

BID COVER



Procurement Division
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Issue Date: 8/29/22

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL: #GPDx-220078-DH
Community Safety and Awareness Center (CSAC) Phase 2

PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING: [] Non-Mandatory [x] Mandatory [] N/A [] Includes Site Visit

DATE: September 12, 2022 TIME: 11:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Gainesville Police Department, 545 NW 8th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601

QUESTION SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: September 19, 2022 at 3:00 PM.

All meetings and submittal deadlines are Eastern Time (ET).

DUE DATE FOR UPLOADING PROPOSAL: September 26, 2022 at 3:00pm

SUMMARY OF SCOPE OF WORK: The CSAC or Community Safety and Awareness Center (aka Real-Time-Crime-Center) was originally constructed in 2020. Phase 2 will include the addition of a video wall in the CSAC, as well as, a video wall in the GPD Hall of Heroes, which is the Emergency Operations Center for the City. Also, an interactive video wall software addition to enable visualization to show imagery and data sets on multiple video screens at once, while easily transferring video and other items from screen to screen, similar to "Hiperwall." The video integration should be able to take in multiple and various video and data sets all at once.

For questions relating to this solicitation, contact: Diane Holder or Melanie Sowers
holderds@cityofgainesville.org or sowersma@cityofgainesville.org

Bidder is not in arrears to City upon any debt, fee, tax or contract: [] Bidder is NOT in arrears [] Bidder IS in arrears
Bidder is not a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to City: [] Bidder is NOT in default [] Bidder IS in default

Bidders who receive this bid from sources other than City of Gainesville Procurement Division or DemandStar.com MUST contact the Procurement Division prior to the due date to ensure any addenda are received in order to submit a responsible and responsive offer. Uploading an incomplete document may deem the offer non-responsive, causing rejection.

ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGMENT: Prior to submitting my offer, I have verified that all addenda issued to date are considered as part of my offer: Addenda received (list all) # _____

Legal Name of Bidder: _____

DBA: _____

Authorized Representative Name/Title: _____

E-mail Address: _____ FEIN: _____

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

By signing this form, I acknowledge I have read and understand, and my business complies with all General Conditions and requirements set forth herein; and,

- [] Proposal is in full compliance with the Specifications.
[] Proposal is in full compliance with the Specifications except as specifically stated and attached hereto.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE: _____

SIGNER'S PRINTED NAME: _____ DATE: _____

PART 1 – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Thank you for your interest in working with the City of Gainesville.

Pertinent information and required documents regarding this bid as part of a responsive offer are listed below:

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1.1 DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION

The City posts and distributes information pertaining to its procurement solicitations on DemandStar (www.demandstar.com). **The City has transitioned from accepting hard (paper) copy submittals to accepting submittals through “E-Bidding” on DemandStar.com. In order to submit a bid response to this solicitation the bidder must be registered with DemandStar.**

It is the responsibility of the vendor to monitor DemandStar. Properly registered vendors can expect to receive automatic notification of solicitations for bids and proposals, by participating purchasing entities. Bidder’s failure to retrieve available, required procurement information from DemandStar and include the appropriate documentation and information in solicitation responses may result in disqualification.

1.2 PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING/QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS AND BID OPENING

If scheduled (refer to Bid Cover Page), attending a pre-proposal meeting is strongly recommended as the project’s scope of work, procedures, and specifications will be discussed at this time. It is the only time during the bid process that bidders may ask questions directly of the end user.

NOTE: For a bidder’s attendance of a mandatory pre-proposal meeting to count, the bidder must sign-in before the Procurement Specialist calls the end of that meeting. If the bidder is not signed in by that time, they will be disqualified from bidding on the project. If the mandatory pre-proposal meeting also includes a required site visit, then bidder must sign in, both at the pre-proposal meeting, and again at the end of the site visit, in order to have their attendance count and not be disqualified from submitting a proposal.

NOTE: Failure to attend a mandatory pre-proposal meeting will result in disqualification of your proposal.

If special accommodations are needed in order to attend a pre-proposal meeting or a bid opening, please contact the Procurement Division at least 72 hours in advance.

All questions that occur outside of the pre-proposal meeting must be submitted to Procurement only, and must be received by the date indicated on the Bid Cover Page to be considered. Technical and/or specification questions will not be answered over the phone; they must be submitted by email directed to the Procurement Specialist conducting the solicitation (refer to Bid

Cover Page). All questions will be answered via Addendum which will be posted on DemandStar.com for vendor access. All addenda must be acknowledged by the bidder on the Bid Cover Page.

*****IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING BID OPENING*****

The scheduled bid opening will occur via Zoom; the information to join is provided below. Attendance (live viewing) of the bid opening is not required. However, to join the bid opening you must register.

You are invited to a Zoom meeting.

When: Sep 26, 2022 03:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEtc-urqDgqGN25npqyHgK_cnCw-EdxxGWn

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.]

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1.3 RFP TIME TABLE

The anticipated schedule for the RFP and contract approval is as follows:

RFP available for distribution	August 29, 2022
Mandatory Pre-Proposal Meeting	September 12, 2022 @ 11:00 am
Deadline for receipt of questions	September 19, 2022 @ 3:00 pm
Deadline for uploading of proposals	September 26, 2022 (3:00 p.m. local time)
Evaluation/Selection process	Week of October 3, 2022
Oral presentations, if conducted	Week of October 17, 2022
Projected award date	November 3, 2022
Projected contract start date	TBD

All dates are subject to change. Bidders will be notified via Addendum posted in DemandStar.com in event of any schedule change.

1.4 PROHIBITION OF LOBBYING

To ensure fair consideration, consistent and accurate dissemination of information for all bidders, the City prohibits communication to or with any department, employee, or agent evaluating or considering proposals during the submission process, except as authorized by the Procurement Division representative. **Additionally, the City prohibits communication initiated by a bidder to any city official or employee evaluating or considering the proposals (up to and including the City Commissioners) before the time an award decision has been made.** Any communication between bidder and the City required to obtain information or clarification for preparing a bid or to enable a proper, accurate evaluation of a proposal will be handled solely through the Procurement Division staff. **Any communications initiated between the bidder and the City outside these parameters may be grounds for disqualifying the offending bidder from consideration for award of the proposal and/or any future proposal.**

1.5 CONE OF SILENCE

During the Cone of Silence (formerly called Blackout period) as defined in the next paragraph, except as pursuant to an authorized appeal, no person may lobby (as defined in section 1.4) on behalf of a competing party in a particular procurement process, City officials or employees except the Procurement designated staff contact in the Procurement division. Violation of this provision shall result in disqualification of the party on whose behalf the lobbying occurred.

The Cone of Silence is the period between the issue date of the RFP, which allows for immediate submittals to the City of Gainesville Procurement Division for the Request for Proposal and the time the City Officials and Employee awards the contract.

1.6 DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIBILITY OF BIDDERS

The specific qualifications of bidders for this specific Request for Proposal are included in Part 3, 3.1, d) Qualifications. Bidder must also demonstrate that it is responsible as defined in the City of Gainesville's [Financial Services Procedures Manual](#), Section 41-522, as may be amended.

As a part of the proposal evaluation process, City reserves the right to conduct a background investigation of bidder, including a record check by the Gainesville Police Department if the qualifications require it. Bidder's submission of a proposal constitutes acknowledgment of the process and consent to such investigation.

No contract will be awarded to any proposer who is in arrears to City upon any debt, fee, tax or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to City, or who is otherwise determined to be not responsible by City pursuant to Section 41-522, [Financial Services Procedures Manual](#), following:

These criteria consider the bidder's capability to perform:

- a) The ability of the bidder to successfully carry out a proposed contract.
- b) Past performance (including reference check), experience, business and financial capabilities, skills, technical organization, legal eligibility and reliability.
- c) Current litigation pending between the bidder and the City.
- d) Bidder has paid all debts owed to the City.
- e) Bidder possesses all required licenses.

If it is determined that the bidder is not responsible, City will notify bidder of its finding, including evidence used, and allow bidder the opportunity to come into compliance within three (3) business days of notification.

Successful Bidder must either update or complete City's vendor application, pay business tax (if applicable), and register with the State of Florida (if required by law).

1.7 RESPONSIVENESS OF PROPOSAL

Each proposal will be reviewed to determine if the proposal is responsive to the submission requirements outlined in the RFP. A responsive proposal is one which follows the requirements of the RFP, includes all required documentation, is submitted in the format outlined in the RFP, is of timely submission (via upload to DemandStar.com), and has the appropriate signatures as required on each document. Failure to comply with these requirements may deem the proposal non-responsive (see Section 41-444 of the [Financial Services Procedures Manual](#)).

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PART 2 – PROJECT OVERVIEW

2.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

It is the intent of the City of Gainesville to obtain proposals for Real-Time-Crime-Center installation, both hardware and software.

2.2 PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

The CSAC or Community Safety and Awareness Center (aka Real-Time-Crime-Center) was originally constructed in 2020. Phase 2 will include the addition of a video wall in the CSAC, as well as, a video wall in the GPD Hall of Heroes, which is the Emergency Operations Center for the City. The City is seeking a video wall and an interactive video wall software addition to enable visualization to show imagery and data sets on multiple video screens at once, while easily transferring video and other items from screen to screen, similar to "Hiperwall." The video integration should be able to take in multiple and various video and data sets all at once.

If a new server is needed for this project, it should be specified the quote, as well as any costs for a new and secure server rack.

Also, the City is seeking a device to change video or audio inputs easily, similar to "Creston." The project should include all project costs, including installation, set up, training, and support.

The video wall for the CSAC will most likely be a 2 x 3 screen version and for the EOC the size will be larger, probably 3 x 3 screen version.

Although not mandatory, the City would like a mobile device such as a tablet for ease of use of the interactive video wall software.

Currently, our agency has access to several hundred traffic cameras, dozens of city owned security cameras, and numerous data platforms.

The proposal should include hardware, software, installation, permits (if needed), training, and support. The software costs are required to be up front, although we understand there could be small annual service fees.

The proposal should include a 5 year service plan for problems that may occur.

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PART 3 – PRICE PROPOSAL

3.1 Community Safety and Awareness Center (CSAC) Phase 2

The price proposal should list all labor and parts separately. It should specify any initial costs and any future costs, such as software or warranty. The proposal should also include a bottom line total

The undersigned hereby proposes and agrees, if this bid is accepted, to perform the work in accordance with the specifications:

1. **Initial costs:**

_____ Dollars(\$_____)

2. **Annual Service fees**

_____ Dollars(\$_____)

3. **Other costs (please specify, warranty, etc.**

_____ Dollars(\$_____)

4. **Total costs** _____ Dollars(\$_____)

NOTE: If travel is involved in the execution of an awarded contract for this solicitation, should any air travel be required the City's travel policy allows for Coach air travel only. All other travel will be billed in accordance with the Federal General Services Administration rates which can be found at: <https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates>. In addition, long distance phone calls, printing, and other administrative costs may be billed at cost only -no mark-up. Evidence of these expenditures will be submitted when invoicing the City. Travel and administrative costs should be identified in the Price Proposal.

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PART 4 – HOW TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL

Instructions to bidders: Proposals must contain each of the documents listed below; each fully completed and signed, as required. Required signatures for proposal forms may be applied using electronic signature software (i.e., DocuSign, Adobe Sign, etc.). Proposals submitted which do not include the following items may be deemed non-responsive and may not be considered for contract award.

4.1 FORMAT OF PROPOSAL

a) Table of Contents

The table of contents should outline in sequential order the major areas of the proposal, and all pages of the proposal, including the enclosures, must be clearly and consecutively numbered and correspond to the table of contents.

b) Technical Proposals

The technical proposal is a narrative which addresses the scope of work, the proposed approach to the work, the schedule of the work, and any other information called for by the RFP which the bidder deems relevant.

c) Price Proposal

The price proposal is a presentation of the bidder's total offering price including the estimated cost for providing each component of the required goods or services.

Bidders should indicate the dollar amount which will be attributed to each sub-contractor, if any.

If a prescribed format for the price proposal is appended, bidders must use it; otherwise, bidders may use formats of their choice.

d) Qualifications

The response to the minimum qualification requirements should address each of the qualifications set out in the section below. Bidders must provide documentation which demonstrates their ability to satisfy all of the minimum qualification requirements. Bidders who do not meet the minimum qualification requirements or who fail to provide supporting documentation will not be further considered. If a prescribed format, or required documentation for the response to minimum qualification requirements is stated below, bidders must use said format and supply said documentation.

- Those wishing to make a proposal for this project must have experience in installing Real-Time-Crime-Centers. Anyone wishing to submit a proposal must have 2 previous installations of similar scope completed and name the client, project manager, and location of such install.

4.2 CONTENT OF PROPOSAL

Required Documents:

The following documents are required to be included in the bidder's submission:

- RFP Cover Page
- Address each Minimum Qualification
- Provide a Statement of all Qualifications that will communicate the capabilities of the proposer to successfully complete the project
- Pricing Proposal
- Drug-Free Workplace Form
- Bidder Verification Form
- References Form
- Bidder's W-9
- Copy of any applicable, current licenses and/or certification required by City/County/State
- Exceptions to the RFP (refer to Part 4, 4.5 Exception to the RFP)
- Investigation of Alleged Wrongdoings, Litigation/Settlements/Fines/Penalties

4.3 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

The bid response, containing all required documents, with authorized signatures, must be received by 3:00 p.m. on the due date indicated on the Bid Cover Page for this project. The bidder's complete pdf response must be uploaded into DemandStar.com prior to the 3:00 p.m. deadline. This platform will not accept late submittals.

Upload bid response as a pdf formatted document only, unless the solicitation states otherwise. The pdf document should be titled with bidder's name, bid number, and, if the response is submitted in parts, include "Part # of x".

On occasion, the City will request proposals present pricing separately from the main proposal. If separate pricing is requested, upload a separate document that indicates Pricing as its content.

Modifications to or withdrawal of a bidder's submittal can be made up to the deadline date. Modifications and withdrawals must be documented in DemandStar.com in order to be recognized by the City. Any bid not withdrawn will constitute an irrevocable offer, for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days, to provide the City adequate time to award the Contract for the services specified in this solicitation.

Both the response and the price proposal, if required to be submitted as a separate document, must be signed by an officer of the business who is legally authorized to enter into a contractual relationship in the name of the bidder. An authorized representative who is not an officer may sign the proposal, but must attach a corporate resolution granting authorization to the representative to execute on behalf of the business.

The submittal of a response by a bidder will be considered by the City as constituting an offer by the bidder to perform the required services at the stated fees.

4.4 DISCLOSURE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Florida's Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, includes numerous exemptions to the general requirement to disclose information to the public in response to a public record's request. Exemptions are found in various provisions of the Florida Statutes, including but not limited to Section 119.071, Florida Statutes (General exemptions from inspection or copying of public records), and Section 119.0713, Florida Statutes (Local government agency exemptions from inspection or copying of public records). Section 815.045, Florida Statutes (Trade secret information), provides that trade secret information as defined in Section 812.081, Florida Statutes (Trade secrets; theft, embezzlement; unlawful copying; definitions; penalty) is confidential and exempt from disclosure because it is a felony to disclose such records. The Parties understand and agree that Florida's Public Records Law is very broad and that documents claimed by a Party to be confidential and exempt from public disclosure pursuant to the Public Records Law may in fact not be deemed such by a court of law. Accordingly, the following provisions shall apply:

- (i) Identifying Trade Secret or Otherwise Confidential and Exempt Information. For any records or portions thereof that bidder claims to be Trade Secret or otherwise confidential and exempt from public disclosure under the Public Records Law, bidder shall:
 - a. Specifically identify the records or specific portions thereof that are confidential and exempt and reference the particular Florida Statute that grants such status. Provide one redacted copy of the record and one copy of the record with the confidential and exempt information highlighted as outlined in 1 and 2 on the following page. Bidder shall take care to redact only the confidential and exempt information within a record.
 - b. Provide an affidavit or similar type of evidence that describes and supports the basis for Contractor's claim that the information is confidential and exempt from public disclosure.
- (ii) Request for Trade Secret or Otherwise Confidential and Exempt Information.
 - a. In the event City receives a public records request for a record with information labeled by bidder as Trade Secret or otherwise as confidential and exempt, City will provide the public record requester with the redacted copy of the record and will notify bidder of the public records request.
 - b. However and notwithstanding the above, in the event that City in its sole discretion finds no basis for bidder's claim that certain information is Trade Secret or otherwise confidential and exempt under Florida's Public Records Law, then City shall notify bidder in writing of such conclusion and provide bidder a reasonable amount of time to file for declaratory action requesting a court of law to deem the requested information as Trade Secret or otherwise as confidential and exempt under Florida's Public Records Law. If bidder fails to file for declaratory action within the reasonable amount of time provided, then City will disclose the information requested.
 - c. If a public records lawsuit is filed against CITY requesting public disclosure of the information labeled by bidder as Trade Secret or otherwise as confidential and exempt, CITY shall notify bidder and bidder shall intervene in the lawsuit to defend the nondisclosure of such information under Florida's Public Records Law.

- d. Bidder hereby indemnifies and holds CITY, its officers and employees harmless from any and all liabilities, damages, losses, and costs of any kind and nature, including but not limited to attorney's fees, that arise from or are in any way connected with bidder's claim that any information it provided to CITY is Trade Secret or otherwise confidential and exempt from public disclosure under Florida's Public Records Law.

How to Designate Trade Secret or Otherwise Confidential and Exempt Information

If a bidder believes that its response contains trade secret or otherwise confidential and exempt information (as defined by Florida or Federal law) and should be withheld from disclosure to the public, in such cases the bidder must provide a redacted copy of the proposal for public access.

- Redacted means that the confidential/proprietary information in the proposal has been obscured so that it cannot be read.
 - Unredacted means that the entire document, including the confidential/proprietary information, has not be obscured and is visible for the evaluation team to use in their evaluation process.
1. Upload a pdf version response of the complete UNREDACTED proposal. Include "UNREDACTED, CONFIDENTIAL" in document title. This is the version that will be used by the evaluators when they are reviewing your proposal. It is essential that the items that will be redacted are highlighted in yellow to prevent the evaluation team from discussing these items after the award. The first page of the document for the **unredacted** document should provide a general description of the information bidder has designated as confidential and/or exempt, and provide a reference to the appropriate Florida or Federal statute supporting the confidential and/or exempt classification.
 2. Upload a pdf version response of the REDACTED copy of the proposal. Include "REDACTED" in the document title. This copy will be used to support any public records requests that may arise from this solicitation.

How the City will Handle Material Identified as Trade Secret or Otherwise Confidential and Exempt Information

The City's evaluators will be provided with the complete unredacted proposal, including any trade secret or otherwise confidential and exempt information. The City evaluators will maintain the confidentiality of the information through the evaluation process, including any recorded evaluation team meetings.

In the event a public record request is made to view the information which bidder claims is confidential and/or exempt, the City will notify the bidder and give the bidder a reasonable opportunity (generally 2 business days) to institute appropriate legal action to prevent the disclosure of the information claimed as confidential and/or exempt.

All public records submitted to the City, including those claimed as confidential and/or exempt, will be retained by the City and will not be returned to a bidder at the conclusion of the bidding process.

4.5 EXCEPTION TO THE RFP

Bidders may take exceptions to any of the terms of this RFP unless the RFP specifically states where exceptions may not be taken. Should a bidder take exception where none is permitted, the proposal will be rejected as non-responsive. All exceptions taken must be specific, and the bidder must indicate clearly what alternative is being offered to allow the City a meaningful opportunity to evaluate and rank proposals.

Where exceptions are permitted, the City shall determine the acceptability of the proposed exceptions and the proposals will be evaluated based on the proposals as submitted. The City, after completing evaluations, may accept or reject the exceptions. Where exceptions are rejected, the City may request that the bidder furnish the services or goods described herein, or negotiate an acceptable alternative.

NOTE: Bidders are strongly encouraged to submit any deviations or exceptions to the City before the question submittal deadline or proposals are due, so that based upon the City's response in the addendum, the bidder can determine if it is in their best interest to submit a response or not.

4.6 ONLY ONE BID

Only one bid from any individual, firm, corporation, organization or agency under the same or different name shall be considered. Should it appear to the City that any bidder has a financial interest in more than one submission under this bid, all bids in which such bidder has a financial interest will be rejected. A subcontractor is permitted to appear in more than one submittal for the same bid, as long as the subcontractor is not a lead bidder in any of the submittals. The City considers a financial interest to include, but not be limited, to joint ventures and, partnerships.

4.7 FULLY INFORMED BIDDER

A bidder is expected to fully inform itself as to the requirements of the Specifications and Contract terms and conditions; failure to do so will be at its own risk. A bidder shall not expect to secure relief on the plea of error.

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PART 5 – EVALUATION PROCESS

5.1 EVALUATION CRITERIA

a) **Selection and Evaluation Criteria**

Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the procedures described in the City's, [Professional Services Evaluation Handbook](#).

The proposals will be evaluated using the following process: Qualifications Evaluation, Written Proposal Evaluation and/or Presentation/Interview Evaluation, and Other Factors as deemed appropriate. The City shall consider the ability of the firm's professional personnel, willingness to meet time and budget requirements, workload, location, past performance, volume of previous work with the City, and location. The Evaluation process provides a structured means for consideration of all these areas.

b) **Technical Qualifications Evaluation**

The Technical Qualifications Evaluation will assess each responding firm's ability based on experience and qualifications of key team members, the firm's capability of meeting time and budget requirements, and the firm's record with regard to this type of work, particularly in the City of Gainesville or in the State of Florida. This stage does not involve review and evaluation of a proposal addressing the project scope of work. Consideration will be given to the firm's current workload, financial stability, and the location where the majority of the technical work will be produced. The City will not be impressed with excessive amounts of boilerplate, excessive numbers of resumes, excessive length of resumes, excessive numbers of photographs, work that distant offices have performed, or work not involving personnel to be assigned to the proposed project.

c) **Written Proposal Evaluation**

The Written Proposal Evaluation will assess the firm's understanding of the project and the proposed approach to be undertaken as addressed in a written proposal. The evaluation process will assess how effectively the requirements of the scope of services have been addressed. The written proposal should identify a project manager and other key members of the project/service team. It should relate the capabilities of the project/service team to the requirements of the scope of services.

d) **Presentation/Interview Evaluation**

The Proposal Presentation/Interview Evaluation is based on an oral presentation that addresses both the technical qualifications of the firm and the approach to the project. Importance is given to the firm's understanding of the project scope of work, the placement of emphasis on various work tasks, and the response to questions. The evaluation process will assess the project manager's capability and understanding of the project and his/her ability to communicate ideas. The role of key members of the project/service team should be established based on the scope of services and the firm's approach to the project/service. The role of any subcontracted firm in the proposal should be clearly identified. Unique experience and exceptional qualifications may be considered with emphasis on understanding of the project/service, particularly "why it is to be done" as well as "what is to be done". The City of Gainesville will not be impressed with excessive boilerplate, excessive participation by "business development" personnel, and the use of "professional" presenters who will not be involved in the project or future presentations.

e) **Other factors**

The Other Factors to be considered, based upon the specific project (but not limited to), are those items, such as Small or Service-Disabled Veteran Business and/or Local Preference. Fee proposals, when requested and deemed appropriate, are also to be considered in the evaluation process, where the request for such fees is in accordance with the City's Procurement Policies and Procedures.

PART 6 – SELECTION PROCESS

The bidder(s) will be selected from the qualified, responsive and responsible bidders submitting responses to this Request for Proposal. The selection process will be as follows:

1. Evaluators consisting of City staff will review the proposals. The evaluation process provides a structured means for consideration of all proposals.
2. Upon review and evaluation, the City may request oral presentations from the top ranked bidders. During the oral presentations, the bidders shall further detail their qualifications, approach to the project and ability to furnish the required services. These presentations shall be made at no cost to the City. Bidders selected for further presentations should provide one (1) electronic copy of materials presented in PDF format on a USB Flash drive.
3. The final ranking of bidders will be in accordance with the procedures described in the City's [Professional Services Evaluation Handbook](#).
4. If required, the final ranking of bidders will be presented to the City Commission. The City Commission will be requested to approve the recommended ranking and authorize negotiation and execution of the contract beginning with the top ranked bidder.
5. Provided that the City Commission approves the ranking and an award, the City will negotiate a contract with the top ranked bidder. Should the City be unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the top ranked bidder, negotiations will be terminated with that bidder and negotiations will be initiated with the second most qualified bidder, and so on until a satisfactory contract is negotiated.

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PART 7 – AWARD

7.1 TIE BIDS

Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality and service are received, preference shall be given in the following order: (1) Bidders submitting the attached Drug-Free Workplace form with their bid/proposal certifying they have a drug free workplace in accordance with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes; and (2) coin toss.

7.2 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

Preference shall be given to submitters providing a certification with their qualifications certifying they have a drug-free workplace whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received in accordance with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes. The attached form should be filled out and returned with the qualifications in order to qualify for this preference.

7.3 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The City may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. A sample contract is attached to the bid. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the bidder's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint and any changes to the sample contract.

The City reserves the right to enter into contract negotiations with the selected bidder regarding the terms and conditions of the contract and technical terms. Price will not be negotiated. If the City and the selected bidder cannot negotiate a successful contract, the City may terminate said negotiations and begin negotiations with the next selected bidder. This process will continue until a contract has been executed or all bidders have been rejected. No bidder shall have any rights against the City arising from such negotiations.

7.4 CONTRACT AWARD

The award(s), if any, shall be made to the bidder(s) whose proposal(s) shall be deemed by the City to be in the best interest of the City. The decision of the City of whether to make the award(s) and which proposal is in the best interest of the City shall be final.

7.5 CONTRACT

The Contract to be entered into will designate the successful bidder as the City's Contractor. The terms and conditions in the Sample Contract, Part 9, shall be applicable and binding. The successful bidder will be required to execute an agreement with the City in substantially the same format as found in Part 9.

7.6 BID PROTEST

Participants in this solicitation may protest the RFP specifications or award in accordance with Section 41-580 of the [Financial Services Procedures Manual](#).

7.7 RFP POSTPONEMENT/CANCELLATION/WAIVER OF IRREGULARITIES

The City may, at its sole and absolute discretion, reject any and all, or parts of any and all, proposals; re-advertise this RFP; postpone or cancel, at any time, this RFP process; or waive any irregularities in this RFP or in the proposals received as a result of this RFP. See Section 41-444 [Financial Services Procedures Manual](#).

PART 8 – GENERAL INFORMATION

8.1 REIMBURSABLES

If travel is involved in the execution of an awarded contract for this solicitation, should any air travel be required the City's travel policy allows for Coach air travel only. All other travel will be billed in accordance with the Federal General Services Administration rates which can be found at: <https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates>. In addition, long distance phone calls, printing, and other administrative costs may be billed at cost only -no mark-up. Evidence of these expenditures will be submitted when invoicing the City. Travel and administrative costs should be identified in the Price Proposal.

8.2 LOCAL PREFERENCE Intentionally Left Blank

8.3 SMALL AND SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS PARTICIPATION Intentionally Left Blank

8.4 LIVING WAGE REQUIREMENTS Intentionally Left Blank

8.5 TAXES, CHARGES AND FEES

The bidder agrees that any applicable Federal, State and Local sales and use taxes, which are to be paid by City of Gainesville, are included in the stated bid prices. Since the City of Gainesville is often exempt from taxes for equipment, materials and services, it is the responsibility of the Contractor to determine whether sales taxes are applicable. The Contractor is liable for any applicable taxes which are not included in the stated bid prices.

8.6 COSTS INCURRED BY BIDDERS

All expenses involved with the preparation and submission of proposals to the City, or any work performed in connection therewith shall be borne by the bidder(s). No payment will be made for any responses received, nor for any other effort required of or made by the bidder(s) prior to commencement of work as defined by a contract approved by the City Commission (if so required).

8.7 RULES; REGULATIONS; LICENSING REQUIREMENT

The bidder shall comply with all laws, ordinances and regulations applicable to the services contemplated herein, including those applicable to conflict of interest and collusion. Bidders are presumed to be familiar with all Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, codes and regulations that may in any way affect the services offered.

8.8 RECORDS/AUDIT

Contractor shall maintain records sufficient to document their completion of the scope of services established by this Contract. These records shall be subject at all reasonable time to review, inspect, copy and audit by persons duly authorized by the City. These records shall be kept for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Contract. Records which relate to any litigation, appeals or settlements of claims arising from performance under this Order shall be made available until a final disposition has been made of such litigation, appeals, or claims.

8.9 DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, OTHERWISE EXCLUDED

By submitting this proposal, bidder agrees that it:

- Is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- Has not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it 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 antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements or receiving stolen property;
- Is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission or any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (2) of this certification; and
- Has not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default.

8.10 PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME INFORMATION STATEMENT

Section 287.133 (2)(a), Florida Statutes, contains the following provisions: “A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity, in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.”

8.11 INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED WRONGDOINGS, LITIGATION/ SETTLEMENTS/FINES/PENALTIES

The City Commission specifically requests that responders to this document indicate in writing any investigations of wrongdoings, litigation and/or settlements, and fines or penalties (anywhere in the U.S) involving the bidder and specific contractors listed as projected to provide services to the City. You may be required to respond to questions on this subject matter.

8.13 USE OF RFP REPLY IDEAS

The City has the right to use any or all information presented in any response to the RFP, whether amended or not, except as prohibited by law. Selection or rejection of the submittal does not affect this right.

8.15 INTERNATIONAL PROPOSER REQUIREMENTS

The City is unable to send ACH payments to international banks. Therefore, ACH payments will only be made to U.S.A. banks. Additionally, the international company must be from a country that has a tax treaty with the U.S.A. International proposers must agree to these requirements and provide proof of same should they receive an award recommendation.

8.16 SPECIALITY FUNDING,

Grant Contract Provisions

Statement of Financial Assistance: This purchase or contract is funded in whole or in part by the U.S.A. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs. The following requirements are applicable for this purchase or contract and will be incorporated into the contract.

BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT (31 U.S.C. 1352)

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

SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by City of Gainesville. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to City of Gainesville, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder

or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

COPELAND “ANTI-KICKBACK” ACT

- a. Contractor. The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.
- b. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.
- c. Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. §5.12.”

CONFIDENTIALITY OF DATA

The contractor (and any subcontractor at any tier) must comply with all confidentiality requirements of 34 U.S.C. 10231 and 28 C.F.R. Part 22 that are applicable to collection, use, and revelation of data or information. The recipient further agrees, as a condition of award approval, to submit a Privacy Certificate that is in accord with requirements of 28 C.F.R. Part 22 and, in particular, 28 C.F.R. 22.23.

COMPLIANCE WITH CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM OPERATING POLICIES

With respect to any information technology system funded or supported by funds under this award, the contractor (and any subcontractor at any tier) must comply with 28 C.F.R. Part 23, Criminal Intelligence Systems Operating Policies, if OJP determines this regulation to be applicable. Should OJP determine 28 C.F.R. Part 23 to be applicable, OJP may, at its discretion, perform audits of the system, as per the regulation. Should any violation of 28 C.F.R. Part 23 occur, the contractor may be fined as per 34 U.S.C. 10231(c)-(d). The recipient may not satisfy such a fine with federal funds

COPYRIGHT; DATA RIGHTS

The contractor acknowledges that OJP reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and authorize others to use (in whole or in part, including in connection with derivative works), for Federal purposes: (1) any work subject to copyright developed under an award or subaward (at any tier); and (2) any rights of copyright to which a contractor or subcontractor (at any tier) purchases ownership with Federal support.

The contractor acknowledges that OJP has the right to (1) obtain, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the data first produced under any such award or subaward; and (2) authorize others to receive, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use such data for Federal purposes. "Data" includes data as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) provision 52.227-14 (Rights in Data - General).

CLEAN AIR ACT

1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the City of Gainesville and understands and agrees that the City of Gainesville will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
3. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

1. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
2. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the **(name of the applicant entering into the contract)** and understands and agrees that the **(name of the applicant entering into the contract)** will, in turn, report each

violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

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

PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

- i. In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—
 1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 3. At a reasonable price.
- ii. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA- designated items, is available at EPA’s Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.
- iii. The Contractor also agrees to comply with all other applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING FOR COVERED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT OR SERVICES

- (a) Definitions. As used in this clause, the terms backhaul; covered foreign country; covered telecommunications equipment or services; interconnection arrangements; roaming; substantial or essential component; and telecommunications equipment or services have the meaning as defined in FEMA Policy 405-143-1, Prohibitions on Expending DOJ Award Funds for Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services (Interim), as used in this clause—
- (b) Prohibitions.

- (1) Section 889(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232, and 2 C.F.R. § 200.216 prohibit the head of an executive agency on or after Aug.13, 2020, from obligating or expending grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds on certain telecommunications products or from certain entities for national security reasons.

- (2) Unless an exception in paragraph (c) of this clause applies, the contractor and its subcontractors may not use grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to:

- (i) Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
- (ii) Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
- (iii) Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system; or
- (iv) Provide, as part of its performance of this contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

- (c) Exceptions.

- (1) This clause does not prohibit contractors from providing—

- (i) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or Contract Provisions Guide 28

- (ii) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.

- (2) By necessary implication and regulation, the prohibitions also do not apply to:

- (i) Covered telecommunications equipment or services that:

- i. Are not used as a substantial or essential component of any system; and
 - ii. Are not used as critical technology of any system.
- (ii) Other telecommunications equipment or services that are not considered covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(d) Reporting requirement.

- (1) In the event the contractor identifies covered telecommunications equipment or services used as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system, during contract performance, or the contractor is notified of such by a subcontractor at any tier or by any other source, the contractor shall report the information in paragraph (d)(2) of this clause to the recipient or subrecipient, unless elsewhere in this contract are established procedures for reporting the information.
- (2) The Contractor shall report the following information pursuant to paragraph (d)(1) of this clause:
 - (i) Within one business day from the date of such identification or notification: The contract number; the order number(s), if applicable; supplier name; supplier unique entity identifier (if known); supplier Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code (if known); brand; model number (original equipment manufacturer number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number); item description; and any readily available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended.
 - (ii) Within 10 business days of submitting the information in paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this clause: Any further available information about mitigation actions undertaken or recommended. In addition, the contractor shall describe the efforts it undertook to prevent use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services, and any additional efforts that will be incorporated to prevent future use or submission of covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(e) Subcontracts. The Contractor shall insert the substance of this clause, including this paragraph (e), in all subcontracts and other contractual instruments.

DOMESTIC PREFERENCES FOR PROCUREMENTS

As appropriate, and to the extent consistent with law, the contractor should, to the greatest extent practicable, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States. This includes, but is not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products. For purposes of this clause: Produced in the United States means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States. Manufactured products mean items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

ACCESS TO RECORDS. The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

- (1) The Contractor agrees to provide City of Gainesville, the DOJ Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Contractor must maintain records for 3 years after the work is completed.
- (2) The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- (3) The Contractor agrees to provide the DOJ Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
- (4) In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the **City of Gainesville** and the Contractor acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the DOJ Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

DOJ SEAL, LOGO, AND FLAGS

The contractor shall not use the DOJ seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific DOJ pre-approval.

COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS, AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS

This is an acknowledgement that DOJ financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, DOJ policies, procedures, and directives.

NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract

PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS

The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.”

AFFIRMATIVE SOCIOECONOMIC STEPS

If subcontracts are to be let, the prime contractor is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) to ensure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

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PART 9 – SAMPLE CONTRACT

THIS CONTRACT (“Contract”), entered into on the _____ day of _____, 20____ between the CITY OF GAINESVILLE, a Florida municipal corporation, (“City”), and _____, (“Contractor”), , taken together, shall be known as “Parties”.

WHEREAS, clauses that briefly describe project and history of project (if applicable)

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual covenants contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

1. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM OF CONTRACT.

The term of the Contract shall be 6 months from execution date.

2. SCOPE OF SERVICES.

Project or Product or Service Description:

,as more specifically described in the Specifications.

3. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

A. The Contract consists of the following documents, whether attached to this Contract or incorporated by reference (collectively the ‘Contract Documents’):

- i. Contract;
- ii. Addenda to Bid Documents (*attach and identify by title, number and date*);
- iii. Bid Documents (*attach and identify by title, number and date*); and
- iv. Contractor’s response to Bid documents (*attach and identify by title, number and date*).

B. The Contract Documents constitute the entire contract between the City and Contractor. In the event of conflict or inconsistency between the Contract Documents, the order of precedence for interpretation shall be the order in which the Contract Documents are listed above. Conflict or inconsistency within a particular contract document shall be resolved by having the more specific reference to the matter prevail.

4. DELIVERY SCHEDULE: (*to be included for goods*)

The delivery schedule is hereby defined as the period which will elapse between receipt of a purchase order and the arrival of the materials or equipment at the designated point of delivery. Meeting specified delivery schedules is of the essence of this Contract and is a significant part of the performance of the Contract. Failure to meet such schedules may result in Termination of the Contract as described in Paragraph 10 of this Contract.

A DELIVERY LOCATION:

All materials or equipment shall be bid F.O.B. Gainesville, Florida.

B. DELAY

Notwithstanding the delivery schedule, the City shall have the right to delay the delivery for up to three months as necessary or desirable and such delay shall not be deemed a breach of contract, but the delivery schedule shall be extended for a period equivalent to the time lost by reason of the City's delay.

If the project for which the delivery is required is stopped or delayed for more than three months, either in whole or in substantial part, and either the City or Contractor elects to terminate the Contract because of such delay, if such stoppage or delay is due to actions taken by the City within its control, Contractor's sole remedy under the Contract shall be reimbursement for costs reasonably expended in preparation for or in performance of the work to the date of termination.

[OR]

4. TIME FOR PERFORMANCE *(To be included for services, if needed)*

The Parties agree that time is of the essence for the Scope of Services. Contractor shall complete the work on or before [date].

[OR]

4. PARAGRAPH INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.

[In some contracts, there is no need to put a provision in for completion. For instance, if you have hired a janitorial service on an annual contract, there would not be a need to have a time of performance or completion date]

5. COMPENSATION/PAYMENT.

City will pay Contractor in an amount not to exceed (\$amount bid if lump sum or budget amount if annual agreement) for the term of the contract. Payment shall be based upon *(describe whether City is paying on an hourly basis, or for a percentage of work completed, amount of material delivered or some other measurement)*.

City shall make payments in accordance with the Local Government Prompt Payment Act, Sections 218.70, et. seq. Florida Statutes. Contractor will be paid electronically as an electronic funds transfer (EFT).

6. INDEMNIFICATION.

Contractor shall indemnify the City, its officials, agents and employees, and hold it harmless from suits, actions, damages, liability, expenses, losses and costs, including, but not limited to reasonable attorney's fees in connection with loss of life, bodily or personal injury, or property damage arising from or occasioned by any act or omission or negligence or intentional wrongdoing on the part of the Contractor and other persons employed or utilized by the Contractor.

7. NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY AND COMMERCIAL NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENT

As a condition of entering into this agreement, the company represents and warrants that it will comply with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all other federal, state or local laws prohibiting discrimination. The company shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, age, disability or gender identity, or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring, commercial treatment of subcontractors, vendors, suppliers or commercial customers, nor shall the company retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination.

The City reserves the right to investigate any claims of illegal discrimination by the Contractor and in the event a finding of discrimination is made and upon written notification thereof, the Contractor shall take all necessary steps to cure and rectify such action to the reasonable satisfaction of the City. The company understands and agrees that a violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this agreement and may result in termination of this agreement, disqualification of the company from participating in City contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party.

For more information on this policy and requirement, please visit the [Office of Equity and Inclusion](#)

8. INSURANCE. (Check with risk for required coverage and amounts)

A. During the term of this Contract, Contractor shall maintain insurance as follows:

Workers' Compensation insurance	providing coverage in compliance with Florida Statutes
Professional Liability insurance	.\$[Not Applicable]per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage
Public Liability insurance (other than automobile) consisting of broad form comprehensive general liability insurance including contractual coverage	.\$[1,000,000] per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage
Automobile Liability insurance	. \$[500,000] per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage
. Property Damage insurance	. \$[included above] per occurrence combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage

B. Prior to the effective date of this Contract, Contractor shall provide to City a certificate of insurance certifying such insurance and naming City as additional insured and that City will be notified in writing at least thirty (30) days before any such insurance is canceled or materially changed.

C. Insurance must be written by a company licensed to do business in the State of Florida and satisfactory to City.

9. SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.

Nothing in the Contract Documents shall be interpreted as a waiver of the City's sovereign immunity as granted under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.

10. PARAGRAPH INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.

11. TERMINATION.

A. If the Contractor fails to observe or perform in accordance with the Contract Document (a "Default"), then the City, after providing at least ten (10) days written notice to the Contractor of the Default and the City's intent to terminate if such Default continues unremedied during the ten (10) day period, may terminate this Contract without prejudice to any other rights or remedies the City may have under this Contract and Florida law.

B. This Contract may be terminated by the City, without cause, upon thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor. In the event this Contract is so terminated, the Contractor shall be compensated for services rendered through the effective date of the termination.

12. MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT.

The obligations of the City as to any funding required pursuant to this Contract shall be limited to an obligation in any given year to budget and appropriate from legally available funds, after monies for essential City services have been budgeted and appropriated, sufficient monies for the funding that is required during that year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City shall not be prohibited from pledging any legally available non-ad valorem revenues for any obligations heretofore or hereafter incurred, which pledge shall be prior and superior to any obligation of the City pursuant to this Contract.

13. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.

Contractor shall be considered an independent contractor and as such shall not be entitled to any right or benefit to which City employees are or may be entitled to by reason of employment. Except as specifically noted in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, method, techniques, sequences, and procedures utilized by the Contractor for the full performance of the Contract Documents.

14. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND WORK PRODUCT.

A. Ownership and Publication of Materials. All reports, information, data, and other materials prepared by the Contractor pursuant to the Contract Documents, except those separately identified in the Scope of Services or in other written agreements between the Parties, are owned by the City. The City has the exclusive and unrestricted authority to release, publish or otherwise use, in whole or in part, information contained therein and relating thereto. No material produced in whole or in part under the Contract Documents may be copyrighted or patented in the United States or in any other country without prior written approval of the City.

B. Intellectual Property. Contractor warrants that it owns or has rights to use all intellectual property used for the scope of each project, including patent rights, copyrights, or other intellectual property rights, except with respect to designs, processes or products of a particular manufacturer expressly required by the City [or process or product is an infringement of a patent, copyright or other intellectual property, the Contractor shall promptly give City [and Professional if applicable] written notice of the infringement.

15. RECORDS AND RIGHT-TO-AUDIT.

Contractor shall maintain records sufficient to document completion of the scope of services established by the Contract Documents. These records shall be subject at all reasonable time to review, inspect, copy and audit by persons duly authorized by the City. These records shall be kept for a minimum of three (3) years after termination of the Contract. Records that relate to any litigation, appeals or settlements of claims arising from performance under this Contract shall be made available until a final disposition has been made of such litigation, appeals, or claims.

16. CONTRACTOR'S ASSURANCES.

Contractor warrants that the goods and services supplied to the City pursuant to this Contract shall at all times fully conform to the specifications set forth in the Invitation to Bid and be of the highest quality. In the event the City, in the City's sole discretion, determines that any product or services supplied pursuant to this Contract is defective or does not conform to the specifications set forth in the Invitation to Bid, the City reserves the right unilaterally to cancel an order or cancel this Contract upon written notice [and an opportunity to cure if applicable] to the Contractor, and reduce commensurately any amount of money due the Contractor.

17. WARRANTY.

[are there specific warranties requested in the bid? If so, list them here or reference them here]

18. PUBLIC RECORDS.

Florida has a very broad public records law and certain records of a contractor may be considered public records. Accordingly, by entering into an agreement with the City, contractor must:

1. Keep and maintain public records required by the public agency to perform the service.
2. Upon request from the public agency's custodian of public records, provide the public agency with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in this chapter or as otherwise provided by law.
3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the contractor does not transfer the records to the public agency.
4. Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the public agency all public records in possession of the contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the public agency to perform the service. If the contractor transfers all public records to the public agency upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the public agency, upon request from the public agency's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the public agency.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (telephone number, CLERKS@CITYOFGAINESVILLE.ORG, and mailing address).

P.O. BOX 490
STATION 18
GAINESVILLE, FL 32601

19. DISCLOSURE AND CONFIDENTIALITY

Florida's Public Records Law, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, includes numerous exemptions to the general requirement to disclose information to the public in response to a public record's request. Exemptions are found in various provisions of the Florida Statutes, including but not limited to Section 119.071, Florida Statutes (General exemptions from inspection or copying of public records), and Section 119.0713, Florida Statutes (Local government agency exemptions from inspection or copying of public records). Section 815.045, Florida Statutes (Trade secret information), provides that trade secret information as defined in Section 812.081, Florida Statutes (Trade secrets; theft, embezzlement; unlawful copying; definitions; penalty) is confidential and exempt from disclosure because it is a felony to disclose such records. The Parties understand and agree that Florida's Public Records Law is very broad and that documents claimed by a Party to be confidential and exempt from public disclosure pursuant to the Public Records Law may in fact not be deemed such by a court of law. Accordingly, the following provisions shall apply:

19.1 Identifying Trade Secret or Otherwise Confidential and Exempt Information.

For any records or portions thereof that Contractor claims to be Trade Secret or otherwise confidential and exempt from public disclosure under the Public Records Law, Contractor shall:

- a. Specifically identify the records or specific portions thereof that are confidential and exempt and reference the particular Florida Statute that grants such status. Provide one redacted copy of the record and one copy of the record with the confidential and exempt information highlighted. Contractor shall take care to redact only the confidential and exempt information within a record.

- b. Provide an affidavit or similar type of evidence that describes and supports the basis for Contractor's claim that the information is confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

19.2 Request for Trade Secret or Otherwise Confidential and Exempt Information.

- a. In the event CITY receives a public records request for a record with information labeled by Contractor as Trade Secret or otherwise as confidential and exempt, CITY will provide the public record requester with the redacted copy of the record and will notify Contractor of the public records request.
- b. However and notwithstanding the above, in the event that CITY in its sole discretion finds no basis for Contractor's claim that certain information is Trade Secret or otherwise confidential and exempt under Florida's Public Records Law, then CITY shall notify Contractor in writing of such conclusion and provide Contractor a reasonable amount of time to file for declaratory action requesting a court of law to deem the requested information as Trade Secret or otherwise as confidential and exempt under Florida's Public Records Law. If Contractor fails to file for declaratory action within the reasonable amount of time provided, then CITY will disclose the information requested.
- c. If a public records lawsuit is filed against CITY requesting public disclosure of the information labeled by Contractor as Trade Secret or otherwise as confidential and exempt, CITY shall notify Contractor and Contractor shall intervene in the lawsuit to defend the nondisclosure of such information under Florida's Public Records Law.
- d. Contractor hereby indemnifies and holds CITY, its officers and employees harmless from any and all liabilities, damages, losses, and costs of any kind and nature, including but not limited to attorney's fees, that arise from or are in any way connected with Contractor's claim that any information it provided to CITY is Trade Secret or otherwise confidential and exempt from public disclosure under Florida's Public Records Law.

19.3 "Work Product" may include creative work which may lead to programs, intellectual properties, computer software, computer programs, codes, text, hypertext, designs, and/or any other work products associated with or arising directly out of the performance of the Work

20. E-VERIFY REQUIREMENT

Section 448.095, Florida Statute states the statute shall be construed in a manner so as to be fully consistent with any applicable federal laws or regulations. The Contractor shall (1) utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the Contractor during the term of the Contract; and (2) shall expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the Contract to likewise utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the contract term. Alternatively, Contractor shall provide proof that one of the exceptions to the E-Verify federal contractor rule applies.

20. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, any dispute concerning a question of fact or of interpretation of a requirement of the Contract which is not disposed of by mutual consent between the parties shall be decided by the City Manager or designee, who shall reduce the decision to writing and furnish a copy thereof to the parties. In connection with any dispute proceeding under this clause each party shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its version of the facts and interpretation of the Contract. The City Manager or designee shall make such explanation as may be necessary to complete, explain or make definite the provisions of this Contract and the findings and conclusions shall be final and binding on both parties. Pending the final decisions of a dispute hereunder, Contractor shall proceed diligently with its performance of the Contract in accordance with the preliminary directions of the City Manager or designee.

21. ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS.

The prevailing party to any litigation filed in state or federal court, shall be entitled to attorney's fees and costs, including any attorney's fees and costs incurred on appeal.

22. FORCE MAJEURE (not needed if paragraph 4 is blank)

If the performance of the Contract is delayed by fire, lightning, earthquake, cyclone, or other such cause completely beyond the control of either the City or the Contractor, then the time for completion of the Contract shall be extended for a period equivalent to the time lost by reason of any of the aforesaid causes.

[OR]

23. PARAGRAPH INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

24. APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE.

This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, notwithstanding any Florida conflict of law provision to the contrary. In the event of any legal action under this Contract, venue shall be in Alachua County, Florida.

25. DEFAULT AND REMEDIES.

The non-breaching party shall have available all remedies at law.

26. NOTICES.

Any notices from either party to the other party must be in writing and sent by certified mail, return requested, overnight courier service or delivered in person with receipt to the following:

CITY:

City of Gainesville
Insert Department Name
Attn:
Insert Address

CONTRACTOR:

Insert Contractor's Information

27. SEVERABILITY.

If any provision of this Contract is declared void by a court of law, all other provisions will remain in full force and effect.

28. INTEGRATION/MERGER.

This Contract, together with the attached bid documents, contains the entire contract and understanding of the Parties regarding the matters set forth herein and supersedes all previous negotiations, discussions, and understandings, whether oral or written, regarding such matters. The Parties acknowledge that they have not relied on any promise, inducement, representation, or other statement made in connection with this agreement that is not expressly contained in this Contract. The terms of this Contract are contractual and not merely recital.

29. MODIFICATION AND WAIVER.

The provisions of this Contract may only be modified or waived in writing signed by all the Parties. No course of dealing shall be deemed a waiver of rights or a modification of this Contract. The failure of any party to exercise any right in this contract shall not be considered a waiver of such right. No waiver of a provision of the Contract shall

apply to any other portion of the Contract. A waiver on one occasion shall not be deemed to be a waiver on other occasions.

30. CAPTIONS AND SECTION HEADINGS.

Captions and section headings used herein are for convenience only and shall not be used in construing this Contract.

29. ASSIGNMENT OF INTEREST.

Neither party will assign or transfer any interest in the Contract without prior written consent of the other party.

30. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.

The Parties each bind the other and their respective successors and assigns in all respects to all the terms, conditions, covenants, and provisions of this Contract.

31. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES.

This Contract does not create any relationship with, or any rights in favor of, any third party.

32. CONSTRUCTION.

This Contract shall not be construed more strictly against one party than against the other merely by virtue of the fact that it may have been prepared by one of the Parties. It is recognized that both Parties have substantially contributed to the preparation of this Contract.

33. COUNTERPARTS.

This Contract may be executed in any number of and by the different Parties hereto on separate counterparts, each of which when so executed shall be deemed to be an original, and such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

34. EXHIBITS.

All exhibits attached to this Contract are incorporated into and made part of this Contract by reference.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement, or caused to be executed by their duly authorized officials, on the day and year first written above.

NAME OF COMPANY:

CITY OF GAINESVILLE:

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

City Attorney

PART 10 – EXHIBITS

The following documents/forms are included in this section:

- Drug-Free Workplace Form
- Bidder Verification Form
- Reference Form

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE FORM

The undersigned bidder in accordance with Florida Statute 287.087 hereby certifies that

_____ does:

(Name of Bidder)

1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for the drug abuse violations.
3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
4. In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
5. Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this bidder complies fully with the above requirements.

Bidder's Signature

Date

In the event of a tie bid, bidders with a Drug Free Workplace Program will be given preference. To be considered for the preference, this document must be completed and uploaded to DemandStar.com with your Submittal.

BIDDER VERIFICATION FORM

REGISTERED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

Is Bidder registered with Florida Department of State's, Division of Corporations, to do business in the State of Florida?

YES NO (refer to Part 1, 1.6, last paragraph)

If the answer is "YES", provide a copy of SunBiz registration or SunBiz Document Number (# _____)

If the answer is "NO", please state reason why: _____

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION (Applies to solicitations above \$50,000)

Does your company have a policy on diversity and inclusion? YES NO

If yes, please attach a copy of the policy to your submittal.

Note: Possessing a diversity and inclusion policy will have no effect on the City's consideration of your submittal, but is simply being requested for information gathering purposes.

Bidder's Name

Printed Name/Title of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

REFERENCE FORM

Name of Bidder: _____

Provide information for two references of completed projects with similar scope. You may include photos or other pertinent information.

#1 Year(s) services provided (i.e. 1/2015 to 12/2018): _____

Company Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State Zip: _____
Project manager: _____
Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____
Email Address (if available): _____
Location of installation _____

#2 Year(s) services provided (i.e. 1/2015 to 12/2018): _____

Company Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State Zip: _____
Project manager: _____
Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____
Email Address (if available): _____
Location of installation _____

#3 Year(s) services provided (i.e. 1/2015 to 12/2018): _____

Company Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State Zip: _____
Project manager: _____
Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____
Email Address (if available): _____
Location of installation _____

PART 11 – NO BID SURVEY

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT
PROCUREMENT DIVISION SURVEY
BID INFORMATION**

RFP #GPDx-220078-DH:

DUE DATE: September 26, 2022
@ 3:00 pm

PROPOSAL TITLE: Community Safety and Awareness Center (CSAC) Phase 2

IF YOU DO NOT BID

If you choose to not bid, please complete this form, and either upload it into DemandStar.com or email to the procurement specialist. Your responses will assist the City in developing future solicitations, your responses will remain anonymous and will be aggregated into a spreadsheet for analysis purposes only.

Check the appropriate responses and provide additional information that may help the City develop future solicitations.

- 1. _____ The solicitation time-frame was too short
- 2. _____ My company did not learn of this solicitation until it was too late to develop a response
- 3. _____ My company's work load did not allow time to develop a submittal
- 4. _____ If awarded, my company's work load could not support this project
- 5. _____ Specifications were not clear
- 6. _____ My company does not handle this type of work
- 7. _____ My company does not submit responses to Municipalities
- 8. _____ Have experienced delays in payments from Government agencies in the past
- 9. _____ Is there anything the City could have done differently in the solicitation package to prompt your company to submit a proposal?
Explain: _____
- 10. _____ If the City were to rebid this solicitation, would your company be interested in responding?
- 11. _____ Please provide any additional information regarding this solicitation that may help us develop our next steps in fulfilling the City's needs for this project.

Bidder Name: _____

Address: _____

Is your company a certified City of Gainesville small business? YES NO

Is your company a certified City of Gainesville service-disabled veteran business? YES NO