Purchasing and Contracting Department Sole Source Request and Certification Form

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CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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To: Director of Purchasing and Contracting

Cc: Chief Financial Officer

From: Nicole LeClair-Miller, Deputy Director Financial Operations

Date: April 1, 2022

In alignment with the guidance provided in the San Diego Municipal Code section 22.3016, the Purchasing Agent (Director of Purchasing and Contracting) must certify that the award of a sole source contract is necessary by memorializing in writing why strict compliance with a competitive process would be unavailing or would not produce an advantage, and why soliciting bids or proposals would therefore be undesirable, impractical, or impossible.

For consideration, this form must be completed and all required accompanying information must be submitted together, including any related contracts. Failure to do so will result in a delay of approval of the request.

Describe commodity or service(s) to be purchased. Include vendor contact information.

The Office of the City Treasurer is requesting a sole source contract to hire Tricia Mendenhall as a consultant to continue with the implementation of the STRO Program, a high priority initiative for the City. Ms. Mendenhall has served as the Department project lead since its inception due to her unique skill set and knowledge base, specifically her previous role supervising TOT administration and her proven ability to successfully implement new Programs such as the Minimum Wage and Earned Sick Leave Ordinance. In addition, while serving as the project lead, Ms. Mendenhall possesses in depth knowledge of both the project and application, and has established critical working relationships with stakeholders inside and outside the City to help drive and met tight timelines. She is the subject matter expert within the Office of the City Treasurer. The Department must receive authorization to establish a sole source to meet ongoing project requirements and critical project deadlines.

Since March 2021, as a City employee, Ms. Mendenhall has served as the STRO Program lead for the Office of the City Treasurer. Ms. Mendenhall will be ending City employment in July of 2022 and due to delays in the implementation of the STRO ordinance, the City would like to retain Ms. Mendenhall on an as needed basis through June 30, 2023. To date, Ms. Mendenhall has overseen all aspects of the STRO Program implementation. The scope and breadth of this project is significant, including the development and staffing of a new section/program, the implementation of licensing software, and the development of processes and procedures. Additionally, this project includes integration with various systems and coordination with other City departments such as DSD, City Attorneys, and PandA, as well as outreach and education to stakeholders, the public, and the Mayor and City Council. The STRO licensing requirement has an estimated implementation date in the spring of 2023, requiring the City to begin accepting applications as early as the summer of 2022. After the application period is complete, the Program must begin developing and implementing compliance processes as well as phase II of the system implementation, which will include the acceptance of various reporting requirements mandated by the STRO Ordinance.

The Department is requesting that this contract contract be certified as a sole source vendor and excluded from competition due to Ms. Mendenall's extensive experience, proven ability, specific knowledge of the project and the system and the imminent deadlines of the project. The Office of the City Treasurer is requesting a sole source contract for one (1) year, from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

Total Dollar Value of Contract, Not to Exceed: \$xx,xxx Proposed Contract Term: One (1) year

Contact information:

Tricia Mendenhall Mobile: 619-840-2664 Tmendenhall@sandiego.gov

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Justification

1.	This product or service is available from only one supplier and meets at least one of the following criteria (please check all that are applicable):			
	One-of-a-kind/Compatibility	a.	equ wai	quired by Warranty: the product matches existing alpment, infrastructure and is required by cranty. (A letter from the provider which supports a claim must be provided.)
		b.	Goo	ods and Services:
				the good has no competitive product or alternative on the market.
				the service requires a special skill, ability, or expertise linked to the current project that cannot be provided by another supplier.
			clai	ocumentation in support of either of the above ims must be provided by the requesting partment.)
	City Standards		_	oduct or service complies with established, g City standards.
	Replacement	The product or service is the only compatible replacement component that supports a larger system. Or, the services are the only ones that can replace the existing service requirements.		
2.	Do any of the following situations exist?			
	Limited Competition			ment made an attempt to find a second or le sources to no avail.
	Emergency	doe in sec	es no the o	is an urgent need for the item or service and time of permit the City to solicit for competitive bids, a cases of emergencies as defined under SDMC 22.3208,. (Delays in solicitation do not satisfy teria)

Cost/Market Analysis

Purchasing and Contracting will perform due diligence on each request. If Purchasing and Contracting can find a suitable, cost effective alternative, this request will be denied and that alternative will be pursued after your department has been contacted to discuss the revised determination.

This form does not take the place of an agreement and all sole source requests for a period of one year or longer will require the **submission of an agreement**. The requesting department must submit a purchase requisition and a copy of this certification to Purchasing and Contracting for a Purchase Order to be issued.

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PCO Due Diligence (PCO to initial all that apply)

	Proof of warranty or maintenance requirement for standardized and replacement items confirmed.		
	Vendor/Supplier confirmed submission of justification letter.		
	Market test confirmed that there is no advantage to the City in competing this contracting opportunity to multiple vendors.		
	Emergency verified with the department.		
	Pricing agreement has been reviewed.		
WE Purchasing and Contracting has reviewed this request and affirms that this request for a sole source justification is appropriate.			
This so	ole source is approved for:		
	\odot One (1) year from the signature date below.		
	\Box For the entire length of the contract, but not more than five (5) years.		
prior to	The length of the contract must be consistent with the sole source approval. A sole request must be submitted and approved by the Purchasing and Contracting Director the award of each new contract and prior to each extension of an existing contract as not contemplated in the initial contract term.		
	After reviewing the provided information and due diligence, I cannot recommend the approval of this request.		
	Purchasing and Contracting Director Review		
produc	by that strict compliance with a competitive process would be unavailing or would not be an advantage, and that soliciting bids or proposals would be therefore undesirable, atticable or impossible. My approval is contingent on the information provided in this		
💆 In a	accordance with SDMC §22.3016, this request is approved.		
□ Bas reques	ed on the information provided and due diligence recommendation of staff, this t is denied.		
Claudia	a C. Abarca, Director, Purchasing and Contracting		
Date	7, 2023		

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CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE

CITY OF SAN DIEGO



AND

TRICIA MENDENHALL

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE CITY TREASURER

CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Consultant Services Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between the City of San Diego, a municipal corporation (City), and Tricia Mendenhall, an individual (Consultant) (collectively, the Parties).

RECITALS

- A. City wishes to retain Consultant to provide services related to the implementation of the Short-Term Residential Occupancy (STRO) Program.
- B. Consultant has the expertise, experience, and personnel necessary to provide the Services.
- C. City and Consultant wish to enter into an agreement whereby City will retain Consultant to provide the Services.
- D. This Agreement is exempt from competitive bidding requirements pursuant to San Diego Municipal Code (SDMC) section 22.3208(d) because the Purchasing Agent has certified that the award of a sole source contract is necessary under SDMC section 22.3016(a).

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is acknowledged, City and Consultant agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 CONSULTANT SERVICES

- 1.1 Scope of Services. Consultant shall provide the Services to City as described in Exhibit A Scope of Services at the rate described in Exhibit B Compensation and Fee Schedule in accordance with Exhibit C Time Schedule, and also in accordance with the City's General Terms and Provisions attached hereto as Exhibit D.
- 1.2 Contract Administrator. The Office of the City Treasurer (Department) is the Contract Administrator for this Agreement. Consultant shall provide the Services under the direction of a designated representative of the Department as follows:

Nicole LeClair-Miller 619-236-7159 nmiller@sandiego.gov

- **1.3 Written Authorization.** City shall issue a written authorization to proceed before Consultant is authorized to perform Services.
- 1.4 Duty to Inform City of Changes in Scope of Services. Consultant shall immediately advise the City in writing of any anticipated change in the Scope of Services, Compensation and Fee Schedule, or Time Schedule, and shall obtain the City's written consent to the change

Consultant Agreement Tricia Mendenhall, PL# 3002427 prior to making any changes. In no event shall the City's consent be construed to relieve Consultant from its duty to render all Services in accordance with applicable law and industry standards.

1.5 Competitive Bidding. If applicable, Consultant shall ensure that any plans, specifications, studies, or reports prepared, required, or recommended under this Agreement allow for competitive bidding. Consultant shall prepare such plans, specifications, studies, or reports so that procurement of services, labor or materials are not available from only one source, and shall not prepare plans, specifications, studies, or reports around a single or specific product, piece of major equipment or machinery, a specific patented design, or a proprietary process, unless required by principles of sound engineering practice and supported by a written justification that has been approved in writing by City. Consultant shall submit this written justification to City prior to beginning work on such plans, specifications, studies, or reports. Whenever Consultant recommends a specific product or equipment for competitive procurement, such recommendation shall include at least two brand names of products that are capable of meeting the functional requirements applicable to the Services.

ARTICLE 2 DURATION OF AGREEMENT

- **2.1 Term.** This Agreement shall be for an initial term of 11.5 months beginning July 18, 2022 and extending through June 30, 2023. City may, in its sole discretion, extend this Agreement for an additional 12 months. The term of this Agreement shall not exceed five years unless approved by the City Council by ordinance.
- **2.2 Effective Date**. This Agreement shall be effective on the date it is executed by the last Party to sign the Agreement, and approved by the City Attorney in accordance with San Diego Charter Section 40 (Effective Date).

ARTICLE 3 COMPENSATION

- **3.1 Amount of Compensation.** City shall pay Consultant for performance of all Services rendered in accordance with this Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$163,000.
- **3.2** Additional Services. City may require Consultant to perform additional Services beyond those described in the Scope of Services (Additional Services). Before Consultant commences such work, the Parties must agree in writing upon a fee for the Additional Services, including reasonably related expenses, in accordance with Section 3.3.
- 3.3 Manner of Payment. City shall pay Consultant in accordance with the Compensation and Fee Schedule. Consultant is not entitled to fees, including fees for expenses, that exceed the amounts specified in the Compensation and Fee Schedule. Consultant shall submit one invoice per calendar month in a form acceptable to City in accordance with the Compensation and Fee Schedule. Consultant shall include with each invoice a description of completed

Services, reasonably related expenses, if any, and all other information, including but not limited to the progress percentage of the Scope of Services and/or deliverables completed prior to the invoice date, as required by the City. City will pay undisputed portions of invoices within thirty calendar days of receipt.

- 3.4 Additional Costs. Additional Costs are costs that can be reasonably determined to be related to Consultant's errors or omissions, and may include Consultant, City, or Subcontractor overhead, construction, materials, demolition, and related costs. Consultant shall not be paid for the Services required due to the Consultant's errors or omissions, and Consultant shall be responsible for any Additional Costs associated with such errors or omissions. These Additional Costs may be deducted from monies due, or that become due, to Consultant. Whether or not there are any monies due, or becoming due, Consultant shall reimburse City for Additional Costs due to Consultant's errors or omissions.
- 3.5 Eighty Percent Notification. Consultant shall promptly notify City in writing of any potential cost overruns. Cost overruns include, but are not limited to the following: (1) where anticipated costs to be incurred in the next sixty calendar days, when added to all costs previously incurred, will exceed 80 percent of the maximum compensation for this Agreement; or (2) where the total cost for performance of the Scope of Services appears that it may be greater than the maximum compensation for this Agreement.

ARTICLE 4 WAGE REQUIREMENTS

4.1 [Reserved].

ARTICLE 5 CONSULTANT'S OBLIGATIONS

- **5.1 Right to Audit.** City retains the right to review and audit, and the reasonable right of access to Consultant's and any Subcontractor's premises, to review and audit Consultant's or Subcontractor's compliance with the provisions of this Agreement (City's Right). City's Right includes the right to inspect, photocopy, and retain copies of any and all books, records, documents and any other information (Records) relating to this Agreement outside of Consultant's premises if deemed necessary by City in its sole discretion. City shall keep these Records confidential to the extent permitted by law.
- **5.1.1** Audit. City's Right includes the right to examine Records of procedures and practices that City determines are necessary to discover and verify that Consultant or Subcontractor is in compliance with all requirements under this Agreement.
- **5.1.2** Cost Audit. If there is a claim for additional compensation or for Additional Services, the City's Right includes the right to Records that the City determines are necessary to discover and verify all direct and indirect costs, of whatever nature, which are claimed to have been incurred, or anticipated to be incurred.

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- **5.1.3** Accounting Records. Consultant and all subcontractors shall maintain complete and accurate Records in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices. Consultant and Subcontractors shall make available to City for review and audit all Records relating to the Services. Upon City's request, Consultant and Subcontractors shall submit exact duplicates of originals of all requested records to City.
- **5.1.4** City's Right Binding on Subcontractors. Consultant shall include City's Right as described in this Section 5.1 in any and all of their subcontracts, and shall ensure that these sections are binding upon all Subcontractors.
- **5.2 Subcontractors.** Consultant's hiring or retaining of any third parties (Subcontractors) to perform Services (Subcontractor Services) is subject to City's prior written approval. Consultant shall list all Subcontractors known to Consultant on the Subcontractor List at the time this Agreement is entered. Consultant shall give written notice to the City of the need at least 45 days before entering into a contract for such Subcontractor Services. Consultant's notice shall include a justification, a description of the Scope of Services, and an estimate of all costs for Subcontractor Services. Consultant may request that City reduce the 45-day notice period. City agrees to consider such requests in good faith.
- **5.2.1 Subcontractor Contract.** Consultant shall require Subcontractor to obtain and maintain insurance policies as required by City for the duration of this Agreement. Consultant shall determine Subcontractor policy limits and required endorsements proportionate to the services performed by Subcontractor.
- **5.2.1.1** Consultant is obligated to pay Subcontractor, for Consultant and Cityapproved invoice amounts, out of amounts paid by City to Consultant not later than fourteen working days from Consultant's receipt of payment from City. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to impair the right of Consultant and any Subcontractor to negotiate fair and reasonable pricing and payment provisions among themselves.
- **5.2.1.2** If Subcontractor's performance is deficient, Consultant shall notify City in writing of any withholding of payment to Subcontractor, specifying: (a) the amount withheld; (b) the specific cause under the terms of the subcontract for withholding payment; (c) the connection between the cause for withholding payment and the amount withheld; and (d) the remedial action Subcontractor must take in order to receive the amount withheld. Once Subcontractor corrects the deficiency, Consultant shall pay Subcontractor the amount withheld within fourteen working days of the Consultant's receipt of City's next payment.
- **5.2.1.3** City shall not be made a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding to resolve any dispute between Consultant and Subcontractor. Consultant agrees to defend and indemnify the City as described in the City's General Terms and Provisions, attached hereto as Exhibit D, and incorporated by reference, in any dispute between Consultant and Subcontractor should City be made a party to any judicial or administrative proceeding to resolve the dispute in violation of this position.

- **5.2.1.4** Subcontractor must comply with the City's Equal Opportunity Contracting Program requirements.
- **5.2.1.5** City is an intended beneficiary of any work performed by Subcontractor for purposes of establishing a duty of care between Subcontractor and City.
- **5.3** Consultant Award Tracking Form. Consultant shall submit information to City as requested in Consultant Award Tracking Form. The information shall include the dollar amount awarded during the period covered by the Consultant Award Tracking Form.
- **5.4** Consultant and Subcontractor Principals for Consultant Services. This Agreement is for unique Services. City has retained Consultant based on Consultant's particular professional expertise. Consultant may not delegate the performance of Services to others without City's prior written consent.

ARTICLE 6 CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

6.1 Contract Documents. This Agreement and its exhibits constitute the Contract Documents. The Contract Documents completely describes the Services to be provided. The exhibits are as follows:

Exhibit A - Scope of Services

Exhibit B - Compensation and Fee Schedule

Exhibit C - Time Schedule

Exhibit D - City's General Terms and Provisions

6.2 Submittals Required with the Agreement. Consultant is required to submit the following forms and information before the Agreement is executed:

Contractor Standards Pledge of Compliance Work Force Report Consultant Award Tracking Form Conflict of Interest Certification

6.3 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, which when taken together shall constitute a single signed original as though all Parties had executed the same page.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement is executed by City and Consultant acting by and through their authorized officers.

Suly 8, 2022
DATE SIGNED

CITY OF SAN DIEGO A Municipal Corporation

BY: Com

Print Name: Claudia C.

Director

Purchasing & Contracting Department

DATE GLOVED

DATE SIGNED

Approved as to form this <u>//</u> day of ______, 2022.

MARA W. ELLIOTT, City Attorney

BY:____

Deputy City Attorney

EXHIBIT A SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. OVERVIEW

Tricia Mendenhall will serve as a consultant, overseeing and facilitating the implementation of the STRO Program, a high priority initiative for the City. Ms. Mendenhall has served as a lead on the STRO project since April of 2021 as a City employee. By engaging in this agreement, after Ms. Mendenhall ends City employment, the City will ensure continuity of the project and will continue to capitalize on Ms. Mendenhall's experience with STRO as well as her experience in Program development, system implementations, outreach and education, and critical relationships essential to the success of the roll out.

B. REQUIREMENTS AND TASKS

Consultant shall:

- Oversee and finalize phase 1 of STRO software implementation
- Facilitate the STRO application process within the City's timeline
- Assist with outreach and education and customer service,
- Document business requirements for phase 2 of STRO software implementation
- Oversee and finalize phase 2 of STRO software implementation
- Assist with the development of the STRO Program's policies and procedures
- Attend meetings, related to STRO related matters, with City employees, stakeholders, Mayor and Council, etc.
- Resolve issues that arise that may impact STRO implementation timeline

C. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

With respect to all Services provided to the Department, Consultant will serve as the Lead over STRO Program Development, System Implementation, and License issuance.

EXHIBIT B COMPENSATION AND FEE SCHEDULE

City shall pay Consultant the hourly rate of \$78.33/hr for actual work performed in accordance with this Agreement. The maximum compensation amount shall be \$163,000.

EXHIBIT C TIME SCHEDULE

Flexible schedule, as needed, up to 40 hours per week as agreed upon with the Department's Management team.

EXHIBIT D



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO GENERAL CONTRACT TERMS AND PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO GOODS, SERVICES, AND CONSULTANT CONTRACTS

ARTICLE I SCOPE AND TERM OF CONTRACT

- 1.1 Scope of Contract. The scope of contract between the City and a provider of goods and/or services (Contractor) is described in the Contract Documents. The Contract Documents are comprised of the Request for Proposal, Invitation to Bid, or other solicitation document (Solicitation); the successful bid or proposal; the letter awarding the contract to Contractor; the City's written acceptance of exceptions or clarifications to the Solicitation, if any; and these General Contract Terms and Provisions.
- 1.2 Effective Date. A contract between the City and Contractor (Contract) is effective on the last date that the contract is signed by the parties and approved by the City Attorney in accordance with Charter section 40. Unless otherwise terminated, this Contract is effective until it is completed or as otherwise agreed upon in writing by the parties, whichever is the earliest. A Contract term cannot exceed five (5) years unless approved by the City Council by ordinance.
- 1.3 Contract Extension. The City may, in its sole discretion, unilaterally exercise an option to extend the Contract as described in the Contract Documents. In addition, the City may, in its sole discretion, unilaterally extend the Contract on a month-to-month basis following contract expiration if authorized under Charter section 99 and the Contract Documents. Contractor shall not increase its pricing in excess of the percentage increase described in the Contract.

ARTICLE II CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

- **2.1** Contract Administrator. The Purchasing Agent or designee is the Contract Administrator for purposes of this Contract, and has the responsibilities described in this Contract, in the San Diego Charter, and in Chapter 2, Article 2, Divisions 5, 30, and 32.
- **2.1.1** Contractor Performance Evaluations. The Contract Administrator will evaluate Contractor's performance as often as the Contract Administrator deems necessary throughout the term of the contract. This evaluation will be based on criteria including the quality of goods or services, the timeliness of performance, and adherence to applicable laws, including prevailing wage and living wage. City will provide Contractors who receive an unsatisfactory rating with a copy of the evaluation and an opportunity to respond. City may consider final evaluations, including Contractor's response, in evaluating future proposals and bids for contract award.
- 2.2 Notices. Unless otherwise specified, in all cases where written notice is required under this Contract, service shall be deemed sufficient if the notice is personally delivered or deposited in the United States mail, with first class postage paid, attention to the Purchasing Agent. Proper notice is effective on the date of personal delivery or five (5) days after deposit in a United States postal mailbox unless provided otherwise in the Contract. Notices to the City shall be sent to:

Purchasing Agent City of San Diego, Purchasing and Contracting Division 1200 3rd Avenue, Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92101-4195

ARTICLE III COMPENSATION

3.1 Manner of Payment. Contractor will be paid monthly, in arrears, for goods and/or services provided in accordance with the terms and provisions specified in the Contract.

3.2 Invoices.

- **3.2.1 Invoice Detail.** Contractor's invoice must be on Contractor's stationary with Contractor's name, address, and remittance address if different. Contractor's invoice must have a date, an invoice number, a purchase order number, a description of the goods or services provided, and an amount due.
- 3.2.2 Service Contracts. Contractor must submit invoices for services to City by the 10th of the month following the month in which Contractor provided services. Invoices must include the address of the location where services were performed and the dates in which services were provided.
- **3.2.3** Goods Contracts. Contractor must submit invoices for goods to City within seven days of the shipment. Invoices must describe the goods provided.
- **3.2.4** Parts Contracts. Contractor must submit invoices for parts to City within seven calendar (7) days of the date the parts are shipped. Invoices must include the manufacturer of the part, manufacturer's published list price, percentage discount applied in accordance with Pricing Page(s), the net price to City, and an item description, quantity, and extension.
- 3.2.5 Extraordinary Work. City will not pay Contractor for extraordinary work unless Contractor receives prior written authorization from the Contract Administrator. Failure to do so will result in payment being withheld for services. If approved, Contractor will include an invoice that describes the work performed and the location where the work was performed, and a copy of the Contract Administrator's written authorization.
- **3.2.6** Reporting Requirements. Contractor must submit the following reports using the City's web-based contract compliance portal. Incomplete and/or delinquent reports may cause payment delays, non-payment of invoice, or both. For questions, please view the City's online tutorials on how to utilize the City's web-based contract compliance portal.
- **3.2.6.1 Monthly Employment Utilization Reports**. Contractor and Contractor's subcontractors and suppliers must submit Monthly Employment Utilization Reports by the fifth (5th) day of the subsequent month.
 - 3.2.6.2 Monthly Invoicing and Payments. Contractor and Contractor's

subcontractors and suppliers must submit Monthly Invoicing and Payment Reports by the fifth (5th) day of the subsequent month.

- 3.3 Annual Appropriation of Funds. Contractor acknowledges that the Contract term may extend over multiple City fiscal years, and that work and compensation under this Contract is contingent on the City Council appropriating funding for and authorizing such work and compensation for those fiscal years. This Contract may be terminated at the end of the fiscal year for which sufficient funding is not appropriated and authorized. City is not obligated to pay Contractor for any amounts not duly appropriated and authorized by City Council.
- 3.4 Price Adjustments. Based on Contractor's written request and justification, the City may approve an increase in unit prices on Contractor's pricing pages consistent with the amount requested in the justification in an amount not to exceed the increase in the Consumer Price Index, San Diego Area, for All Urban Customers (CPI-U) as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, or 5.0%, whichever is less, during the preceding one year term. If the CPI-U is a negative number, then the unit prices shall not be adjusted for that option year (the unit prices will not be decreased). A negative CPI-U shall be counted against any subsequent increases in the CPI-U when calculating the unit prices for later option years. Contractor must provide such written request and justification no less than sixty days before the date in which City may exercise the option to renew the contract, or sixty days before the anniversary date of the Contract. Justification in support of the written request must include a description of the basis for the adjustment, the proposed effective date and reasons for said date, and the amount of the adjustment requested with documentation to support the requested change (e.g. CPI-U or 5.0%, whichever is less). City's approval of this request must be in writing.

ARTICLE IV SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION

- 4.1 City's Right to Suspend for Convenience. City may suspend all or any portion of Contractor's performance under this Contract at its sole option and for its convenience for a reasonable period of time not to exceed six (6) months. City must first give ten (10) days' written notice to Contractor of such suspension. City will pay to Contractor a sum equivalent to the reasonable value of the goods and/or services satisfactorily provided up to the date of suspension. City may rescind the suspension prior to or at six (6) months by providing Contractor with written notice of the rescission, at which time Contractor would be required to resume performance in compliance with the terms and provisions of this Contract. Contractor will be entitled to an extension of time to complete performance under the Contract equal to the length of the suspension unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Parties.
- 4.2 City's Right to Terminate for Convenience. City may, at its sole option and for its convenience, terminate all or any portion of this Contract by giving thirty (30) days' written notice of such termination to Contractor. The termination of the Contract shall be effective upon receipt of the notice by Contractor. After termination of all or any portion of the Contract, Contractor shall: (1) immediately discontinue all affected performance (unless the notice directs otherwise); and (2) complete any and all additional work necessary for the orderly filing of documents and closing of Contractor's affected performance under the Contract. After filing of

documents and completion of performance, Contractor shall deliver to City all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and such other information and materials created or received by Contractor in performing this Contract, whether completed or in process. By accepting payment for completion, filing, and delivering documents as called for in this section, Contractor discharges City of all of City's payment obligations and liabilities under this Contract with regard to the affected performance.

- 4.3 City's Right to Terminate for Default. Contractor's failure to satisfactorily perform any obligation required by this Contract constitutes a default. Examples of default include a determination by City that Contractor has: (1) failed to deliver goods and/or perform the services of the required quality or within the time specified; (2) failed to perform any of the obligations of this Contract; and (3) failed to make sufficient progress in performance which may jeopardize full performance.
- **4.3.1** If Contractor fails to satisfactorily cure a default within ten (10) calendar days of receiving written notice from City specifying the nature of the default, City may immediately cancel and/or terminate this Contract, and terminate each and every right of Contractor, and any person claiming any rights by or through Contractor under this Contract.
- **4.3.2** If City terminates this Contract, in whole or in part, City may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the Purchasing Agent may deem appropriate, equivalent goods or services and Contractor shall be liable to City for any excess costs. Contractor shall also continue performance to the extent not terminated.
- **4.4 Termination for Bankruptcy or Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors.** If Contractor files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, is adjudicated bankrupt, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, the City may at its option and without further notice to, or demand upon Contractor, terminate this Contract, and terminate each and every right of Contractor, and any person claiming rights by and through Contractor under this Contract.
- 4.5 Contractor's Right to Payment Following Contract Termination.
- **4.5.1 Termination for Convenience.** If the termination is for the convenience of City an equitable adjustment in the Contract price shall be made. No amount shall be allowed for anticipated profit on unperformed services, and no amount shall be paid for an as needed contract beyond the Contract termination date.
- **4.5.2 Termination for Default.** If, after City gives notice of termination for failure to fulfill Contract obligations to Contractor, it is determined that Contractor had not so failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been effected for the convenience of City. In such event, adjustment in the Contract price shall be made as provided in Section 4.3.2. City's rights and remedies are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.
- **4.6** Remedies Cumulative. City's remedies are cumulative and are not intended to be exclusive of any other remedies or means of redress to which City may be lawfully entitled in case of any breach or threatened breach of any provision of this Contract.

ARTICLE V ADDITIONAL CONTRACTOR OBLIGATIONS

- 5.1 Inspection and Acceptance. The City will inspect and accept goods provided under this Contract at the shipment destination unless specified otherwise. Inspection will be made and acceptance will be determined by the City department shown in the shipping address of the Purchase Order or other duly authorized representative of City.
- **5.2** Responsibility for Lost or Damaged Shipments. Contractor bears the risk of loss or damage to goods prior to the time of their receipt and acceptance by City. City has no obligation to accept damaged shipments and reserves the right to return damaged goods, at Contractor's sole expense, even if the damage was not apparent or discovered until after receipt.
- **5.3 Responsibility for Damages.** Contractor is responsible for all damage that occurs as a result of Contractor's fault or negligence or that of its' employees, agents, or representatives in connection with the performance of this Contract. Contractor shall immediately report any such damage to people and/or property to the Contract Administrator.
- **5.4 Delivery.** Delivery shall be made on the delivery day specified in the Contract Documents. The City, in its sole discretion, may extend the time for delivery. The City may order, in writing, the suspension, delay or interruption of delivery of goods and/or services.
- 5.5 Delay. Unless otherwise specified herein, time is of the essence for each and every provision of the Contract. Contractor must immediately notify City in writing if there is, or it is anticipated that there will be, a delay in performance. The written notice must explain the cause for the delay and provide a reasonable estimate of the length of the delay. City may terminate this Contract as provided herein if City, in its sole discretion, determines the delay is material.
- 5.5.1 If a delay in performance is caused by any unforeseen event(s) beyond the control of the parties, City may allow Contractor to a reasonable extension of time to complete performance, but Contractor will not be entitled to damages or additional compensation. Any such extension of time must be approved in writing by City. The following conditions may constitute such a delay: war; changes in law or government regulation; labor disputes; strikes; fires, floods, adverse weather or other similar condition of the elements necessitating cessation of the performance; inability to obtain materials, equipment or labor; or other specific reasons agreed to between City and Contractor. This provision does not apply to a delay caused by Contractor's acts or omissions. Contractor is not entitled to an extension of time to perform if a delay is caused by Contractor's inability to obtain materials, equipment, or labor unless City has received, in a timely manner, documentary proof satisfactory to City of Contractor's inability to obtain materials, equipment, or labor, in which case City's approval must be in writing.
- 5.6 Restrictions and Regulations Requiring Contract Modification. Contractor shall immediately notify City in writing of any regulations or restrictions that may or will require Contractor to alter the material, quality, workmanship, or performance of the goods and/or services to be provided. City reserves the right to accept any such alteration, including any resulting reasonable price adjustments, or to cancel the Contract at no expense to the City.

- 5.7 Warranties. All goods and/or services provided under the Contract must be warranted by Contractor or manufacturer for at least twelve (12) months after acceptance by City, except automotive equipment. Automotive equipment must be warranted for a minimum of 12,000 miles or 12 months, whichever occurs first, unless otherwise stated in the Contract. Contractor is responsible to City for all warranty service, parts, and labor. Contractor is required to ensure that warranty work is performed at a facility acceptable to City and that services, parts, and labor are available and provided to meet City's schedules and deadlines. Contractor may establish a warranty service contract with an agency satisfactory to City instead of performing the warranty service itself. If Contractor is not an authorized service center and causes any damage to equipment being serviced, which results in the existing warranty being voided, Contractor will be liable for all costs of repairs to the equipment, or the costs of replacing the equipment with new equipment that meets City's operational needs.
- 5.8 Industry Standards. Contractor shall provide goods and/or services acceptable to City in strict conformance with the Contract. Contractor shall also provide goods and/or services in accordance with the standards customarily adhered to by an experienced and competent provider of the goods and/or services called for under this Contract using the degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised by reputable providers of such goods and/or services. Where approval by City, the Mayor, or other representative of City is required, it is understood to be general approval only and does not relieve Contractor of responsibility for complying with all applicable laws, codes, policies, regulations, and good business practices.
- **Records Retention and Examination.** Contractor shall retain, protect, and maintain in an accessible location all records and documents, including paper, electronic, and computer records, relating to this Contract for five (5) years after receipt of final payment by City under this Contract. Contractor shall make all such records and documents available for inspection, copying, or other reproduction, and auditing by authorized representatives of City, including the Purchasing Agent or designee. Contractor shall make available all requested data and records at reasonable locations within City or County of San Diego at any time during normal business hours, and as often as City deems necessary. If records are not made available within the City or County of San Diego, Contractor shall pay City's travel costs to the location where the records are maintained and shall pay for all related travel expenses. Failure to make requested records available for inspection, copying, or other reproduction, or auditing by the date requested may result in termination of the Contract. Contractor must include this provision in all subcontracts made in connection with this Contract.

- **5.9.1** Contractor shall maintain records of all subcontracts entered into with all firms, all project invoices received from Subcontractors and Suppliers, all purchases of materials and services from Suppliers, and all joint venture participation. Records shall show name, telephone number including area code, and business address of each Subcontractor and Supplier, and joint venture partner, and the total amount actually paid to each firm. Project relevant records, regardless of tier, may be periodically reviewed by the City.
- **5.10 Quality Assurance Meetings.** Upon City's request, Contractor shall schedule one or more quality assurance meetings with City's Contract Administrator to discuss Contractor's performance. If requested, Contractor shall schedule the first quality assurance meeting no later than eight (8) weeks from the date of commencement of work under the Contract. At the quality assurance meeting(s), City's Contract Administrator will provide Contractor with feedback, will note any deficiencies in Contract performance, and provide Contractor with an opportunity to address and correct such deficiencies. The total number of quality assurance meetings that may be required by City will depend upon Contractor's performance.
- **5.11 Duty to Cooperate with Auditor.** The City Auditor may, in his sole discretion, at no cost to the City, and for purposes of performing his responsibilities under Charter section 39.2, review Contractor's records to confirm contract compliance. Contractor shall make reasonable efforts to cooperate with Auditor's requests.
- **5.12** Safety Data Sheets. If specified by City in the solicitation or otherwise required by this Contract, Contractor must send with each shipment one (1) copy of the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for each item shipped. Failure to comply with this procedure will be cause for immediate termination of the Contract for violation of safety procedures.
- **5.13 Project Personnel.** Except as formally approved by the City, the key personnel identified in Contractor's bid or proposal shall be the individuals who will actually complete the work. Changes in staffing must be reported in writing and approved by the City.
- **5.13.1** Criminal Background Certification. Contractor certifies that all employees working on this Contract have had a criminal background check and that said employees are clear of any sexual and drug related convictions. Contractor further certifies that all employees hired by Contractor or a subcontractor shall be free from any felony convictions.
- **5.13.2** Photo Identification Badge. Contractor shall provide a company photo identification badge to any individual assigned by Contractor or subcontractor to perform services or deliver goods on City premises. Such badge must be worn at all times while on City premises. City reserves the right to require Contractor to pay fingerprinting fees for personnel assigned to work in sensitive areas. All employees shall turn in their photo identification badges to Contractor upon completion of services and prior to final payment of invoice.
- **5.14 Standards of Conduct.** Contractor is responsible for maintaining standards of employee competence, conduct, courtesy, appearance, honesty, and integrity satisfactory to the City.

- **5.14.1 Supervision.** Contractor shall provide adequate and competent supervision at all times during the Contract term. Contractor shall be readily available to meet with the City. Contractor shall provide the telephone numbers where its representative(s) can be reached.
- **5.14.2** City Premises. Contractor's employees and agents shall comply with all City rules and regulations while on City premises.
- **5.14.3 Removal of Employees.** City may request Contractor immediately remove from assignment to the City any employee found unfit to perform duties at the City. Contractor shall comply with all such requests.
- 5.15 Licenses and Permits. Contractor shall, without additional expense to the City, be responsible for obtaining any necessary licenses, permits, certifications, accreditations, fees and approvals for complying with any federal, state, county, municipal, and other laws, codes, and regulations applicable to Contract performance. This includes, but is not limited to, any laws or regulations requiring the use of licensed contractors to perform parts of the work.
- **5.16** Contractor and Subcontractor Registration Requirements. Prior to the award of the Contract or Task Order, Contractor and Contractor's subcontractors and suppliers must register with the City's web-based vendor registration and bid management system. The City may not award the Contract until registration of all subcontractors and suppliers is complete. In the event this requirement is not met within the time frame specified by the City, the City reserves the right to rescind the Contract award and to make the award to the next responsive and responsible proposer of bidder.

ARTICLE VI INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

- 6.1 Rights in Data. If, in connection with the services performed under this Contract, Contractor or its employees, agents, or subcontractors, create artwork, audio recordings, blueprints, designs, diagrams, documentation, photographs, plans, reports, software, source code, specifications, surveys, system designs, video recordings, or any other original works of authorship, whether written or readable by machine (Deliverable Materials), all rights of Contractor or its subcontractors in the Deliverable Materials, including, but not limited to publication, and registration of copyrights, and trademarks in the Deliverable Materials, are the sole property of City. Contractor, including its employees, agents, and subcontractors, may not use any Deliverable Material for purposes unrelated to Contractor's work on behalf of the City without prior written consent of City. Contractor may not publish or reproduce any Deliverable Materials, for purposes unrelated to Contractor's work on behalf of the City, without the prior written consent of the City.
- **6.2** Intellectual Property Rights Assignment. For no additional compensation, Contractor hereby assigns to City all of Contractor's rights, title, and interest in and to the content of the Deliverable Materials created by Contractor or its employees, agents, or subcontractors, including copyrights, in connection with the services performed under this Contract. Contractor shall promptly execute and deliver, and shall cause its employees, agents, and subcontractors to

promptly execute and deliver, upon request by the City or any of its successors or assigns at any time and without further compensation of any kind, any power of attorney, assignment, application for copyright, patent, trademark or other intellectual property right protection, or other papers or instruments which may be necessary or desirable to fully secure, perfect or otherwise protect to or for the City, its successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the content of the Deliverable Materials. Contractor also shall cooperate and assist in the prosecution of any action or opposition proceeding involving such intellectual property rights and any adjudication of those rights.

- **6.3** Contractor Works. Contractor Works means tangible and intangible information and material that: (a) had already been conceived, invented, created, developed or acquired by Contractor prior to the effective date of this Contract; or (b) were conceived, invented, created, or developed by Contractor after the effective date of this Contract, but only to the extent such information and material do not constitute part or all of the Deliverable Materials called for in this Contract. All Contractor Works, and all modifications or derivatives of such Contractor Works, including all intellectual property rights in or pertaining to the same, shall be owned solely and exclusively by Contractor.
- 6. 4 Subcontracting. In the event that Contractor utilizes a subcontractor(s) for any portion of the work that comprises the whole or part of the specified Deliverable Materials to the City, the agreement between Contractor and the subcontractor shall include a statement that identifies the Deliverable Materials as a "works for hire" as described in the United States Copyright Act of 1976, as amended, and that all intellectual property rights in the Deliverable Materials, whether arising in copyright, trademark, service mark or other forms of intellectual property rights, belong to and shall vest solely with the City. Further, the agreement between Contractor and its subcontractor shall require that the subcontractor, if necessary, shall grant, transfer, sell and assign, free of charge, exclusively to City, all titles, rights and interests in and to the Deliverable Materials, including all copyrights, trademarks and other intellectual property rights. City shall have the right to review any such agreement for compliance with this provision.
- 6.5 Intellectual Property Warranty and Indemnification. Contractor represents and warrants that any materials or deliverables, including all Deliverable Materials, provided under this Contract are either original, or not encumbered, and do not infringe upon the copyright, trademark, patent or other intellectual property rights of any third party, or are in the public domain. If Deliverable Materials provided hereunder become the subject of a claim, suit or allegation of copyright, trademark or patent infringement, City shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to require Contractor to produce, at Contractor's own expense, new non-infringing materials, deliverables or works as a means of remedying any claim of infringement in addition to any other remedy available to the City under law or equity. Contractor further agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, actions, costs, judgments or damages, of any type, alleging or threatening that any Deliverable Materials, supplies, equipment, services or works provided under this contract infringe the copyright, trademark, patent or other intellectual property or proprietary rights of any third party (Third Party Claim of Infringement). If a Third Party Claim of Infringement is threatened or made before Contractor receives payment under this Contract,

City shall be entitled, upon written notice to Contractor, to withhold some or all of such payment.

- 6.6 Software Licensing. Contractor represents and warrants that the software, if any, as delivered to City, does not contain any program code, virus, worm, trap door, back door, time or clock that would erase data or programming or otherwise cause the software to become inoperable, inaccessible, or incapable of being used in accordance with its user manuals, either automatically, upon the occurrence of licensor-selected conditions or manually on command. Contractor further represents and warrants that all third party software, delivered to City or used by Contractor in the performance of the Contract, is fully licensed by the appropriate licensor.
- **6.7 Publication.** Contractor may not publish or reproduce any Deliverable Materials, for purposes unrelated to Contractor's work on behalf of the City without prior written consent from the City.
- 6.8 Royalties, Licenses, and Patents. Unless otherwise specified, Contractor shall pay all royalties, license, and patent fees associated with the goods that are the subject of this solicitation. Contractor warrants that the goods, materials, supplies, and equipment to be supplied do not infringe upon any patent, trademark, or copyright, and further agrees to defend any and all suits, actions and claims for infringement that are brought against the City, and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, its elected officials, officers, and employees from all liability, loss and damages, whether general, exemplary or punitive, suffered as a result of any actual or claimed infringement asserted against the City, Contractor, or those furnishing goods, materials, supplies, or equipment to Contractor under the Contract.

ARTICLE VII INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

[Reserved]

ARTICLE VIII BONDS

[Reserved]

ARTICLE IX CITY-MANDATED CLAUSES AND REQUIREMENTS

- **9.1** Contractor Certification of Compliance. By signing this Contract, Contractor certifies that Contractor is aware of, and will comply with, these City-mandated clauses throughout the duration of the Contract.
- **9.1.1 Drug-Free Workplace Certification.** Contractor shall comply with City's Drug-Free Workplace requirements set forth in Council Policy 100-17, which is incorporated into the Contract by this reference.

9.1.2 Contractor Certification for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and State Access Laws and Regulations: Contractor shall comply with all accessibility requirements under the ADA and under Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations (Title 24). When a conflict exists between the ADA and Title 24, Contractor shall comply with the most restrictive requirement (i.e., that which provides the most access). Contractor also shall comply with the City's ADA Compliance/City Contractors requirements as set forth in Council Policy 100-04, which is incorporated into this Contract by reference. Contractor warrants and certifies compliance with all federal and state access laws and regulations and further certifies that any subcontract agreement for this contract contains language which indicates the subcontractor's agreement to abide by the provisions of the City's Council Policy and any applicable access laws and regulations.

9.1.3 Non-Discrimination Requirements.

- 9.1.3.1 Compliance with City's Equal Opportunity Contracting Program (EOCP). Contractor shall comply with City's EOCP Requirements. Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment on any basis prohibited by law. Contractor shall provide equal opportunity in all employment practices. Prime Contractors shall ensure that their subcontractors comply with this program. Nothing in this Section shall be interpreted to hold a Prime Contractor liable for any discriminatory practice of its subcontractors.
- 9.1.3.2 Non-Discrimination Ordinance. Contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, gender expression, gender identity, religion, national origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, age, or disability in the solicitation, selection, hiring or treatment of subcontractors, vendors or suppliers. Contractor shall provide equal opportunity for subcontractors to participate in subcontracting opportunities. Contractor understands and agrees that violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of the Contract and may result in Contract termination, debarment, or other sanctions. Contractor shall ensure that this language is included in contracts between Contractor and any subcontractors, vendors and suppliers.
- 9.1.3.3 Compliance Investigations. Upon City's request, Contractor agrees to provide to City, within sixty calendar days, a truthful and complete list of the names of all subcontractors, vendors, and suppliers that Contractor has used in the past five years on any of its contracts that were undertaken within San Diego County, including the total dollar amount paid by Contractor for each subcontract or supply contract. Contractor further agrees to fully cooperate in any investigation conducted by City pursuant to City's Nondiscrimination in Contracting Ordinance. Contractor understands and agrees that violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of the Contract and may result in Contract termination, debarment, and other sanctions.
- **9.1.4 Equal Benefits Ordinance Certification.** Unless an exception applies, Contractor shall comply with the Equal Benefits Ordinance (EBO) codified in the San Diego Municipal Code (SDMC). Failure to maintain equal benefits is a material breach of the Contract.
- **9.1.5 Contractor Standards.** Contractor shall comply with Contractor Standards provisions codified in the SDMC. Contractor understands and agrees that violation of Contractor

Standards may be considered a material breach of the Contract and may result in Contract termination, debarment, and other sanctions.

- **9.1.6** Noise Abatement. Contractor shall operate, conduct, or construct without violating the City's Noise Abatement Ordinance codified in the SDMC.
- 9.1.7 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program. Contractor shall comply with the City's Storm Water Management and Discharge Control provisions codified in Division 3 of Chapter 4 of the SDMC, as may be amended, and any and all applicable Best Management Practice guidelines and pollution elimination requirements in performing or delivering services at City owned, leased, or managed property, or in performance of services and activities on behalf of City regardless of location.

Contractor shall comply with the City's Jurisdictional Urban Runoff Management Plan encompassing Citywide programs and activities designed to prevent and reduce storm water pollution within City boundaries as adopted by the City Council on January 22, 2008, via Resolution No. 303351, as may be amended.

Contractor shall comply with each City facility or work site's Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, as applicable, and institute all controls needed while completing the services to minimize any negative impact to the storm water collection system and environment.

- **9.1.8 Service Worker Retention Ordinance.** If applicable, Contractor shall comply with the Service Worker Retention Ordinance (SWRO) codified in the SDMC.
- **9.1.9 Product Endorsement.** Contractor shall comply with Council Policy 000-41 which requires that other than listing the City as a client and other limited endorsements, any advertisements, social media, promotions or other marketing referring to the City as a user of a product or service will require prior written approval of the Mayor or designee. Use of the City Seal or City logos is prohibited.
- **9.1.10 Business Tax Certificate.** Unless the City Treasurer determines in writing that a contractor is exempt from the payment of business tax, any contractor doing business with the City of San Diego is required to obtain a Business Tax Certificate (BTC) and to provide a copy of its BTC to the City before a Contract is executed.
- **9.1.11** Equal Pay Ordinance. Unless an exception applies, Contractor shall comply with the Equal Pay Ordinance codified in San Diego Municipal Code sections 22.4801 through 22.4809. Contractor shall certify in writing that it will comply with the requirements of the EPO.
- **9.1.11.1 Contractor and Subcontract Requirement.** The Equal Pay Ordinance applies to any subcontractor who performs work on behalf of a Contractor to the same extent as it would apply to that Contractor. Any Contractor subject to the Equal Pay Ordinance shall require all of its subcontractors to certify compliance with the Equal Pay Ordinance in its written subcontracts.

ARTICLE X CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND VIOLATIONS OF LAW

- 10.1 Conflict of Interest Laws. Contractor is subject to all federal, state and local conflict of interest laws, regulations, and policies applicable to public contracts and procurement practices including, but not limited to, California Government Code sections 1090, et. seq. and 81000, et. seq., and the Ethics Ordinance, codified in the SDMC. City may determine that Contractor must complete one or more statements of economic interest disclosing relevant financial interests. Upon City's request, Contractor shall submit the necessary documents to City.
- 10.2 Contractor's Responsibility for Employees and Agents. Contractor is required to establish and make known to its employees and agents appropriate safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that is, or that gives the appearance of being, motivated by the desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have family, business or other relationships.
- 10.3 Contractor's Financial or Organizational Interests. In connection with any task, Contractor shall not recommend or specify any product, supplier, or contractor with whom Contractor has a direct or indirect financial or organizational interest or relationship that would violate conflict of interest laws, regulations, or policies.
- 10.4 Certification of Non-Collusion. Contractor certifies that: (1) Contractor's bid or proposal was not made in the interest of or on behalf of any person, firm, or corporation not identified; (2) Contractor did not directly or indirectly induce or solicit any other bidder or proposer to put in a sham bid or proposal; (3) Contractor did not directly or indirectly induce or solicit any other person, firm or corporation to refrain from bidding; and (4) Contractor did not seek by collusion to secure any advantage over the other bidders or proposers.
- 10.5 Hiring City Employees. This Contract shall be unilaterally and immediately terminated by City if Contractor employs an individual who within the twelve (12) months immediately preceding such employment did in his/her capacity as a City officer or employee participate in negotiations with or otherwise have an influence on the selection of Contractor.

ARTICLE XI DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 11.1 Mediation. If a dispute arises out of or relates to this Contract and cannot be settled through normal contract negotiations, Contractor and City shall use mandatory non-binding mediation before having recourse in a court of law.
- 11.2 Selection of Mediator. A single mediator that is acceptable to both parties shall be used to mediate the dispute. The mediator will be knowledgeable in the subject matter of this Contract, if possible.
- 11.3 Expenses. The expenses of witnesses for either side shall be paid by the party producing such witnesses. All other expenses of the mediation, including required traveling and other

expenses of the mediator, and the cost of any proofs or expert advice produced at the direct request of the mediator, shall be borne equally by the parties, unless they agree otherwise.

- 11.4 Conduct of Mediation Sessions. Mediation hearings will be conducted in an informal manner and discovery will not be allowed. The discussions, statements, writings and admissions will be confidential to the proceedings (pursuant to California Evidence Code sections 1115 through 1128) and will not be used for any other purpose unless otherwise agreed by the parties in writing. The parties may agree to exchange any information they deem necessary. Both parties shall have a representative attend the mediation who is authorized to settle the dispute, though City's recommendation of settlement may be subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council. Either party may have attorneys, witnesses or experts present.
- 11.5 Mediation Results. Any agreements resulting from mediation shall be memorialized in writing. The results of the mediation shall not be final or binding unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties. Mediators shall not be subject to any subpoena or liability, and their actions shall not be subject to discovery.

ARTICLE XII MANDATORY ASSISTANCE

- **12.1 Mandatory Assistance.** If a third party dispute or litigation, or both, arises out of, or relates in any way to the services provided to the City under a Contract, Contractor, its agents, officers, and employees agree to assist in resolving the dispute or litigation upon City's request. Contractor's assistance includes, but is not limited to, providing professional consultations, attending mediations, arbitrations, depositions, trials or any event related to the dispute resolution and/or litigation.
- **12.2** Compensation for Mandatory Assistance. City will compensate Contractor for fees incurred for providing Mandatory Assistance. If, however, the fees incurred for the Mandatory Assistance are determined, through resolution of the third party dispute or litigation, or both, to be attributable in whole, or in part, to the acts or omissions of Contractor, its agents, officers, and employees, Contractor shall reimburse City for all fees paid to Contractor, its agents, officers, and employees for Mandatory Assistance.
- 12.3 Attorneys' Fees Related to Mandatory Assistance. In providing City with dispute or litigation assistance, Contractor or its agents, officers, and employees may incur expenses and/or costs. Contractor agrees that any attorney fees it may incur as a result of assistance provided under Section 12.2 are not reimbursable.

ARTICLE XIII MISCELLANEOUS

13.1 Headings. All headings are for convenience only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Contract.

- 13.2 Non-Assignment. Contractor may not assign the obligations under this Contract, whether by express assignment or by sale of the company, nor any monies due or to become due under this Contract, without City's prior written approval. Any assignment in violation of this paragraph shall constitute a default and is grounds for termination of this Contract at the City's sole discretion. In no event shall any putative assignment create a contractual relationship between City and any putative assignee.
- 13.3 Independent Contractors. Contractor and any subcontractors employed by Contractor are independent contractors and not agents of City. Any provisions of this Contract that may appear to give City any right to direct Contractor concerning the details of performing or providing the goods and/or services, or to exercise any control over performance of the Contract, shall mean only that Contractor shall follow the direction of City concerning the end results of the performance.
- **13.4 Subcontractors.** All persons assigned to perform any work related to this Contract, including any subcontractors, are deemed to be employees of Contractor, and Contractor shall be directly responsible for their work.
- 13.5 Covenants and Conditions. All provisions of this Contract expressed as either covenants or conditions on the part of City or Contractor shall be deemed to be both covenants and conditions.
- 13.6 Compliance with Controlling Law. Contractor shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and policies. Contractor's act or omission in violation of applicable local, state, and federal laws, regulations, and policies is grounds for contract termination. In addition to all other remedies or damages allowed by law, Contractor is liable to City for all damages, including costs for substitute performance, sustained as a result of the violation. In addition, Contractor may be subject to suspension, debarment, or both.
- 13.7 Governing Law. The Contract shall be deemed to be made under, construed in accordance with, and governed by the laws of the State of California without regard to the conflicts or choice of law provisions thereof.
- 13.8 Venue. The venue for any suit concerning solicitations or the Contract, the interpretation or application of any of its terms and conditions, or any related disputes shall be in the County of San Diego, State of California.
- 13.9 Successors in Interest. This Contract and all rights and obligations created by this Contract shall be in force and effect whether or not any parties to the Contract have been succeeded by another entity, and all rights and obligations created by this Contract shall be vested and binding on any party's successor in interest.
- 13.10 No Waiver. No failure of either City or Contractor to insist upon the strict performance by the other of any covenant, term or condition of this Contract, nor any failure to exercise any right or remedy consequent upon a breach of any covenant, term, or condition of this Contract, shall constitute a waiver of any such breach of such covenant, term or condition. No waiver of any breach shall affect or alter this Contract, and each and every covenant, condition, and term

hereof shall continue in full force and effect without respect to any existing or subsequent breach.

- **13.11** Severability. The unenforceability, invalidity, or illegality of any provision of this Contract shall not render any other provision of this Contract unenforceable, invalid, or illegal.
- 13.12 **Drafting Ambiguities.** The parties acknowledge that they have the right to be advised by legal counsel with respect to the negotiations, terms and conditions of this Contract, and the decision of whether to seek advice of legal counsel with respect to this Contract is the sole responsibility of each party. This Contract shall not be construed in favor of or against either party by reason of the extent to which each party participated in the drafting of the Contract.
- **13.13** Amendments. Neither this Contract nor any provision hereof may be changed, modified, amended or waived except by a written agreement executed by duly authorized representatives of City and Contractor. Any alleged oral amendments have no force or effect. The Purchasing Agent must sign all Contract amendments.
- 13.14 Conflicts Between Terms. If this Contract conflicts with an applicable local, state, or federal law, regulation, or court order shall control. Varying degrees of stringency among the main body of this Contract, the exhibits or attachments, and laws, regulations, or orders are not deemed conflicts, and the most stringent requirement shall control. Each party shall notify the other immediately upon the identification of any apparent conflict or inconsistency concerning this Contract.
- 13.15 Survival of Obligations. All representations, indemnifications, warranties, and guarantees made in, required by, or given in accordance with this Contract, as well as all continuing obligations indicated in this Contract, shall survive, completion and acceptance of performance and termination, expiration or completion of the Contract.
- 13.16 Confidentiality of Services. All services performed by Contractor, and any subcontractor(s) if applicable, including but not limited to all drafts, data, information, correspondence, proposals, reports of any nature, estimates compiled or composed by Contractor, are for the sole use of City, its agents, and employees. Neither the documents nor their contents shall be released by Contractor or any subcontractor to any third party without the prior written consent of City. This provision does not apply to information that: (1) was publicly known, or otherwise known to Contractor, at the time it was disclosed to Contractor by City; (2) subsequently becomes publicly known through no act or omission of Contractor; or (3) otherwise becomes known to Contractor other than through disclosure by City.
- 13.17 Insolvency. If Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, Contractor agrees to furnish, by certified mail or electronic commerce method authorized by the Contract, written notification of the bankruptcy to the Purchasing Agent and the Contract Administrator responsible for administering the Contract. This notification shall be furnished within five (5) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of City

contract numbers and contracting offices for all City contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment is made under this Contract.

- 13.18 No Third Party Beneficiaries. Except as may be specifically set forth in this Contract, none of the provisions of this Contract are intended to benefit any third party not specifically referenced herein. No party other than City and Contractor shall have the right to enforce any of the provisions of this Contract.
- 13.19 Actions of City in its Governmental Capacity. Nothing in this Contract shall be interpreted as limiting the rights and obligations of City in its governmental or regulatory capacity.