



City of Tacoma, WA

**CITY OF TACOMA / PUBLIC WORKS**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**Right of Way Acquisition Services**

**6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Pedestrian Crossing**

**Safety Improvements Project**

**SPECIFICATION NO. PW22-0056F**

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**City of Tacoma  
Public Works**

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Right of Way Acquisition Services 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Pedestrian  
Crossing Safety Improvements Project**

**Submittal Deadline: 11:00 a.m., Pacific Time, Tuesday, June 14, 2022**

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](mailto: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](mailto:bids@cityoftacoma.org)

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

**Bid Opening:** Held virtually each Tuesday at 11AM. Attend [via this link](#) or call 1 (253) 215 8782. Submittals in response to a RFP 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](http://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](http://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 will not be held.

**Project Scope:** Right of way services.

**Estimate:** \$177,000

**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](mailto: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 Tina Eide, Senior Buyer by email to [teide@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:teide@cityoftacoma.org).

**Protest Policy:** City of Tacoma protest policy, located at [www.tacomapurchasing.org](http://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.**



## SUBMITTAL CHECK LIST

This checklist identifies items to be included with your submittal. Any submittal received without these required items may be deemed non-responsive and not be considered for award.

Submittals must be received by the City of Tacoma Purchasing Division by the date and time specified in the Request for Proposal page.

<b>The following items make up your submittal package:</b>	
<b>DELIVERY TO THE CITY OF TACOMA PROCUREMENT AND PAYABLES DIVISION BY EMAIL:</b>  One electronic copy of your complete submittal package emailed to <a href="mailto:bids@cityoftacoma.org">bids@cityoftacoma.org</a> prior to 11:00 a.m., Pacific Time, Tuesday, June 14, 2022.	
Signature Page	
Information in Section 12	
<b>After award, the following documents will be executed:</b>	
Local Agency A&E Services Agreement	
Indirect Cost Rate for Prime Consultant	
Certificate of Insurance and related endorsements	

## 1. BACKGROUND

The 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Safety Improvement Project aims to upgrade existing traffic signal heads and signal phasing, install accessible pedestrian countdown signals and pushbuttons, and adjust traffic signal timing, communication, and coordination as needed, install curb bulbs and pedestrian median islands and upgrade to pedestrian actuated rectangular rapid flashing beacons and 19 intersections along 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Jackson Ave to Grant Ave.

During the course of the Right of Way evaluation, several City assets were identified as encroachments on private property and permanent easements will be required. Temporary Construction Easements will also be required for installation of new assets.

To learn more about the City of Tacoma, visit [www.cityoftacoma.org](http://www.cityoftacoma.org).

## 2. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

This project includes Federal funds administered through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the City shall require the Consultant to use the Consultant Agreement found in WSDOT's Local Agency Guidelines manual, and shall require the Consultant to sign applicable forms from that manual.

More information about WSDOT Local Agency Guidelines manual can be found at:

[Local Agency Guidelines \(LAG\) | Manuals | WSDOT \(wa.gov\)](#)

## 3. SUMMARY OF SCOPE OF SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

**GENERAL:** The City of Tacoma (City) desires to enter into a contract with a professional right of way acquisition firm to provide all related services as required for property rights acquisition for 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Safety Improvement Project (Project).

**ACQUISITION SERVICES:** All property rights/right of way acquisition services shall be performed by individuals who have been qualified by the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) to perform right of way acquisition services and shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, including, but not limited to, the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, WSDOT Right of Way Manual and WSDOT Local Agency Guidelines. All acquisition services shall be coordinated with and subject to approval by City Real Property Services (RPS) designated staff. The Senior Real Estate Officer with Real Property Services Section, Facilities Management Division, Public Works Department will serve as the City's point of contact and lead coordinator for all work performed under any agreement pertaining to property rights acquisition/right of way services, including the coordination and resolution of any internal City scheduling or priority overlaps which may occur. Property rights acquisition on each parcel may consist of one or a combination of the following: Temporary Construction Permits (TCPs), Temporary Construction Easements (TCEs), permanent easements, full fee acquisitions, or partial fee acquisitions.

Scope of Work:

### A. Title Review

1. Consultant may be asked to obtain title and engage and coordinate with a qualified title sub-consultant approved by City.

2. Review preliminary title commitments for standard owner's coverage, including each listed exception, which include legible copies of all supporting documents referenced therein.
3. Review each title or easement coverage exception to determine which exceptions require removal, additional negotiations, or pose obstacles or delays to the acquisition process and make recommendations to the City.
4. Provide the City with a parcel summary memo that lists all ownerships, title exceptions, conflicting easements or other rights of record and comments or concerns for each parcel.
5. For property ownership confirmation for TCPs, last vesting deed of record will be sufficient.

**B. Legal Description/Survey Review**

1. Review legal descriptions, drawings, maps, or surveys to check for error/inconsistencies with right of way plans or construction plans.

**C. Appraisal and Appraisal Review**

1. Prepare a Project Funding Estimate in compliance with WSDOT requirements.
2. Consultant may be asked to prepare a waiver valuation (also known as Administrative Offer Summary (AOS)) in compliance with WSDOT requirements for each parcel for which property rights are to be acquired that have an estimated value of less than \$25,000.00.
3. Consultant may be asked to obtain appraisals and/or review appraisals and may be asked to engage and coordinate with qualified appraiser sub-consultants approved by City.
4. All appraisal services shall be performed by individuals who have been qualified by WSDOT to provide appraisal services. All appraisal services shall be performed in accordance and compliance with all applicable Federal and State requirements.
5. Coordinate and manage appraisal and appraisal review process and delivery schedules.
6. Review appraisals and appraisal reviews in preparation for signature by the City.
7. The fair market value determination established by the valuation process (AOS or appraisal) as approved by the City shall serve as the basis for the written offer of just compensation to the property owner.

**D. Encroachment Notification Letters**

1. Consultant shall work with City to identify encroachments in the right of way project corridor and draft and deliver encroachment notification letters to property owners in form and content approved by the City. Encroachment notification letters will be sent to either:
  - 1) property owners impacted by the Project and who will also be receiving offer letters, or
  - 2) property owners NOT impacted by the Project, but otherwise have property located within the right of way of the project corridor and have encroachments in the ROW that are not generally allowable under City codes or else not permitted.

**E. Acquisitions**

1. The Consultant shall, prior to contacting property owners, shall thoroughly review and become familiar with all project-related information and property-specific information.
2. Present written offers in person whenever possible.
3. The written offer shall include the following:
  - a. Offer letter;
  - b. Summary Statement of Just Compensation - The amount established as just compensation, including a written explanation of the basis for the offer and, if applicable, the amount of damages and/or benefits to the remainder.
  - c. Acquisition Document (i.e., conveyance document) and any related map and legal description exhibits;
  - d. Applicable REETA form;
  - e. Brochure which explains WSDOT's acquisition program;
  - f. Federal Form W-9;
  - g. Self-addressed, postage prepaid return envelopes.

4. Perform "good faith negotiations" as defined by The Uniform Act and make a sufficient number of contacts with each owner in an effort to secure the needed property rights.
5. Negotiate as necessary with lien holders and easement holders to remove title defects.
6. Maintain a current detailed negotiator's log/agent diary on each parcel noting every property owner contact and/or interaction.
7. Out-of-area owners can be contacted by telephone, email, and by certified mail.
8. If the owner claims to be represented by another party, including an attorney, the Consultant shall obtain from the owner a letter of representation prior to making the offer to the owner's representative.
9. Forward all executed documents and administrative settlements to the City for approval.
10. If an initial offer to the property owner is not successful, the Consultant shall, at the direction of the City, deliver a final written offer to the property owner. The final written offer shall be delivered either by hand, by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by express mail.
11. If negotiations reach an impasse, the consultant shall provide the City with written notification of such and initiate a condemnation package.

**F. Condemnation Package/Prep**

1. If the owner refuses to accept the final offer, a condemnation package (including the negotiator's log/agent diary, updated title information and other related negotiation information) will be prepared and submitted to the City in accordance with the schedule provided by the City.

**G. Title Insurance and Closings**

1. The City will determine when the Consultant shall utilize the services of a title company for title insurance and closing purposes on any parcel. When the City determines that a title company shall be used, the Consultant shall facilitate and coordinate these services with the title consultant under the direction of the City. The City shall also determine which closing services will be performed by the Consultant. The services to be provided by the Consultant may include:
  - a. updating title commitments to the time of closing and securing a title policy on fee taking parcels;
  - b. coordinating and reviewing all closing documents for quality assurance purposes and obtaining City approvals;
  - c. attending closings with the title company and ensuring that all documents are properly executed, all liens are satisfied/released, all taxes and assessments are paid prior to the disbursement of funds, and all appropriate documents are promptly recorded after closing and returned to the City after recordation.
2. In cases when the City determines that settlements are within applicable guidelines which permit the Consultant to perform closings without the services of a title company, the Consultant may be asked to perform the following:
  - a. update existing title commitments;
  - b. calculate final settlement amounts;
  - c. prepare closing statements;
  - d. collect pro-rated taxes and assessments;
  - e. ensure all liens are released/satisfied prior to disbursement of funds;
  - f. review all documents for quality assurance purposes;
  - g. ensure all documents are properly executed;
  - h. record documents with appropriate County and provide City with recorded document;
  - i. perform other closing functions as requested.

**H. Project Management/File Closeout**

1. Meet with the City (either virtually or in-person) to obtain background on the project, contacts, protocol and preferences;
2. The City may request that certain parcels be addressed and given priority over others, if deemed necessary;
3. Prepare offer letter and acquisition documents on City approved forms;
4. Prepare tracking and status spreadsheets, in a form satisfactory to the City;
5. Make weekly or bi-weekly reports detailing the following information relative to each parcel:
  1. The number of contacts made in the preceding period.
  2. The persons who were contacted.
  3. Summary of the discussions.
  4. The terms that were resolved or agreed to in principle.
  5. The terms that are not resolved or agreed to in principle.
  6. Recommendations by the Consultant for resolution of remaining issues.
  7. Anticipated course of action by the Consultant in attempting to resolve remaining issues.
  8. Copies of any documents under discussion in draft or final form.
6. The Consultant shall be available to meet with the City at any time during the Project as may be required to discuss project progress and status.
7. Prepare parcel files, in a satisfactory format to the City, to include title, legal descriptions/drawings, appraisals, appraisal review (if applicable), offer letters, acquisition documents, a standard diary form indicating all contacts with property owner(s), copies of any written correspondence (including emails & attachments) with property owner(s), and any other items/documents necessary for negotiations.
8. Maintain records in accordance with statutory, regulatory and policy requirements. All files and records will be maintained in a secure location, available for inspection by representatives of the City, or WSDOT, or the Federal Highway Administration. If deficiencies are found or if there is a need for additional information, the Consultant shall provide such information promptly.
9. The Consultant's activities will be coordinated by a principal of the company, or its designee, who will be responsible for coordination with the City. When required by the City, the principal for Consultant shall attend project review meetings, provide oversight of project field activities, provide status reports of activities, and schedule updates.
10. The Consultant shall submit to the City two (2) complete files for each parcel, one hardcopy and one electronic duplicate. The files shall include any and all documents affecting the parcel including, but not limited to, all correspondence with the property owner (both hardcopy and electronic (i.e., copies of emails)), appraisals, value findings/fair market value determinations, negotiation records/logs/diaries, letters, memos, legal descriptions, surveys, maps, title commitments/title policies, closing instructions and statements, recorded deeds, releases/satisfactions, and any other related and pertinent documents.

**I. PROJECT SCHEDULE:** Consultant will be asked to right of way acquisition project schedule. The Consultant shall initiate Project activities upon written notice to proceed by the City.

**J. PREQUALIFICATION:** Consultants and sub-consultant appraisers must be prequalified through the Washington Department of Transportation. Proposals received from non-prequalified firms will not be evaluated.

- K. CITY Real Property Services Contact: Susie Rogers, Senior Real Estate Officer will oversee all real property acquisition/right of way activities for this contract. Her contact information is: Office: (253) 591-5566; Cell: (253) 242-0747; Email: [srogers@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:srogers@cityoftacoma.org). The Senior Real Estate Officer may designate a Senior Real Estate Specialist with Real Property Services for this function.
- L. Price/Fees: Services pricing shall be all inclusive, to include, but not be limited to: labor, materials, equipment, travel, drawings, documentation, work, shipping/freight, licenses, permits, fees, etc. Provide a complete list of all potential costs/fees with associated services as may be related to this scope of work. The list should be broken down into both hourly rates, and flat rate fees, as may apply.

Section 12 contains additional details regarding scope of services as content to be submitted.

#### 4. CONTRACT TERM

The contract will be for a one-year period with the option to renew the contract one additional one-year term. The City reserves the right to cancel the contract for any reason, by written notice, as stipulated in the contract.

#### 5. 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:

Pre-Submittal Questions:	<b>5/26/2022</b>
Response to Questions:	<b>6/1/2022</b>
Submittal Due Date:	<b>6/14/2022</b>
Submittal Evaluated, on	<b>6/28/2022</b>
Interviews/presentations,	<b>7/5/2022</b>
Award Recommendation,	<b>7/8/2022</b>

#### 6. INQUIRIES

- 6.1 Questions should be submitted to Tina Eide via email to [teide@cityoftacoma.org](mailto:teide@cityoftacoma.org). Subject line to read: PW22-0056F – 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Safety Improvements – *VENDOR NAME*
- 6.2 Questions must be received by 3 PM, Pacific, on the date given in the Calendar of Events.
- 6.3 Questions marked confidential will not be answered or included.
- 6.4 The City reserves the discretion to group similar questions to provide a single answer or not to respond when the requested information is confidential.
- 6.5 The answers are not typically considered an addendum.
- 6.6 The City will not be responsible for unsuccessful submittal of questions.

- 6.7** Written answers to questions will be posted alongside these specifications on [tacomapurchasing.org](http://tacomapurchasing.org).

## **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. 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 to any subsequent requirements of the contract negotiation process.

## **9. EVALUATION CRITERIA**

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.

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

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Max Points</b>
Qualifications/Experience of	<b>30</b>
Examples of Projects	<b>15</b>
Strategy and Implementation	<b>15</b>
Client References	<b>10</b>
Method of Billing / Hourly	<b>20</b>
Sustainability	<b>5</b>
Equity in Contracting	<b>5</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

- 9.1** The SAC may select one or more respondent to provide the services required.
- 9.2** 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.
- 9.3** A significant deficiency in any one criteria is grounds for rejection of the submittal as a whole.

## **10. 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 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 with the contact person provided in the SOQs. 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 in Section 9 above.

## **11. 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.

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

Proposals should be formatted as 8 ½" x 11". A "page" is defined as one single-side of a document that has written text or graphics. Submittals should be limited to a maximum of 10 pages, double-sided, or 20 pages total, excluding any required forms or resumes. All pages that exceed the specified page limit will not be part of the evaluation.

A full and complete response to each of the "CONTENT TO BE SUBMITTED" items is expected in a single location; do not cross reference to another section in your submittal.

Information that is confidential must be clearly marked and provide an index identifying the affected page number(s) and location(s) of such identified materials. See Section 1 of the Standard Terms and Conditions – Solicitation 1.06 for Public Disclosure: Proprietary or Confidential Information.

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, or not in conformity with law, may be rejected as being non-responsive. The City will not accept any submittal containing a substantial deviation from the requirements outlined in this RFP.

Submittals should present information in a straightforward and concise manner, while ensuring complete and detailed descriptions of the respondent's/team'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 firm's submittal or request additional information that might be required to properly evaluate the submittal. A firm's failure to respond to such a request may result in rejection of the firm's submittal. Firms 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 Proposer's responsibility to submit a submittal that is current, clear, complete, and accurate.

**12.1 Qualifications/Experience of Firm – 30 points**

1. Describe your company's ability to provide the services outlined in Section 3.
2. Please state any experience you have with government organizations.

**12.2 Examples of Projects – 15 points**

Provide firm's qualifications for consideration as a contract provider to the City of Tacoma and include prior experience in similar projects.

**12.3 Strategy and Implementation – 15 points**

Describe your (the firm's) interpretation of the City's objectives with regard to this RFP. Describe the proposed strategy and/or plan for achieving the objectives of this RFP. The Firm may utilize a written narrative or any other printed technique to demonstrate their ability to satisfy the Scope of Services. The narrative should describe a logical progression of tasks and efforts starting with the initial steps or tasks to be accomplished and continuing until all proposed tasks are fully described and the RFP objectives are accomplished.

**12.4 Client References – 10 points**

Provide three client references able to verify the firm's overall expertise for this type of work. The references must have worked with the firm within the last two years. Provide complete information such as name of company, contact person, address, phone number, and email address.

**12.5 Method of Billing / Hourly Rates – 20 points**

Provide a complete list of all potential costs/fees with associated services, as may be related to the associated services and methods of billing. The list should be broken down into both hourly rates, and flat rate fees, as may apply.

**12.6 Sustainability – 5 points**

Provide information on your company's commitment to the environment. Include your sustainability statement and current practices.

**12.7 Equity in Contracting – 5 points**

List any certifications with Washington State for any of the below categories. Confirmation of any item below will award all points for this category.

- ☐ Combination Business Enterprise (CBE)
- ☐ Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)
- ☐ Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)
- ☐ Minority/Women Business Enterprise (MWBE)
- ☐ Small Business Enterprise (SBE)
- ☐ Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (SEDBE)
- ☐ Women Business Enterprise (WBE)

**12.8 Credit Card Acceptance – 0 points**

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

**12.9 Contract Exceptions – 0 points**

Do you take exceptions to any of the City of Tacoma's Standard Terms and Conditions or any other part of these specifications? If so, please identify the section and, if applicable, provide suggested replacement language.

**13. ACCEPTANCE / REJECTION OF SUBMITTALS**

Respondents are advised that the City reserves the right to cancel award of this Contract at any time before execution of the Contract by both parties if cancellation is deemed to be in the City's best interest. In submitting a Submittal, Respondents agree that the City is not liable for any costs or damages for the cancellation of an award.

The City reserves the right and holds at its discretion the following rights and options:

- To waive any or all informalities
- To award one or more contracts
- To not award a contract
- To issue subsequent solicitation

**14. ACCEPTANCE OF SUBMITTAL CONTENTS**

The Submittal contents of the successful Respondent will become contractual obligations if a contract ensues.

**15. CONTRACT OBLIGATION**

The selected Respondent(s) will be expected to execute a contract with the City. As part of the negotiation process, Respondents may propose amendments to the contract, but the City, at its sole option, will decide whether to open discussion on each proposed amendment and determine the final contract to be used. At a minimum, any contract will incorporate the terms and conditions contained herein.

**16. STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

City of Tacoma Standard Terms and Conditions apply. (See Appendix C)

## **17. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Successful proposer will provide proof and maintain the insurance coverage in the amounts and in the manner specified in the City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements document applicable to the services, products, and deliverables provided under the RFP. The City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements document is fully incorporated into the RFP by reference. (See Appendix C)

## **18. 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>.

## **19. PARTNERSHIPS**

The City will allow firms 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. All 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.

## **20. 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.

## **21. AWARD**

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.

After the Respondent(s) is selected by the SAC and prior to award, all other Respondents will be notified via email by the Purchasing Division.

Once a finalist (or finalists) has been selected by the Selection Advisory Committee, contract negotiations with that finalist will begin, and if a contract is successfully negotiated, it will, if required, be submitted for final approval by the Public Utility Board and/or City Council.

## **22. 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 management reduction plans
- Potential impact on human health and the environment

## **23. 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](#).

## **24. 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.

Information that is confidential or proprietary must be clearly marked. Further, an index must be provided indicating the affected page number(s) and location(s) of all such identified material. Information not included in said index will not be reviewed for confidentiality or as proprietary before release.

## **25. ADDENDUMS**

In the event it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFP, an addendum will be issued. Failure to acknowledge addendum(s) on the required Signature Page may result in a submittal being deemed non-responsive by the City.

## **APPENDIX A**

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## SIGNATURE PAGE

### **CITY OF TACOMA PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING**

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. PW22-0056F Right of Way Acquisition Services 6th Avenue Pedestrian Crossing Safety Improvement Project**

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 Date  
into Contracts for Bidder/Proposer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name and Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Area Code) Telephone Number / Fax Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
State Business License Number  
in WA, also known as UBI (Unified Business Identifier) Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
E.I.No. / Federal Social Security Number Used on Quarterly  
Federal Tax Return, U.S. Treasury Dept. Form 941

\_\_\_\_\_  
State Contractor's License Number  
(See Ch. 18.27, R.C.W.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address for Communications

Addendum acknowledgement #1\_\_\_\_\_ #2\_\_\_\_\_ #3\_\_\_\_\_ #4\_\_\_\_\_ #5\_\_\_\_\_

***THIS PAGE MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH SUBMITTAL.***

## **APPENDIX B**

### Sample Contract

# Local Agency A&E Professional Services Cost Plus Fixed Fee Consultant Agreement

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Firm/Organization Legal Name (do not use dba's):		
Address	Federal Aid Number	
UBI Number	Federal TIN or SSN Number	
Execution Date	Completion Date	
1099 Form Required <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Federal Participation <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Project Title		
Description of Work		
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No DBE Participation <input type="checkbox"/> No MBE Participation <input type="checkbox"/> No WBE Participation <input type="checkbox"/> No SBE Participation	Total Amount Authorized:  Management Reserve Fund:  Maximum Amount Payable:

## Index of Exhibits

Exhibit A	Scope of Work
Exhibit B	DBE Participation
Exhibit C	Preparation and Delivery of Electronic Engineering and Other Data
Exhibit D	Prime Consultant Cost Computations
Exhibit E	Sub-consultant Cost Computations
Exhibit F	Title VI Assurances
Exhibit G	Certification Documents
Exhibit H	Liability Insurance Increase
Exhibit I	Alleged Consultant Design Error Procedures
Exhibit J	Consultant Claim Procedures

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THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into as shown in the "Execution Date" box on page one (1) of this AGREEMENT, between the hereinafter called the "AGENCY," and the "Firm / Organization Name" referenced on page one (1) of this AGREEMENT, hereinafter called the "CONSULTANT."

WHEREAS, the AGENCY desires to accomplish the work referenced in "Description of Work" on page one (1) of this AGREEMENT and hereafter called the "SERVICES;" and does not have sufficient staff to meet the required commitment and therefore deems it advisable and desirable to engage the assistance of a CONSULTANT to provide the necessary SERVICES; and

WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT represents that they comply with the Washington State Statutes relating to professional registration, if applicable, and has signified a willingness to furnish consulting services to the AGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms, conditions, covenants, and performance contained herein, or attached and incorporated and made a part hereof, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## **I. General Description of Work**

The work under this AGREEMENT shall consist of the above-described SERVICES as herein defined, and necessary to accomplish the completed work for this project. The CONSULTANT shall furnish all services, labor, and related equipment and, if applicable, sub-consultants and subcontractors necessary to conduct and complete the SERVICES as designated elsewhere in this AGREEMENT.

## **II. General Scope of Work**

The Scope of Work and projected level of effort required for these SERVICES is described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by this reference made a part of this AGREEMENT. The General Scope of Work was developed utilizing performance based contracting methodologies.

## **III. General Requirements**

All aspects of coordination of the work of this AGREEMENT with outside agencies, groups, or individuals shall receive advance approval by the AGENCY. Necessary contacts and meetings with agencies, groups, and/or individuals shall be coordinated through the AGENCY. The CONSULTANT shall attend coordination, progress, and presentation meetings with the AGENCY and/or such State, Federal, Community, City, or County officials, groups or individuals as may be requested by the AGENCY. The AGENCY will provide the CONSULTANT sufficient notice prior to meetings requiring CONSULTANT participation. The minimum required hours or days' notice shall be agreed to between the AGENCY and the CONSULTANT and shown in Exhibit "A."

The CONSULTANT shall prepare a monthly progress report, in a form approved by the AGENCY, which will outline in written and graphical form the various phases and the order of performance of the SERVICES in sufficient detail so that the progress of the SERVICES can easily be evaluated.

The CONSULTANT, any sub-consultants, and the AGENCY shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, codes, regulations, and all AGENCY policies and directives, applicable to the work to be performed under this AGREEMENT. This AGREEMENT shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington.

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Participation for Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) or Small Business Enterprises (SBE), if required, per 49 CFR Part 26, shall be shown on the heading of this AGREEMENT. If DBE firms are utilized at the commencement of this AGREEMENT, the amounts authorized to each firm and their certification number will be shown on Exhibit “B” attached hereto and by this reference made part of this AGREEMENT. If the Prime CONSULTANT is a DBE certified firm they must comply with the Commercial Useful Function (CUF) regulation outlined in the AGENCY’s “DBE Program Participation Plan” and perform a minimum of 30% of the total amount of this AGREEMENT. It is recommended, but not required, that non-DBE Prime CONSULTANTS perform a minimum of 30% of the total amount of this AGREEMENT.

In the absents of a mandatory DBE goal, a voluntary SBE goal amount of ten percent of the Consultant Agreement is established. The Consultant shall develop a SBE Participation Plan prior to commencing work. Although the goal is voluntary, the outreach efforts to provide SBE maximum practicable opportunities are not.

The CONSULTANT, on a monthly basis, shall enter the amounts paid to all firms (including Prime) involved with this AGREEMENT into the [wsdot.diversitycompliance.com](http://wsdot.diversitycompliance.com) program. Payment information shall identify any DBE Participation.

All Reports, PS&E materials, and other data furnished to the CONSULTANT by the AGENCY shall be returned. All electronic files, prepared by the CONSULTANT, must meet the requirements as outlined in Exhibit “C – Preparation and Delivery of Electronic Engineering and other Data.”

All designs, drawings, specifications, documents, and other work products, including all electronic files, prepared by the CONSULTANT prior to completion or termination of this AGREEMENT are instruments of service for these SERVICES, and are the property of the AGENCY. Reuse by the AGENCY or by others, acting through or on behalf of the AGENCY of any such instruments of service, not occurring as a part of this SERVICE, shall be without liability or legal exposure to the CONSULTANT.

Any and all notices or requests required under this AGREEMENT shall be made in writing and sent to the other party by (i) certified mail, return receipt requested, or (ii) by email or facsimile, to the address set forth below:

If to AGENCY:

Name:  
Agency:  
Address:  
City: State: Zip:  
Email:  
Phone:  
Facsimile:

If to CONSULTANT:

Name:  
Agency:  
Address:  
City: State: Zip:  
Email:  
Phone:  
Facsimile:

**IV. Time for Beginning and Completion**

The CONSULTANT shall not begin any work under the terms of this AGREEMENT until authorized in writing by the AGENCY. All work under this AGREEMENT shall be completed by the date shown in the heading of this AGREEMENT titled “Completion Date.”

The established completion time shall not be extended because of any delays attributable to the CONSULTANT, but may be extended by the AGENCY in the event of a delay attributable to the AGENCY, or because of unavoidable delays caused by an act of GOD, governmental actions, or other conditions beyond the control of the CONSULTANT. A prior supplemental AGREEMENT issued by the AGENCY is required to extend the established completion time.

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## V. Payment Provisions

The CONSULTANT shall be paid by the AGENCY for completed SERVICES rendered under this AGREEMENT as provided hereinafter. Such payment shall be full compensation for SERVICES performed or SERVICES rendered and for all labor, materials, supplies, equipment, and incidentals necessary to complete SERVICES, specified in Section II, "Scope of Work". The CONSULTANT shall conform to all applicable portions of 48 CFR Part 31 ([www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov)). The estimate in support of the Cost Plus Fixed Fee amount is attached hereto as Exhibits "D" and "E" and by this reference made part of this AGREEMENT.

- A. Actual Costs: Payment for all consulting services for this PROJECT shall be on the basis of the CONSULTANT'S actual cost plus a fixed fee. The actual cost shall include direct salary cost, indirect cost rate, and direct non-salary costs.
1. Direct (RAW) Labor Costs: The Direct (RAW) Labor Cost is the direct salary paid to principals, professional, technical, and clerical personnel for the time they are productively engaged in work necessary to fulfill the terms of this AGREEMENT. The CONSULTANT shall maintain support data to verify the direct salary costs billed to the AGENCY.
  2. Indirect Cost Rate (ICR) Costs: ICR Costs are those costs, other than direct costs, which are included as such on the books of the CONSULTANT in the normal everyday keeping of its books. Progress payments shall be made at the ICR rates shown in attached Exhibits "D" and "E" of this AGREEMENT. Total ICR payment shall be based on Actual Costs. The AGENCY agrees to reimburse the CONSULTANT the actual ICR costs verified by audit, up to the Maximum Total Amount Payable, authorized under this AGREEMENT, when accumulated with all other Actual Costs.  
A summary of the CONSULTANT'S cost estimate and the ICR percentage is shown in Exhibits "D" and "E", attached hereto and by this reference made part of this AGREEMENT. The CONSULTANT (prime and all A&E sub-consultants) will submit to the AGENCY within six (6) months after the end of each firm's fiscal year, an ICR schedule in the format required by the AGENCY (cost category, dollar expenditures, etc.) for the purpose of adjusting the ICR rate for billings received and paid during the fiscal year represented by the ICR schedule. It shall also be used for the computation of progress payments during the following year and for retroactively adjusting the previous year's ICR cost to reflect the actual rate. The ICR schedule will be sent to Email: [ConsultantRates@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:ConsultantRates@wsdot.wa.gov).  
Failure to supply this information by either the prime CONSULTANT or any of their A&E sub-consultants shall cause the AGENCY to withhold payment of the billed ICR costs until such time as the required information is received and an overhead rate for billing purposes is approved.  
The AGENCY's Project Manager and/or the Federal Government may perform an audit of the CONSULTANT'S books and records at any time during regular business hours to determine the actual ICR rate, if they so desire.
  3. Direct Non-Salary Costs: Direct Non-Salary Costs will be reimbursed at the Actual Cost to the CONSULTANT. (excluding Meals, which are reimbursed at the per diem rates identified in this section) These charges may include, but are not limited to, the following items: travel, printing, long distance telephone, supplies, computer charges and fees of sub-consultants. Air or train travel will be reimbursed only to economy class levels unless otherwise approved by the AGENCY. The CONSULTANT shall comply with the rules and regulations regarding travel costs (excluding air, train, and rental car costs) in accordance with WSDOT's Accounting Manual M 13-82, Chapter 10 – Travel Rules and Procedures, and revisions thereto. Air, train, and rental car costs shall be reimbursed in accordance with 48 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 31.205-46 "Travel Costs." The billing for Direct Non-Salary Costs shall include an itemized listing of the charges directly identifiable with the PROJECT. The CONSULTANT shall maintain the original supporting documents in their office. Copies of the original supporting documents shall be supplied to the AGENCY upon request. All above charges must be necessary for the services provided under this AGREEMENT.

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4. Fixed Fee: The Fixed Fee, which represents the CONSULTANT'S profit, is shown in attached Exhibits "D" and "E" of this AGREEMENT. This fee is based on the Scope of Work defined in this AGREEMENT and the estimated person-hours required to perform the stated Scope of Work. In the event the CONSULTANT enters into a supplemental AGREEMENT for additional work, the supplemental AGREEMENT may include provisions for the added costs and an appropriate additional fee. The Fixed Fee will be prorated and paid monthly in proportion to the percentage of work completed by the CONSULTANT and reported in the Monthly Progress Reports accompanying the billings. Any portion of the Fixed Fee earned but not previously paid in the progress payments will be covered in the final payment, subject to the provisions of Section IX entitled "Termination of Agreement."
  5. Management Reserve Fund (MRF): The AGENCY may desire to establish MRF to provide the Agreement Administrator with the flexibility to authorize additional funds to the AGREEMENT for allowable unforeseen costs, or reimbursing the CONSULTANT for additional work beyond that already defined in this AGREEMENT. Such authorization(s) shall be in writing and shall not exceed the lesser of \$100,000 or 10% of the Total Amount Authorized as shown in the heading of this AGREEMENT. The amount included for the MRF is shown in the heading of this AGREEMENT. This fund may not be replenished. Any changes requiring additional costs in excess of the MRF shall be made in accordance with Section XIII, "Extra Work."
  6. Maximum Total Amount Payable: The Maximum Total Amount Payable by the AGENCY to the CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT shall not exceed the amount shown in the heading of this AGREEMENT. The Maximum Total Amount Payable is comprised of the Total Amount Authorized, and the MRF. The Maximum Total Amount Payable does not include payment for Extra Work as stipulated in Section XIII, "Extra Work." No minimum amount payable is guaranteed under this AGREEMENT.
- B. Monthly Progress Payments: The CONSULTANT may submit billings to the AGENCY for reimbursement of Actual Costs plus the ICR and calculated fee on a monthly basis during the progress of the work. Such billings shall be in a format approved by the AGENCY and accompanied by the monthly progress reports required under Section III, "General Requirements" of this AGREEMENT. The billings will be supported by an itemized listing for each item including Direct (RAW) Labor, Direct Non-Salary, and allowable ICR Costs to which will be added the prorated Fixed Fee. To provide a means of verifying the billed Direct (RAW) Labor costs for CONSULTANT employees, the AGENCY may conduct employee interviews. These interviews may consist of recording the names, titles, Direct (RAW) Labor rates, and present duties of those employees performing work on the PROJECT at the time of the interview.
- C. Final Payment: Final Payment of any balance due the CONSULTANT of the gross amount earned will be made promptly upon its verification by the AGENCY after the completion of the work under this AGREEMENT, contingent, if applicable, upon receipt of all PS&E, plans, maps, notes, reports, electronic data and other related documents which are required to be furnished under this AGREEMENT. Acceptance of such Final Payment by the CONSULTANT shall constitute a release of all claims for payment, which the CONSULTANT may have against the AGENCY unless such claims are specifically reserved in writing and transmitted to the AGENCY by the CONSULTANT prior to its acceptance. Said Final Payment shall not, however, be a bar to any claims that the AGENCY may have against the CONSULTANT or to any remedies the AGENCY may pursue with respect to such claims.

The payment of any billing will not constitute agreement as to the appropriateness of any item and at the time of final audit; all required adjustments will be made and reflected in a final payment. In the event that such final audit reveals an overpayment to the CONSULTANT, the CONSULTANT will refund such overpayment to the AGENCY within thirty (30) calendar days of notice of the overpayment. Such refund shall not constitute a waiver by the CONSULTANT for any claims relating to the validity of a finding by the AGENCY of overpayment. The CONSULTANT has twenty (20) working days after receipt of the final POST AUDIT to begin the appeal process to the AGENCY for audit findings.

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D. Inspection of Cost Records: The CONSULTANT and their sub-consultants shall keep available for inspection by representatives of the AGENCY and the United States, for a period of six (6) years after receipt of final payment, the cost records and accounts pertaining to this AGREEMENT and all items related to or bearing upon these records with the following exception: if any litigation, claim or audit arising out of, in connection with, or related to this AGREEMENT is initiated before the expiration of the six (6) year period, the cost records and accounts shall be retained until such litigation, claim, or audit involving the records is completed.

An interim or post audit may be performed on this AGREEMENT. The audit, if any, will be performed by the State Auditor, WSDOT's Internal Audit Office and/or at the request of the AGENCY's Project Manager.

## **VI. Sub-Contracting**

The AGENCY permits subcontracts for those items of SERVICES as shown in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and by this reference made part of this AGREEMENT.

The CONSULTANT shall not subcontract for the performance of any SERVICE under this AGREEMENT without prior written permission of the AGENCY. No permission for subcontracting shall create, between the AGENCY and sub-consultant, any contract or any other relationship.

Compensation for this sub-consultant SERVICES shall be based on the cost factors shown on Exhibit "E" attached hereto and by this reference made part of this AGREEMENT.

The SERVICES of the sub-consultant shall not exceed its maximum amount payable identified in each sub-consultant cost estimate unless a prior written approval has been issued by the AGENCY.

All reimbursable direct labor, indirect cost rate, direct non-salary costs and fixed fee costs for the sub-consultant shall be negotiated and substantiated in accordance with section V "Payment Provisions" herein and shall be memorialized in a final written acknowledgement between the parties.

All subcontracts shall contain all applicable provisions of this AGREEMENT, and the CONSULTANT shall require each sub-consultant or subcontractor, of any tier, to abide by the terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT. With respect to sub-consultant payment, the CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable sections of the STATE's Prompt Payment laws as set forth in RCW 39.04.250 and RCW 39.76.011.

The CONSULTANT, sub-recipient, or sub-consultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this AGREEMENT. The CONSULTANT shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the CONSULTANT to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this AGREEMENT, which may result in the termination of this AGREEMENT or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.

## **VII. Employment and Organizational Conflict of Interest**

The CONSULTANT warrants that they have not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT, to solicit or secure this contract, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift, or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this contract. For breach or violation of this warrant, the AGENCY shall have the right to annul this AGREEMENT without liability or, in its discretion, to deduct from this AGREEMENT price or consideration or otherwise recover the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift, or contingent fee.

Any and all employees of the CONSULTANT or other persons while engaged in the performance of any work or services required of the CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT, shall be considered employees of the CONSULTANT only and not of the AGENCY, and any and all claims that may arise under any Workmen's

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Compensation Act on behalf of said employees or other persons while so engaged, and any and all claims made by a third party as a consequence of any act or omission on the part of the CONSULTANT's employees or other persons while so engaged on any of the work or services provided to be rendered herein, shall be the sole obligation and responsibility of the CONSULTANT.

The CONSULTANT shall not engage, on a full- or part-time basis, or other basis, during the period of this AGREEMENT, any professional or technical personnel who are, or have been, at any time during the period of this AGREEMENT, in the employ of the United States Department of Transportation or the AGENCY, except regularly retired employees, without written consent of the public employer of such person if he/she will be working on this AGREEMENT for the CONSULTANT.

## **VIII. Nondiscrimination**

During the performance of this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT, for itself, its assignees, sub-consultants, subcontractors and successors in interest, agrees to comply with the following laws and regulations:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964  
(42 U.S.C. Chapter 21 Subchapter V § 2000d through 2000d-4a)
- Federal-aid Highway Act of 1973  
(23 U.S.C. Chapter 3 § 324)
- Rehabilitation Act of 1973  
(29 U.S.C. Chapter 16 Subchapter V § 794)
- Age Discrimination Act of 1975  
(42 U.S.C. Chapter 76 § 6101 *et. seq.*)
- Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987  
(Public Law 100-259)
- American with Disabilities Act of 1990  
(42 U.S.C. Chapter 126 § 12101 *et. seq.*)
- 23 CFR Part 200
- 49 CFR Part 21
- 49 CFR Part 26
- RCW 49.60.180

In relation to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the CONSULTANT is bound by the provisions of Exhibit "F" attached hereto and by this reference made part of this AGREEMENT, and shall include the attached Exhibit "F" in every sub-contract, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto.

## **IX. Termination of Agreement**

The right is reserved by the AGENCY to terminate this AGREEMENT at any time with or without cause upon ten (10) days written notice to the CONSULTANT.

In the event this AGREEMENT is terminated by the AGENCY, other than for default on the part of the CONSULTANT, a final payment shall be made to the CONSULTANT for actual hours charged and any appropriate fixed fee percentage at the time of termination of this AGREEMENT, plus any direct non-salary costs incurred up to the time of termination of this AGREEMENT.

No payment shall be made for any SERVICES completed after ten (10) days following receipt by the CONSULTANT of the notice to terminate. If the accumulated payment made to the CONSULTANT prior to Notice of Termination exceeds the total amount that would be due when computed as set forth in paragraph two (2) of this section, then no final payment shall be due and the CONSULTANT shall immediately reimburse the AGENCY for any excess paid.

If the services of the CONSULTANT are terminated by the AGENCY for default on the part of the CONSULTANT, the above formula for payment shall not apply.

In the event of a termination for default, the amount to be paid to the CONSULTANT shall be determined by the AGENCY with consideration given to the actual costs incurred by the CONSULTANT in performing SERVICES to the date of termination, the amount of SERVICES originally required which was satisfactorily completed to

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date of termination, whether that SERVICE is in a form or a type which is usable to the AGENCY at the time of termination, the cost to the AGENCY of employing another firm to complete the SERVICES required and the time which may be required to do so, and other factors which affect the value to the AGENCY of the SERVICES performed at the time of termination. Under no circumstances shall payment made under this subsection exceed the amount, which would have been made using the formula set forth in paragraph two (2) of this section.

If it is determined for any reason that the CONSULTANT was not in default or that the CONSULTANT's failure to perform is without the CONSULTANT's or its employee's fault or negligence, the termination shall be deemed to be a termination for the convenience of the AGENCY. In such an event, the CONSULTANT would be reimbursed for actual costs and appropriate fixed fee percentage in accordance with the termination for other than default clauses listed previously.

The CONSULTANT shall, within 15 days, notify the AGENCY in writing, in the event of the death of any member, partner, or officer of the CONSULTANT or the death or change of any of the CONSULTANT's supervisory and/or other key personnel assigned to the project or disaffiliation of any principally involved CONSULTANT employee. The CONSULTANT shall also notify the AGENCY, in writing, in the event of the sale or transfer of 50% or more of the beneficial ownership of the CONSULTANT within 15 days of such sale or transfer occurring. The CONSULTANT shall continue to be obligated to complete the SERVICES under the terms of this AGREEMENT unless the AGENCY chooses to terminate this AGREEMENT for convenience or chooses to renegotiate any term(s) of this AGREEMENT. If termination for convenience occurs, final payment will be made to the CONSULTANT as set forth in the second and third paragraphs of this section.

Payment for any part of the SERVICES by the AGENCY shall not constitute a waiver by the AGENCY of any remedies of any type it may have against the CONSULTANT for any breach of this AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT, or for failure of the CONSULTANT to perform SERVICES required of it by the AGENCY. Forbearance of any rights under the AGREEMENT will not constitute waiver of entitlement to exercise those rights with respect to any future act or omission by the CONSULTANT.

## **X. Changes of Work**

The CONSULTANT shall make such changes and revisions in the completed work of this AGREEMENT as necessary to correct errors appearing therein, without additional compensation thereof. Should the AGENCY find it desirable for its own purposes to have previously satisfactorily completed SERVICES or parts thereof changed or revised, the CONSULTANT shall make such revisions as directed by the AGENCY. This work shall be considered as Extra Work and will be paid for as herein provided under section XIII "Extra Work."

## **XI. Disputes**

Any disputed issue not resolved pursuant to the terms of this AGREEMENT shall be submitted in writing within 10 days to the Director of Public Works or AGENCY Engineer, whose decision in the matter shall be final and binding on the parties of this AGREEMENT; provided however, that if an action is brought challenging the Director of Public Works or AGENCY Engineer's decision, that decision shall be subject to judicial review. If the parties to this AGREEMENT mutually agree, disputes concerning alleged design errors will be conducted under the procedures found in Exhibit "J". In the event that either party deem it necessary to institute legal action or proceeding to enforce any right or obligation under this AGREEMENT, this action shall be initiated in the Superior Court of the State of Washington, situated in the county in which the AGENCY is located. The parties hereto agree that all questions shall be resolved by application of Washington law and that the parties have the right of appeal from such decisions of the Superior Court in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington. The CONSULTANT hereby consents to the personal jurisdiction of the Superior Court of the State of Washington, situated in the county in which the AGENCY is located.

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## **XII. Legal Relations**

The CONSULTANT, any sub-consultants, and the AGENCY shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, codes, regulations and all AGENCY policies and directives, applicable to the work to be performed under this AGREEMENT. This AGREEMENT shall be interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington.

The CONSULTANT shall defend, indemnify, and hold The State of Washington (STATE) and the AGENCY and their officers and employees harmless from all claims, demands, or suits at law or equity arising in whole or in part from the negligence of, or the breach of any obligation under this AGREEMENT by, the CONSULTANT or the CONSULTANT's agents, employees, sub consultants, subcontractors or vendors, of any tier, or any other persons for whom the CONSULTANT may be legally liable; provided that nothing herein shall require a CONSULTANT to defend or indemnify the STATE and the AGENCY and their officers and employees against and hold harmless the STATE and the AGENCY and their officers and employees from claims, demands or suits based solely upon the negligence of, or breach of any obligation under this AGREEMENT by the STATE and the AGENCY, their agents, officers, employees, sub-consultants, subcontractors or vendors, of any tier, or any other persons for whom the STATE and/or the AGENCY may be legally liable; and provided further that if the claims or suits are caused by or result from the concurrent negligence of (a) the CONSULTANT or the CONSULTANT's agents, employees, sub-consultants, subcontractors or vendors, of any tier, or any other persons for whom the CONSULTANT is legally liable, and (b) the STATE and/or AGENCY, their agents, officers, employees, sub-consultants, subcontractors and or vendors, of any tier, or any other persons for whom the STATE and or AGENCY may be legally liable, the defense and indemnity obligation shall be valid and enforceable only to the extent of the CONSULTANT's negligence or the negligence of the CONSULTANT's agents, employees, sub-consultants, subcontractors or vendors, of any tier, or any other persons for whom the CONSULTANT may be legally liable. This provision shall be included in any AGREEMENT between CONSULTANT and any sub-consultant, subcontractor and vendor, of any tier.

The CONSULTANT shall also defend, indemnify, and hold the STATE and the AGENCY and their officers and employees harmless from all claims, demands, or suits at law or equity arising in whole or in part from the alleged patent or copyright infringement or other allegedly improper appropriation or use of trade secrets, patents, proprietary information, know-how, copyright rights or inventions by the CONSULTANT or the CONSULTANT's agents, employees, sub-consultants, subcontractors or vendors, of any tier, or any other persons for whom the CONSULTANT may be legally liable, in performance of the Work under this AGREEMENT or arising out of any use in connection with the AGREEMENT of methods, processes, designs, information or other items furnished or communicated to STATE and/or the AGENCY, their agents, officers and employees pursuant to the AGREEMENT; provided that this indemnity shall not apply to any alleged patent or copyright infringement or other allegedly improper appropriation or use of trade secrets, patents, proprietary information, know-how, copyright rights or inventions resulting from STATE and/or AGENCY's, their agents', officers' and employees' failure to comply with specific written instructions regarding use provided to STATE and/or AGENCY, their agents, officers and employees by the CONSULTANT, its agents, employees, sub-consultants, subcontractors or vendors, of any tier, or any other persons for whom the CONSULTANT may be legally liable.

The CONSULTANT's relation to the AGENCY shall be at all times as an independent contractor.

Notwithstanding any determination by the Executive Ethics Board or other tribunal, the AGENCY may, in its sole discretion, by written notice to the CONSULTANT terminate this AGREEMENT if it is found after due notice and examination by the AGENCY that there is a violation of the Ethics in Public Service Act, Chapter 42.52 RCW; or any similar statute involving the CONSULTANT in the procurement of, or performance under, this AGREEMENT.

The CONSULTANT specifically assumes potential liability for actions brought by the CONSULTANT's own employees or its agents against the STATE and /or the AGENCY and, solely for the purpose of this indemnification and defense, the CONSULTANT specifically waives any immunity under the state industrial insurance law, Title 51 RCW. This waiver has been mutually negotiated between the Parties.

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Unless otherwise specified in this AGREEMENT, the AGENCY shall be responsible for administration of construction contracts, if any, on the project. Subject to the processing of a new sole source, or an acceptable supplemental AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall provide On-Call assistance to the AGENCY during contract administration. By providing such assistance, the CONSULTANT shall assume no responsibility for: proper construction techniques, job site safety, or any construction contractor's failure to perform its work in accordance with the contract documents.

The CONSULTANT shall obtain and keep in force during the terms of this AGREEMENT, or as otherwise required, the following insurance with companies or through sources approved by the State Insurance Commissioner pursuant to Title 48 RCW.

#### Insurance Coverage

- A. Worker's compensation and employer's liability insurance as required by the STATE.
- B. Commercial general liability insurance written under ISO Form CG 00 01 12 04 or its equivalent with minimum limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence and two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) in the aggregate for each policy period.
- C. Business auto liability insurance written under ISO Form CG 00 01 10 01 or equivalent providing coverage for any "Auto" (Symbol 1) used in an amount not less than a one million dollar (\$1,000,000.00) combined single limit for each occurrence.

Excepting the Worker's Compensation Insurance and any Professional Liability Insurance, the STATE and AGENCY, their officers, employees, and agents will be named on all policies of CONSULTANT and any sub-consultant and/or subcontractor as an additional insured (the "AIs"), with no restrictions or limitations concerning products and completed operations coverage. This coverage shall be primary coverage and non-contributory and any coverage maintained by the AIs shall be excess over, and shall not contribute with, the additional insured coverage required hereunder. The CONSULTANT's and the sub-consultant's and/or subcontractor's insurer shall waive any and all rights of subrogation against the AIs. The CONSULTANT shall furnish the AGENCY with verification of insurance and endorsements required by this AGREEMENT. The AGENCY reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.

All insurance shall be obtained from an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Washington. The CONSULTANT shall submit a verification of insurance as outlined above within fourteen (14) days of the execution of this AGREEMENT to:

Name:  
Agency:  
Address:  
City: State: Zip:  
Email:  
Phone:  
Facsimile:

No cancellation of the foregoing policies shall be effective without thirty (30) days prior notice to the AGENCY.

The CONSULTANT's professional liability to the AGENCY, including that which may arise in reference to section IX "Termination of Agreement" of this AGREEMENT, shall be limited to the accumulative amount of the authorized AGREEMENT amount or one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00), whichever is greater, unless the limit of liability is increased by the AGENCY pursuant to Exhibit H. In no case shall the CONSULTANT's professional liability to third parties be limited in any way.

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The parties enter into this AGREEMENT for the sole benefit of the parties, and to the exclusion of any third party, and no third party beneficiary is intended or created by the execution of this AGREEMENT.

The AGENCY will pay no progress payments under section V “Payment Provisions” until the CONSULTANT has fully complied with this section. This remedy is not exclusive; and the AGENCY may take such other action as is available to it under other provisions of this AGREEMENT, or otherwise in law.

### **XIII. Extra Work**

- A. The AGENCY may at any time, by written order, make changes within the general scope of this AGREEMENT in the SERVICES to be performed.
- B. If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the estimated cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the SERVICES under this AGREEMENT, whether or not changed by the order, or otherwise affects any other terms and conditions of this AGREEMENT, the AGENCY shall make an equitable adjustment in the: (1) maximum amount payable; (2) delivery or completion schedule, or both; and (3) other affected terms and shall modify this AGREEMENT accordingly.
- C. The CONSULTANT must submit any “request for equitable adjustment,” hereafter referred to as “CLAIM,” under this clause within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order. However, if the AGENCY decides that the facts justify it, the AGENCY may receive and act upon a CLAIM submitted before final payment of this AGREEMENT.
- D. Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under the section XI “Disputes” clause. However, nothing in this clause shall excuse the CONSULTANT from proceeding with the AGREEMENT as changed.
- E. Notwithstanding the terms and conditions of paragraphs (A.) and (B.) above, the maximum amount payable for this AGREEMENT, shall not be increased or considered to be increased except by specific written supplement to this AGREEMENT.

### **XIV. Endorsement of Plans**

If applicable, the CONSULTANT shall place their endorsement on all plans, estimates, or any other engineering data furnished by them.

### **XV. Federal Review**

The Federal Highway Administration shall have the right to participate in the review or examination of the SERVICES in progress.

### **XVI. Certification of the Consultant and the Agency**

Attached hereto as Exhibit “G-1(a and b)” are the Certifications of the CONSULTANT and the AGENCY, Exhibit “G-2” Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions, Exhibit “G-3” Certification Regarding the Restrictions of the Use of Federal Funds for Lobbying and Exhibit “G-4” Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data. Exhibit “G-3” is required only in AGREEMENT’s over one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) and Exhibit “G-4” is required only in AGREEMENT’s over five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00.) These Exhibits must be executed by the CONSULTANT, and submitted with the master AGREEMENT, and returned to the AGENCY at the address listed in section III “General Requirements” prior to its performance of any SERVICES under this AGREEMENT.

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## **XVII. Complete Agreement**

This document and referenced attachments contain all covenants, stipulations, and provisions agreed upon by the parties. No agent, or representative of either party has authority to make, and the parties shall not be bound by or be liable for, any statement, representation, promise or agreement not set forth herein. No changes, amendments, or modifications of the terms hereof shall be valid unless reduced to writing and signed by the parties as a supplement to this AGREEMENT.

## **XVIII. Execution and Acceptance**

This AGREEMENT may be simultaneously executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original having identical legal effect. The CONSULTANT does hereby ratify and adopt all statements, representations, warranties, covenants, and AGREEMENT's contained in the proposal, and the supporting material submitted by the CONSULTANT, and does hereby accept this AGREEMENT and agrees to all of the terms and conditions thereof.

## **XIX. Protection of Confidential Information**

The CONSULTANT acknowledges that some of the material and information that may come into its possession or knowledge in connection with this AGREEMENT or its performance may consist of information that is exempt from disclosure to the public or other unauthorized persons under either chapter 42.56 RCW or other local, state or federal statutes ("State's Confidential Information"). The "State's Confidential Information" includes, but is not limited to, names, addresses, Social Security numbers, e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, financial profiles, credit card information, driver's license numbers, medical data, law enforcement records (or any other information identifiable to an individual), STATE and AGENCY source code or object code, STATE and AGENCY security data, non-public Specifications, STATE and AGENCY non-publicly available data, proprietary software, State security data, or information which may jeopardize any part of the project that relates to any of these types of information. The CONSULTANT agrees to hold the State's Confidential Information in strictest confidence and not to make use of the State's Confidential Information for any purpose other than the performance of this AGREEMENT, to release it only to authorized employees, sub-consultants or subcontractors requiring such information for the purposes of carrying out this AGREEMENT, and not to release, divulge, publish, transfer, sell, disclose, or otherwise make it known to any other party without the AGENCY's express written consent or as provided by law. The CONSULTANT agrees to release such information or material only to employees, sub-consultants or subcontractors who have signed a nondisclosure AGREEMENT, the terms of which have been previously approved by the AGENCY. The CONSULTANT agrees to implement physical, electronic, and managerial safeguards to prevent unauthorized access to the State's Confidential Information.

Immediately upon expiration or termination of this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall, at the AGENCY's option: (i) certify to the AGENCY that the CONSULTANT has destroyed all of the State's Confidential Information; or (ii) returned all of the State's Confidential Information to the AGENCY; or (iii) take whatever other steps the AGENCY requires of the CONSULTANT to protect the State's Confidential Information.

As required under Executive Order 00-03, the CONSULTANT shall maintain a log documenting the following: the State's Confidential Information received in the performance of this AGREEMENT; the purpose(s) for which the State's Confidential Information was received; who received, maintained and used the State's Confidential Information; and the final disposition of the State's Confidential Information. The CONSULTANT's records shall be subject to inspection, review, or audit upon reasonable notice from the AGENCY.

The AGENCY reserves the right to monitor, audit, or investigate the use of the State's Confidential Information collected, used, or acquired by the CONSULTANT through this AGREEMENT. The monitoring, auditing, or investigating may include, but is not limited to, salting databases.

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Violation of this section by the CONSULTANT or its sub-consultants or subcontractors may result in termination of this AGREEMENT and demand for return of all State's Confidential Information, monetary damages, or penalties.

It is understood and acknowledged that the CONSULTANT may provide the AGENCY with information which is proprietary and/or confidential during the term of this AGREEMENT. The parties agree to maintain the confidentiality of such information during the term of this AGREEMENT and afterwards. All materials containing such proprietary and/or confidential information shall be clearly identified and marked as "Confidential" and shall be returned to the disclosing party at the conclusion of the SERVICES under this AGREEMENT.

The CONSULTANT shall provide the AGENCY with a list of all information and materials it considers confidential and/or proprietary in nature: (a) at the commencement of the term of this AGREEMENT; or (b) as soon as such confidential or proprietary material is developed. "Proprietary and/or confidential information" is not meant to include any information which, at the time of its disclosure: (i) is already known to the other party; (ii) is rightfully disclosed to one of the parties by a third party that is not acting as an agent or representative for the other party; (iii) is independently developed by or for the other party; (iv) is publicly known; or (v) is generally utilized by unaffiliated third parties engaged in the same business or businesses as the CONSULTANT.

The parties also acknowledge that the AGENCY is subject to Washington State and federal public disclosure laws. As such, the AGENCY shall maintain the confidentiality of all such information marked proprietary and/or confidential or otherwise exempt, unless such disclosure is required under applicable state or federal law. If a public disclosure request is made to view materials identified as "Proprietary and/or confidential information" or otherwise exempt information, the AGENCY will notify the CONSULTANT of the request and of the date that such records will be released to the requester unless the CONSULTANT obtains a court order from a court of competent jurisdiction enjoining that disclosure. If the CONSULTANT fails to obtain the court order enjoining disclosure, the AGENCY will release the requested information on the date specified.

The CONSULTANT agrees to notify the sub-consultant of any AGENCY communication regarding disclosure that may include a sub-consultant's proprietary and/or confidential information. The CONSULTANT notification to the sub-consultant will include the date that such records will be released by the AGENCY to the requester and state that unless the sub-consultant obtains a court order from a court of competent jurisdiction enjoining that disclosure the AGENCY will release the requested information. If the CONSULTANT and/or sub-consultant fail to obtain a court order or other judicial relief enjoining the AGENCY by the release date, the CONSULTANT shall waive and release and shall hold harmless and indemnify the AGENCY from all claims of actual or alleged damages, liabilities, or costs associated with the AGENCY's said disclosure of sub-consultants' information.

## **XX. Records Maintenance**

During the progress of the Work and SERVICES provided hereunder and for a period of not less than six (6) years from the date of final payment to the CONSULTANT, the CONSULTANT shall keep, retain and maintain all "documents" pertaining to the SERVICES provided pursuant to this AGREEMENT. Copies of all "documents" pertaining to the SERVICES provided hereunder shall be made available for review at the CONSULTANT's place of business during normal working hours. If any litigation, claim or audit is commenced, the CONSULTANT shall cooperate with AGENCY and assist in the production of all such documents. "Documents" shall be retained until all litigation, claims or audit findings have been resolved even though such litigation, claim or audit continues past the six (6) year retention period.

For purposes of this AGREEMENT, "documents" means every writing or record of every type and description, including electronically stored information ("ESI"), that is in the possession, control, or custody of the CONSULTANT, including, without limitation, any and all correspondences, contracts, AGREEMENT 's, appraisals, plans, designs, data, surveys, maps, spreadsheets, memoranda, stenographic or handwritten notes, reports, records, telegrams, schedules, diaries, notebooks, logbooks, invoices, accounting records, work sheets, charts, notes, drafts, scribbings, recordings, visual displays, photographs, minutes of meetings,

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tabulations, computations, summaries, inventories, and writings regarding conferences, conversations or telephone conversations, and any and all other taped, recorded, written, printed or typed matters of any kind or description; every copy of the foregoing whether or not the original is in the possession, custody, or control of the CONSULTANT, and every copy of any of the foregoing, whether or not such copy is a copy identical to an original, or whether or not such copy contains any commentary or notation whatsoever that does not appear on the original.

For purposes of this AGREEMENT, “ESI” means any and all computer data or electronic recorded media of any kind, including “Native Files”, that are stored in any medium from which it can be retrieved and examined, either directly or after translation into a reasonably useable form. ESI may include information and/or documentation stored in various software programs such as: Email, Outlook, Word, Excel, Access, Publisher, PowerPoint, Adobe Acrobat, SQL databases, or any other software or electronic communication programs or databases that the CONSULTANT may use in the performance of its operations. ESI may be located on network servers, backup tapes, smart phones, thumb drives, CDs, DVDs, floppy disks, work computers, cell phones, laptops or any other electronic device that CONSULTANT uses in the performance of its Work or SERVICES hereunder, including any personal devices used by the CONSULTANT or any sub-consultant at home.

“Native files” are a subset of ESI and refer to the electronic format of the application in which such ESI is normally created, viewed, and /or modified.

The CONSULTANT shall include this section XX “Records Maintenance” in every subcontract it enters into in relation to this AGREEMENT and bind the sub-consultant to its terms, unless expressly agreed to otherwise in writing by the AGENCY prior to the execution of such subcontract.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have executed this AGREEMENT as of the day and year shown in the “Execution Date” box on page one (1) of this AGREEMENT.

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

*Any modification, change, or reformation of this AGREEMENT shall require approval as to form by the Office of the Attorney General.*

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# ***Exhibit C***

## ***Preparation and Delivery of Electronic Engineering and Other Data***

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In this Exhibit the agency, as applicable, is to provide a description of the format and standards the consultant is to use in preparing electronic files for transmission to the agency. The format and standards to be provided may include, but are not limited to, the following:

I. Surveying, Roadway Design & Plans Preparation Section

A. Survey Data

B. Roadway Design Files

C. Computer Aided Drafting Files

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D. Specify the Agency's Right to Review Product with the Consultant

E. Specify the Electronic Deliverables to Be Provided to the Agency

F. Specify What Agency Furnished Services and Information Is to Be Provided

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## II. Any Other Electronic Files to Be Provided

## III. Methods to Electronically Exchange Data

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A. Agency Software Suite

B. Electronic Messaging System

C. File Transfers Format

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***Prime Consultant Cost Computations***

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## ***Exhibit E***

### ***Sub-consultant Cost Computations***

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If no sub-consultant participation at this time. The CONSULTANT shall not sub-contract for the performance of any work under this AGREEMENT without prior written permission of the AGENCY. Refer to section VI “Sub-Contracting” of this AGREEMENT.

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# **Exhibit F - Title VI Assurances Appendix A & E**

## **APPENDIX A**

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations:** The contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, *(Title of Modal Operating Administration)*, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
2. **Non-discrimination:** The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR Part 21. *[Include Modal Operating Administration specific program requirements.]*
3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to Non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin. *[Include Modal Operating Administration specific program requirements.]*
4. **Information and Reports:** The contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the *(Title of Modal Operating Administration)* to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the contractor will so certify to the Recipient or the *(Title of Modal Operating Administration)*, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of a contractor's noncompliance with the Non- discrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient will impose such contract sanctions as it or the *(Title of Modal Operating Administration)* may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
  - a. withholding payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
  - b. cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or the *(Title of Modal Operating Administration)* may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

# ***Exhibit F - Title VI Assurances Appendix A & E***

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## **APPENDIX E**

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

### **Pertinent Non-Discrimination Authorities:**

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21.
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131-12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq).

## ***Exhibit G Certification Documents***

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- Exhibit G-1(a) Certification of Consultant
- Exhibit G-1(b) Certification of \_\_\_\_\_
- Exhibit G-2 Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters -  
Primary Covered Transactions
- Exhibit G-3 Certification Regarding the Restrictions of the Use of Federal Funds for Lobbying
- Exhibit G-4 Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data

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## Exhibit G-1(a) Certification of Consultant

I hereby certify that I am the and duly authorized representative of the firm of

whose address is

and that neither the above firm nor I have:

- a) Employed or retained for a commission, percentage, brokerage, contingent fee, or other consideration, any firm or person (other than a bona fide employee working solely for me or the above CONSULTANT) to solicit or secure this AGREEMENT;
- b) Agreed, as an express or implied condition for obtaining this contract, to employ or retain the services of any firm or person in connection with carrying out this AGREEMENT; or
- c) Paid, or agreed to pay, to any firm, organization or person (other than a bona fide employee working solely for me or the above CONSULTANT) any fee, contribution, donation, or consideration of any kind for, or in connection with, procuring or carrying out this AGREEMENT; except as hereby expressly stated (if any);

I acknowledge that this certificate is to be furnished to the  
and the Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation in connection with this  
AGREEMENT involving participation of Federal-aid highway funds, and is subject to applicable State and  
Federal laws, both criminal and civil.

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Consultant (Firm Name)

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Signature (Authorized Official of Consultant)

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## Exhibit G-1(b) Certification of

I hereby certify that I am the:

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of the \_\_\_\_\_, and  
or its representative has not been required, directly or indirectly as an express or implied condition in connection  
with obtaining or carrying out this AGREEMENT to:

- a) Employ or retain, or agree to employ to retain, any firm or person; or
- b) Pay, or agree to pay, to any firm, person, or organization, any fee, contribution, donation, or consideration  
of any kind; except as hereby expressly stated (if any):

I acknowledge that this certificate is to be furnished to the \_\_\_\_\_  
and the Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, in connection with this  
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Federal laws, both criminal and civil.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## Exhibit G-2 Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters - Primary Covered Transactions

- I. The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:
- A. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
  - B. Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State anti-trust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
  - C. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and
  - D. Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this application / proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State and local) terminated for cause or default.
- II. Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

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Consultant (Firm Name)

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Signature (Authorized Official of Consultant)

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Date

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## Exhibit G-3 Certification Regarding the Restrictions of the Use of Federal Funds for Lobbying

The prospective participant certifies, by signing and submitting this bid or proposal, 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 any Federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or any 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 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 Federal 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.

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 \$10,000.00, and not more than \$100,000.00, for each such failure.

The prospective participant also agrees by submitting his or her bid or proposal that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier sub-contracts, which exceed \$100,000, and that all such sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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Consultant (Firm Name)

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Signature (Authorized Official of Consultant)

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Date

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**Exhibit G-4    Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data**

This is to certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the cost or pricing data (as defined in section 2.101 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and required under FAR subsection 15.403-4) submitted, either actually or by specific identification in writing, to the Contracting Officer or to the Contracting Officer’s representative in support of \_\_\_\_\_\* are accurate, complete, and current as of \_\_\_\_\_\*\*.

This certification includes the cost or pricing data supporting any advance AGREEMENT’s and forward pricing rate AGREEMENT’s between the offer or and the Government that are part of the proposal.

Firm:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

Date of Execution\*\*\*:

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\*Identify the proposal, quotation, request for pricing adjustment, or other submission involved, giving the appropriate identifying number (e.g. project title.)  
\*\*Insert the day, month, and year, when price negotiations were concluded and price AGREEMENT was reached.  
\*\*\*Insert the day, month, and year, of signing, which should be as close as practicable to the date when the price negotiations were concluded and the contract price was agreed to.

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## **Exhibit H**

### **Liability Insurance Increase**

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#### **To Be Used Only If Insurance Requirements Are Increased**

The professional liability limit of the CONSULTANT to the AGENCY identified in Section XII, Legal Relations and Insurance of this Agreement is amended to \$

The CONSULTANT shall provide Professional Liability insurance with minimum per occurrence limits in the amount of \$

Such insurance coverage shall be evidenced by one of the following methods:

- Certificate of Insurance.
- Self-insurance through an irrevocable Letter of Credit from a qualified financial institution.

Self-insurance through documentation of a separate fund established exclusively for the payment of professional liability claims, including claim amounts already reserved against the fund, safeguards established for payment from the fund, a copy of the latest annual financial statements, and disclosure of the investment portfolio for those funds.

Should the minimum Professional Liability insurance limit required by the AGENCY as specified above exceed \$1 million per occurrence or the value of the contract, whichever is greater, then justification shall be submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for approval to increase the minimum insurance limit.

If FHWA approval is obtained, the AGENCY may, at its own cost, reimburse the CONSULTANT for the additional professional liability insurance required.

Notes: Cost of added insurance requirements: \$

- Include all costs, fee increase, premiums.
- This cost shall not be billed against an FHWA funded project.
- For final contracts, include this exhibit.

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# **Exhibit I**

## **Alleged Consultant Design Error Procedures**

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The purpose of this exhibit is to establish a procedure to determine if a consultant's alleged design error is of a nature that exceeds the accepted standard of care. In addition, it will establish a uniform method for the resolution and/or cost recovery procedures in those instances where the agency believes it has suffered some material damage due to the alleged error by the consultant.

### **Step 1 Potential Consultant Design Error(s) is Identified by Agency's Project Manager**

At the first indication of potential consultant design error(s), the first step in the process is for the Agency's project manager to notify the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer regarding the potential design error(s). For federally funded projects, the Region Local Programs Engineer should be informed and involved in these procedures. (Note: The Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer may appoint an agency staff person other than the project manager, who has not been as directly involved in the project, to be responsible for the remaining steps in these procedures.)

### **Step 2 Project Manager Documents the Alleged Consultant Design Error(s)**

After discussion of the alleged design error(s) and the magnitude of the alleged error(s), and with the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer's concurrence, the project manager obtains more detailed documentation than is normally required on the project. Examples include: all decisions and descriptions of work; photographs, records of labor, materials and equipment.

### **Step 3 Contact the Consultant Regarding the Alleged Design Error(s)**

If it is determined that there is a need to proceed further, the next step in the process is for the project manager to contact the consultant regarding the alleged design error(s) and the magnitude of the alleged error(s). The project manager and other appropriate agency staff should represent the agency and the consultant should be represented by their project manager and any personnel (including sub-consultants) deemed appropriate for the alleged design error(s) issue.

### **Step 4 Attempt to Resolve Alleged Design Error with Consultant**

After the meeting(s) with the consultant have been completed regarding the consultant's alleged design error(s), there are three possible scenarios:

- It is determined via mutual agreement that there is not a consultant design error(s). If this is the case, then the process will not proceed beyond this point.
- It is determined via mutual agreement that a consultant design error(s) occurred. If this is the case, then the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer, or their representatives, negotiate a settlement with the consultant. The settlement would be paid to the agency or the amount would be reduced from the consultant's agreement with the agency for the services on the project in which the design error took place. The agency is to provide LP, through the Region Local Programs Engineer, a summary of the settlement for review and to make adjustments, if any, as to how the settlement affects federal reimbursements. No further action is required.
- There is not a mutual agreement regarding the alleged consultant design error(s). The consultant may request that the alleged design error(s) issue be forwarded to the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer for review. If the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer, after review with their legal counsel, is not able to reach mutual agreement with the consultant, proceed to Step 5.

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## **Step 5 Forward Documents to Local Programs**

For federally funded projects all available information, including costs, should be forwarded through the Region Local Programs Engineer to LP for their review and consultation with the FHWA. LP will meet with representatives of the agency and the consultant to review the alleged design error(s), and attempt to find a resolution to the issue. If necessary, LP will request assistance from the Attorney General's Office for legal interpretation. LP will also identify how the alleged error(s) affects eligibility of project costs for federal reimbursement.

- If mutual agreement is reached, the agency and consultant adjust the scope of work and costs to reflect the agreed upon resolution. LP, in consultation with FHWA, will identify the amount of federal participation in the agreed upon resolution of the issue.
- If mutual agreement is not reached, the agency and consultant may seek settlement by arbitration or by litigation.

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# **Exhibit J**

## **Consultant Claim Procedures**

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The purpose of this exhibit is to describe a procedure regarding claim(s) on a consultant agreement. The following procedures should only be utilized on consultant claims greater than \$1,000. If the consultant's claim(s) are a total of \$1,000 or less, it would not be cost effective to proceed through the outlined steps. It is suggested that the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer negotiate a fair and reasonable price for the consultant's claim(s) that total \$1,000 or less.

This exhibit will outline the procedures to be followed by the consultant and the agency to consider a potential claim by the consultant.

### **Step 1 Consultant Files a Claim with the Agency Project Manager**

If the consultant determines that they were requested to perform additional services that were outside of the agreement's scope of work, they may be entitled to a claim. The first step that must be completed is the request for consideration of the claim to the Agency's project manager.

The consultant's claim must outline the following:

- Summation of hours by classification for each firm that is included in the claim;
- Any correspondence that directed the consultant to perform the additional work;
- Timeframe of the additional work that was outside of the project scope;
- Summary of direct labor dollars, overhead costs, profit and reimbursable costs associated with the additional work; and
- Explanation as to why the consultant believes the additional work was outside of the agreement scope of work.

### **Step 2 Review by Agency Personnel Regarding the Consultant's Claim for Additional Compensation**

After the consultant has completed step 1, the next step in the process is to forward the request to the Agency's project manager. The project manager will review the consultant's claim and will meet with the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer to determine if the Agency agrees with the claim. If the FHWA is participating in the project's funding, forward a copy of the consultant's claim and the Agency's recommendation for federal participation in the claim to the WSDOT Local Programs through the Region Local Programs Engineer. If the claim is not eligible for federal participation, payment will need to be from agency funds.

If the Agency project manager, Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer, WSDOT Local Programs (if applicable), and FHWA (if applicable) agree with the consultant's claim, send a request memo, including backup documentation to the consultant to either supplement the agreement, or create a new agreement for the claim. After the request has been approved, the Agency shall write the supplement and/or new agreement and pay the consultant the amount of the claim. Inform the consultant that the final payment for the agreement is subject to audit. No further action is needed regarding the claim procedures.

If the Agency does not agree with the consultant's claim, proceed to step 3 of the procedures.

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### **Step 3 Preparation of Support Documentation Regarding Consultant's Claim(s)**

If the Agency does not agree with the consultant's claim, the project manager shall prepare a summary for the Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer that included the following:

- Copy of information supplied by the consultant regarding the claim;
- Agency's summation of hours by classification for each firm that should be included in the claim;
- Any correspondence that directed the consultant to perform the additional work;
- Agency's summary of direct labor dollars, overhead costs, profit and reimbursable costs associated with the additional work;
- Explanation regarding those areas in which the Agency does/does not agree with the consultant's claim(s);
- Explanation to describe what has been instituted to preclude future consultant claim(s); and
- Recommendations to resolve the claim.

### **Step 4 Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer Reviews Consultant Claim and Agency Documentation**

The Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer shall review and administratively approve or disapprove the claim, or portions thereof, which may include getting Agency Council or Commission approval (as appropriate to agency dispute resolution procedures). If the project involves federal participation, obtain concurrence from WSDOT Local Programs and FHWA regarding final settlement of the claim. If the claim is not eligible for federal participation, payment will need to be from agency funds.

### **Step 5 Informing Consultant of Decision Regarding the Claim**

The Director of Public Works or Agency Engineer shall notify (in writing) the consultant of their final decision regarding the consultant's claim(s). Include the final dollar amount of the accepted claim(s) and rationale utilized for the decision.

### **Step 6 Preparation of Supplement or New Agreement for the Consultant's Claim(s)**

The agency shall write the supplement and/or new agreement and pay the consultant the amount of the claim. Inform the consultant that the final payment for the agreement is subject to audit.

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## **APPENDIX C**

City of Tacoma Insurance Requirements

City of Tacoma Standard Terms and Conditions

STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

GOVERNS BOTH GOODS AND SERVICES AS APPLICABLE

<https://cms.cityoftacoma.org/purchasing/StandardTermsandConditions.pdf>



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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



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37 04 13 or the equivalent for the full available limits of liability maintained by the Contractor irrespective of whether such limits maintained by the Contractor are greater than those required by this Contract and irrespective of whether the Certificate of Insurance describes limits lower than those maintained by the Contractor.

- 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](http://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.



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- 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



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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 Professional Liability Insurance or Errors and Omissions

Contractor and/or its subcontractor shall maintain Professional Liability or Errors and Omissions with limits of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per claim and Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) in the aggregate covering acts, errors and omissions arising out of the professional services under this Contract.

If the policy limit includes the payment of claims or defense costs, from the policy limit, the per claim limit shall be Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000). If the scope of such design-related professional services includes work related to pollution conditions, the Professional Liability policy shall include Pollution Liability coverage. If provided on a "claims-made" basis, such coverage shall be maintained by policy renewals or an extended reporting period endorsement for not less than three years following the end of the Contract.

#### 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.