# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

# RFP# 991

# Cost of Service Study for Water and Wastewater Services Unit

City of Ann Arbor Public Services



# Due Date: December 21, 2016 at 2:00PM (Local Time)

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# **SECTION I- GENERAL INFORMATION**

# A. OBJECTIVE

The City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, is hereby soliciting proposals from qualified teams with expertise in water and wastewater utility engineering and financial services to develop a Comprehensive Water and Wastewater Cost of Service and Rate Design Study. The purpose of this study is to engage the community in a discussion regarding the City's water and wastewater capital and financial needs and make recommendations on proposed changes to the City's rate structure. The consultant shall develop a comprehensive plan that will support recommendations to City Council regarding the City's Water and Wastewater ordinance.

Background:

The City of Ann Arbor provides water and wastewater services to the residents of Ann Arbor and two neighboring townships, Ann Arbor Township and Scio Township. Wastewater service is also provided to Pittsfield Township. The City has approximately 120,000 residents and bill approximately 26,000 customers at least quarterly.

The City is currently completing construction of \$120 million wastewater treatment facility and is in the preliminary design phase for significant renovations to its drinking water treatment plant to replace the aging infrastructure dating from 1938. The wastewater facility is expected to be completed in 2017 and construction for the water plant is expected to be built within the next 3 to 7 years. The City is also completing a comprehensive asset management study of the Sanitary Sewer System that will be completed in early 2017.

### B. QUESTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

All questions regarding this Request for Proposal (RFP) shall be submitted via email. Questions will be accepted and answered in accordance with the terms and conditions of this RFP.

<u>All questions shall be submitted on or before December 7, 2016 at 10:00</u> <u>AM (Local Time),</u> and should be addressed as follows:

Scope of Work/Proposal Content questions shall be e-mailed to Lynne Chaimowitz, Water Treatment Services Financial Analyst-Ichaimowitz@a2gov.org

RFP Process and Compliance questions shall be e-mailed to Colin Spencer, Buyer - cspencer@a2gov.org

Should any prospective consultant be in doubt as to the true meaning of any portion of this RFP, or should the consultant find any ambiguity, inconsistency, or omission therein, the consultant shall make a written request for an official interpretation or correction by the due date above.

All interpretations, corrections, or additions to this RFP will be made only as an official addendum that will be posted to a2gov.org and MITN.info and it shall be the consultant's responsibility to ensure they have received all addenda before submitting a proposal. Any addendum issued by the City shall become part of the RFP, and must be incorporated in the proposal where applicable.

# C. PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING

A pre-proposal meeting will be held on <u>December 1, 2016 at 1:00PM at the City</u> <u>Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room South, 301 E Huron St, Ann Arbor, MI 48104</u>. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the project with prospective proposers and to answer any questions concerning RFP #991. Any questions and answers furnished will not be official until verified in writing by the Purchasing Division. Answers that change or substantially clarify the proposal will be affirmed in writing. Copies will be provided to all in attendance. It is strongly suggested that each interested party attend this meeting.

If there are any questions regarding this RFP, please contact Lynne Chaimowitz at (734) 794-6426 x 43925.

### D. PROPOSAL FORMAT

To be considered, each firm must submit a response to this RFP using the format provided in Section III. No other distribution of proposals is to be made by the consultant. An official authorized to bind the consultant to its provisions must sign the proposal in ink. Each proposal must remain valid for at least ninety days from the due date of this RFP.

Proposals should be prepared simply and economically providing a straightforward, concise description of the consultant's ability to meet the requirements of the RFP. No erasures are permitted. Mistakes may be crossed out and corrected and must be initialed in ink by the person signing the proposal.

# E. SELECTION CRITERIA

Responses to this RFP will be evaluated using a point system as shown in Section III. A selection committee comprised of staff from the City will complete the evaluation.

The fee proposals will not be reviewed at the initial evaluation. After initial evaluation, the City will determine top consultants, and open only those fee proposals. The City will then determine which, if any, firms will be interviewed. During the interviews, the selected firms will be given the opportunity to discuss their proposal, qualifications, past experience, and their fee proposal in more detail. The City further reserves the right to interview the key personnel assigned by the selected consultant to this project. If the City chooses to interview any respondents,

the interviews will be tentatively held the **week of January 9, 2017**. Consultant must be available on these dates.

All proposals submitted may be subject to clarifications and further negotiation. All agreements resulting from negotiations that differ from what is represented within the RFP or in the consultant's response shall be documented and included as part of the final contract.

## F. SEALED PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

<u>All proposals are due and must be delivered to the City Procurement Unit on,</u> <u>or before, December 21, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. (Local Time).</u> Proposals submitted late or via oral, telephonic, telegraphic, electronic mail or facsimile **will not** be considered or accepted.

Each respondent must submit in a sealed envelope

- one (1) original proposal
- three (3) additional proposal copies
- one (1) digital copy of the proposal preferably on a flash drive as one file in PDF format

Each respondent must submit in a single separate sealed envelope marked Fee Proposal

• two (2) copies of the fee proposal

# The fee proposal and all costs must be separate from the rest of the proposal.

Proposals submitted must be clearly marked: "**RFP 991**" and list the consultant's name and address.

Proposals must be addressed and delivered to: City of Ann Arbor c/o Customer Service 301 East Huron Street P.O. Box 8647 Ann Arbor, MI 48107

All proposals received on or before the due date will be publicly opened and recorded on the due date. No immediate decisions will be rendered.

Hand delivered proposals must be date/time stamped by the Customer Service Department at the address above in order to be considered. Delivery hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding Holidays.

The City will not be liable to any consultant for any unforeseen circumstances, delivery, or postal delays. Postmarking on the due date will not substitute for receipt of the proposal. Consultants are responsible for submission of their proposal. Additional time

will not be granted to a single consultant. However, additional time may be granted to all consultants at the discretion of the City.

#### A proposal will be disqualified if:

- 1. The fee proposal is not contained within a separate sealed envelope.
- 2. The fee proposal is submitted as part of the digital copy. Provide fee proposal in hard copy only.
- 3. The forms provided as Attachment B City of Ann Arbor Non-Discrimination Declaration of Compliance, Attachment C - City of Ann Arbor Living Wage Declaration of Compliance, Attachment D - Vendor Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form of the RFP Document must be included in submitted proposals.

#### <u>Proposals that fail to provide these completed forms listed above upon</u> <u>proposal opening will be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered</u> <u>for award.</u>

#### G. DISCLOSURES

Under the Freedom of Information Act (Public Act 442), the City is obligated to permit review of its files, if requested by others. All information in a consultant's proposal is subject to disclosure under this provision. This act also provides for a complete disclosure of contracts and attachments thereto.

#### H. TYPE OF CONTRACT

A sample of the Professional Services Agreement is included as Appendix A. Those who wish to submit a proposal to the City are required to review the sample agreement carefully. **The City will not entertain changes to its Professional Services Agreement.** 

The City reserves the right to award the total proposal, to reject any or all proposals in whole or in part, and to waive any informality or technical defects if, in the City's sole judgment, the best interests of the City will be so served.

This RFP and the selected consultant's response thereto, shall constitute the basis of the scope of services in the contract by reference.

### I. HUMAN RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS

All contractors proposing to do business with the City shall satisfy the contract compliance administrative policy adopted by the City Administrator in accordance with the Section 9:158 of the Ann Arbor City Code. Breach of the obligation not to discriminate as outlined in Attachment B shall be a material breach of the contract. Contractors are required to post a copy of Ann Arbor's Non-Discrimination Ordinance attached at all work locations where its employees provide services under a contract with the City.

# J. WAGE REQUIREMENTS

The Attachments provided herein outline the requirements for payment of prevailing wages or of a "living wage" to employees providing service to the City under this contract. The successful consultant must comply with all applicable requirements and provide documentary proof of compliance when requested.

## K. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

The City of Ann Arbor Purchasing Policy requires that the consultant complete a Conflict of Interest Disclosure form. A contract may not be awarded to the selected consultant unless and until the Procurement Unit and the City Administrator have reviewed the Disclosure form and determined that no conflict exists under applicable federal, state, or local law or administrative regulation. Not every relationship or situation disclosed on the Disclosure Form may be a disqualifying conflict. Depending on applicable law and regulations, some contracts may be awarded on the recommendation of the City Administrator after full disclosure, where such action is allowed by law, if demonstrated competitive pricing exists and/or it is determined the award is in the best interest of the City. A copy of the Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form is attached.

# L. COST LIABILITY

The City of Ann Arbor assumes no responsibility or liability for costs incurred by the consultant prior to the execution of a Professional Services Agreement. The liability of the City is limited to the terms and conditions outlined in the Agreement. By submitting a proposal, consultant agrees to bear all costs incurred or related to the preparation, submission, and selection process for the proposal.

### M. DEBARMENT

Submission of a proposal in response to this RFP is certification that the Respondent is not currently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, and declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any State or Federal departments or agency. Submission is also agreement that the City will be notified of any changes in this status.

## N. PROPOSAL PROTEST

All proposal protests must be in writing and filed with the Purchasing Manager within five (5) business days of the award action. The consultant must clearly state the reasons for the protest. If a consultant contacts a City Service Area/Unit and indicates a desire to protest an award, the Service Area/Unit shall refer the consultant to the Purchasing Manager. The Purchasing Manager will provide the consultant with the appropriate instructions for filing the protest. The protest shall be reviewed by the City Administrator or designee, whose decision shall be final.

# O. SCHEDULE

The proposals submitted should define an appropriate schedule in accordance with the requirements of the Proposed Work Plan in Section III.

The following is the schedule for this RFP process.

Activity/Event	Anticipated Date
Pre-Proposal Meeting	December 1, 2016 at 1:00 PM (Local Time)
Written Question Deadline	December 7, 2016 at 10:00 AM (Local Time)
Proposal Due Date	December 21, 2016 at 2:00 PM (Local Time)
Tentative Interviews (if needed)	Week of January 9
Selection/Negotiations	January 2017
Expected City Council Authorizations	after February 2017

The above schedule is for information purposes only and is subject to change at the City's discretion.

#### P. IRS FORM W-9

The selected consultant will be required to provide the City of Ann Arbor an IRS form W-9.

### Q. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

- 1. The City reserves the right in its sole and absolute discretion to accept or reject any or all proposals, or alternative proposals, in whole or in part, with or without cause.
- 2. The City reserves the right to waive, or not waive, informalities or irregularities in terms or conditions of any proposal if determined by the City to be in its best interest.
- 3. The City reserves the right to request additional information from any or all consultants.
- 4. The City reserves the right to reject any proposal that it determines to be unresponsive and deficient in any of the information requested within RFP.
- 5. The City reserves the right to determine whether the scope of the project will be entirely as described in the RFP, a portion of the scope, or a revised scope be implemented.
- 6. The City reserves the right to select one or more consultants to perform services.
- 7. The City reserves the right to retain all proposals submitted and to use any ideas in a proposal regardless of whether that proposal is selected. Submission of a proposal indicates acceptance by the firm of the conditions contained in this RFP, unless clearly and specifically noted in the proposal submitted.
- 8. The City reserves the right to disqualify proposals that fail to respond to any requirements outlined in the RFP, or failure to enclose copies of the required documents outlined within RFP.

# SECTION II - SCOPE OF SERVICES

# INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

The City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, is seeking proposals from qualified consultants to prepare cost-of-service studies on water and wastewater rates. Such studies are intended to achieve fair and equitable water and wastewater rate structures that will assure adequate revenues for operation and maintenance of water and wastewater treatment distribution and collection systems, debt service, capital improvements and bond covenant requirements. This study will specify a number of rate structure alternatives that will be provided for the City's consideration, including different rates for different classes of customers.

#### BACKGROUND

The City of Ann Arbor is organized into four service areas. These include the Public Services, Financial and Administrative Services, Safety Services, and Community Services. The Public Services Area is responsible for providing the majority of the Utility's services including supplying: drinking water, sanitary sewage disposal, hydropower generation, and storm water services to the City of Ann Arbor and surrounding communities. The department is divided into six service units (fleet and facilities, project management, water treatment, wastewater treatment, systems planning and public works) and an administrative unit that also houses financial support services. The City of Ann Arbor serves more than 28,000 utility connections. The Public Works Unit has the responsibility of the installation and service of our customers' water meters and automated meter reading system, backflow prevention device inspections, and is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the water distribution and sanitary sewer systems.

Customer Service is the one utility function that is not part of the Public Services Area. It is housed in the Financial and Administrative Service Area and is responsible for rendering accurate bills through the utilization of the automated meter reading system's data.

The function of the Wastewater Treatment Services Unit is to treat wastewater to environmentally acceptable standards for discharge to the Huron River. The plant's annual average design flow is 29.5 million gallons per day (MGD) and currently treats around 18 MGD on average. This service unit is also responsible for the operation and maintenance of eight sewage lift stations at seven remote sites.

The Water Treatment Services Unit (WTSU) treats raw water and delivers potable water to citizens of the City of Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor Township and Scio Township. In additional to the water treatment plant, the WTSU operates and maintains four pumping stations, two elevated storage tanks, one ground storage tank, and two underground reservoirs. The Water Treatment Plant is designed as a softening plant to treat up to 50 MGD of both river and well water.

### The scope of services shall, at a minimum, include the following:

# 1) Planning:

a) A Meeting with the project team that may include City Public Services staff and

Finance staff to review proposed scope of services and available data.

- b) Define roles and responsibilities of City Staff and project team members.
- c) A timeline with milestones of planning, public engagement, rate design and development and final reporting.
- d) Review of existing water/wastewater rates and assessment of the current structure's performance. Review shall include an assessment of the:
  - (1) current practice of basing summer sewer charges for residential customers on winter water consumption
  - (2) current practice of offering a discount for prompt payment on water and sewer charges
  - (3) current capital needs based on the Water and Wastewater Master Plans, Capital Improvements Plan, and Alternatives Analysis (2015).
  - (4) 2003 cost of service study and model
  - (5) 2015 Water and Wastewater Capital Recovery Charge Study
  - (6) 2014 Water Distribution Level of Service & Reinvestment Study
  - (7) City's ordinances and policies as they relate to water/wastewater utilities' rates and fees
  - (8) City's indirect cost allocation method and the reimbursement to the General Fund for administrative and other costs
  - (9) negotiated contract rates for users not within City limits (e.g., neighboring townships)
- e) Reconciliation of each service (water and wastewater), using existing water and wastewater rates, in a normalized year, to determine the amount of revenue generated and its relationship to expenditures.

# 2) Public Engagement

- a) Develop, manage and implement a public engagement strategy, including, but not limited to:
  - i) Work with the Project Team to discuss elements to be included in a public engagement plan that utilizes the City's public engagement toolkit. The key components of the public engagement toolkit are:
    - (1) Identify, with City staff, key stakeholders from the community to be engaged through this project and propose methods for engaging the various categories of stakeholders.
    - (2) Design, develop, and coordinate the engagement strategies to obtain input from citizens, businesses, and institutions at key milestones of the project.
  - ii) Engagement strategies should consider any or all of the following elements: press release, email distribution, social media, City meetings, A2 City News resident newsletter, WasteWatchers, WaterMatters Newsletter, public meeting display case, educational materials, a2gov.org, newsletters/fliers, direct mail/flyers, online survey, presentations at commission meetings, presentations at groups, A2OpenCityHall, Council/Administrator communications, targeted public meetings, feedback forums, Citywide meetings, community workshops. The consultant may utilize a third party communication vehicle at the discretion of City Council.
  - iii) Focus groups for both internal and external stakeholders.
  - iv) Development of background/briefing documents and presentations for the Project Team.

- v) Development and production materials needed for engagement meetings and sessions, which must be approved by the City before release to the public.
- vi) Development and production of materials needed for social media and other online engagement forums.
- vii) Presentations for up to five public meetings and two presentations to City Council.
- viii)Hosting and facilitating public meetings and presentations to City Council.
- ix) Attendance at each public meeting to discuss any components of the study, summarize public comments, and prepare minutes.

# 3) Rate Design Development:

- a) Analysis of historical capital and operational expenditures with the purpose of properly classifying and segregating the costs associated with various operations.
- b) Analysis and classification of rate recommendations as they relate to the City's current debt service obligations.
- c) Review and analysis of maintenance and operation expense requirements projected by the City and allocation to proper cost centers.
- d) Incorporation of provisions for the age and condition of the current infrastructure, funding requirements for all current long-term liabilities and possible future debt obligations and projected demands into the proposed rate structure.
- e) Recommended rate structure based on 5,10 and 20-year time horizons.
- f) Development of rate alternatives based on best practices included in AWWA Manual M1 Principles of Water Rates, Fees, and Charges.
- g) Recommended rate and rate structure required to support the community's values and priorities for water and wastewater treatment.
- h) Analysis of water and wastewater affordability based on local economic indicators.
- i) Comparison of recommended rate structure with the existing rate structure.
- j) Evaluation the current customer rate classifications and a recommendation for changes, including consideration of public and private fire protection.
- k) Develop and recommend implementation plan that identifies milestones for transitioning to the recommended rate structure.

# 4) Evaluation and Recommendation:

- a) Proposed modifications to the City's ordinances and policies as they relate to water/wastewater utilities.
- b) A recommendation on the allocation of the costs between services and customer classes.
- c) A recommendation for more effective cost recovery compared to the current practice of basing summer sewer charges for residential customers based on winter water usage, if applicable.
- d) A recommendation of the best option for cost recovery including a summary of industry practices on offering discounts and incentives.
- e) The inclusion of necessary resources to set up any new customer classifications within the current Utility Billing Database.
- f) Options for low-income affordability provisions in the recommended rate structure.
- g) Evaluation of customer classifications by type of service, including recommendations on wastewater rates to be charged to customers that do not have city water service.

- h) Examine modifying rates for properties without footing drains connected to the sanitary sewer system.
- i) Identification of any rate implementation issues for City customers and for negotiated contract rates with the neighboring Townships.

Deliverables shall include:

- A. A public engagement plan, as well as document containing a written summary of all outreach and engagement activities. This includes the documentation of all meetings, one-on-one interviews, phone calls, email exchanges, and any additional public outreach activities.
- B. Tables and/or schedules detailing the differences between a minimum of three (3) alternative rate calculation methodologies for each customer class, explaining the pros and cons of each. The rate structures shall be acceptable to state and federal regulatory agencies, including compliance with Bolt vs. City of Lansing Ruling (1997) and other laws regulating utility rates.
- C. A recommended rate design that will meet projected revenue requirements for a five-year period. Include recommendations on public and private fire service protection classes. Components of the base rates and volume charges shall be clearly identified.
- D. Recommendations on current industry business practices and methods to develop and implement financial decision making tools.
- E. Recommendations regarding necessary cost accounting to support future cost-ofservice and rate-making calculations.
- F. Options for low-income affordability provisions in the recommended rate structure.
- G. A list of at a minimum of five (5) water/wastewater utilities of comparable size (service connections), with comparable treatment processes, capital needs, capacity and capacity utilization in comparable climactic environments, and with a comparable customer base. A comparison of the rate structures of these utilities with that of the recommended rates and rate structure for the City of Ann Arbor.
- H. Discussion on current policies and trends related to incentives, payment options, connections, disconnection for non-payment, etc.
- I. A cost-of-service model for use in future rate adjustment calculations, in an agreed upon, non-proprietary, software application format, that can be used to study various scenarios by factoring in such variables as capital improvements, additional personnel, operating costs, and debt service. Proposed software format must be identified in proposal. Consultant shall work with City staff to determine model variables. The models shall include the ability for the City to enter various budgets by the rate component categories, consumption levels, customer counts by customer class, and have the model calculate the rate required by service and customer class to generate needed revenues. Upon acceptance of the models by the City, the models and software will become the property of the City.
- J. Provide the City with 15 printed copies of the final report. Include a digital file with report and include all graphics in non-proprietary, computer software format. Digital files shall be provided in both editable and PDF file formats. Proposed software format must be identified in the proposal.

# **SECTION III - MINIMUM INFORMATION REQUIRED**

# CONSULTANT'S PROPOSAL

In keeping with the objective, the description, the requirements, and the consultant's tasks as previously indicated in this Request for Proposal, the consultants submitting proposals shall outline in detail the manner in which the consultant shall work with the City to fulfill the intent of the scope of services.

The outline at a minimum shall address:

- i) Staffing and personnel.
- ii) Communication and coordination.
- iii) Outreach and engagement approach.
- iv) Working relationship between consultant and City staff.
- v) Information that will assist the City to determine the consultant's capability of performing the work.

# PROPOSAL FORMAT

Consultants should organize Proposals into the following Sections:

- A. Professional Qualifications
- B. Past Involvement with Similar Projects
- C. Proposed Work Plan
- D. Fee Proposal (include in a separate sealed envelope clearly marked "Fee Proposal")
- E. Authorized Negotiator
- F. Attachments

The following describes the elements that should be included in each of the proposal sections and the weighted point system that will be used for evaluation of the proposals.

- A. Professional Qualifications 20 points
  - 1. State the full name and address of your organization and, if applicable, the branch office or other subsidiary element that will perform, or assist in performing, the work hereunder. Indicate whether it operates as an individual, partnership, or corporation. If as a corporation, include whether it is licensed to operate in the State of Michigan.
  - 2. Include the name of executive and professional personnel by skill and qualification that will be employed in the work. Show where these personnel will be physically located during the time they are engaged in the work. Indicate which of these individuals you consider key to the successful completion of the project. Identify only individuals who will do the

work on this project by name and title. Resumes and qualifications are required for all proposed project personnel, including all subcontractors. Qualifications and capabilities of any subcontractors must also be included.

- 3. State history of the firm, in terms of length of existence, types of services provided, etc. Identify the technical details that make the firm uniquely qualified for this work.
- B. Past involvement with Similar Projects 30 points

The written proposal must include a list of specific experience in the project area and indicate proven ability in implementing similar projects for the firm **and** the individuals to be involved in the project. The list should include no more than five (5) projects. A complete list of client references must be provided for similar projects recently completed. It shall include the firm/agency name, address, telephone number, project title, and contact person.

C. Proposed Work Plan – 30 points

Provide a detailed and comprehensive description of how the Consultant intends to provide the services requested in this RFP. This discussion shall include, but not be limited to: how the project(s) will be managed and scheduled, how and when data will be delivered to the City, communication and coordination, the working relationship between the consultant and City staff, and the company's general philosophy in regards to providing the requested services.

Consultants shall be evaluated on the clarity, thoroughness, and content of their responses to the above items.

D. Fee Proposal - 20 points

Fee schedules shall be submitted in a separate, sealed, envelope as part of the proposal. Fee quotations are to include the names, title, hourly rates, overhead factors, and any other relevant details. The proposal should highlight key staff and positions that would likely be involved with projects. Consultants shall be capable of justifying the details of the fee proposal relative to personnel costs, overhead, how the overhead rate is derived, material and time.

E. Authorized Negotiator

Include the name, phone number, and e-mail address of persons(s) in your organization authorized to negotiate the agreement with the City.

F. Attachments

Conflict of Interest Form, Living Wage Compliance Form, and the Non-Discrimination Form must be completed and returned with the proposal. These elements should be included as attachments to the proposal submission.

# PROPOSAL EVALUATION

- 1. The selection committee will evaluate each proposal by the above-described criteria and point system (A through C) to select a short-list of firms for further consideration. The City reserves the right to reject any proposal that it determines to be unresponsive and deficient in any of the information requested for evaluation. A proposal with all the requested information does not guarantee the proposing firm to be a candidate for an interview. The committee may contact references to verify material submitted by the consultants.
- 2. The committee then will schedule interviews with the selected firms if necessary. The selected firms will be given the opportunity to discuss in more detail their qualifications, past experience, proposed work plan and fee proposal.
- 3. The interview must include the project team members expected to complete a majority of work on the project, but no more than six members total. The interview shall consist of a presentation of up to thirty minutes (or the length provided by the committee) by the consultant, including the person who will be the project manager on this contract, followed by approximately thirty minutes of questions and answers. Audiovisual aids may be used during the oral interviews. The committee may record the oral interviews.
- 4. The firms interviewed will then be re-evaluated by the above criteria (A through C), and adjustments to scoring will be made as appropriate. After evaluation of the proposals, further negotiation with the selected firm may be pursued leading to the award of a contract by City Council, if suitable proposals are received.

The City reserves the right to waive the interview process and evaluate the consultants based on their proposals and fee schedules alone and open fee schedules before or prior to interviews.

The City will determine whether the final scope of the project to be negotiated will be entirely as described in this RFP, a portion of the scope, or a revised scope.

Work to be done under this contract is generally described through the detailed specifications and must be completed fully in accordance with the contract documents.

Any proposal that does not conform fully to these instructions may be rejected.

### PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS

Proposals should have no plastic bindings. Staples or binder clips are acceptable. Proposals should be printed double sided on recycled paper. Proposals should not be more than 30 sheets (60 sides), not including required attachments and resumes. Each person signing the proposal certifies that he or she is the person in the consultant's firm/organization responsible for the decision as to the fees being offered in the Proposal and has not and will not participate in any action contrary to the terms of this provision.

### ADDENDA

If it becomes necessary to revise any part of the RFP, notice of the addendum will be posted to Michigan Inter-governmental Trade Network (MITN) www.mitn.info and/or the City of Ann Arbor web site www.A2gov.org for all parties to download.

Each consultant must acknowledge in its proposal all addenda it has received. The failure of a consultant to receive or acknowledge receipt of any addenda shall not relieve the consultant of the responsibility for complying with the terms thereof. The City will not be bound by oral responses to inquiries or written responses other than official written addenda.

# **SECTION IV - ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A – Legal Status of Respondent

- Attachment B Non-Discrimination Ordinance Declaration of Compliance Form
- Attachment C Living Wage Declaration of Compliance Form
- Attachment D Vendor Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form
- Attachment E Non-Discrimination Ordinance Poster
- Attachment F Living Wage Ordinance Poster

#### ATTACHMENT A LEGAL STATUS OF RESPONDENT

(The Respondent shall fill out the provision and strike out the remaining ones.)

The Respondent is:

 A corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the state of \_\_\_\_\_\_, for whom \_\_\_\_\_\_ bearing the office title of \_\_\_\_\_\_, whose signature is affixed to this proposal, is authorized to execute contracts on behalf of respondent.\*

\*If not incorporated in Michigan, please attach the corporation's Certificate of Authority

- A limited liability company doing business under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_\_, whom \_\_\_\_\_\_ bearing the title of \_\_\_\_\_\_ whose signature is affixed to this proposal, is authorized to execute contract on behalf of the LLC.
- A partnership organized under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and filed with the County of \_\_\_\_\_\_, whose members are (attach list including street and mailing address for each.)
- An individual, whose signature with address, is affixed to this RFP.

Respondent has examined the basic requirements of this RFP and its scope of services, including all Addendum (if applicable) and hereby agrees to offer the services as specified in the RFP.

	Date:	,
Signature		
(Print) Name	Title	
Firm:		
Address:		
Contact Phone	Fax	
Email		

#### ATTACHMENT B CITY OF ANN ARBOR DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE

### Non-Discrimination Ordinance

The "non discrimination by city contractors" provision of the City of Ann Arbor Non-Discrimination Ordinance (Ann Arbor City Code Chapter 112, Section 9:158) requires all contractors proposing to do business with the City to treat employees in a manner which provides equal employment opportunity and does not discriminate against any of their employees, any City employee working with them, or any applicant for employment on the basis of actual or perceived age, arrest record, color, disability, educational association, familial status, family responsibilities, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, height, HIV status, marital status, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, source of income, veteran status, victim of domestic violence or stalking, or weight. It also requires that the contractors include a similar provision in all subcontracts that they execute for City work or programs.

In addition the City Non-Discrimination Ordinance requires that all contractors proposing to do business with the City of Ann Arbor must satisfy the contract compliance administrative policy adopted by the City Administrator. A copy of that policy may be obtained from the PurchasingManager

The Contractor agrees:

- (a) To comply with the terms of the City of Ann Arbor's Non-Discrimination Ordinance and contract compliance administrative policy.
- (b) To post the City of Ann Arbor's Non-Discrimination Ordinance Notice in every work place or other location in which employees or other persons are contracted to provide services under a contract with the City.
- (c) To provide documentation within the specified time frame in connection with any workforce verification, compliance review or complaint investigation.
- (d) To permit access to employees and work sites to City representatives for the purposes of monitoring compliance, or investigating complaints of non-compliance.

The undersigned states that he/she has the requisite authority to act on behalf of his/her employer in these matters and has offered to provide the services in accordance with the terms of the Ann Arbor Non-Discrimination Ordinance. The undersigned certifies that he/she has read and is familiar with the terms of the Non-Discrimination Ordinance, obligates the Contractor to those terms and acknowledges that if his/her employer is found to be in violation of Ordinance it may be subject to civil penalties and termination of the awarded contract.

Company Name	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Print Name and Title	

Address, City, State, Zip

Phone/Email address

Questions about the Notice or the City Administrative Policy, Please contact:

Procurement Office of the City of Ann Arbor

(734) 794-6500

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#### ATTACHMENT C CITY OF ANN ARBOR LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE DECLARATION OF COMPLIANCE

The Ann Arbor Living Wage Ordinance (Section 1:811-1:821 of Chapter 23 of Title I of the Code) requires that an employer who is (a) a contractor providing services to or for the City for a value greater than \$10,000 for any twelvemonth contract term, or (b) a recipient of federal, state, or local grant funding administered by the City for a value greater than \$10,000, or (c) a recipient of financial assistance awarded by the City for a value greater than \$10,000, shall pay its employees a prescribed minimum level of compensation (i.e., Living Wage) for the time those employees perform work on the contract or in connection with the grant or financial assistance. The Living Wage must be paid to these employees for the length of the contract/program.

Companies employing fewer than 5 persons and non-profits employing fewer than 10 persons are exempt from compliance with the Living Wage Ordinance. If this exemption applies to your company/non-profit agency please check here [] No. of employees The Contractor or Grantee agrees:

(a) To pay each of its employees whose wage level is not required to comply with federal, state or local prevailing wage law, for work covered or funded by a contract with or grant from the City, no less than the Living Wage. The current Living Wage is defined as \$12.93/hour for those employers that provide employee health care (as defined in the Ordinance at Section 1:815 Sec. 1 (a)), or no less than \$14.43/hour for those employers that do not provide health care. The Contractor or Grantor understands that the Living Wage is adjusted and established annually on April 30 in accordance with the Ordinance and covered employers shall be required to pay the adjusted amount thereafter to be in compliance (Section 1:815(3).

#### Check the applicable box below which applies to your workforce

- [] Employees who are assigned to any covered City contract/grant will be paid at or above the applicable living wage without health benefits
- [] Employees who are assigned to any covered City contract/grant will be paid at or above the applicable living wage with health benefits
- (b) To post a notice approved by the City regarding the applicability of the Living Wage Ordinance in every work place or other location in which employees or other persons contracting for employment are working.
- (c) To provide to the City payroll records or other documentation within ten (10) business days from the receipt of a request by the City.
- (d) To permit access to work sites to City representatives for the purposes of monitoring compliance, and investigating complaints or non-compliance.
- (e) To take no action that would reduce the compensation, wages, fringe benefits, or leave available to any employee covered by the Living Wage Ordinance or any person contracted for employment and covered by the Living Wage Ordinance in order to pay the living wage required by the Living Wage Ordinance.

The undersigned states that he/she has the requisite authority to act on behalf of his/her employer in these matters and has offered to provide the services or agrees to accept financial assistance in accordance with the terms of the Living Wage Ordinance. The undersigned certifies that he/she has read and is familiar with the terms of the Living Wage Ordinance, obligates the Employer/Grantee to those terms and acknowledges that if his/her employer is found to be in violation of Ordinance it may be subject to civil penalties and termination of the awarded contract or grant of financial assistance.

Company Name	
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Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Print Name and Title

Address, City, State, Zip

Phone/Email address

Questions about this form? Contact Procurement Office City of Ann Arbor Phone: 734/794-6500 Revised 2/17/16 Rev 0

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# VENDOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM

All vendors interested in conducting business with the City of Ann Arbor must complete and return the Vendor Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form in order to be eligible to be awarded a contract. Please note that all vendors are subject to comply with the City of Ann Arbor's conflict of interest policies as stated within the certification section below.

If a vendor has a relationship with a City of Ann Arbor official or employee, an immediate family member of a City of Ann Arbor official or employee, the vendor shall disclose the information required below.

- 1. No City official or employee or City employee's immediate family member has an ownership interest in vendor's company or is deriving personal financial gain from this contract.
- 2. No retired or separated City official or employee who has been retired or separated from the City for less than one (1) year has an ownership interest in vendor's Company.
- 3. No City employee is contemporaneously employed or prospectively to be employed with the vendor.
- 4. Vendor hereby declares it has not and will not provide gifts or hospitality of any dollar value or any other gratuities to any City employee or elected official to obtain or maintain a contract.
- 5. Please note any exceptions below:

Conflict of Inte	rest Disclosure*
Name of City of Ann Arbor employees, elected officials or immediate family members with whom there may be a potential conflict of interest.	<ul> <li>( ) Relationship to employee</li> <li>( ) Interest in vendor's company</li> <li>( ) Other (please describe in box below)</li> </ul>

\*Disclosing a potential conflict of interest does not disqualify vendors. In the event vendors do not disclose potential conflicts of interest and they are detected by the City, vendor will be exempt from doing business with the City.

I certify that this Conflict of Interest Disclosure has been examined by me and that its contents are true and correct to my knowledge and belief and I have the authority to so certify on behalf of the Vendor by my signature below:			
Vendor Name			Vendor Phone Number
Signature of Vendor Authorized Representative	Da	ate	Printed Name of Vendor Authorized Representative

Questions about this form? Contact Procurement Office City of Ann Arbor Phone: 734/794-6500, procurement@a2gov.org

#### ATTACHMENT E CITY OF ANN ARBOR NON-DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE

#### Relevant provisions of Chapter 112, Nondiscrimination, of the Ann Arbor City Code are included below. You can review the entire ordinance at www.a2gov.org/departments/city-clerk

<u>Intent</u>: It is the intent of the city that no individual be denied equal protection of the laws; nor shall any individual be denied the enjoyment of his or her civil or political rights or be discriminated against because of actual or perceived age, arrest record, color, disability, educational association, familial status, family responsibilities, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, height, HIV status, marital status, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, source of income, veteran status, victim of domestic violence or stalking, or weight.

<u>Discriminatory Employment Practices</u>: No person shall discriminate in the hire, employment, compensation, work classifications, conditions or terms, promotion or demotion, or termination of employment of any individual. No person shall discriminate in limiting membership, conditions of membership or termination of membership in any labor union or apprenticeship program.

<u>Discriminatory Effects:</u> No person shall adopt, enforce or employ any policy or requirement which has the effect of creating unequal opportunities according to actual or perceived age, arrest record, color, disability, educational association, familial status, family responsibilities, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, height, HIV status, marital status, national origin, political beliefs, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, source of income, veteran status, victim of domestic violence or stalking, or weight for an individual to obtain housing, employment or public accommodation, except for a bona fide business necessity. Such a necessity does not arise due to a mere inconvenience or because of suspected objection to such a person by neighbors, customers or other persons.

<u>Nondiscrimination by City Contractors:</u> All contractors proposing to do business with the City of Ann Arbor shall satisfy the contract compliance administrative policy adopted by the City Administrator in accordance with the guidelines of this section. All city contractors shall ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment in a manner which provides equal employment opportunity and tends to eliminate inequality based upon any classification protected by this chapter. All contractors shall agree not to discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, or a matter directly or indirectly related to employment, because of any applicable protected classification. All contractors shall be required to post a copy of Ann Arbor's Non-Discrimination Ordinance at all work locations where its employees provide services under a contract with the city.

<u>Complaint Procedure:</u> If any individual has a grievance alleging a violation of this chapter, he/she has 180 calendar days from the date of the individual's knowledge of the allegedly discriminatory action or 180 calendar days from the date when the individual should have known of the alleged discriminatory action to file a complaint with the city's Human Rights Commission. If an individual fails to file a complaint alleging a violation of this chapter within the specified time frame, the complaint will not be considered by the Human Rights Commission. The complaint should be made in writing to the Human Rights Commission. The complaint may be filed in person with the City Clerk, by e-mail (hrc@a2gov.org), by phone (734-794-6141) or by mail (Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission, PO Box 8647, Ann Arbor, MI 48107). The complaint must contain information about the alleged discrimination, such as name, address, phone number of the complaint and location, date and description of the alleged violation of this chapter.

<u>Private Actions For Damages or Injunctive Relief</u>: To the extent allowed by law, an individual who is the victim of discriminatory action in violation of this chapter may bring a civil action for appropriate injunctive relief or damages or both against the person(s) who acted in violation of this chapter.

# CITY OF ANN ARBOR LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE

# RATE EFFECTIVE APRIL 30, 2016 - ENDING APRIL 29, 2017



If the employer provides health care benefits\*

If the employer does **NOT** provide health care benefits\*

\$14.43 perhour

Employers providing services to or for the City of Ann Arbor or recipients of grants or financial assistance from the City of Ann Arbor for a value of more than \$10,000 in a twelve-month period of time must pay those employees performing work on a City of Ann Arbor contract or grant, the above living wage.

# ENFORCEMENT

The City of Ann Arbor may recover back wages either administratively or through court action for the employees that have been underpaid in violation of the law. Persons denied payment of the living wage have the right to bring a civil action for damages in addition to any action taken by the City.

Violation of this Ordinance is punishable by fines of not more than \$500/violation plus costs, with each day being considered a separate violation. Additionally, the City of Ann Arbor has the right to modify, terminate, cancel or suspend a contract in the event of a violation of the Ordinance.

\* Health Care benefits include those paid for by the employer or making an employer contribution toward the purchase of health care. The employee contribution must not exceed \$.50 an hour for an average work week; and the employer cost or contribution must equal no less than \$1/hr for the average work week.

The Law Requires Employers to Display This Poster Where Employees Can Readily See It.

For Additional Information or to File a Complaint Contact Colin Spencer at 734/794-6500 or cspencer@a2gov.org

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#### APPENDIX A: SAMPLE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

If a contract is awarded, the selected Firm(s) will be required to adhere to a set of general contract provisions which will become a part of any formal agreement. These provisions are general principles which apply to all contractors/service providers to the City of Ann Arbor. The required provisions are:

#### SAMPLE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN

#### AND THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR

FOR \_\_\_\_\_

The City of Ann Arbor, a Michigan municipal corporation, having its offices at 301 E. Huron St. Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103 ("City"), and \_\_\_\_\_\_

("Contractor") a(n)			
	(State where organized)	(Partnership, Sole Proprietorship, or Corporation)	
with its address at			
agree as follows on th	isday of	, 20	

The Contractor agrees to provide services to the City under the following terms and conditions:

#### I. DEFINITIONS

Administering Service Area/Unit means\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contract Administrator means\_\_\_\_\_\_, acting personally or through any assistants authorized by the Administrator/Manager of the Administering Service Area/Unit.

Deliverables means all Plans, Specifications, Reports, Recommendations, and other materials developed for and delivered to City by Contractor under this Agreement

Project means

Project name

#### II. DURATION

This Agreement shall become effective on\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20 , and shall remain in effect until satisfactory completion of the Services specified below unless terminated as provided for in Article XI.

#### III. SERVICES

A. The Contractor agrees to provide \_\_\_\_\_

type of service

("Services") in connection with the Project as described in Exhibit A. The City retains the right to make changes to the quantities of service within the general scope of the Agreement at any time by a written order. If the changes add to or deduct from the extent of the services, the

contract sum shall be adjusted accordingly. All such changes shall be executed under the conditions of the original Agreement.

- B. Quality of Services under this Agreement shall be of the level of quality performed by persons regularly rendering this type of service. Determination of acceptable quality shall be made solely by the Contract Administrator.
- C. The Contractor shall perform its Services for the Project in compliance with all statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements now or hereafter in effect as may be applicable to the rights and obligations set forth in the Agreement.
- D. The Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of reports and surveys provided to it by the City (if any) except when defects should have been apparent to a reasonably competent professional or when it has actual notice of any defects in the reports and surveys.

#### IV. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The Parties agree that at all times and for all purposes under the terms of this Agreement each Party's relationship to any other Party shall be that of an independent contractor. Each Party will be solely responsible for the acts of its own employees, agents, and servants. No liability, right, or benefit arising out of any employer/employee relationship, either express or implied, shall arise or accrue to any Party as a result of this Agreement.

#### V. COMPENSATION OF CONTRACTOR

- A. The Contractor shall be paid in the manner set forth in Exhibit B. Payment shall be made monthly, unless another payment term is specified in Exhibit B, following receipt of invoices submitted by the Contractor, and approved by the Contract Administrator.
- B. The Contractor will be compensated for Services performed in addition to the Services described in Section III, only when the scope of and compensation for those additional Services have received prior written approval of the Contract Administrator.
- C. The Contractor shall keep complete records of work performed (e.g. tasks performed/hours allocated) so that the City may verify invoices submitted by the Contractor. Such records shall be made available to the City upon request and submitted in summary form with each invoice.

#### VI. INSURANCE/INDEMNIFICATION

A. The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this contract such insurance policies, including those set forth in Exhibit C, as will protect itself and the City from all claims for bodily injuries, death or property damage which may arise under this contract; whether the act(s) or omission(s) giving rise to the claim

were made by the Contractor, any subcontractor or anyone employed by them directly or indirectly. In the case of all contracts involving on-site work, the

Contractor shall provide to the City, before the commencement of any work under this contract, documentation satisfactory to the City demonstrating it has obtained the policies and endorsements required by Exhibit C.

- B. Any insurance provider of Contractor shall be admitted and authorized to do business in the State of Michigan and shall carry and maintain a minimum rating assigned by A.M. Best & Company's Key Rating Guide of "A-" Overall and a minimum Financial Size Category of "V". Insurance policies and certificates issued by non-admitted insurance companies are not acceptable unless approved in writing by the City.
- C. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold the City, its officers, employees and agents harmless from all suits, claims, judgments and expenses, including attorney's fees, resulting or alleged to result, from any acts or omissions by Contractor or its employees and agents occurring in the performance of or breach in this Agreement, except to the extent that any suit, claim, judgment or expense are finally judicially determined to have resulted from the City's negligence or willful misconduct or its failure to comply with any of its material obligations set forth in this Agreement.

#### VII. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. The Contractor agrees to comply, and to require its subcontractor(s) to comply, with the nondiscrimination provisions of MCL 37.2209. The Contractor further agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 9:158 of Chapter 112 of the Ann Arbor City Code and to assure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment in a manner which provides equal employment opportunity.
- B. <u>Living Wage</u>. If the Contractor is a "covered employer" as defined in Chapter 23 of the Ann Arbor City Code, the Contractor agrees to comply with the living wage provisions of Chapter 23 of the Ann Arbor City Code. The Contractor agrees to pay those employees providing Services to the City under this Agreement a "living wage," as defined in Section 1:815 of the Ann Arbor City Code, as adjusted in accordance with Section 1:815(3); to post a notice approved by the City of the applicability of Chapter 23 in every location in which regular or contract employees providing services under this Agreement are working; to maintain records of compliance; if requested by the City, to provide documentation to verify compliance; to take no action that would reduce the compensation, wages, fringe benefits, or leave available to any employee or person contracted for employment in order to pay the living wage required by Section 1:815; and otherwise to comply with the requirements of Chapter 23.

#### VIII. WARRANTIES BY THE CONTRACTOR

A. The Contractor warrants that the quality of its Services under this Agreement shall conform to the level of quality performed by persons regularly rendering this type of service.

- B. The Contractor warrants that it has all the skills, experience, and professional licenses necessary to perform the Services specified in this Agreement.
- C. The Contractor warrants that it has available, or will engage, at its own expense, sufficient trained employees to provide the Services specified in this Agreement.
- D. The Contractor warrants that it is not, and shall not become overdue or in default to the City for any contract, debt, or any other obligation to the City including real and personal property taxes.
- E. The Contractor warrants that its proposal for services was made in good faith, it arrived at the costs of its proposal independently, without consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting completion as to any matter relating to such fees with any competitor for these Services; and no attempt has been made or shall be made by the Contractor to induce any other perform or firm to submit or not to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.

#### IX. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY

- A. The City agrees to give the Contractor access to the Project area and other Cityowned properties as required to perform the necessary Services under this Agreement.
- B. The City shall notify the Contractor of any defects in the Services of which the Contract Administrator has actual notice.

#### X. ASSIGNMENT

- A. The Contractor shall not subcontract or assign any portion of any right or obligation under this Agreement without prior written consent from the City. Notwithstanding any consent by the City to any assignment, Contractor shall at all times remain bound to all warranties, certifications, indemnifications, promises and performances, however described, as are required of it under the Agreement unless specifically released from the requirement, in writing, by the City.
- B. The Contractor shall retain the right to pledge payment(s) due and payable under this Agreement to third parties.

#### XI. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- A. If either party is in breach of this Agreement for a period of fifteen (15) days following receipt of notice from the non-breaching party with respect to a breach, the non-breaching party may pursue any remedies available to it against the breaching party under applicable law, including but not limited to, the right to terminate this Agreement without further notice. The waiver of any breach by any party to this Agreement shall not waive any subsequent breach by any party.
- B. The City may terminate this Agreement, on at least thirty (30) days advance

notice, for any reason, including convenience, without incurring any penalty, expense or liability to Contractor, except the obligation to pay for Services actually performed under the Agreement before the termination date.

- C. Contractor acknowledges that, if this Agreement extends for several fiscal years, continuation of this Agreement is subject to appropriation of funds for this Project. If funds to enable the City to effect continued payment under this Agreement are not appropriated or otherwise made available, the City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without penalty at the end of the last period for which funds have been appropriated or otherwise made available by giving written notice of termination to Contractor. The Contract Administrator shall give Contractor written notice of such non-appropriation within thirty (30) days after it receives notice of such non-appropriation.
- D. The provisions of Articles VI and VIII shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement for any reason. The expiration or termination of this Agreement, for any reason, shall not release either party from any obligation or liability to the other party, including any payment obligation that has already accrued and Contractor's obligation to deliver all Deliverables due as of the date of termination of the Agreement.

#### XII. REMEDIES

- A. This Agreement does not, and is not intended to, impair, divest, delegate or contravene any constitutional, statutory and/or other legal right, privilege, power, obligation, duty or immunity of the Parties.
- B. All rights and remedies provided in this Agreement are cumulative and not exclusive, and the exercise by either party of any right or remedy does not preclude the exercise of any other rights or remedies that may now or subsequently be available at law, in equity, by statute, in any agreement between the parties or otherwise.
- C. Absent a written waiver, no act, failure, or delay by a Party to pursue or enforce any rights or remedies under this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of those rights with regard to any existing or subsequent breach of this Agreement. No waiver of any term, condition, or provision of this Agreement, whether by conduct or otherwise, in one or more instances, shall be deemed or construed as a continuing waiver of any term, condition, or provision of this Agreement. No waiver by either Party shall subsequently effect its right to require strict performance of this Agreement.

#### XIII. NOTICE

All notices and submissions required under this Agreement shall be delivered to the respective party in the manner described herein to the address stated in this Agreement or such other address as either party may designate by prior written notice to the other. Notices given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered, sent by next day express delivery service, certified mail, or first class U.S. mail postage prepaid, and addressed to the person listed below. Notice will be deemed given on the date when one of the following first occur: (1) the date of actual receipt; (2) the next business day when notice is sent next day express delivery service or personal delivery; or (3) three days after mailing first class or certified U.S. mail.

If Notice is sent to the CONTRACTOR, it shall be addressed and sent to:

If Notice is sent to the CITY, it shall be addressed and sent to:

City of Ann Arbor

(insert name of Administering Service Area Administrator)

301 E. Huron St. Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103

#### XIV. CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM

This Agreement will be governed and controlled in all respects by the laws of the State of Michigan, including interpretation, enforceability, validity and construction, excepting the principles of conflicts of law. The parties submit to the jurisdiction and venue of the Circuit Court for Washtenaw County, State of Michigan, or, if original jurisdiction can be established, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, with respect to any action arising, directly or indirectly, out of this Agreement or the performance or breach of this Agreement. The parties stipulate that the venues referenced in this Agreement are convenient and waive any claim of non-convenience.

#### XV. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS

Upon completion or termination of this Agreement, all documents (i.e., Deliverables) prepared by or obtained by the Contractor as provided under the terms of this Agreement shall be delivered to and become the property of the City. Original basic survey notes, sketches, charts, drawings, partially completed drawings, computations, quantities and other data shall remain in the possession of the Contractor as instruments of service unless specifically incorporated in a deliverable, but shall be made available, upon request, to the City without restriction or limitation on their use. The City acknowledges that the documents are prepared only for the Project. Prior to completion of the contracted Services the City shall have a recognized proprietary interest in the work product of the Contractor.

Unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, any intellectual property owned by Contractor prior to the effective date of this Agreement (i.e., Preexisting Information) shall remain the exclusive property of Contractor even if such Preexisting Information is embedded or otherwise incorporated in materials or products first produced as a result of this Agreement or used to develop Deliverables. The City's right under this provision shall not apply to any Preexisting Information or any component thereof regardless of form or media.

#### XV. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR REPRESENTATION

Contractor certifies it has no financial interest in the Services to be provided under this Agreement other than the compensation specified herein. Contractor further certifies that it presently has no personal or financial interest, and shall not acquire any such interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with its performance of the Services under this Agreement.

Contractor agrees to advise the City if Contractor has been or is retained to handle any matter in which its representation is adverse to the City. The City's prospective consent to the Contractor's representation of a client in matters adverse to the City, as identified above, will not apply in any instance where, as the result of Contractor's representation, the Contractor has obtained sensitive, proprietary or otherwise confidential information of a non-public nature that, if known to another client of the Contractor, could be used in any such other matter by the other client to the material disadvantage of the City. Each matter will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

#### XVII. SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS

Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner as to be effective and valid under applicable law. However, if any provision of this Agreement or the application of any provision to any party or circumstance will be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, that provision will be ineffective to the extent of the prohibition or invalidity without invalidating the remainder of the provisions of this Agreement or the application to other parties and circumstances.

### XVIII. EXTENT OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement, together with any affixed exhibits, schedules or other documentation, constitutes the entire understanding between the City and the Contractor with respect to the subject matter of the Agreement and it supersedes, unless otherwise incorporated by reference herein, all prior representations, negotiations, agreements or understandings whether written or

oral. Neither party has relied on any prior representations, of any kind or nature, in entering into this Agreement. No terms or conditions of either party's invoice, purchase order or other administrative document shall modify the terms and conditions of this Agreement, regardless of the other party's failure to object to such form. This Agreement shall be binding on and shall inure to the benefit of the parties to this Agreement and their permitted successors and permitted assigns and nothing in this Agreement, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer on any other person or entity any legal or equitable right, benefit, or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement. This Agreement may only be altered, amended or modified by written amendment signed by the Contractor and the City. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement.

#### FOR CONTRACTOR

By \_\_\_\_\_

lts

#### FOR THE CITY OF ANN ARBOR

By \_\_\_\_\_ Christopher Taylor, Mayor

By \_

Jacqueline Beaudry, City Clerk

#### Approved as to substance

Howard S. Lazarus, City Administrator

Type Name

Service Area Administrator

Approved as to form and content

Stephen K. Postema, City Attorney

Type Name

#### EXHIBIT A SCOPE OF SERVICES

(Insert/Attach Scope of Work & Deliverables Schedule)

#### EXHIBIT B COMPENSATION

#### <u>General</u>

Contractor shall be paid for those Services performed pursuant to this Agreement inclusive of all reimbursable expenses (if applicable), in accordance with the terms and conditions herein. The Compensation Schedule below/attached states nature and amount of compensation the Contractor may charge the City:

(insert/Attach Negotiated Fee Arrangement)

#### EXHIBIT C INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Effective the date of this Agreement, and continuing without interruption during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide certificates of insurance to the City on behalf of itself, and when requested any subcontractor(s). The certificates of insurance shall meet the following minimum requirements.

- A. The Contractor shall have insurance that meets the following minimum requirements:
  - 1. Professional Liability Insurance or Errors and Omissions Insurance protecting the Contractor and its employees in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.
  - 2. Worker's Compensation Insurance in accordance with all applicable state and federal statutes. Further, Employers Liability Coverage shall be obtained in the following minimum amounts:

Bodily Injury by Accident - \$500,000 each accident Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 each employee Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 each policy limit

3. Commercial General Liability Insurance equivalent to, as a minimum, Insurance Services Office form CG 00 01 07 98 or current equivalent. The City of Ann Arbor shall be an additional insured. There shall be no added exclusions or limiting endorsements which diminish the City's protections as an additional insured under the policy. Further, the following minimum limits of liability are required:

\$1,000,000	Each occurrence as respect Bodily Injury Liability or
	Property Damage Liability, or both combined
\$2,000,000	Per Job General Aggregate
\$1,000,000	Personal and Advertising Injury

- 4. Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance, including Michigan No-Fault Coverages, equivalent to, as a minimum, Insurance Services Office form CA 00 01 07 97 or current equivalent. Coverage shall include all owned vehicles, all non-owned vehicles and all hired vehicles. Further, the limits of liability shall be \$1,000,000 for each occurrence as respects Bodily Injury Liability or Property Damage Liability, or both combined.
- 5. Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance shall be provided to apply in excess of the Commercial General Liability, Employers Liability and the Motor Vehicle coverage enumerated above, for each occurrence and for aggregate in the amount of \$1,000,000.

- B. Insurance required under A.3 above shall be considered primary as respects any other valid or collectible insurance that the City may possess, including any self-insured retentions the City may have; and any other insurance the City does possess shall be considered excess insurance only and shall not be required to contribute with this insurance. Further, the Contractor agrees to waive any right of recovery by its insurer against the City.
- C. Insurance companies and policy forms are subject to approval of the City Attorney, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Documentation must provide and demonstrate an unconditional 30 day written notice of cancellation in favor of the City of Ann Arbor. Further, the documentation must explicitly state the following: (a) the policy number; name of insurance company; name and address of the agent or authorized representative; name and address of insured; project name; policy expiration date; and specific coverage amounts; (b) any deductibles or self-insured retentions which shall be approved by the City, in its sole discretion; (c) that the policy conforms to the requirements specified. Contractor shall furnish the City with satisfactory certificates of insurance and endorsements prior to commencement of any work. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide within 30 days a copy of the policy(ies) to the City. If any of the above coverages expire by their terms during the term of this contract, the Contractor shall deliver proof of renewal and/or new policies to the Administering Service Area/Unit at least ten days prior to the expiration date.