

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP # 994

Auditing Services

City of Ann Arbor
Financial & Administrative Services



Due Date: February 1, 2017 by 2:00 p.m. (local time)

Issued By:

City of Ann Arbor
Procurement Unit
301 E. Huron Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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SECTION 1- GENERAL INFORMATION

A. OBJECTIVE

The City of Ann Arbor is accepting Proposals from Certified Public Accounting firms to provide Auditing Services for the City in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Request for Proposal (RFP) for Auditing Services. The City is interested in a five-year contract with the option to extend for two (2) years on an annual basis at the City's approval. The Audit services will begin with the fiscal audit responsibilities for June 30, 2017 and potentially ending June 30, 2023 if extensions are granted by the City.

This RFP contains a detailed set of requirements for the scope of work required by the successful Offeror. Each Offeror shall be required and expected to meet the RFP requirements in their entirety, except to the extent exceptions are expressly noted in the Offeror's Proposal and those exceptions are expressly agreed to by the City in writing.

B. QUESTIONS ABOUT AND CLARIFICATIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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

All questions shall be submitted on or before January 18, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.,
and should be addressed as follows:

Scope of Work/Proposal Content questions shall be e-mailed to Karen Lancaster,
Finance Director - klancaster@a2gov.org

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

Should any prospective audit firm be in doubt as to the true meaning of any portion of this RFP, or should the audit firm find any ambiguity, inconsistency, or omission therein, the audit firm 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 audit firm'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

There will be no pre-proposal meeting.

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 audit firm. An official authorized to bind the audit firm 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 audit firm'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 firms, 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 firms to this project. If the City chooses to interview any respondents, the interviews will be tentatively held the **week of February 13, 2017**.

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 audit firm's response shall be documented and included as part of the final contract.

F. SEALED PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

All proposals are due and must be delivered to the City on, or before, February 1, 2017 by 2:00 p.m. (local time). 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 No. 994 – Auditing Services”** and list the audit firm’s name and address.

Proposals must be addressed and delivered to:
City of Ann Arbor
c/o Customer Service
301 East Huron Street
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 audit firm for any unforeseen circumstances, delivery, or postal delays. Postmarking on the due date will not substitute for receipt of the proposal. Audit firms are responsible for submission of their proposal. Additional time will not be granted to a single firm. However, additional time may be granted to all firms 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.**

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

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 firm'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 audit firm'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 firm 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 firm complete a Conflict of Interest Disclosure form. A contract may not be awarded to the selected firm 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 firm 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, the audit firm 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 firm must clearly state the reasons for the protest. If a firm contacts a City Service Area/Unit and indicates a desire to protest an award, the Service Area/Unit shall refer the firm to the Purchasing Manager. The Purchasing Manager will provide the firm 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
Written Question Deadline	January 18, 2017, 10:00 a.m.
Proposal Due Date	February 1, 2017, 2:00 p.m.
Tentative Interviews (if needed)	Week of February 13, 2017
Selection/Negotiations	March 2017
Expected City Council Authorizations	March 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 firm 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 audit firms.
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 the 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 audit firms 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

A. Background

Purpose-The purpose of this RFP is to establish a contractual relationship with an experienced and qualified firm to provide Auditing Services to the City in the most efficient and cost-effective manner. The City may select one or more experienced and qualified entities to proceed with the negotiation process from those submitting Proposals. The process will include the review and evaluation of the two sections described within the Auditing Services RFP. Past experience will also be judged by the references of each Offeror.

Entity-The City of Ann Arbor (Michigan) has a population of approximately 114,000 citizens. The City operates under a Council - Administrator form of government and provides the following services as authorized by its charter: public safety (police, fire, and building inspection), traffic control and street maintenance, refuse collection, water and wastewater, parks and recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning, airport, urban re-development and housing, golf courses, and general administrative services. The City of Ann Arbor has 722 FTE's and issues bi-weekly payroll checks/advice for 1,000 employees (permanent and temporary).

Budgets- The City budgets funds on the modified accrual basis of accounting as required by Michigan law. Appropriations are made at the service area for the General Fund and fund total level for all other budgeted funds. The City also maintains an encumbrance system. Both the budgetary, and encumbrance systems are integrated with the accounting system to provide easy comparison with actual expenditures. More detail information on the City of Ann Arbor and its finances can be found in the June 30, 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and our Adopted Budget by accessing the City of Ann Arbor's website: <http://www.a2gov.org/departments/finance-admin-services/financial-reporting/Pages/default.aspx> .

Accounting Records- The city maintains all its accounting records in City Hall, 301 East Huron Street, Ann Arbor. The City maintains its cash receipts journal, cash disbursements journal, general ledger and accounts receivable ledger on Tyler's (formerly New World System) LOGOS software. Software packages used are as follows:

- General Ledger-Payables, Receivables, Procurement, & Budget (Logos)
- Payroll (Ultimate)
- BS&A Software/Equalizer Tax-Property Assessment, tax billing & collections and special assessment
- Water/Sewer Billing (Cogsdale)
- Other - developed by in-house programming staff.

Fund Structure-As of June 30, 2016, the City of Ann Arbor and its component units used the following fund types in its financial reporting:

Fund Type	Individual Funds
General Fund	1
Special Revenue Funds	24
Debt Service Funds	2
Capital Projects Funds	2
Permanent Fund	1
Enterprise Funds	6
Internal Service Funds	6
Fiduciary Funds	5
Pension Trust Fund	2
Component Units (<i>DDA, Smart Zone LDFA & Housing Commission</i>)	3

Pension Trust Funds

The City of Ann Arbor participates in a defined benefit pension plan as follows:

- ❖ City of Ann Arbor Retirement System- actuarial services provided by Buck Consultants

The City also has a VEBA trust to pre-fund retiree health care as follows:

- ❖ VEBA- actuarial services provided by Buck Consultants.

Grants-A copy of the Schedule of Federal and Pass-through Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2016 can be found on-line at:

<http://www.a2gov.org/departments/finance-admin-services/financial-reporting/Pages/default.aspx> .

B. Scope of Work

The audit will encompass a financial and compliance examination of the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), in accordance with the laws and /or regulations for the State of Michigan, which include requirements for the minimum scope of the audit. The financial and compliance audit will cover federal, state, and local funding sources in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The audit must be conducted in a timely manner such that all necessary financial and compliance information, including draft financial statements, are completed and presented to the City Chief Financial Officer and Finance Director, no later

than October 1 each year. If the City is unable to provide schedules/documents prepared by the Accounting Services Staff at the agreed upon time, above time frame will be appropriately extended.

The auditor will also audit the following entities and draft their statements:

- City of Ann Arbor Employees' Retirement System
- City of Ann Arbor Retiree Healthcare Trust Fund
- Fifteenth District Court
- Downtown Development Authority

The above entities maintain their own accounting systems and records as well as internal controls and policies and are not part of the City's financial system. They are located offsite from the City's accounting office location.

The auditor will also draft the following:

- Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards
- Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs
- Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings

Please note the Housing Commission is not included in the scope of this RFP but is considered a discretely presented component unit of the City.

Accounting Services Area Assistance

The Accounting Services staff will make available to the auditor sufficient help to pull records. City personnel will make every attempt to perform the necessary accounting procedures and complete agreed upon documents no later than dates set each year. Adequate notification will be given prior to any changes in estimated times. The Accounting staff will prepare workpapers, notes and statistical information using internal financial reports. We use Microsoft Sharepoint to store our workpapers and supporting documentation. The auditors will be given access to the Sharepoint site to download any documents needed. The City is aware of, and understands the need to provide assistance to the auditor and will make every attempt to meet agreed upon deadlines.

The City will provide the auditor with reasonable workspace and computer access.

Report formatting and printing shall be the responsibility of the auditor.

City Liaison-Following the signing of the contract, all communications concerning the contract must be directed to: Karen Lancaster, CPA, Finance Director, located at 301 East Huron Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48107. Karen can be contacted via e-mail at Klancaster@a2gov.org or by phone at (734) 794-6512.

Audit Contract & Payment of Audit Fees-The audit contract with the selected firm must be approved by the City Council. A sample agreement is included as Appendix A. Invoices are subject to approval by the Accounting Services Manager, if applicable, prior to processing by the City. Interim or progress billings will be accepted up to 75% of the total fee prior to submission of the audited financial statements to the Finance Director and the approval of the audited financial statements.

Other Services-The Accounting Services Staff may require the auditor's guidance on the completion of certain schedules/documents as to proper format and content, so that they can be used in the audit process as well as for inclusion in the City's CAFR. Guidance may be required for new note disclosure, GASB implementations and other reporting requirements at June 30th of each year.

Audit Time Requirements-The City of Ann Arbor will have all records ready for audit and necessary management personnel available to meet with the firm's personnel on or around August 31st of each year or an alternate date mutually agreed upon by the Finance Director and the audit firm.

A draft of the CAFR shall be provided to the Financial Services Area Attn: Karen Lancaster, Finance Director, no later than October 1st.

The Financial Services Area will complete their review as expeditiously as possible. It is expected that this process should not exceed one week. During that period, the auditor should be available for any meetings that may be necessary to discuss the audit reports. Once all issues for discussion are resolved, the final CAFR shall be delivered to the Finance Director. It is anticipated that this process will be completed and the CAFR delivered by October 31st.

SECTION III - MINIMUM INFORMATION REQUIRED

PROPOSAL FORMAT

Audit firms should organize Proposals into the following Sections:

- A. Expertise and Experience
- B. Audit Approach
- C. Fee Proposal (include in a separate sealed envelope clearly marked "Fee Proposal")
- D. Authorized Negotiator
- E. 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.

Proposals will be evaluated using three sets of criteria. Firms meeting the mandatory criteria will have their proposals evaluated and scored. The following represent the selection criteria, which will be considered during the evaluation process. The decisions and opinions of the Audit Committee regarding Proposal evaluations are final and cannot be appealed.

- A. Expertise and Experience (Maximum Points - 40)
 - a. ***The firm's past experience and performance on comparable government engagements.*** Indicate the experience of the local office in providing auditing services to government clients by listing the name of each government, the type(s) of service performed, and the year(s) of engagement. Provide names, email addresses, and telephone numbers of personnel of current and prior governmental audit clients who may be contacted for reference.
 - b. ***The quality of the firm's professional personnel to be assigned to the engagement and the quality of the firm's management support personnel to be available for technical consultation.*** Indicate the number of people (by job title) located within the local office that will handle the audit.
- B. Audit Approach (Maximum Points - 30)
 - a. ***Adequacy of proposed staffing plan for various segments of the engagement.***
 - b. ***Adequacy of procedures and techniques to be applied.***
 - c. ***Financial Statement/CAFR preparation***-Indicate how your firm prepares the CAFR using client-prepared schedules/tables. For

example, does your firm type the financial statements, use Excel for statements, or some other method? How are the statements reviewed for typographical or other errors?

C. Fee (Maximum Points - 30)

D. 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.

E. Attachments

Legal Status of Consultant, 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 and B) 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 auditors.
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 audit team members expected to complete a majority of work on the audit, but no more than six members total. The interview shall consist of a presentation of up to 15 minutes (or the length provided by the committee) by the audit firm, including the person who will be the audit partner 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 audit firms 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 but will not be rejected as non-responsive for being bound. 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.

Each person signing the proposal certifies that he or she is the person in the audit 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 audit firm must acknowledge in its proposal all addenda it has received. The failure of an audit firm to receive or acknowledge receipt of any addenda shall not relieve the audit firm 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.

Signature

(Print) Name _____ Title _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Contact Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

ATTACHMENT D



VENDOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM
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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 Interest Disclosure*	
Name of City of Ann Arbor employees, elected officials or immediate family members with whom there may be a potential conflict of interest.	<input type="checkbox"/> Relationship to employee <hr/> <input type="checkbox"/> Interest in vendor’s company <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe in box below)

*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	Date	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

Intent: 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.

Discriminatory Employment Practices: 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.

Discriminatory Effects: 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.

Nondiscrimination by City Contractors: 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.

Complaint Procedure: 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 complainant and location, date and description of the alleged violation of this chapter.

Private Actions For Damages or Injunctive Relief: 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.

ATTACHMENT F

CITY OF ANN ARBOR LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE

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

\$12.93 per hour

If the employer provides health care benefits*

\$14.43 per hour

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

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**

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 this _____ day 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. Nondiscrimination. 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. Living Wage. 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 person 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 City-owned 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.

XVI. 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 of the provision 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 _____
Type Name
Its

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

**EXHIBIT A
SCOPE OF SERVICES**

(Insert/Attach Scope of Work & Deliverables Schedule)

**EXHIBIT B
COMPENSATION**

General

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.