

Economic Development Consultant – To Update the Citywide Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP)

Request for Proposals # PL-22-03

| General Information | | |
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| Project Cost Estimate | \$150,000 | See Section 1.5 |
| Project Timeline | 180 calendar days from NTP. | See Section 1.5 |
| Evaluation of Proposals | Evaluation Committee | See Section 1.8 |
| Virtual Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting | 9:00 a.m. on June 21, 2022. The | See Section 1.9 |
| | virtual non-mandatory pre-bid | |
| | meeting will be live-streamed via | |
| | Cisco Webex Meetings. The | |
| | public is invited to attend the | |
| | meeting virtually. | |
| Question Due Date | June 27, 2022 | See Section 1.9 |
| Proposals will be accepted until | 2:00 p.m. on July 12, 2022 | See Section 1.9 |
| 5% Proposal Security / Bid Bond | Not Applicable | Not Applicable |
| 100% Payment and Performance Bonds | Not Applicable | Not Applicable |
| Grant or Federal Funding Information | Not Applicable | Not Applicable |

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SECTION 1 - INSTRUCTIONS

1.1 NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of Pembroke Pines is seeking sealed proposals for:

RFP # PL-22-03

Economic Development Consultant – To Update the Citywide Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP)

Solicitations may be obtained from the City of Pembroke Pines website at http://www.ppines.com/index.aspx?NID=667 and on the https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/ website.

If you have any problems downloading the solicitation, please contact Bonfire Support at Support@GoBonfire.com.

If additional information help is needed with downloading the solicitation package please contact the City's Procurement Department at (954) 518-9020 or by email at purchasing@ppines.com. The Procurement Department hours are between 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Monday through Thursday and is located at 8300 South Palm Drive, Pembroke Pines, Florida 33025.

The City requires all questions relating to the solicitation be entered through the "Messages" section for the specific project on the https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/ website. Under the "Messages" section, vendors will find the "Opportunity Q&A" tab in which they can ask their specific question(s). Responses to the questions will be provided online at https://ppines.bonfirehub.com. Such request must be received by the "Question Due Date" stated in the solicitation. The issuance of a response via Bonfire is considered an Addendum and shall be the only official method whereby such an interpretation or clarification will be made.

Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 12, 2022. Proposals must be **submitted electronically at https://ppines.bonfirehub.com. The sealed electronic proposals will be publicly opened at 2:30 p.m. by the City Clerk's Office, in the City Hall Administration Building, 4th Floor Conference Room located at 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines, Florida, 33025.**

1.1.1 VIRTUAL BID OPENING

At the time of writing this notice, the City will not be opening up the physical location for public access as <u>City offices are closed to the public</u>, due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus Due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic, the City may not be opening up the physical location for public access.

As a result, meetings may be a combination of in-person and virtual, all as provided by law. <u>In any event, the public is encouraged to attend the bid opening process</u> <u>virtually in lieu of attending the meeting in person.</u>

Bid openings for this project will be live-streamed from the City Clerk's Office, in the City Hall Administration Building, 4th Floor Conference Room located at 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines, Florida, 33025 at 2:30 PM on the bid due date.

While recognizing the importance of public accessibility to the bid openings, and considering public health concerns, in the abundance of caution, the City is requesting that interested parties utilize live streaming as a safe way for vendors and the public to view the bid opening process in lieu of attending the meeting in person.

The public is invited to attend the meeting virtually via the Cisco Webex Meetings platform.

• WebEx Meeting Link: https://ppines.webex.com/meet/purchasing

Cisco Webex Meeting Number: 717 019 586
Join by Phone Number: +1-408-418-9388

The public may download the **Cisco Webex Meetings app** from https://www.webex.com/downloads.html/, to view and listen to the meeting, however please make sure to mute your phone/microphone/device's audio and camera as the public may attend the meeting but will not be allowed to comment or participate in the proceedings.

If any member of the public requires additional information about this meeting or has any questions about how to access the meeting, please contact:

Danny Benedit, Procurement Department City of Pembroke Pines 8300 South Palm Drive, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025 954-518-9022 purchasing@ppines.com

1.2 PURPOSE

The City of Pembroke Pines is seeking proposals from qualified economic development consultant firms, hereinafter referred to as the Contractor, to update the Citywide Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP) for the City's Planning and Economic Development Department, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this solicitation.

The EDSP provides a framework that aims to increase the City's tax base by enhancing the business climate and creating higher-paying jobs. The City's ultimate goal is to sustain and expand its economic base in order to provide for a high quality of life for all residents.

Ideally, the plan will set out a key set of strategies, with action items, that build upon the City's current economic asset base, identify how to overcome its challenges, facilitate the growth and expansion of existing industry and business sectors, and promote key redevelopment corridors as integral to the City's economic future over the next 5 to 10 years. These activities will increase employment and position the City as a great place to live, learn, work, and play.

The strategies developed should address both the needs and impediments for existing business, while defining methods for attracting and growing new business areas of opportunity. Identifying and maintaining a balance between the two is necessary in a community approaching build out like the City of Pembroke Pines. Specifically, we need to address the pertinent challenges that the City faces including:

- 1. Small lot configuration on east side of the City creating cost issues for parcel assemblage
- 2. Limited availability of land
- 3. Limited funding sources; the City does not have a State approved Community Redevelopment Agency or special taxing districts
- 4. Little data on current economic base Much of the data available is inconsistent and needs to be researched to clearly identify industries in the City of Pembroke Pines
- 5. Lack of diversity in current economic base, i.e. strictly retail based economy.
- 6. Maintaining a high quality of life

In preparing the EDSP, other relevant City, County and Regional plans and initiatives shall be reviewed and incorporated into the EDSP. These plans/initiatives include, but are not limited to the following:

- The South Florida Regional Planning Council's 2012-2017 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
- The Southeast Florida Regional Partnership's Seven50 Plan
- The Broward County Six Pillars Community Strategic Plan
- The Broward MPO Long Range Comprehensive Plan 2045
- The Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact
- The City of Pembroke Pines Comprehensive Plan
- The City of Pembroke Pines Streetscape Design Guidelines
- City Plans and Programs

For the purposes of creating the EDSP, in addition to the City, County, and Regional analysis, three sub geographic areas will be analyzed:

- East District: Bound on the west by Palm Avenue east to the municipal boundary.
- Central District: Bound on the east by Palm Avenue, west to Interstate 75.
- West District: Bound on the east by Interstate 75 west to the municipal boundary.

1.3 BACKGROUND

The City of Pembroke Pines, in Broward County, Florida, was incorporated in 1960 and encompasses an area of approximately 35 square miles and a population of approximately 171,178. The community is primarily residential, with small concentrations of light industrial,

commercial and some agricultural property within the corporate limits. The City is bound on the east by the Florida Turnpike and portions of the City of Hollywood and is bound on the west by the Florida Everglades.

The City is approaching buildout with opportunities for development of vacant property are becoming rare. The City continues to see initial reinvestment in the eastern side of the City. This reinvestment is typically in the form of remodeling of existing structures, though recently the City has witnessed some buildings being torn down and redeveloped. Many buildings in the east are approaching 40 years in age, thus qualifying them for re-inspection under the Florida Building Code. It is likely that this inspection process, the recent increase in property values in South Florida, and the scarcity of vacant land within the City will result in further larger redevelopment opportunities.

The City is approaching buildout of the City Center project with just a few parcels under development review. Upon completion, City Center will feature more than 160 acres of community facilities for residential, commercial, medical, and office uses.

In 2014, the City of Pembroke Pines approved their first Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP). The plan provided the Commission and residents with an overview of the City's demographics as well as strategies the City should consider to increase its business climate and economic vitality. The EDSP has shaped many of the current programs and policy decisions related to City operations.

The EDSP and City acknowledged that the City would need to update the document from time to time as the City continues to grow, and new challenges to its economic vitality arise.

1.4 SCOPE OF WORK/PLAN COMPONENTS

The Economic Development Strategic Plan will contain several components that aim to further improve the City's economy:

- 1. Economic Profile of the City
 - a. History
 - b. Demographics
 - c. Housing
 - d. Education
 - e. Employment
- 2. Market Analysis and Assessment (vacancy, rental rates, absorption)
 - a. Retail
 - b. Office
 - c. Industrial
 - d. Specialty (Healthcare)
 - e. Residential

- 3. Community Assessment
 - a. Future Land Use
 - b. Zoning
 - c. Housing
 - d. Redevelopment
 - e. Code of Ordinances
- 4. Evaluation of City Real Estate Transactions Timeframe 2011 to 2022
 - a. Land Use and Diversification
 - b. Tax Analysis and Financial Impacts
- 5. Overlap and support with other City plans or policies
 - a. Green Plan
 - b. Parks and Recreation Master Plan
 - c. Public Art Master Plan
 - d. Procurement Code and Policies
 - e. Transportation Master Plan
- 6. Labor and Workforce Assessment
- 7. Benchmarks
- 8. Incentives and Funding Opportunities
- 9. Outside Review of 2014-2019 EDSP
- 10. Stakeholder Participation
- 11. Action Plan Considerations

1.4.1 ACTION PLAN CONSIDERATIONS

a. Building a Green Economy

- 1. Evaluate how the City could participate in the Green Economy including identifying Green Opportunities for Green New and Emerging Jobs, Green Enhanced Skills Jobs and, Green Increased Demand Jobs.
- 2. Identify emerging subsectors to create localized conversations about those emerging sectors. Including employment opportunities for Clean and Renewable Energy Sectors.
- 3. Identify mechanisms, techniques and methods used by industries in Pembroke Pines aimed to clean environment and conservation practices.
- 4. Employer engagement in green workforce development.
- 5. Support educational institutions in their initiatives to develop a workforce for a sustainable economy.

6. Green Business Data Bank to identify prime green sectors and factors of success.

b. Economic Resiliency

- 1. Comprehensive planning efforts that incorporate a vision for resilient industries and technologies.
- 2. Implement efforts to diversify the industrial base.
- 3. Promoting business continuity by ensuring businesses understand vulnerabilities and strengths.
- 4. Identify national and regional comparative differentiators for the City; develop strategies for recruitment of national companies as well as support for local entrepreneurs and businesses that simultaneously support diversity and inclusion.
- 5. Identify areas near employment centers, technology and industrial districts that may be viable for workforce housing.
- 6. Examine pre and post COVID economy.

c. Redevelopment

- 1. Examine and identify areas that are prime for redevelopment.
- 2. Identify strategies and policies to encourage or incentivize redevelopment of aged or bypassed properties possibly for workforce or attainable housing.
- 3. Identify development and redevelopment opportunities within the City and develop a prioritization ranking relating to various evaluation factors.
- 4. Identify lower cost opportunity sites to allow for small scale projects.
- 5. Expand the use of the PD-SL Zoning District to guide redevelopment efforts and investment east of I-75.

d. Create Economic Diversity

- 1. Identify industries that could thrive based on current infrastructure.
- 2. Consider the creation of specialized districts to target sectors (such as healthcare, technology.)
- 3. Support collaboration and position among cities in the South Broward Region, and local entities toward the City's economic vision.
- 4. Develop and implement a regional strategy to develop talent and creativity clusters using traditional and new best practices.
- 5. Strengthen City's economic areas and connect resources across the region to build Pembroke Pines as a competitive location for businesses in Broward's Southwest Region.
- 6. Position Pembroke Pines as a regional hub for trade, visitors, talent, innovation, and investment. Look to identify businesses that may support businesses in the region.
- 7. Guide the South Broward Region in economic growth and prosperity.

e. Small Business, Shop Local and Entrepreneurship

- 1. Examine and identify programs available to small business.
- 2. Small business entrepreneurship assistance and opportunities.
- 3. Examine and identify impediments to small businesses.
- 4. Programming and events for small business support and their development.
- 5. Identify best practices for "shop local" programs or concepts that support local businesses.
- 6. Support an entrepreneurship and innovation ecosystem and collaborate with regional partners to market Pembroke Pines to target industries.
- 7. Educate the business community of available programs and financing options.
- 8. Procurement and local preference.

1.5 PROJECT COST ESTIMATE & TIMELINE

The City has established an estimated cost for this project of \$150,000.

Work shall be completed within 180 calendar days from issuance of CITY's Notice to Proceed. The estimated start date will be determined after City Commission acceptance of the intended contract awardee and will be provided to the vendor at that time.

1.6 PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

The https://ppines.bonfirehub.com website allows for vendors to complete, scan and upload their documents as part of the proposer's submittal on the website.

Prospective proposers interested in responding to this solicitation are requested to provide all of the information listed in this section. Submittals that do not respond completely to all of requirements specified herein may be considered non-responsive and eliminated from the process. Brevity and clarity are encouraged.

The Bonfire system utilizes "Questionnaires" to request the following information from prospective proposers.

1.6.1 Project Cost: Pricing Sheet / Bid Tables (30 points)

The vendor must provide their pricing through the designated lines items listed on the Bonfire website under the Pricing Sheet or Bid Tables section.

1.6.2 Questionnaires

Tab 1 - Experience and Ability (25 points):

The relative experience and qualification of each applicant's proposed team, with respect to the project scope, will be judged and a relative rating assigned. This parameter expresses the general and specific project-related capability of the team

and indicates the adequate depth and abilities of the organization which it can draw upon as needed. This will include management, technical, and support staff.

- 1. Explain your firm's interest in working on this project, a positive commitment to perform the required work and a description of the firm.
- 2. Describe the size of your firm.
- 3. Describe your firm's financial history, strength and stability.
- 4. Describe your firm's range of activities.
- 5. Describe the specialized experience and technical competence of the firm or persons with respect to working on similar projects.
- 6. Do you have a minimum of two (2) years of experience? Please provide proof of such experience.
- 7. The firm or person's must provide information on their proximity to and familiarity with the area in which the project is located.
- 8. Explain the availability and access to the firm's top level management personnel.
- 9. Please describe the past record of performance of the firm or person with respect to accessibility to clients, ability to meet schedules, communication and coordination skills.
- 10. Identify the contact person and supervisory personnel who will work on the various projects, including the relative experience of all professionals proposed for use on the team.
- 11. Provide summaries of key persons and on-site staff to be assigned to the project with emphasis on their experience with similar work.
- 12. Explain the ability and experience of the field staff with specific attention to project related experience.
- 13. Contractor should list any applicable qualification, including education, experience, honors and awards received, and professional associations of which the firm and/or its personnel are members.
- 14. Provide the recent, current, and projected workload of the firm.
- 15. What is your reputation compared to your peers in the market?
- 16. What is your reputation like among customers and how have you developed it?
- 17. How does your service differ from similar competitors'? How do you win and retain business?

<u>Tab 2 - Previous Experience / References Form (25 points):</u>

Provide specific examples of similar contracts delivered by the proposed team members. Provide details on related projects (preferably where the team was the same). References should be from the last five years and should be capable of explaining and confirming your firm's capacity to successfully complete the scope of work outlined herein. As part of the proposal evaluation process, the City may conduct an investigation of references, including a record check or consumer affairs complaints. Proposers' submission of a proposal constitutes

acknowledgment of the process and consent to investigate. The City is the sole judge in determining Proposers qualifications.

In regards to the References Form portion, you will have the ability to enter information for 5 different references including the Reference Contact Information and the specific Project Information.

In addition, do not provide references for City of Pembroke Pines projects.

1. **Previous Experience:**

- a. How many clients have you provided Services for?
- b. What similar or related projects have you worked on within the past three years?
- c. What challenges did you face and how did you overcome them?
- d. How many of your clients are repeat clients?
- e. How much of your revenue is derived from managing projects similar to ours?
- 2. **References Form:** Please provide references for your Services.

a. References Contact Information

- i. Name of Firm, City, County or Agency
- ii. Address
- iii. Contact Name
- iv. Contact Title
- v. Contact E-mail Address
- vi. Contact Telephone #

b. Project Information

- i. Name of Contractor Performing the work
- ii. Name and location of the project
- iii. Nature of the firm's responsibility on the project
- iv. Project duration
- v. Completion (Anticipated) Date
- vi. Size of project
- vii. Cost of project
- viii. Work for which staff was responsible
 - ix. The results/deliverables of the project

Tab 3 - Firm's Understanding and Approach to the Work (15 points):

The understanding that the applicant and consultants demonstrate as to the requirements and needs of the project, including an evaluation of the thoroughness demonstrated in analyzing and investigating the scope of the project.

- 1. Provide a narrative statement demonstrating an understanding of the overall intent of this solicitation, as well as the methods used to complete assigned tasks.
- 2. Please clearly describe all aspects of the project proposed.
- 3. Include details of your approach and work plans.
- 4. How would you organize this project in terms of milestones?
- 5. Identify any issues or concerns of significance that may be appropriate.
- 6. How do you ensure the quality of your services?
 - a. What criteria do you use to measure your quality?
- 7. How often do you find mistakes or errors in your work and what is done to correct these errors, and what is the average correction time?
- 8. Describe the firm's techniques to quality control. At a minimum describe the firm's technique to control design and contract documentation, including record keeping.
- 9. A brief statement must be included which explains why your proposal would be the most effective and beneficial to the City of Pembroke Pines.

1.6.3 Other Completed Questionnaires

- 1. Contact Information Form
- 2. Proposer's Background Information
- 3. Vendor Registration Checklist

1.6.4 Other Completed Documents:

1. Attachment A: Non-Collusive Affidavit

1.6.5 Optional Documentation

1. Trade Secrets:

- a. The Proposer's response to this solicitation is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this solicitation and the Contract to be executed for this solicitation, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes.
- b. Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the solicitation, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City

which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation constitutes a Trade Secret.

- c. EXCEPT FOR CLEARLY MARKED PORTIONS THAT ARE BONA FIDE TRADE SECRETS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW, DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED. ALL DOCUMENTS THAT THE FIRM PURPORTS TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, PROPRIETARY OR A TRADE SECRET SHALL BE UPLOADED TO THE BONFIRE WEBSITE AS A SEPARATE ATTACHMENT, IN THIS SECTION, CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THE EXEMPTION BEING CLAIMED UNDER FLORIDA STATUTES 119.07.
- d. The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the city and the city's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the city's treatment of records as public records.

2. Financial Statements:

- a. The City is <u>not</u> requesting the vendor to submit any financial statements for this project and prefers if the vendor does not submit financial statements. In addition, if the City needs a copy of the vendor's financial statements, the City can contact the vendor after the bid due date to request those documents. However, if the vendor does submit the financial statements, they should be uploaded in this section.
- b. Any claim of confidentiality on financial statements must be asserted at the time of submittal. The firm must identify the specific statute that authorizes the exemption from the Public Records Law. Please note that the financial statement exemption provided for in Section 119.071(1)c, Florida Statutes only applies to submittals in response to a solicitation for a "public works" project.

3. Additional Information:

a. Please provide any additional information that you deem necessary to complete your proposal in this section, if it has not been requested in another section.

1.7 VENDOR REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS

The https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/ website will allow vendors to update their information and documents on an as-needed basis. This process is intended to make the bidding process easier for vendors that bid on multiple City projects. This process will allow vendors to complete and submit the following standard forms and documents at any time prior to bidding on a project. In addition, the vendors will be able to utilize these same forms without the need to re-fill and resubmit the forms each time they bid on a City project. In the event that the City does not have one of the forms or documents listed below for your company, the City may reach out to your company after the bid has closed to obtain the document(s).

<u>Furthermore</u>, please make sure to update this information on an as-needed basis so that all pertinent information is accurate, such as local business tax receipts, and any other relevant information.

The following documents can be completed prior to the bidding process through the https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/ website and do not need to be attached to your submittal as the Bonfire website will automatically include it.

1.7.1 Vendor Information Form

1.7.2 Form W-9 (Rev. October 2018)

a. Previously dated versions of this form will delay the processing of any payments to the selected vendor.

1.7.3 Company Profile Form

1.7.4 Sworn Statement on Public Entity Crimes Form

1.7.5 Equal Benefits Certification Form

1.7.6 Vendor Drug-Free Workplace Certification Form

1.7.7 Scrutinized Company Certification

1.7.8 E-Verify System Certification Statement

a. Effective January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 448.095. Florida Statues, the City may not enter into a contract with a vendor/contractor/subcontractor unless that vendor/contractor/subcontractor is registered with and uses the E-Verify system administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ("DHS").

b. Contractor shall also require all subcontractors to provide an affidavit attesting that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, an unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract.

1.7.9 Veteran Owned Small Business Preference Certification

- a. If claiming Veteran Owned Small Business Preference Certification, business must attach the "Determination Letter" from the United States Department of Veteran Affairs Center for Verification and Evaluation notifying the business that they have been approved as a Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB).
- b. The Veteran Owned Small Business Preference Certification form must be completed by/for the proposer; the proposer <u>WILL NOT</u> qualify for Veteran Owned Small Business Preference based on their sub-contractors' qualifications.

1.7.10 Local Business Tax Receipts

1.7.11 Local Vendor Preference Certification

1.8 EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS & PROCESS OF SELECTION

- A. Staff will evaluate all responsive proposals received from proposers who meet or exceed the bid requirements contained in the RFP. Evaluations shall be based upon the information and references contained in the proposals as submitted. As such, the Proposal should be as comprehensive as possible; clearly describing the details of services that the Proposer intends to provide.
- B. The City will convene an Evaluation Committee and brief its members on the scope of the project and the services required. The Evaluation Committee will evaluate proposals based on the following criteria

| Criteria | Points |
|---|------------|
| Project Cost | 30 points |
| Experience and Ability | 25 points |
| Previous Experience / References Form | 25 points |
| Firm's Understanding and Approach to the Work | 15 points |
| Local Vendor Preference/ | 5 points |
| Veteran Owned Small Business Preference* | |
| Total Points | 100 points |

^{*}Please note that the Local Vendor Preference is used to evaluate the submittals received from proposers and are assigned point totals, a preference of five (5) points

of the total evaluation point shall be given to the Local Pembroke Pines Vendor(s); a preference of two and a half (2.5) points of the total evaluation point shall be given to the Local Broward County Vendor(s), all other vendors shall receive zero (0) points. Vendors must submit the attached Local Vendor Preference Certification Form in order to qualify for these evaluation points.

Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB) is also used to evaluate the submittals received from proposers and are assigned point totals, a preference of two and a half (2.5) points of the total evaluation point shall be given to the Veteran Owned Small Businesses. Vendors must submit the attached Veteran Owned Small Business Preference Certification Form in order to qualify for these evaluation points.

All other vendors shall receive zero (0) points.

- C. The Evaluation Committee shall have the option to short-list the proposers based on the criteria listed above. In addition, the Evaluation Committee may schedule a meeting for the firms to make presentations and answer questions of clarification as part of its evaluation. As part of this process, the firms shall have officials of the appropriate management level present and representing the firm. The project manager should be available. The firm shall be prepared to present an overall briefing regarding the manner in which the contractual obligations will be accomplished.
- D. The Evaluation Committee will make a recommendation to the City Commission for award of contract. The contract shall be awarded to the most responsive/responsible proposer whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the City taking into consideration the evaluation criteria.

1.8.1 SCORING FOR PROJECT COST CRITERIA

The Evaluation Committee will utilize the following when calculating the weighted score of each vendor related to the **Project Cost** criteria.

The Lowest Project Cost Proposal will be divided by Proposer "X" Cost Proposal times the Maximum Available Points for the Pricing Criteria = Proposer "X" Cost Score.

Example:

Firm "A" cost proposal is \$10,000 and is the lowest cost proposal Firm "B" cost proposal is \$15,000 Firm "C" cost proposal is \$20,000

Maximum Points Available for the "Project Cost" criteria: 25

Calculation:

Firm "A": Lowest price and receives 25 points

Firm "B": $10,000/15,000 \times 25$ points = 16.67 points

Firm "C": $10,000/20,000 \times 25$ points = 12.50 points

1.9 TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

| Event | Time &/or Date |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Issuance of Solicitation (Posting Date) | June 9, 2022 |
| Virtual Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid | 9:00 a.m. on June 21, 2022 |
| Meeting | |
| Question Due Date | June 27, 2022 |
| Anticipated Date of Issuance for the | June 30, 2022 |
| Addenda with Questions and Answers | |
| Proposals will be accepted until | 2:00 p.m. on July 12, 2022 |
| Proposals will be opened at | 2:30 p.m. on July 12, 2022 |
| Evaluation of Proposals by Committee | July 25, 2022 to July 28, 2022 |
| Recommendation of Contractor to | August 17, 2022 |
| City Commission award | |
| Issuance of Notice to Proceed | TBD |
| Project Commencement | Not later than 10 days after NTP |
| Project Completion | 180 days after NTP |

1.9.1 VIRTUAL NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING / SITE VISIT

The non-mandatory scheduled pre-bid meeting for this project will be live-streamed from the Public Services Building, Large Conference Room, located at 8300 S. Palm Drive, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025 on **June 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.**

While recognizing the importance of public accessibility to the meeting, and considering public health concerns, in the abundance of caution, the City is requesting that interested parties utilize live streaming as a safe way for vendors and the public to participate in the meeting in lieu of attending the meeting in person.

The public is invited to attend the meeting virtually via the Cisco Webex Meetings platform.

• WebEx Meeting Link: https://ppines.webex.com/meet/purchasing

Cisco Webex Meeting Number: 717 019 586
 Join by Phone Number: +1-408-418-9388

The public may download the **Cisco Webex Meetings app** from https://www.webex.com/downloads.html, to view, listen and participate in the meeting.

If any member of the public requires additional information about this meeting or has any questions about how to access the meeting, please contact:

Danny Benedit, Procurement Department

City of Pembroke Pines 8300 South Palm Drive, Pembroke Pines, FL 33025 954-518-9022 purchasing@ppines.com

Contractors may be required to sign in at any of the meetings to show proof of attendance. It is the vendor's responsibility to make sure that they sign in at the meeting.

1.10 SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Bids/proposals <u>must be submitted electronically</u> at https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/ on or before 2:00 p.m. on July 12, 2022.

Please note vendors should be registered on Bonfire under the name of the organization that they are operating as and it should match the organization name on the documents that they are submitting and utilizing when responding to the solicitation.

The vendor must provide their information through the designated lines items listed on the Bonfire website. In addition, the vendor must complete any questionnaires on the Bonfire website and provide any additional information requested throughout this solicitation. Any additional information requested in the solicitation should be scanned and uploaded.

The City recommends for proposers to submit their proposals as soon as they are ready to do so. Please allow ample time to submit your proposals on the https://ppines.bonfirehub.com website. Proposals may be modified or withdrawn prior to the deadline for submitting Proposals. Bonfire Support is happy to help you with submitting your proposal and to ensure that you are submitting your proposals correctly, but we ask that you contact Support@GoBonfire.com with ample time before the bid closing date and time.

PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT ANY PROPOSALS VIA MAIL, E-MAIL OR FAX.

SECTION 2 - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 The CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless the CITY and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the CITY or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this Agreement by the CONTRACTOR or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals or subcontractors. The CONTRACTOR shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the CITY, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorneys' fees which may issue thereon. The CONTRACTOR expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the CONTRACTOR shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the CITY or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.
- 2.2 CONTRACTOR shall not commence work under this Agreement until it has obtained all insurance required under this paragraph and such insurance has been approved by the Risk Manager of the CITY nor shall the CONTRACTOR allow any subcontractor to commence work on any subcontract until all similar such insurance required of the subcontractor has been obtained and similarly approved.
- 2.3 Certificates of Insurance, reflecting evidence of the required insurance, shall be filed with the CITY's Risk Manager prior to the commencement of this Agreement. Policies shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida. The insurance company shall be rated no less than "A" as to management, and no less than "Class VI" as to financial strength according to the latest edition of Best's Insurance Guide published by A.M. Best Company.
- 2.4 Certificates of Insurance shall provide for thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the CITY in case of cancellation or material changes in the policy limits or coverage states. If the carrier cannot provide thirty (30) days' notice of cancellation, either the CONTRACTOR or their Insurance Broker must agree to provide notice.
- 2.5 Insurance shall be in force until all obligations required to be fulfilled under the terms of the Agreement are satisfactorily completed as evidenced by the formal acceptance by the CITY. In the event the insurance certificate provided indicates that the insurance shall terminate and lapse during the period of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish, at least forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration of the date of such insurance, a renewed certificate of insurance as proof that equal and like coverage for the balance of the period of the Agreement and extension thereunder is in effect. The CONTRACTOR shall neither commence nor continue to provide any services pursuant to this Agreement unless all required insurance remains in full force and effect. CONTRACTOR shall be liable to CITY for any lapses in service resulting from a gap in insurance coverage.
- 2.6 REQUIRED INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR shall be required to obtain all applicable insurance coverage, as indicated below, prior to commencing any work pursuant to this Agreement:

Yes No

- ✓ □ 2.6.1 Comprehensive General Liability Insurance written on an occurrence basis including, but not limited to: coverage for bodily injury and property damage, personal & advertising injury, products & completed operations, and contractual liability. Coverage must be written on an occurrence basis, with limits of liability no less than:
 - 1. Each Occurrence Limit \$1,000,000
 - 2. Fire Damage Limit (Damage to rented premises) \$100,000
 - 3. Personal & Advertising Injury Limit \$1,000,000
 - 4. General Aggregate Limit \$2,000,000
 - 5. Products & Completed Operations Aggregate Limit \$2,000,000

Products & Completed Operations Coverage shall be maintained for the later of three (3) years after the delivery of goods/services or final payment under the Agreement. (For Construction projects: Increase to ten (10) years and include a Designated Construction Project(s) General Aggregate Limit)

The City of Pembroke Pines must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage. The CITY's additional insured status shall extend to any coverage beyond the minimum limits of liability found herein.

Yes No

✓ □ 2.6.2 Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance covering all employees, and/or volunteers of the CONTRACTOR engaged in the performance of the scope of work associated with this Agreement. In the case any work is sublet, the CONTRACTOR shall require the subcontractors similarly to provide Workers' Compensation Insurance for all the latter's employees unless such employees are covered by the protection afforded by the CONTRACTOR. Coverage for the CONTRACTOR and all subcontractors shall be in accordance with applicable state and/or federal laws that may apply to Workers' Compensation Insurance with limits of liability no less than:

1. Workers' Compensation: Coverage A – Statutory

2. Employers Liability: Coverage B \$500,000 Each Accident

\$500,000 Disease – Policy Limit \$500,000 Disease – Each Employee

If CONTRACTOR claims to be exempt from this requirement, CONTRACTOR shall provide CITY proof of such exemption along with a written request for CITY to exempt CONTRACTOR, written on CONTRACTOR letterhead.

Yes No

- ✓ □ 2.6.3 Comprehensive Auto Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles used in connection with the performance of work under this Agreement, with a combined single limit of liability for bodily injury and property damage no less than:
 - 1. Any Auto (Symbol 1)
 Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) \$1,000,000
 - 2. Hired Autos (Symbol 8)
 Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) \$1,000,000
 - 3. Non-Owned Autos (Symbol 9) Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) - \$1,000,000

If work under this Agreement includes transportation of hazardous materials, policy shall include pollution liability coverage equivalent to that provided by the latest version of the ISO pollution liability broadened endorsement for auto and the latest version of the ISO Motor Carrier Act endorsement, equivalents or broader language.

Yes No

2.6.3.1 If CONTRACTOR requests reduced limits under a Personal Auto Liability
Policy and it is agreed to by the CITY, coverage shall include Bodily Injury limits of
\$100,000 per person/\$300,000 per occurrence and Property Damage limits of
\$300,000 per occurrence

✓ □ 2.6.4 Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance in the amount of \$2,000,000.00 as determined appropriate by the CITY depending on the type of job and exposures contemplated. Coverage must be follow form of the General Liability, Auto Liability and Employer's Liability. This coverage shall be maintained for a period of no less than the later of three (3) years after the delivery of goods/services or final payment pursuant to this Agreement.

The City of Pembroke Pines must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage. The CITY's additional insured status shall extend to any coverage beyond the minimum limits of liability found herein.

Yes No

✓ □ 2.6.5 Professional Liability/Errors & Omissions Insurance with a limit of liability no less than \$1,000,000 per wrongful or negligent act. This coverage shall be maintained for a period of no less than three (3) years after the delivery of goods/services final payment pursuant to this Agreement. Retroactive date, if any, to be no later than the first day of service to the CITY. (Limit to align with size and scope of the Agreement and exposure inherent with operation/services being performed. For Construction projects: Increase to ten (10) years.)

Yes No

2.6.6 Environmental/Pollution Liability insurance shall be required with a limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per wrongful act. Coverage shall include: CONTRACTOR's completed operations, sudden, accidental and gradual pollution conditions. This coverage shall be maintained for a period of no less than the later of three (3) years after the delivery of goods/services or final payment pursuant to this Agreement. Retroactive date, if any, to be no later than the first day of service to the CITY. (Limit to align with size and scope of the Agreement and exposure inherent with operation/services being performed. For Construction projects: Increase to ten (10) years)

The City of Pembroke Pines must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage. The CITY's additional insured status shall extend to any coverage beyond the minimum limits of liability found herein.

Yes No

2.6.7 Cyber Liability including Network Security and Privacy Liability with a limit of liability no less than \$1,000,000 per loss. Coverage shall include liability arising from: theft, dissemination and/or use of confidential information stored or transmitted in electronic form, unauthorized access to, use of, or tampering with computer systems, including hacker attacks or inability of an authorized third party to gain access to your services, including denial of service, and the introduction of a computer virus into, or otherwise causing damage to, a customer's or third person's computer, computer system, network, or similar computer-related property and the data, software and programs thereon. If vendor is collecting credit card information, it shall cover all PCI breach expenses. Coverage is to include the various state monitoring and state required remediation as well as meet the various state notification requirements. This coverage shall be maintained for a period of no less than the later of three (3) years after delivery of goods/services or final payment of the Agreement. Retroactive date, if any, to be no later than the first day of service to the CITY.

The City of Pembroke Pines must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage. The CITY's additional insured status shall extend to any coverage beyond the minimum limits of liability found herein.

Yes No

□ × 2.6.8 Crime Coverage shall include employee dishonesty, forgery or alteration, and computer fraud in an amount of no less than \$1,000,000 per loss. If CONTRACTOR is physically located on CITY's premises, a third-party fidelity coverage extension shall apply.

Yes No

□ × 2.6.9 Garage Liability & Garage-keepers Legal Liability for those that manage parking lots for the CITY or service CITY vehicles. Coverage must be written on an occurrence basis, with limits of liability no less than \$1,000,000 per Occurrence, including products & completed operations. This coverage shall be maintained for a period of no less than the

later of three (3) years after the delivery of goods/services or final payment of this Agreement.

The City of Pembroke Pines must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage. The CITY's additional insured status shall extend to any coverage beyond the minimum limits of liability found herein.

Yes No

□ × 2.6.10 Liquor Liability for those in the business of selling, serving or furnishing of any alcoholic beverages, whether licensed or not, shall carry a limit of liability of no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Coverage shall be maintained for the later of three (3) years after the delivery of goods/services or final payment under the Agreement.

The City of Pembroke Pines must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage. The CITY's additional insured status shall extend to any coverage beyond the minimum limits of liability found herein.

Yes No

□ × 2.6.11 Sexual Abuse & Molestation for any agreement involving a vulnerable population. Limits shall be no less than \$500,000 per occurrence. This coverage shall be maintained for a period of no less than the later of three (3) years after the delivery of goods/services or final payment of this Agreement. Retroactive date, if any, to be no later than the first day of service to the CITY. (Limit to align with size and scope of the Agreement and exposure inherent with operation/services being performed.)

The City of Pembroke Pines must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage. The CITY's additional insured status shall extend to any coverage beyond the minimum limits of liability found herein.

Yes No

2.6.12 Builder's Risk Insurance shall be "All Risk" for one hundred percent (100%) of the completed value of the project that is the subject of this Agreement with a deductible of not more than five percent (5%) for Named Windstorm and \$20,000 per claim for all other perils. The Builder's Risk Insurance shall include interests of the CITY, the CONTRACTOR and subcontractors of the project. The CONTRACTOR shall include a separate line item for all costs associated with the Builder's Risk Insurance Coverage for the project. The CITY reserves the right at its sole discretion to utilize the CONTRACTOR's Builder's Risk Insurance or for the CITY to purchase its own Builder's Risk Insurance for the Project. Prior to the CONTRACTOR purchasing the Builder's Risk insurance for the project, the CONTRACTOR shall allow the CITY the opportunity to analyze the CONTRACTOR's coverage and determine who shall purchase the coverage. Should the CITY utilize the CONTRACTOR's Builder's Risk Insurance, the CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for all deductibles. If the CITY chooses to purchase the Builder's Risk Coverage on the project, the CONTRACTOR shall provide the CITY

with a change order deduct for all premiums and costs associated with the Builder's Risk insurance in their schedule. Should the CITY choose to utilize the CITY's Builder's Risk Program, the CITY shall be responsible for the Named Windstorm Deductible and the CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the All Other Perils Deductible.

If and when 100% is not available or reasonable, the CITY Risk Manager is to make the determination as to what limits are appropriate for the given project.

| Yes No | 2.6.13 | Other Insurance |
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2.7 REQUIRED ENDORSEMENTS

- 2.7.1 The City of Pembroke Pines shall be named as an Additional Insured on each of the Liability Policies required herein.
- 2.7.2 Waiver of all Rights of Subrogation against the CITY.
- 2.7.3 Thirty (30) Day Notice of Cancellation or Non-Renewal to the CITY.
- 2.7.4 CONTRACTOR's policies shall be Primary & Non-Contributory.
- 2.7.5 All policies shall contain a "severability of interest" or "cross liability" clause without obligation for premium payment of the CITY.
- 2.7.6 The City of Pembroke Pines shall be named as a Loss Payee on all Property and/or Inland Marine Policies as their interest may appear.
- 2.8 Any and all insurance required of the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement must also be required by any subcontractor in the same limits and with all requirements as provided herein, including naming the CITY as an additional insured, in any work that is subcontracted unless such subcontractor is covered by the protection afforded by the CONTRACTOR and provided proof of such coverage is provided to CITY. The CONTRACTOR and any subcontractors shall maintain such policies during the term of this Agreement.
- 2.9 The CITY reserves the right to require any other additional types of insurance coverage and/or higher limits of liability it deems necessary based on the nature of work being performed under this Agreement.
- 2.10 The insurance requirements specified in this Agreement are minimum requirements and in no way reduce any liability the CONTRACTOR has assumed in the indemnification/hold harmless section(s) of this Agreement.

<u>SECTION 3 - GENERAL TERMS &</u> CONDITIONS

3.1 EXAMINATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Before submitting a Proposal, each Proposer should (a) consider federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that may in any manner affect cost or performance of the work, (b) study and carefully correlate the Proposer's observations with the Proposal Documents; and (c) notify the Purchasing Manager of all conflicts, errors and discrepancies, if any, in the Proposal Documents.

The Proposer, by and through the submission of a Proposal, agrees that Proposer shall be held responsible for having familiarized themselves with the nature and extent of the work and any local conditions that may affect the work to be done and the services, equipment, materials, parts and labor required.

3.2 CONFLICT OF INSTRUCTIONS

If a conflict exists between the General Conditions and Instructions stated herein and specific conditions and instructions contained in specifications, the specifications shall govern.

3.3 ADDENDA or ADDENDUM

A formal solicitation may require an Addendum to be issued. An addendum in some way may clarify, correct or change the original solicitation (i.e. due date/time, specifications, terms, conditions, line item). Vendors submitting a proposal should check the Bonfire website for any addenda issued. Vendors are cautioned not to consider verbal modifications to the solicitation, as the addendum issued through Bonfire will be the only official method whereby changes will be made.

3.4 INTERPRETATIONS AND QUESTIONS

If the Proposer is in doubt as to the meaning of any of the Proposal Documents, is of the opinion Conditions that the Specifications contain errors contradictions or reflect omissions, or has any question concerning the conditions and specifications, the Proposer shall submit a question for interpretation or clarification. The City requires all questions relating to the solicitation be entered through "Messages" section for the specific project https://ppines.bonfirehub.com/ website. Under the "Messages" section, vendors will find the "Opportunity Q&A" tab in which they can ask their specific question(s). Responses to the questions will provided online https://ppines.bonfirehub.com. Such request must be received by the "Question Date" stated Due in solicitation Questions received after "Question Due Date" shall not be answered. Interpretations or clarifications in response to such questions will be issued via Bonfire. The issuance of a response via Bonfire is considered an Addendum and shall be the only official method whereby such an interpretation or clarification will be made.

Bonfire Support is also available to assist proposers with submitting their proposal and to ensure that proposers are submitting their proposals correctly. Proposers should ensure that they contact they Bonfire support at Support@GoBonfire.com with ample time before the bid closing date and time.

For all other questions related to this solicitation, please contact the Purchasing Department at purchasing@ppines.com.

3.5 RULES, REGULATIONS, LAWS, ORDINANCES and LICENSES

The awarded contractor shall observe and obey all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations of the federal, state, and CITY, which may be applicable to the service being provided. The awarded firm shall have or be responsible for obtaining all necessary

permits or licenses required, if necessary, in order to provide this service.

Proposer warrants by submittal that prices quoted here are in conformity with the latest federal price guidelines, if any.

3.6 WARRANTIES FOR USAGE

Whenever a bid is sought, seeking a source of supply for a specified time for materials or service, the quantities or usage shown are estimated only. No guarantee or warranty is given or implied by the City as to the total amount that may or may not be purchased from any resulting contracts. These quantities are for proposer's information only and will be used for tabulation and presentation of bid.

3.7 BRAND NAMES

If and wherever in the specifications a brand name, make, name of manufacturer, trade name, or vendor catalog number is mentioned, it is for the purpose of establishing a grade or quality of material only. Since the City does not wish to rule out other competition and equal brands or makes, the phrase "OR EQUAL" is added. However, if a product other than that specified is bid, Proposers shall indicate on their proposal and clearly state the proposed substitution and deviation. It is the vendor's responsibility to provide any necessary documentation and samples within their bid submittal to prove that the product is equal to that specified. Such samples are to be furnished before the date of bid opening, unless otherwise specified. Additional evidence in the form of documentation and samples may be requested if the proposed brand is other than that specified. The City retains the right to determine if the proposed brand shall be considered as an approved equivalent or not.

3.8 QUALITY

All materials used for the manufacture or construction of any supplies, materials, or equipment covered by this bid shall be new, the latest model, of the best quality, and highest grade workmanship, unless otherwise noted.

3.9 SAMPLES

Samples, when requested, must be furnished before, or at the bid opening, unless otherwise specified, and delivered free of expense to the City and if not used in testing or destroyed, will upon request within thirty (30) days of bid award be returned at the proposer's expense.

3.10 ESTIMATED QUANITIES

No guarantee is expressed or implied as to the total quantity of commodities/services to be purchased pursuant to this solicitation. Estimated quantities will be used for comparison and ranking purposes only. The City is not obligated to contract for a given amount of commodities/services subsequent to the award of this solicitation. The City reserves the right to issue separate purchase orders as needed, issue a blanket purchase order, and release partial quantities, or any combination of the preceding as deemed necessary by the City.

3.11 DEVELOPMENT COSTS

Neither the City nor its representatives shall be liable for any expenses incurred in connection with the preparation, submission or presentation of a Bid in response to this solicitation. All information in the Bid shall be provided at no cost to the City.

3.12 PRICING

Prices should be stated in units of quantity specified in the bidding specifications. In case of discrepancy in computing the amount of the bid, the unit prices quoted will govern.

Proposer warrants by virtue of bidding that prices, terms, and conditions quoted in his bid will be firm for acceptance for a period of ninety (90) days from date of bid opening

unless otherwise stated by the City or proposer.

3.13 DELIVERY POINT

All items shall be delivered F.O.B. destination, and delivery cost and charges included in the bid price. Failure to do so may be cause for rejection of bid.

3.14 TAX EXEMPT STATUS

The City is exempt from Florida Sales and Federal Excise taxes on direct purchase of tangible property.

3.15 CONTRACT TIME

By virtue of the submission of the Proposal, Proposer agrees and fully understands that the completion time of the work of the Contract is an essential and material condition of the Contract and that time is of the essence. The Successful Proposer agrees that all work shall be prosecuted regularly, diligently and uninterrupted at such rate of progress as will ensure full completion thereof within the time specified. Failure to complete the work within the time period specified shall be considered a default.

In addition, time will be of the essence for any orders placed as a result of this bid. Purchaser reserves the right to cancel such orders, or part thereof, without obligation if delivery is not made at the time(s) or place(s) specified.

3.16 COPYRIGHT OR PATENT RIGHTS

Proposer warrants that there have been no violations of copyrights or patent rights in manufacturing, producing, or selling other goods shipped or ordered as a result of this bid, and seller agrees to hold the purchaser harmless from any and all liability, loss or expense occasioned by such violation.

3.17 PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

"A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not

submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a supplier, subcontractor. contractor. consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list."

The Public Entity Crime Affidavit Form, in the Vendor Registration module on the Bonfire website, includes documentation that shall be executed by an individual authorized to bind the Proposer. The Proposer further understands and accepts that any contract issued as a result of this solicitation shall be either voidable or subject to immediate termination by the City. In the event there is any misrepresentation or lack of compliance with the mandates of Section 287.133 or Section 287.134, respectively, Florida Statutes. The City in the event in such termination, shall not incur any liability to the Proposer for any goods, services or materials furnished.

3.18 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The award of any contract hereunder is subject to the provisions of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes. Proposers must disclose with their Proposal the name of any officer, director, partner, proprietor, associate or agent who is also an officer or employee of CITY or any of its agencies. Further, all Proposers must disclose the name of any officer or employee of CITY who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of five percent (5%) or more in the Proposer's firm or any of its branches or affiliate companies.

3.19 FACILITIES

The City reserves the right to inspect the Proposer's facilities at any time with prior notice.

3.20 ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS

CITY reserves the right to consider Proposer's history of citations and/or violations of environmental regulations in determining a Proposer's responsibility, and further reserves the right to declare a Proposer not responsible if the history of violations warrant such determination. Proposer shall submit with the Proposal, a complete history of all citations and/or violations, notices and dispositions thereof. non-submission The of anv documentation shall be deemed to be an affirmation by the Proposer that there are no citations or violations. Proposer shall notify CITY immediately of notice of any citation or violation that Proposer may receive after the Proposal opening date and during the time of performance of any contract awarded to Proposers.

3.21 SIGNATURE REQUIRED

All proposals must be signed with the firm name and by an officer or employee having authority to bind the company or firm by his signature. FAILURE TO PROPERLY SIGN PROPOSAL SHALL INVALIDATE SAME, AND IT MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD.

The individual executing this Bid on behalf of the Company warrant to the City that the Company is authorized to do business in the State of Florida, is in good standing and that Company possesses all of the required licenses and certificates of competency required by the State of Florida and Broward County to provide the goods or perform the services herein described.

The signed bid shall be considered an offer on the part of the proposer or contractor, which offer shall be deemed accepted upon approval by the City Commission of the City of Pembroke Pines and in case of default on the part of the proposer or contractor after such acceptance, the City of Pembroke Pines may take such action as it deems appropriate including legal action for damages or specific performance.

3.22 MANUFACTURER'S CERTIFICATION

The City of Pembroke Pines reserves the right to request from proposer separate manufacturer certification of all statements made in the proposal.

3.23 MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL

The City recommends for proposers to submit their proposals as soon as they are ready to do so. Please allow ample time to submit your proposals on the Bonfire website. Proposals may be modified or withdrawn prior to the deadline for submitting Proposals.

3.24 PUBLIC BID; BID OPENING AND GENERAL EXEMPTIONS

All submittals received by the deadline will be recorded, and will subsequently be publicly opened on the same business day at 2:30 p.m. at the office of the City Clerk, 4th Floor, 601 City Center Way, Pembroke Pines, Florida, 33025.

All Proposals received from Proposers in response to the solicitation will become the property of CITY and will not be returned to the Proposers. In the event of Contract award, all documentation produced as part of the Contract shall become the exclusive property of CITY. Proposers are requested to identify specifically any information contained in their Proposals which they consider confidential and/or proprietary and which they believe to be exempt from disclosure, citing specifically the applicable exempting law.

Pursuant to Section 119.071 of the Florida Statutes, sealed bids, proposals, or replies received by a Florida public agency shall

remain exempt from disclosure until an intended decision is announced or until 30 days from the opening, whichever is earlier.

Therefore, proposers will not be able to procure a copy of their competitor's bids until an intended decision is reached or 30 days has elapsed since the time of the bid opening.

However, pursuant to Section 255.0518 of the Florida Statutes, when opening sealed bids that are received pursuant to a competitive solicitation for **construction or repairs on a public building or public work**, the entity shall:

- (a) Open the sealed bids at a public meeting.
- (b) Announce at that meeting the name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid.
- (c) Make available upon request the name of each bidder and the price submitted in the bid.

For solicitations that are **not** for "**construction or repairs on a public building or public work**" the City shall not reveal the prices submitted in the bids until an intended decision is announced or until 30 days from the opening, whichever is earlier.

3.25 RESERVATIONS FOR REJECTION AND AWARD

The City of Pembroke Pines reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids or parts of bids, to waive irregularities and technicalities, and to request rebids. The City also reserves the right to award a contract on such items(s) or service(s) the City deems will best serve its interests. All bids shall be awarded to the most responsive/responsible proposer, provided the (City) may for good cause reject any bid or part thereof. It further reserves the right to award a contract on a split order basis, or such combinations as shall best serve the interests of the City unless otherwise No premiums, rebates or specified. gratuities permitted, either with, prior to, or

after award. This practice shall result in the cancellation of said award and/or return of items (as applicable) and the recommended removal of proposer from bid list(s).

3.26 BID PROTEST

Any protests or challenges to this competitive procurement shall be governed by Section 35.38 of the City's Code of Ordinances.

3.27 INDEMNIFICATION

The Successful Proposer shall pay all claims, losses, liens, settlements or judgments of any nature whatsoever in connection with the subsequent indemnifications including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees (including appellate attorney's fees) and costs.

CITY reserves the right to select its own legal counsel to conduct any defense in any such proceeding and all costs and fees associated therewith shall be the responsibility of Proposer under Successful the indemnification agreement. Nothing contained herein is intended nor shall it be construed to waive City's rights and immunities under the common law or Florida Statute 768.28 as amended from time to time.

Additional indemnification requirements may be included under Special Terms and Conditions and/or as part of a specimen contract included in the solicitation package.

General Indemnification: To the fullest extent permitted by laws and regulations, Successful Proposer shall indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the CITY, its officers, agents and employees, harmless from any and all claims, damages, losses, liabilities and expenses, direct, indirect or consequential arising out of or in consequential arising out of or alleged to have arisen out of or in consequence of the products, goods or services furnished by or operations of the Successful Proposer or his subcontractors, agents, officers, employees

or independent contractors pursuant to or in the performance of the Contract.

Indemnification for Design Professionals Construction **Contracts:** and Successful Proposer shall indemnify and hold harmless the CITY, its officers and employees, from any and all liability, losses or damages, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the CITY, its officers and employees, may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature to the extent such claims are caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful conduct of the Successful Proposer and other persons employed or utilized by the Successful Proposer during performance of the resulting Agreement.

Patent and Copyright Indemnification: Successful Proposer agrees to indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the CITY, its officers, agents and employees, from all claims, damages, losses, liabilities and expenses arising out of any alleged infringement of copyrights, patent rights and/or the unauthorized or unlicensed use of any invention, process, material, property or other work manufactured or used in connection with the performance of the Contract, including its use by CITY.

3.28 DEFAULT PROVISION

In the case of default by the proposer or contractor, the City of Pembroke Pines may procure the articles or services from any other sources and hold the proposer or contractor responsible for any excess costs occasioned or incurred thereby.

The City shall be the sole judge of nonperformance, which shall include any failure on the part of the successful Proposer to accept the Award, to furnish required documents, and/or to fulfill any portion of the contract within the time stipulated. Upon default by the successful Proposer to meet any terms of this agreement, the City will notify the Proposer five (5) days (weekends

and holidays excluded) to remedy the default. Failure on the Contractor's part to correct the default within the required five (5) days shall result in the contract being terminated and upon the City notifying in writing the Contractor of its intentions and the effective date of the termination. The following shall constitute default:

- A. Failure to perform the Work required under the contract and/or within the time required or failing to use the subcontractor, entities and personnel as identified and set forth, and to the degree specified in the contract.
- B. Failure to begin the Work under this Bid within the time specified.
- C. Failure to perform the Work with sufficient Workers and equipment or with sufficient materials to ensure timely completion.
- D. Neglecting or refusing to remove materials or perform new Work where prior Work has been rejected as non-conforming with the terms of the contract.
- E. Becoming insolvent, being declared bankrupt, or committing act of bankruptcy or insolvency, or making an assignment renders the successful Proposer incapable of performing the Work in accordance with and as required by the contract.
- F. Failure to comply with any of the terms of the contract in any material respect.

In the event of default of a contract, the successful Proposer shall pay all attorney's fees and court costs incurred in collecting any damages. The successful Proposer shall pay the City for any and all costs incurred in ensuing the completion of the project.

Additional provisions may be included in the specimen contract.

3.29 ACCEPTANCE OF MATERIAL

The material delivered under this proposal shall remain the property of the seller until a

physical inspection and actual usage of this material and/or services is made and thereafter accepted to the satisfaction of the City and must comply with the terms herein, and be fully in accord with specifications and of the highest quality. In the event the material and/or services supplied to the City are found to be defective or do not conform to specifications, the City reserves the right to cancel the order upon written notice to the seller and return product to seller at the sellers expense.

3.30 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROMPT PAYMENT ACT

The City complies with Florida Statute 218.70, Local Government Prompt Payment Act.

3.31 SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LIST

In accordance with Florida Statue 287.135, as amended, a company is ineligible to, and may not, bid on, submit a proposal for, or enter into or renew a contract with an agency or local governmental entity for goods or services of:

- (a) Any amount of, at the time of bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing such contract, the company is on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to s. 215.4725, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel; or
- (b) One million dollars or more if, at the time of bidding on, submitting a proposal for, or entering into or renewing such contract, the company:
- 1. Is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to s. 215.473; or
- 2. Is engaged in business operations in Syria.

By submitting a bid, proposal or response, the company, principals or owners certify that they are not listed on the Scrutinized Companies that boycott Israel List, Scrutinized Companies with activities in Sudan List, Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or is engaged in business operations in Syria.

3.32 PUBLIC RECORDS; TRADE SECRET, PROPRIETARY AND CONFIDENTIAL SUBMITTALS

The Proposer's response to this solicitation is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this solicitation and the Contract to be executed for this solicitation, subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes.

Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the solicitation. except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the solicitation constitutes a Trade Secret

Any claim of confidentiality on financial statements must be asserted at the time of submittal. The firm must identify the specific statute that authorizes the exemption from the Public Records Law. Please note that the financial statement exemption provided for in Section 119.071(1)c, Florida Statutes only applies to submittals in response to a solicitation for a "public works" project.

EXCEPT FOR **CLEARLY** MARKED PORTIONS THAT ARE BONA FIDE TRADE SECRETS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW, DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED. ALL DOCUMENTS THAT THE FIRM PURPORTS TO BE CONFIDENTIAL, PROPRIETARY OR A TRADE SECRET SHALL BE UPLOADED TO THE BONFIRE WEBSITE AS A SEPARATE ATTACHMENT CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THE EXEMPTION BEING CLAIMED UNDER FLORIDA **STATUTES 119.07.**

The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the city and the city's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the city's treatment of records as public records.

3.33 PURCHASING AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

It ishereby made part of this solicitation that the submission of any bid response to this advertised request constitutes a bid made under the same or similar terms and conditions, for the same price, or better price, to other government agencies if agreeable by the proposer and the government agency.

At the option of the vendor/contractor, the use of the contract resulting from this

solicitation may be extended to other governmental agencies, including the State of Florida, its agencies, political subdivisions, counties, and cities.

Each governmental agency allowed by the vendor/contractor to use this contract shall do so independently of any other governmental entity. Each agency shall be responsible for its own purchases and shall be liable only for goods or services ordered, received, and accepted. No agency receives any liability by virtue of this bid and subsequent contract award.

3.34 CONE OF SILENCE

Prohibited Communication: In accordance with the Cone of Silence Ordinance, Section 35.40 of the City's Code of Ordinances, during the course of a sealed competitive solicitation, a cone of silence shall be in effect between:

- (1) Any person or entity that seeks a contract, contract amendment, award, recommendation, or approval related to a sealed competitive solicitation or that is subject to being evaluated or having its response evaluated in connection with a sealed competitive solicitation, including a person or entity's representative; and
- (2) The City Manager or any person or group of persons appointed or designated by the City Commission or the City Manager to evaluate, select, or make a recommendation to the City Commission or the City Manager regarding a sealed competitive solicitation, including any member of the selection/evaluation committee.

Effective Dates: A cone of silence shall be in effect during a sealed competitive solicitation process beginning upon the advertisement for the sealed competitive solicitation or during such other procurement activities as declared by the City Commission, and shall terminate at the time the City Commission takes final action or gives final approval of a contract, rejects all bids or responses to the sealed competitive

solicitation, or takes other action which ends the sealed competitive solicitation process.

Permitted Communication: The cone of silence shall not apply to:

- (1) Written or oral communications with legal counsel for the city, the Procurement Department staff for the city, and the person or persons designated in the sealed competitive solicitation as the contact person for clarification or information related to the sealed competitive solicitation.
- (2) Public presentations, asking questions, or providing feedback at pre-bid meetings, site visits or conferences or at a selection, evaluation or negotiation meeting related to the sealed competitive solicitation.
- (3) Contract negotiations with the selected entity.

Violations: Any action in violation of this section shall be cause for disqualification of the bid or the proposal.

3.35 E-VERIFY

Contractor certifies that it is aware of and complies with the requirements of Section 448.095, Florida Statues, as may be amended from time to time and briefly described herein below.

- 1) Definitions for this Section:
 - a) "Contractor" means a person or entity that has entered or is attempting to enter into a contract with a public employer to provide labor, supplies, or services to such employer in exchange for salary, wages, or other remuneration. "Contractor" includes, but is not limited to, a vendor or consultant.
 - b) "Subcontractor" means a person or entity that provides labor, supplies, or services to or for a contractor or another subcontractor in exchange for salary, wages, or other remuneration.

- c) "E-Verify system" means an Internetbased system operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security that allows participating employers to electronically verify the employment eligibility of newly hired employees.
- 2) Registration Requirement; Termination:

Pursuant to Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, effective January 1, 2021, Contractors, shall register with and use the E-verify system in order to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. Contractor shall register for and utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System to verify the employment eligibility of:

- a) All persons employed by a Contractor to perform employment duties within Florida during the term of the contract; and
- b) All persons (including subvendors / subconsultants / subcontractors) assigned by Contractor to perform work pursuant to the contract with the City of Pembroke Pines. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that registration and use of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System during the term of the contract is a condition of the contract with the City of Pembroke Pines; and
- The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 448.095, Fla. Stat., "Employment Eligibility," as amended from time to time. This includes, but is not limited to registration and utilization of the E-Verify System to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. Contractor shall also require subcontractors to provide an affidavit attesting that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, an unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract. Failure to comply

will lead to termination of this Contract, or if a subcontractor knowingly violates the statute, the subcontract must terminated immediately. Any challenge to termination under this provision must be filed in the Circuit Court no later than twenty (20) calendar days after the date of termination. Termination of this Contract under this Section is not a breach of contract and may not be considered as such. If this contract is terminated for a violation of the statute by the Contractor, the Contractor may not be awarded a public contract for a period of one (1) year after the date of termination.

3.36 JESSICA LUNSFORD ACT

Background screening requirements for Contractor's performing services for or at City's Charter Schools. (1) Except as provided in §§1012.467 or 1012.468, Florida Statutes, non-instructional school employees or contractual personnel who (i) are permitted access on school grounds when students are present, (ii) who have direct contact with students or. (iii) who have access to or control of school funds must meet level 2 screening requirements as described in §1012.32. Florida Statutes. Contractual personnel shall include any Contractor, individual, or entity under contract with the City engaged to perform services for or at City's Charter Schools.

(2) Every 5 years following employment or entry into a resulting contract in a capacity described in subsection (1), each person who is so employed or under contract with the City must meet level 2 screening requirements as described in §1012.32, Florida Statutes, at which time the City shall request the Department of Law Enforcement to

forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the level 2 screening. If, for any reason following employment or entry into a resulting contract in a capacity described in subsection (1), the fingerprints of a person who is so employed or under contract with the City are not retained by the Department of Law Enforcement under §1012.32(3)(a) and (b), Florida Statutes, the person must file a complete set of fingerprints with the City. Upon submission of fingerprints for this purpose, the City shall request the Department of Law Enforcement to forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the level 2 screening, and the fingerprints shall be retained by the Department of Law Enforcement under §1012.32(3)(a) and (b), Florida Statutes. The cost of the state and federal criminal history check required by level 2 screening shall be borne by the Contractor, or the person fingerprinted. Under penalty of perjury, each person who is employed or engaged to perform a resulting contract in a capacity described in subsection (1) must agree to inform his or her employer or the party with whom he or she is under contract within 48 hours if convicted of any disqualifying offense while he or she is employed or under a resulting contract in that capacity. (3) If it is found that a person who is employed or under contract in a capacity described in subsection (1) does not meet the level 2 requirements, the person shall immediately suspended from working in capacity that and shall remain suspended until final resolution of any appeals.