dec. 15, 2009)

1.07.020 Definitions.
Terms used in this chapter shall have the following meanings unless defined elsewhere in the Tacoma Municipal Code (“TMC”), or unless the context in which they are used clearly indicates a different meaning.

1.07.020.B
A. “Bid” means an offer submitted by a Respondent to furnish Supplies, Services, and/or Public Works in conformity with the Specifications and any other written terms and conditions included in a City request for such offer.

B. “Bidder” means an entity or individual who submits a Bid, Proposal or Quote. See also “Respondent.”

1.07.020.C
“Certified Business” means an entity that has been certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (“DBE”), Small Business Enterprise (“SBE”), Minority Business Enterprise (“MBE”), Women Business Enterprise (“WBE”), or Minority and Women’s Business Enterprise (“MWBE”) by the Washington State Office of Minority and Women’s Business Enterprise and meets the criteria set forth in Section 1.07.050 (2) of this chapter and has been approved as meeting that criteria by the Community and Economic Development Department Program Manager.

“City” means all Departments, Divisions and agencies of the City of Tacoma.

“Contract” means any type of legally binding agreement regardless of form or title that governs the terms and conditions for procurement of Public Works and Improvements and/or Non-Public Works and Improvements Supplies and Services. Contracts include the terms and conditions found in Specifications, Bidder or Respondent Submittals, and purchase orders issued by the City. A “Contract” as used in this chapter shall include an agreement between the City and a non-profit entity to perform construction-related services for Public Works. A “Contract” does not include: (1) awards made by the City with
federal/state grant or City general funds monies to a non-profit entity where the City offers assistance, guidance, or supervision on a project or program, and the recipient of the grant awards uses the grant moneys to provide services to the community; (2) sales transactions where the City sells its personal or real property; (3) a loan transaction where the City is acting as a debtor or a creditor; (4) lease, franchise; (5) agreements to use City real property (such as Licenses, Permits and Easements) and, (6) banking and other financial or investment services.

“Contractor” means any Person that presents a Submittal to the City, enters into a Contract with the City, and/or performs all or any part of a Contract awarded by the City, for the provision of Public Works, or Non-Public Works and Improvements, Supplies or Services.

1.07.020.G

“Goals” means the annual level of participation by Certified Businesses in City Contracts as established in this chapter, the Program Regulations, or as necessary to comply with applicable federal and state nondiscrimination laws and regulations. Goals for individual Contracts may be adjusted as provided for in this chapter and shall not be construed as a minimum for any particular Contract or for any particular geographical area.

1.07.020.N

“Non-Public Works and Improvements” means all competitively solicited procurement of Supplies and/or Services by the City not solicited as Public Works.

1.07.020.P

“Person” means individuals, companies, corporations, partnerships, associations, cooperatives, any other legally recognized business entity, legal representative, trustee, or receivers.

“Program Manager” means the individual appointed, from time to time, by the City’s Community and Economic Development Director to administer the Program Regulations.

“Program Regulations” means the written regulations and procedures adopted pursuant to this chapter for procurement of Supplies, Services and Public Works.

“Proposal” means a written offer to furnish Supplies or Services in response to a Request for Proposals. This term may be further defined in the Purchasing Policy Manual and/or in competitive solicitations issued by the City.

“Public Works (or “Public Works and Improvements)” means all work, construction, alteration, repair, or improvement other than ordinary maintenance, executed at the cost of the City, or that is by law a lien or charge on any property therein. This term includes all Supplies, materials, tools, and equipment to be furnished in accordance with the Contract for such work, construction, alteration, repair, or improvement.

1.07.020.Q

“Quote” means a competitively solicited written offer to furnish Supplies or Services by a method of procurement that is less formalized than a Bid or a Proposal. This term may be further defined in the Purchasing Policy Manual.

1.07.020.R

“Respondent” means any entity or Person, other than a City employee, that provides a Submittal in response to a request for Bids, Request for Proposals, Request for Qualifications, request for quotes or other request for information, as such terms are defined in Section 1.06.251 TMC. This term includes any such entity or Person whether designated as a supplier, seller, vendor, proposer, Bidder, Contractor, consultant, merchant, or service provider that; (1) assumes a contractual responsibility to the City for provision of Supplies, Services, and/or Public Works; (2) is recognized by its industry as a provider of such Supplies, Services, and/or Public works; (3) has facilities similar to those commonly used by Persons engaged in the same or similar business; and/or (4) distributes, delivers, sells, or services a product or performs a Commercially Useful Function.

1.07.020.S

“Services” means non-Public Works and Improvements services and includes professional services, personal services, and purchased services, as such terms are defined in Section 1.06.251 TMC and/or the City’s Purchasing Policy Manual.

“Submittal” means Bids, Proposals, Quotes, qualifications or other information submitted in response to requests for Bids, Requests for Proposals, Requests for Qualifications, requests for Quotations, or other City requests for information, as such terms are defined in Section 1.06.251 TMC.

“Supplies” means materials, Supplies, and other products that are procured by the City through a competitive process for either Public Works procurement or Non-Public Works and Improvements procurement unless an approved waiver has been granted by the appropriate authority.
1.07.020.T
“Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area” means any ZIP code in which Tacoma Public Utilities maintains infrastructure or provides retail services.

1.07.020.W
“Waiver” means a discretionary decision by the City that the one or more requirements of this chapter will not be applied to a Contract or Contracts.


1.07.030 Discrimination prohibited.
A. No person that is engaged in the construction of public works for the City, engaged in the furnishing of laborers or craftspeople for public works of the City, or is engaged for compensation in the provision of non-public works and improvements supplies and/or services to the City, shall discriminate against any other person on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, marital status, familial status, or the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability in employment. Such discrimination includes the unfair treatment or denial of normal privileges to a person as manifested in employment upgrades, demotions, transfers, layoffs, termination, rates of pay, recruitment of employees, or advertisement for employment.

B. The violation of the terms of RCW 49.60 or Chapter 1.29 TMC by any person that is engaged in the construction of public works for the City, is engaged in the furnishing of laborers or craftspeople for public works of the City, or is engaged for compensation in the provision of non-public works and improvements supplies and/or services shall result in the rebuttable presumption that the terms of this chapter have also been violated. Such violation may result in termination of any City contract the violator may have with the City and/or the violator’s ineligibility for further City Contracts.

(Ord. 27867 Ex. A; passed Dec. 15, 2009)

1.07.040 Program administration.
A. The Community and Economic Development Director, or their designated Program Manager, shall be responsible for administering this chapter and obtaining compliance with respect to contracts entered into by the City and/or its contractors. It shall be the duty of the Director to pursue the objectives of this chapter by conference, conciliation, persuasion, investigation, or enforcement action, as may be necessary under the circumstances. The Director is authorized to implement an administrative and compliance program to meet these responsibilities and objectives.

B. The Director is hereby authorized to adopt and to amend administrative regulations known as the Program Regulations, to properly implement and administer the provisions of this chapter. The Program Regulations shall be in conformance with City of Tacoma policies and state and federal laws and be designed to encourage achievement of the Goals set forth herein.


1.07.050 Approval as a Certified Business.
A. The Program Manager shall approve an entity as a Certified Business if all of the following criteria are satisfied:

1. The entity is certified as a DBE, SBE, MBE, WBE, or MWBE through the state of Washington’s Office of Minority & Women Business Enterprises; and

2. The entity can demonstrate that it also meets at least one of the following additional requirements:
   a. The personal residence of the owner is located within the City of Tacoma or Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area, or
   b. The entity’s business offices are located in any county of the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area or any county adjacent to Pierce County, or
   c. When the work is performed outside of Pierce County, the entity’s business offices may be located in an adjacent county in which the work is performed, or
   d. Such additional information as the Program Manager or designee may require.

3. When another governmental entity has an equivalent business classification process, the City may enter into an interlocal cooperative agreement for mutual recognition of certifications.
B. Appeals.

The applicant may appeal any approval determination by the Program Manager under this chapter to the Director. The appeal must be made in writing and must set forth the specific reasons for the appeal. The Director shall make a decision on the appeal request within a reasonable time, which decision shall be final unless further appeal is made to the Hearing Examiner. In that event, the Hearing Examiner Rules of Procedure for Hearings, Chapter 1.23 TMC, shall be applicable to that appeal proceeding.


1.07.060 Program requirements.

A. The program shall meet the following requirements:

1. Establishment of Annual Goals.

The Program Regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter shall state reasonably achievable cumulative annual goals for utilization of Certified Businesses in the provision of supplies, services, and public works procured by the City. Cumulative annual goals for the participation of Certified Businesses in City contracts shall be based on the number of qualified Certified Businesses operating within the Tacoma Public Utilities Service Area. The dollar value of all contracts awarded by the City to Certified Businesses in the procurement of supplies, services, and public works shall be counted toward the accomplishment of the applicable goal.


The Program Manager shall consult with City departments/divisions to establish department/division specific goals for competitively solicited contracts in accordance with this chapter and the Program Regulations.

B. Exceptions:

City departments/divisions or the Program Manager may request an exception to one or more of the requirements of this chapter as they apply to a particular Contract or Contracts. Exceptions may be granted in any one or more of the following circumstances:

1. Emergency:

The supplies, services and/or public works must be provided with such immediacy that neither the City nor the contractor can comply with the requirements herein. Such emergency will be deemed documented whenever a waiver of competitive solicitation for emergency situations is authorized under Tacoma Municipal Code Chapter 1.06.257 or as may be hereinafter amended.

2. Not Practicable:

The Contract involves special facilities or market conditions or specially tailored or performance criteria-based products, such that compliance with the requirements of this chapter would cause financial loss to the City or an interruption of vital services to the public. Such circumstances must be documented by the department/division awarding the Contract and approved by the senior financial manager or, for Contracts where the estimated cost is over $500,000 (excluding sales tax), approved by the Board of Contracts and Awards (“C&A Board”).

3. Sole source:

The supplies, services, and/or public works are available from only one feasible source, and subcontracting possibilities do not reasonably exist as documented by the department/division awarding the Contract and approved by the senior financial manager or, for Contracts where the estimated cost is over $500,000 (excluding sales tax), approved by the C&A Board.


The Contract or Contracts are the result of a federal, state or inter-local government purchasing agreement and the use of such agreement in lieu of a bid solicitation conducted by the City is approved by the senior financial manager.

5. Lack of certified contractors:

An insufficient number of qualified contractors exist to create any utilization opportunities as documented by the Program Manager.

C. Waiver:
If, after receipt of Submittals but prior to Contract award, it is determined that due to unforeseen circumstances, waiver of goals is in the best interests of the City, the Director or Superintendent of the department/division awarding the Contract may request in writing that the City Manager or designee, on behalf of General Government, or the Director of Utilities or designee, on behalf of the Department of Public Utilities, approve such waiver.

Waivers may be granted only after determination by the City Manager or Director of Utilities that compliance with the requirements of this chapter would impose unwarranted economic burden on, or risk to, the City of Tacoma as compared with the degree to which the purposes and policies of this chapter would be furthered by requiring compliance.

(Ord. 28766 Ex. A; passed June 8, 2021; Ord. 28625 Ex. A; passed Nov. 5, 2019; Ord. 28141 Ex. A; passed Mar. 26, 2013; Ord. 27867 Ex. A; passed Dec. 15, 2009)

1.07.070 Evaluation of submittals.

A. All submittals for a supplies, services, or public works and improvements contracts shall be evaluated for attainment of the Certified Business requirements established for that contract in accordance with this chapter and the Program Regulations.

B. The determination of Certified Business usage and the calculation of Certified Business requirements per this section shall include the following considerations:

1. General.

The dollar value of the contract awarded by the City to a Certified Business in the procurement of supplies, services, or public works shall be counted toward achievement of the respective goal.

2. Supplies.

A public works and improvements contractor may receive credit toward attainment of the Certified Business requirement(s) for expenditures for supplies obtained from a Certified Business; provided such Certified Business assumes the actual and contractual responsibility for delivering the supplies with its resources. The contractor may also receive credit toward attainment of the Certified Business goal for the amount of the commission paid to a Certified Business resulting from a supplies contract with the City; provided the Certified Business performs a commercially useful function in the process.


Any bid by a Certified Business or a bidder that utilizes a Certified Business shall receive credit toward requirement attainment based on the percentage of Certified Business usage demonstrated in the bid. A contractor that utilizes a Certified Business as a subcontractor to provide services or public works shall receive a credit toward the contractor’s attainment of the respective requirement based on the value of the subcontract with that firm.


Certified Business acting as brokers, fronts, or similar pass-through arrangements (as such terms are defined in the Program Regulations) shall not count toward the requirement attainment unless the activity reflects normal industry practices and the broker performs a commercially useful function.

C. Evaluation of competitively solicited submittals for public works and improvements and for services when a requirement has been established for the contract to be awarded shall be as follows:

1. When contract award is based on price.

The lowest priced bid submitted by a responsive and responsible bidder will be reviewed to determine if it meets the requirement. Certified Businesses may self-count utilization on such bids if they will perform the work for the scope the requirement is based upon.

a. If the low bidder meets the requirements, the bid shall be presumed the lowest and best responsible bid for contract award.

b. Any bidder that does not meet the stated Certified Business requirements shall be considered a non-responsible bidder unless a waiver of one or more of the requirements of this chapter is granted, in the City’s sole discretion, pursuant to the criteria and processes in Tacoma Municipal Code 1.07.060.C.

2. When contract award is based on qualifications or other performance criteria in addition to price, solicitations shall utilize a scoring system that promotes participation by certified contractors. The Program Regulations may establish further requirements and procedures for final selection and contract award, including:

a. Evaluation of solicitations for Architectural and Engineering (A&E) services;

b. Evaluation and selection of submittals in response to requests for proposals; and
1.07.080 Contract compliance.

A. The contractor awarded a contract based on Certified Business participation shall, during the term of the contract, comply with the requirements established in said contract. To ensure compliance with this requirement following contract award, the following provisions apply:

1. Any substitutions for or failure to utilize Certified Business projected to be used must be approved in advance by the Program Manager. Substitution of one Certified Business with another shall be allowed where there has been a refusal to execute necessary agreements by the original Certified Business, a default on agreements previously made or other reasonable excuse; provided that the substitution does not increase the dollar amount of the bid.

2. Where it is shown that no other Certified Business is available as a substitute and that failure to secure participation by the Certified Business identified in the solicitation is not the fault of the respondent, substitution with a non-Certified Business shall be allowed; provided, that, the substitution does not increase the dollar amount of the bid.

3. If the Program Manager determines that the contractor has not reasonably and actively pursued the use of replacement Certified Business, such contractor shall be deemed to be in non-compliance.

B. Record Keeping.

All contracts shall require contractors to maintain relevant records and information necessary to document compliance with this chapter and the contractor's utilization of Certified Businesses, and shall include the right of the City to inspect such records.

1.07.090 Program monitoring.

A. An Advisory Committee shall monitor compliance with all provisions of this chapter and the related Regulations. The Program Manager shall establish procedures to collect data and monitor the effect of the provisions of this chapter to assure, insofar as is practical, that the remedies set forth herein do not disproportionately favor one or more racial, gender, ethnic, or other protected groups, and that the remedies do not remain in effect beyond the point that they are required to eliminate the effects of under utilization in City contracting, unless such provisions are supported by a Disparity Study. The Program Manager shall have the authority to obtain from City departments/divisions, respondents, and contractors such relevant records, documents, and other information as is reasonably necessary to determine compliance.

B. The Program Manager shall submit an annual report to the Community and Economic Development Director, Director of Utilities, and the City Manager detailing performance of the program. The report shall document Certified Business utilization levels, waivers, proposed modifications to the program, and such other matters as may be specified in the Program Regulations.

1.07.100 Enforcement.

The Director, or designee, may investigate the employment practices of contractors to determine whether or not the requirements of this chapter have been violated. Such investigation shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures established in the Program Regulations.

1.07.110 Remedies.

A. Upon receipt of a determination of contractor violation by the Program Manager, the City Manager or Director of Utilities, as appropriate, may take the following actions, singly or together, as appropriate:

1. Forfeit the contractor's bid bond and/or performance bond;
2. Publish notice of the contractor’s noncompliance;
3. Cancel, terminate, or suspend the contractor’s contract, or portion thereof;
4. Withhold funds due contractor until compliance is achieved; and/or
5. Recommend appropriate action including, but not limited to, disqualification of eligibility for future contract awards by the City (debarment) per Section 1.06.279 TMC;

B. Prior to exercise of any of the foregoing remedies, the City shall provide written notice to the contractor specifying the violation and the City’s intent to exercise such remedy or remedies. The notice shall provide that each specified remedy becomes effective within ten business days of receipt unless the contractor appeals said action to the Hearing Examiner pursuant to Chapter 1.23 TMC.

C. When non-compliance with this chapter or the Program Regulations has occurred, the Program Manager and the department/division responsible for enforcement of the contract may allow continuation of the contract upon the contractor’s development of a plan for compliance acceptable to the Director.


1.07.120 Unlawful acts.

It shall be unlawful for any Person to willfully prevent or attempt to prevent, by intimidation, threats, coercion, or otherwise, any Person from complying with the provisions of this chapter.

(Ord. 27867 Ex. A; passed Dec. 15, 2009)

1.07.130 Severability.

If any section of this chapter or its application to any Person or circumstance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the remaining sections of this chapter, or the application of the provisions to other Persons or circumstances, shall not be affected.

(Ord. 27867 Ex. A; passed Dec. 15, 2009)

1.07.140 Review of program.

This chapter shall be in effect through and until December 31, 2024, unless the City Council shall determine at an earlier date that the requirements of this chapter are no longer necessary. If this chapter has not been repealed by July 1, 2024, the City Council shall determine by the end of that year whether substantial effects or lack of opportunity of MWBEs and/or SBEs remain true in the relevant market and whether, and for how long, some or all of the requirements of this chapter should remain in effect.