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November 7, 2022

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ON-CALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIVISION III (PMDIII) FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROJECTS FY2022-23 RFP NUMBER: BRC0000363

Los Angeles County Public Works is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide On-Call Project Management and Related Services for Project Management Division III for various projects throughout the Los Angeles County.

The deadline to submit proposals is December 28, 2022, at 4 p.m. Proposals received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Optional Pre-Proposal Conference

A pre-proposal virtual conference to answer questions concerning the project will be held on <u>Wednesday, November 30, 2022</u> at 2:00 p.m., via Microsoft Teams. Those who wish to attend must click the link below to join. Please note that the link and sign-in sheet for the pre-proposal meeting will be posted on the day of the meeting on Public Works website *one-hour before* the scheduled start time.

https://dpw.lacounty.gov/contracts/opportunities.aspx

"Doing Business with Public Works" Website Registration

All interested proposers for this Request for Proposals (RFP) are strongly encouraged to register at <u>https://pw.lacounty.gov/contracts/Opportunities.aspx</u>. Only those firms registered for this RFP through the Public Works website will receive automatic notification when any update to this RFP is made. **The County does not have an**

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obligation to notify any proposers other than through the Public Works website's automatic notification system.

Proposal Submission

The following two options are available for submitting proposals:

1. Submit electronic proposals through Bid Express. Refer to the attached Infotech/Bid Express set up guide which states for new customers, **you must register for an account and set up a Multi-Browser Digital ID** before the RFP deadline. Please allow enough time for proposals to upload. If the proposer is not registered with Bid Express two weeks before the submission deadline, proceed with the mailing in the electronic proposal as indicated below.

2. Mail-in electronic proposals via Universal Serial Bus (USB) drive or compact disk (CD) to Public Works Headquarters. Mail-in proposals must be received by the Cashier's Office by the deadline. Proposals shall be addressed to:

Los Angeles County Public Works Cashier's Office 900 South Fremont Avenue, Mezzanine Level Alhambra, CA 91803 Attention: Loydi Nguyen On-Call Project Management and Related Services for PMDIII Federally-Funded Projects FY2022-23 RFP NUMBER: BRC0000363

Proposers may use FedEx or UPS (or other delivery service) to deliver proposals. Proposers may submit proposals in-person to the Cashier's Office by the deadline.

Submissions must be received by the specified submittal date and time. SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Request for Proposals November 7, 2022 Page 3

Electronic Submission of Proposal

In lieu of submitting electronic proposals via USB drive, you may submit proposals electronically on <u>www.bidexpress.com</u>. Bid Express is a secure third party online bidding service. Bid Express charges a service fee to use their platform.

Public Works recommends registering with Bid Express as soon as possible for first-time users, due to the lengthy registration process. Refer to the attached Infotech/Bid Express Set-Up Guide, which states for new customers, **you must register for an account and set up a Multi-Browser Digital ID** before the RFP deadline. Visit the Infotech Knowledge Center at the following link for more information: <u>Bid Express® help guides</u>. <u>https://infotechinc.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/categories/360003900254-Bid-Express-at-www-bidexpress-com</u>.

The current file limitation for Bid Express is limited to 10 MB per file and up to 50 files can be uploaded for a total document submission of 500 MB. Note that even 9 MB files might need extra time or assistance from Infotech/Bid Express Customer Support. Proposers are required to plan ahead to account for the file size and submission process in order to meet the proposal due date.

If Proposer submits a proposal through Bid Express, proposer should not send CDs, or any other materials to the County via mail. As stated above, proposers are required to plan ahead in order to allow sufficient time to account for uploading files along with size limitation in order to meet the proposal submission deadline.

Doing Business with Small Business

The County provides many benefits for firms that are certified through the County's Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE) Program. Eligible firms, prime contractors, and subcontractors are strongly encouraged to participate and receive benefits available only to LSBEs, such as price preference during solicitation process, when applicable, and the LSBE Prompt Payment Program, which ensures payment within 15 days of receipt of an undisputed invoice for goods or services. <u>This program and how to obtain certification are available on the County of Los Angeles Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (Small Business Services) website: dcba.lacounty.gov.</u>

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We encourage you to follow us on Twitter: @LACoPublicWorks for information on Public Works and instant updates on contracting opportunities and solicitations.

Proposers must submit questions in writing and request information for this solicitation by 14 calendar days prior to the submittal deadline. If you have any questions regarding this RFP, you may contact Ms. Loydi Nguyen at (626) 458-2180 or by e-mail at Lnguyen@pw.lacounty.gov.

Very truly yours,

MARK PESTRELLA, PE Director of Public Works

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JOSE QUEVEDO, PE Assistant Deputy Director Business Relations and Contracts Division

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Bid Express°

Infotech® Vendor Manager Account

Only one Infotech[®] account for each business is required to register for the Bid Express[®] (www.bidexpress.com) service. All other employees will then create accounts through an invitation sent by the manager.

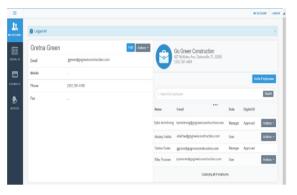
Whether you need to pay to bid on a solicitation depends on the agency. Some agencies sponsor solicitations for their vendors. A FREE tag will display for any solicitation not requiring a fee. Solicitations will either require an electronic signature or an Infotech Digital ID for bid submission. If the agency requires a Digital ID, you will be prompted to generate one. Do not pay for a solicitation or generate an ID until prompted to by a solicitation you select for bidding.

Register for a Manager Account

The first person to register for an Infotech account within a business is assigned managing access. As a manager, you can invite other employees to join the business account and change their roles. Your email address is your username for the account and to where Infotech services sends email notifications.

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- 1. Navigate to <u>www.bidexpress.com</u> and click **Register** at the top right.
- 2. Fill out the registration form, and click the **Register** button. Your email address will be your username.
- 3. A message with a confirmation link will be sent to your email address. Click the <u>Activate Account</u> link within the email to activate your account.
- 4. Enter your password and click Activate.



Invite Employees

Invite employees to create a user account for your business. Emails will be sent to those invited. You will receive an email when the account has been created. Employees are assigned the role of user for the account.

1. Click **Invite Employees**. Enter one email address per line for each employee.

2. Click Invite Employees.

Change Employee Role

You will need to update the role of those employees you want to manage the account. You must also change each user's role within the Bid Express service itself. Please see the online help if you need assistance.

- 1. Click Actions for the employee and choose Change Role.
- 2. Select the manager role, and click Change Role.

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Infotech Vendor User Account

Only one Infotech account for each business is required to register for the Bid Express service at

www.bidexpress.com. All employees of a business will then create user accounts through an invitation sent by the manager.

Register for a User Account

To join an existing business account, please ask a user of a manager account to send you an invitation. Once the invitation is sent, you'll receive an email to activate your account. Your email address is your username. Infotech services will send email notifications to this address.

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- 1. Select the Create Account link within the email.
- 2. Fill out the Account Activation form. Your email address will be your username.
- 3. Once the form is complete, click the **Activate** button.

The My Account page opens, displaying your account information and other employees within your company using Infotech services. You are automatically assigned a user role for the account and an Executive Manager read–only role for the Bid Express service. Any user with manager role can change your role.

| Business Info | ormation | | |
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| Bid Express Number | | | |
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| able Greco | | sgreco@grecoconstruction.com | Manager Bidder Executive Manager |

Welcome to the Bid Express service

If you are planning on submitting bids, a user with a manager account for the Bid Express service must change your role within the Bid Express service itself. Please see the knowledge center if you need assistance.

Whether you need to pay to bid on a solicitation depends on the agency. Some agencies sponsor accounts for their vendors. A FREE tag will display for any solicitation not requiring a fee.

Solicitations will either require an electronic signature or

an Infotech Digital ID for bid submission. If the agency requires a Digital ID, you will be prompted to generate one. Do not pay for a solicitation or generate an ID until prompted to by a solicitation you selected for bidding.

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Infotech® Multi-Browser Digital IDs

An Infotech[®] Digital ID confirms your identity as the authorized signer of your company and allows you to securely sign documents, such as bids or contracts, in an Infotech service.

| My Infotech[®] Digital ID |
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| Want to submit bids or digitally sign documents? You'll need an Infotech Digital ID. |
| Create Digital ID |
| |

Why do I need a Digital ID?

When you sign a document or submit a bid, we want to make sure you're you.

The authorized signer for your company must have a Digital ID created and approved before using any feature that requires a digital signature, such as advertising a solicitation, conducting a bid opening, submitting a bid in the Bid Express[®] service, or signing a contract document in the Doc Express[®] service.

The new Digital IDs can be used with any web browser, like Chrome or Edge.

The process

There are three parts to applying for a Digital ID.

- Application apply for the ID
- Installation after your identification has been verified, you'll install the ID
- Test to make sure your ID works

ID application

Before you begin

- If you already have a Digital ID, delete the backup copy of your current Digital ID. You'll create a new backup as part of the ID installation process.
- You'll need access to your email in order to receive a verification code.
- You'll need a copy of the your driver's license, passport, or state ID in a file that can be uploaded.
- The phone numbered entered should be the applicant's phone number, not the person filling out the application (if it's not the applicant).

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 An Infotech customer support representative will call the you, hopefully within one business day, to confirm their identification. It may take up to seven days.

Ready to apply for your Digital ID?

Go to your account pages by selecting **My Account** from the **three lines** in the upper left corner. Click **Digital ID** from the sidebar menu.

- 1. Click Create Digital ID to start the application.
- 2. Get the security code from your email and come back to the generate ID process.
- 3. Enter your account password and the code. Click **Next**.
- 4. Read the creation information and click **Next**.
- 5. Click **Attach Identification**. Navigate to and select the file containing the your ID and click **Open**.
- 6. Enter your name EXACTLY as it appears in the ID, including any punctuation marks or suffixes (like Jr.), and in legal order. Click **Next**.
- 7. Enter the contact phone number of the applicant.
- 8. Enter the state where the company headquarters are located. Click Next.
- Review your business information. Confirm that the name of the person listed is the authorized signer for your company and your company name matches how you would like to submit bids to the agency. Click **Submit**.

A member of the customer support team will call you after the application is processed, hopefully within one business day, to confirm who you are. Once that happens, you'll get an email with instructions on installing your multi-browser Digital ID.

Need to change your phone number?

The phone number entered on the application should be the one of the applicant, not the phone number of the person entering the information (if they are different people).

| The Infotech Digital ID allows you to submit or open bids via the Bid Express service and digitally sign and encrypt documents via the Doc Express service. |
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| Please enter your account password and the security code we emailed to you. |
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- Click the **Digital ID** tab from the My Account pages.
- 2. Select Update my phone number.
- Enter the correct phone number in the New Phone Number field and click Update.

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ID installation

Before you begin

 When installing the ID, log in to the Infotech service from the same device and use the same browser as when you created the ID.

My Infotech[®] Digital ID

Sorry we missed you! We tried calling to verify your identity for your Infotech Digital ID. This step is required before we can activate it. Click here to schedule a time to complete the verbal

verification. We make the verification calls Monday through Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Eastern time. The call will come from a 352 area code in Belleview, Florida.

- Create the backup ID when prompted and save it to an external media, such as a flash drive.
 You'll need it if you use a different computer or if you experience data loss. If you create the ID on a laptop using Chrome, you can't use it on a laptop using Edge or Desktop using Chrome unless you import it. The service will let you know if you have to import your ID.
- The service does not keep a copy of your ID file.
- If you haven't yet deleted the backup file of your old Digital ID, now's a good time to do it.

Ready to install your Digital ID?

Once your business information has been checked, you'll receive an email with a link to install your ID.

- 1. Click the link, or log in to your account. You can manage the installation of your Digital ID from the Digital ID tab of the My Account page.
- 2. Click Install Digital ID.
- Create your backup ID by clicking Back Up Your Digital ID.



- 4. Click Back Up.
- 5. If you see a Save As window, navigate to the flash drive or other external media where you will save your backup Digital ID. If you don't see the window, your backup ID was saved in your Downloads folder. Copy the backup to the flash drive or other external media.



Test or import your Digital ID

Once you've applied for, installed, and made a backup copy of your multi-browser Digital ID, test it out to make sure there will be no problems when bidding. Use a different browser or computer and import your backup ID. If you can import it without any problems, your ID was successfully created.

Before you begin

If you didn't backup your ID when it was installed, please do it now. Use the same computer and browser from when you created the Digital ID, and click **Back Up** on the Digital ID page. If you see a Save As window, navigate to the flash drive or other external media where you will save your backup Digital ID. If you don't see the window, your backup ID was saved in your Downloads folder. Copy the backup to the flash drive or other external media.

Ready to test or import your Digital ID?

- 1. Log in to the service using a different browser than the one where your Digital ID was created. For example, if you created the ID using Chrome, log in to the service using Edge.
- Go to your account pages by selecting My Account from the three lines in the upper left corner. Click Digital ID from the sidebar menu.
- 3. If you see a message that the service couldn't find your Digital ID, then you're using a good browser to test your ID. If you don't see the mess

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- 4. Click Import my Digital ID.
- 5. Click Select backup file.
- 6. Navigate to and select your backup ID file. It will be named **FIRST LAST Digital ID.json**. Click **Open**.

| My Infotech [®] Digital ID |
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| Congrats, your Digital ID has been imported. |

If your ID didn't import, please contact customer support: support@bidexpress.com. A member of our customer support team will be happy to assist you.

| My Infotech [®] Digital ID |
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| The service couldn't find your Digital ID. Your backup ID may need to be imported into this device. |
| Import my Digital ID |
| Having trouble importing your ID? |

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Infotech® Multi-Browser Digital ID Installation

Once you've applied for an Infotech® multi-browser Digital ID and had your identity verified by a member of the Infotech customer support team, your ID will need to be installed before it can be used.

| My Infotech® Digital ID |
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| Your account has been verified. |
| You can now install your new Digital ID. |
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Before you begin

- When installing the ID, log in to the Infotech service from the same device and use the same browser as when you created the ID.
- Create the backup ID when prompted and save it to an external media, such as a flash drive.
 You'll need it if you use a different computer or if you experience data loss. If you create the ID on a laptop using Chrome, you can't use it on a laptop using Edge or Desktop using Chrome unless you import it. The service will let you know if you have to import your ID.
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Test or import your Digital ID

Once you've applied for, installed, and made a backup copy of your multi-browser Digital ID, test it out to make sure there will be no problems when bidding. Use a different browser or computer and import your backup ID. If you can import it without any problems, your ID was successfully created.

Before you begin

If you didn't backup your ID when it was installed, please do it now. Use the same computer and browser from when you created the Digital ID, and click **Back Up** on the Digital ID page. If you see a Save As window, navigate to the flash drive or other external media where you will save your backup Digital ID. If you don't see the window, your backup ID was saved in your Downloads folder. Copy the backup to the flash drive or other external media.

Ready to test or import your Digital ID?

 Log in to the service using a different browser than the one where your Digital ID was created. For example, if you created the ID using Chrome, log in to the service using Edge.



2. Go to your account pages by selecting **My Account** from the **three lines** in the upper left corner. Click **Digital ID** from the sidebar menu.

- 3. If you see a message that the service couldn't find your Digital ID, then you're using a good browser to test your ID. If you don't see the message, use a different browser.
- 4. Click Import my Digital ID.
- 5. Click Select backup file.
- 6. Navigate to and select your backup ID file. It will be named **FIRST LAST Digital ID.json**. Click **Open**.



If your ID didn't import, please contact customer support: support@bidexpress.com. A member of our customer support team will be happy to assist you.

Electronic Signatures vs. Infotech® Multi–Browser and Legacy Digital IDs

The following table details the key points concerning the setup and security of both Infotech Digital ID bid submission and electronic signatures bid submission for Infotech's Bid Express[®] service.

| Infotech Digital IDs | | |
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| Electronic Signatures | Multi-Browser | Legacy used by some Digital ID holders through August 2021 |
| No application process for owner- agencies or vendors. | Requires vendors to complete an application process and should be applied for at least seven business days before a solicitation deadline. As part of the application process, the applicant must upload a form of legal identification. This application and identification are reviewed by an Infotech Customer Support Specialist, who conducts a verbal verification with the authorized signing applicant before enabling the ID. These Digital IDs must be renewed by the applicant every two years. | Required vendors to complete an application process and apply at least seven business days before a solicitation deadline. The registration form must have been received by mail to Infotech's headquarters in Gainesville, FL, before a Digital ID was enabled and used for internet bidding. Legacy Digital IDs have no expiration or renewal period. |



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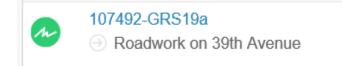
Bid Express°

| Infotech Digital IDs | | |
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| Electronic Signatures | Multi-Browser | Legacy used by some Digital ID holders through August 2021 |
| A saved draft of a bid or response is accessible by any business member, at any computer, via the member's login to the Bid Express service. The last saved draft is the version that will be on the server. Vendors working simultaneously on the same bid risk overwriting each other's work. | Drafts are saved locally on the computer being used. Vendors must export sections or the entirety of their draft bid to share with other users of their business. The additional users must have an account and an enabled Infotech Digital ID to successfully import the shared draft in the Bid Express bid. | |
| Once an owner-agency conducts its bid opening, all draft bids are deleted from the Bid Express servers. The vendor is responsible for saving a copy of its submitted or draft bids. | All draft and submitted bids are saved locally to the vendor's computer. | |
| When submitting the bid or response, each vendor types their name to sign their submissions. | When submitting the bid or response, the Infotech Digital ID, maintained by the vendor, is used for identity verification and to sign and encrypt the bid. | |
| The bid or response is transferred via HTTPS and encrypted at rest on the Bid Express servers. | The bid or response is transferred via HTTPS and has end-to-end encryption and bid package validation. | |
| No operating system or browser requirements | Multi-browser Digital IDs can be used with most modern operating systems and browsers. | Requires Internet Explorer 11 and Windows Operating Systems 8 or higher. |
| No certificate creation or installation is required. | Infotech Digital ID creation, installation, and enabling is required. | |
| No Infotech Express Sign Tool installation or Active X control is required. | No Infotech Express Sign Tool installation or Active X control is required. | Infotech Express Sign Tool installation and use of Active X controls is required. |

Bid Express°

Electronic Signatures

All solicitations or requests for proposal on the Bid Express[®] service use either an Infotech[®] Digital ID or an electronic signature for verifying authorization to submit the bid. This signature graphic on the Solicitations tab indicates an electronic signature is required.



If you are not sure if you need an electronic signature or a Digital ID, please call customer support at 888 352-2439, and choose option 1.

Any member of your business with the correct role can edit and submit bids that use electronic signatures.

Submit a Bid with an Electronic Signature

All your items and other components of the solicitation should be complete before you submit a bid or response with an electronic signature.

- 1. Select the bid from the Bids tab if it is not already open.
- 2. Click Submit Bid or Submit Response at the top of the page.
- 3. The Bid Express service displays a submit bid or submit response window that authorizes the

service to use your electronic signature to sign and encrypt your bid. Enter your electronic signature.

4. Click **Submit Bid** or **Submit Response**. The Bid Express service submits your bid and returns to the bid page and displays a bid submitted message. You will also receive an email confirmation of your submission.

| Confirm: | × |
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| By checking this box and entering my name in the space below, I certify that I have the authority to sign the attached document and submit it from Bid Express account [Gretna Green]. Signed By | |
| Gretna Green | |
| Submit Bid Cancel | |



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FOR

ON-CALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIVISION (PMDIII) FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROJECTS FY 2022-23

RFP NUMBER: BRC0000363

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PUBLIC WORKS BUSINESS RELATIONS AND CONTRACTS DIVISION 900 SOUTH FREMONT AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR ALHAMBRA, CALIFORNIA 91803 TELEPHONE (626) 458-2180 EMAIL: Lnguyen@pw.lacounty.gov

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- 6.38 Background and Security Investigations
- 6.39 Confidentiality and Independent Contractor Status
- 6.40 Conflict of Interest
- 6.41 Contractor CARD Track/Monitoring Database
- 6.42 Consultant Independence/Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitations
- 6.43 Proposals Submitted
- 6.44 Proposer's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking
- 6.45 Sustainability
- 6.46 Proposer's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices
- 6.47 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)
- 6.48 Disallowed Cost
- 6.49 Compliance with the County Policy of Equity

6.50 Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Program Compliance
6.51 Charitable Contributions Certification
6.52 Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts
6.53 Cost Principles and Administrative Requirements
6.54 COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel
6.55 Contractor Development and Bonding Program

- 7. Disadvantaged Business (DBE) Participation
- Format of Proposal
 8.1 Format of Proposal Summary
 8.2 Specific Requirements for each Section of the Proposal
- 9. Evaluation Criteria
 9.1 Pass/Fail Requirements
 9.2 Summary of Scoring
 9.3 Informed Averaging Scoring Methodology
 9.4 Public Works Reserves Right to Conduct Oral Interviews
 9.5 Minimum Threshold Score
- 10. Financial Document Review Process

EXHIBITS

- A. Scope of Services
- B. COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance

https://doingbusiness.lacounty.gov/covid-19-vaccinations-county-contractor/

REQUIRED FORMS

- Form 1. Los Angeles County Community Business Enterprise (CBE) Form
- Form 1A Subconsultant Certification Form
- Form 2. Avoidance of Conflict of Interest Form
- Form 3. Proposer's EEO Certification Form
- Form 4. Lobbyist Ordinance Affidavit Form
- Form 5. Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants
- Form 6. History of Contracting with the County of Los Angeles
- Form 7. False Claims
- Form 8. Civil Litigation History
- Form 9. Criminal Conviction
- Form 10. Contractor Employee Jury Service Program
- Form 11. Debarments

- Form 12. Labor Law/Payroll Violations
- Form 13. Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit
- Form 14. Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program
- Form 15. Reference Survey Form
- Form 16 Minimum Mandatory Requirements Form
- Form 17 Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking Policy Certification
- Form 18 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices Certification
- Form 19 Disallowed Cost Attestation
- Form 20 Charitable Contributions Certification
- Form 21 Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts
- Form 22 COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance
- Form 23 Consultant's Ability to Address Upcoming Audit

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED FORMS (CALTRANS): Download Exhibit Forms from Caltrans' website <u>https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/forms/local-assistance-procedures-manual-forms</u> to ensure you are completing the most current Local Assistance Procedures Manual Forms.

- 1. Notice to Proposers DBE Information (Exhibit 10-I) _attached
- 2. Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment (Exhibit 10-O1)
- 3. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Exhibit 10-Q)
- 4. Proposer/Contractor Good Faith Effort (Exhibit 15-H)

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Sample Consultant Services Agreement
- 2. Indemnification and Insurance Provisions
- 3. Safely Surrendered Baby Law Flyer
- 4. Contractor Development and Bonding Program Flyer-Merriwether & Williams and Contractor Development and Bonding Program Frequently Asked Questions

INFORMATIONAL: Firms recommended for award of a federal-funded Contract will be required to complete a financial document review process as specified below, following Notification of Selection:

Forms with asterisk (*) may be accessed on Caltrans IOAI website at https://ig.dot.ca.gov/resources/instructions-fdr-icr

- 1. Financial Document Review Request Form*
- 2. Cost Proposal (Exhibit 10-H4)
- 3. Certification of Indirect Costs and Financial Management System*

- Consultant Contract DBE Commitment (Exhibit 10-O2) 4.
- Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan Questionnaire* 5.
- AASHTO Internal Control Questionnaire (Appendix B)* 6.
- access application at <u>https://audit.transportation.org/</u> Safe Harbor Rate: Consultant Certification of Eligibility of Contract Costs and 7. Financial Management System*

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ON-CALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIVISION III (PMDIII) FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROJECTS FY 2022-23

1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

1.1 General

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (Public Works) is inviting proposals from qualified firms to provide On-Call Project Management and Related Services for Project Management Division III (PMD III) for work located throughout County of Los Angeles. Project Management Division III (PMD III) provides a wide variety of projects ranging support for road, bridge, flood control, sewer, water, and airport improvement construction projects. Resident Engineer projects may involve bridge construction, rehabilitation, widening or seismic retrofit; dam rehabilitation; storm drain or sewage pump plant construction or rehabilitation; major road reconstruction; construction of major storm drain systems; or other types of public works projects. PMD III supports infrastructure/horizontal construction.

The objective of this solicitation is to select three qualified firms to provide the requested services.

Each selected Consultant will be awarded an aggregate not-to-exceed program amount of \$24,000,000.

All services performed by all firms awarded Agreements resulting from this solicitation shall be collectively referred to herein as the "Program." The total, aggregate, not-to-exceed amount for the Program is \$24,000,000. The County may allocate the Program amount across any or all resultant Agreements that are awarded by the County at the County's sole and absolute discretion. The County does not warranty or represent that all, or any portion, of the Program amount will be authorized, allocated, or expended by the County; nor does the County warranty or represent that it will authorize any selected firm to perform any work or services of any monetary amount.

The term of the Consultant Services Agreement (Agreement) will be for three years, commencing on the date of full execution of the contract. The County shall have the right, at its sole option, to extend the term of the Agreement for up to two additional one-year terms.

1.2 Proposals – Minimum Mandatory Requirements

Proposers are requested to submit proposals offering in accordance with Section 2, and in a format specified in Section 8 of this Request for Proposals (RFP). Proposer's Resident Engineer shall meet the following minimum mandatory requirements to be qualified to submit a proposal:

- 1.2.1 Proposer or its subconsultant shall have a Resident Engineer with a valid and active registered civil engineer's license by the State of California.
- 1.2.2 Previous experience on at least three bridge construction, bridge widening, bridge seismic retrofit, major storm drain, or major roadway reconstruction projects, by Proposer or its subconsultant.
- 1.3 Consultant Selection

County will select a successful Proposer based on the Proposer's qualifications which represent the best service to Public Works, regardless of race, creed, color, or gender. The successful Proposer is also referred to as the Consultant in this document.

- 1.4 Processing of this RFP will be handled in the following manner:
 - 1.4.1 An initial pass/fail evaluation will be made for each proposal to determine whether the minimum mandatory qualifications, if any, required by Section 1.2 are included in each proposal.
 - 1.4.2 Proposers that pass the initial pass/fail evaluation will be submitted to the Evaluation Committee for evaluation and rating. The County may utilize the services of appropriate experts to assist in the evaluation process.
 - 1.4.3 All proposals will be evaluated by the Evaluation Committee who may recommend a Proposer for award of contract. Public Works reserves the right to conduct oral interviews with high ranked Proposers (interviews with up to 5 firms) or as appropriate and in the best interest of the County. The oral presentations will be evaluated by the Evaluation Committee, who will combine the scores from the written proposals with the scores from the oral interviews (if conducted) to recommend a Proposer for award. The

recommendation for selection will be made on the basis of qualifications, demonstrated competence, and technical response to the RFP without regard to race, creed, color, or gender. Public Works, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals or waive minor deficiencies, irregularities, or technicalities in any proposal, if determined to be in the County's best interest.

1.4.4 When the recommendation by the Evaluation Committee is approved by Public Works, the highest ranked Proposer(s) will be invited to negotiate fees that are fair and reasonable to the County, for the Scope of Services. If the County is unable to negotiate fair and reasonable fees with the highest ranked Proposer(s), the County reserves the right to select additional firms in order of their competence and qualification, and continue negotiations until County has negotiated a satisfactory contract with the number of firms indicated in Paragraph 1.1 of the RFP.

In the event that additional elements, changes, or enhancements to existing elements contained in this RFP may be required, Public Works reserves the right to negotiate with the Consultant(s) to cause these changes to be incorporated in the Consultant Services Agreement.

- 1.4.5 Upon conclusion of negotiations, Public Works will process a Consultant Services Agreement to award the contract.
- 1.4.6 Notwithstanding a recommendation of a department, agency, individual, or other, the Board of Supervisors retains the right to exercise its judgment concerning the selection of a Proposer and the terms of any resultant agreement, and to determine which Proposer best serves the interests of the County of Los Angeles (County). The Board of Supervisors is the ultimate decision-making body and makes the final determinations necessary to arrive at a decision to award, or not award, a contract.
- 1.5 Management of the Consultant

The Consultant shall take all formal direction from the County Project Manager assigned the responsibility for the project. All activities related to administration of the Consultant's agreement will be managed by the County Project Manager. 1.6 County's Ownership of Materials and Equipment

All services provided by the Consultant, and all materials, documents, reports, and other information of all types, including computer models developed by the Consultant for the project, and all works based thereon, incorporated therein, or derived therefrom, and all intellectual property and proprietary rights in these materials, documents, reports, and other information of all types, shall be the sole and exclusive property of the County.

1.7 On-Call Selection Schedule

| Task | Estimated Completion Date |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Issue RFP | 11/07/22 |
| Optional Pre-proposal Conference | 11/30/22 |
| Last day to submit questions | 12/01/22 |
| Proposals Due | 12/28/22 |
| Oral Interviews | 02/14 and 02/15/23 |
| Notification of Selection | 02/22/23 |
| Financial Documents Review | TBD |
| Process (Caltrans) | |
| Board of Supervisors for Award of | TBD |
| Contracts and Contract Execution | |

These dates are tentative. County reserves the right to adjust these dates as required.

2. <u>SCOPE OF SERVICES</u>

See Exhibit A.

3. <u>SCHEDULE FOR SERVICES</u>

After successful negotiations, award of contract, and contract execution, a Notice to Proceed will be issued for on-call project management and related services as required in this RFP.

a. The term of this Agreement shall be for a period of three years commencing on the date of full execution of the contract. At the sole discretion of the County, this Agreement may be extended for two additional one-year terms, not to exceed a total contract period of five years. No work will proceed until a Notice to Proceed is issued by the County.

- b. The Consultant shall notify Public Works when this Contract is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Consultant shall send written notification to Public Works at the address provided in Notices Paragraph in the fully executed Consultant Services Agreement.
- c. If the County authorizes the Consultant in writing to perform services on a given project prior to the stated expiration date, but thereafter such services are not completed by the stated expiration date, then the expiration of the Agreement shall be automatically extended solely to allow for the completion of such services. County may authorize unforeseen additional services and extend the contract expiration date as necessary to complete those services when the unforeseen additional services are directly related to the initial scope of work and are necessary for the completion of a given project.

4. <u>COMPENSATION</u>

The Consultant shall be compensated monthly, based on work completed (or certain milestone completion date, if needed- list milestones) and approval by the County. Public Works will reimburse the Consultant for additional copies of reports and any other written requests outside the Scope of Services.

Public Works will not pay a mark-up on proposal amounts (hourly rates and/or lump sum) for the services of any subconsultants that were included in Consultant's original proposal. Public Works will not pay a mark-up on proposal amounts (hourly rates and/or lump sum) for the services of any Consultant employee or subconsultant that were included in Consultant's original proposal if the selected employee or subconsultant is no longer available at the time of selection to provide services during the duration of the Contract. Consultant must have prior written permission from Public Works to use any subconsultants not included in Consultant's original proposal.

Public Works will not pay a mark-up on the reproduction of any reports generated from the services listed in the RFP.

- 4.1 Invoices shall include a detailed backup for work completed and all authorized reimbursable expenses incurred.
- 4.2 If requested by the Consultant, the contract (hourly, daily, monthly, etc.) amount may, at the sole discretion of the County, be increased at the time of contract renewal, if exercised by the County, based on the most recently published percentage change in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of

Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim Area for the 12-month period preceding the contract renewal date, which shall be the effective date for any Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). However, any increase shall not exceed the general salary movement granted to County employees as determined by the Chief Executive Officer as of each July 1 for the prior 12-month period. Furthermore, should fiscal circumstances ultimately prevent the Board from approving any increase in County employee salaries, no COLA will be granted. Upon approval of a COLA, a notification will be sent to the Consultant.

4.3 <u>Local Small Business Enterprise/Social Enterprise/Disabled Veterans</u> <u>Business Enterprise Utilization</u>: When requested by the County, the Consultant shall provide to the County via methods specified by the County, such as submission of electronic live (or dynamic) data on invoices for the prime and all subcontractors using County-designated third party software system or to a County approved website, or other means of submitting expenditure information on subconsultants, including but not limited to the following information: the name, business address and telephone number/email address of each subconsultant.

In addition, the Consultant shall be required to provide each of the specified subconsultant's Local Small Business Enterprise (SBE), (i.e., whether any of the listed subcontractors are Local SBE's), Social Enterprise (SE) status, and Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise (DVBE) status, and the proposed monetary amount of the work the subconsultant will perform on each Notice to Proceed. At the time of submittal of each invoice, the consultant shall indicate, via methods specified by the County, the actual dollar amounts paid to each listed subconsultant who performed work on the project. The subconsultant may be requested to confirm receipt of the actual payment to the subconsultant by the prime.

The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure to the Consultant to comply with this Article. The parties will agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is specified in the Sample Consultant Services Agreement, Liquidated Damages Paragraph, and that the Consultant shall be liable to the County for said amount.

If in the judgment of the Director, or his/her designee, the Consultant is deemed to be in non-compliance with the terms and obligations, the Director or his/her designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided in the Sample Consultant Services Agreement, may deduct and withhold liquidated damages from County's final payment to the Consultant.

5. SERVICES BY PUBLIC WORKS

- 5.1 Public Works will provide access to all relevant data in its possession. However, the County assumes no responsibility whatsoever with respect to the sufficiency or accuracy of any information supplied. The Consultant shall be responsible for evaluation of all information supplied by Public Works.
- 5.2 County Project Manager

The County Project Manager is the person assigned by the Director of Public Works to oversee, direct, and coordinate this project and act as liaison to the other County departments and agencies.

6. **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

6.1 General Conditions

This RFP is a solicitation for proposals only, and is neither intended, nor to be construed as, an offer to enter into an agreement or engage in any formal competitive bidding or negotiation pursuant to any statute, ordinance, rule, or regulation. Thus, the County reserves the unqualified right to cancel this RFP and to reject any or all proposals for any reason.

6.2 County's Responsibilities

County is responsible only for that which is expressly stated in this RFP or any future addenda that may be issued to this RFP. County is not responsible for, and shall not be bound by, any representations otherwise made by any individual acting or purporting to act on its behalf.

6.3 Cost of Proposal

The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for any costs incurred in connection with the preparation, submittal, or presentation of any proposal submitted in response to this request.

6.4 Compliance with RFP

Responses to this RFP shall be made according to the specifications and instructions contained herein. Failure to adhere to RFP instructions may be cause for rejection of any proposal.

6.5 Truth and Accuracy of Representations

Substantially false, misleading, incomplete, or unresponsive statements and/or failure to adhere to the format herein described may be sufficient cause for rejection. The evaluation and determination of the fulfillment of the above requirement shall be in the County's sole judgment and shall be final.

6.6 Contract Execution

The resultant contract of this RFP shall be executed and returned by the selected firm within ten calendar days from the time of receipt of the contract (see sample Consultant Services Agreement, Attachment 1). If the contract is not returned within ten calendar days, the County may exercise the option of awarding the contract to the next highest ranked Proposer.

6.7 Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

Proposers understand and agree that submittal of a proposal will constitute acknowledgment and acceptance of, and a willingness to comply with, all of the terms, conditions, and criteria contained in this RFP, including attachments thereto. Any and all parts of the submitted proposal may become part of any resultant contract between the selected Consultant and the County.

6.8 County's Changes to RFP

County reserves the right to interpret or change any provisions of this RFP at any time prior to the proposal submittal date. Such interpretations or changes shall be in the form of addenda (or also referred to as Notice) to this RFP. Such addenda will become part of this RFP and may become part of the resultant contract. Such addenda will be made available to each person or organization who has registered through the Department of Public Works "Doing Business with DPW" website for this RFP at http://dpw.lacounty.gov/general/contracts/opportunities/. Should such addenda require additional information not previously requested, a Proposer's failure to address the requirements of such addenda may result in the Proposal found non-responsive and/or the Proposer non-responsible.

6.9 Proposer Changes to Proposal

Until the proposal submission deadline, errors in proposals may be

corrected by submitting a request in writing to withdraw the proposal and by submission of a replacement proposal with the mistakes corrected. Corrections will not be accepted once the deadline for submission of proposals has passed.

6.10 Consistency with Laws

Any agreement entered into by the Proposer shall be consistent with applicable federal, state, and local laws.

6.11 Notice to Proposers Regarding the Public Records Act

Responses to this solicitation shall become the exclusive property of the County. Absent extraordinary circumstances, at such time as (a) with respect to the recommended bidder's/proposer's bid/proposal, Public Works completes contract negotiations and obtains a letter from an authorized officer of the recommended bidder/proposer that the negotiated contract is a firm offer of the recommended bidder/proposer, which shall not be revoked by the recommended bidder/proposer pending the department's completion of the process under the applicable protest policy as set forth in this RFP and approval by the Board of Supervisors and (b) with respect to all other bidders/proposers, Public Works recommends the recommended bidder/proposer(s) to the Board and such recommendation appears on the Board agenda, bids/proposals submitted in response to this solicitation become a matter of public record, with the exception of those parts of each bid/proposal which are justifiably defined by the bidder/proposer as business or trade secrets, and plainly marked as "Trade Secret," "Confidential," or "Proprietary."

The County shall not, in any way, be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such record or any parts thereof, if disclosure is required or permitted under the California Public Records Act or otherwise by law. A blanket statement of confidentiality or the marking of each page of the bid/proposal as confidential shall not be deemed sufficient notice of exception. The bidders/proposers must specifically label only those provisions of their respective bid/proposal which are "Trade Secrets," "Confidential," or "Proprietary" in nature.

In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "confidential," "trade secrets," or "proprietary," Proposer agrees to defend and indemnify County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with any action, proceedings, or liability arising in connection with the Public Records Act request.

6.12 Contact with County Employees

As of the issue date of this RFP and continuing until the final date for submittal of proposals, all Proposers are specifically directed not to hold meetings, conferences, or technical discussions regarding the RFP with County employees. During the submittal period, questions regarding this RFP may be directed to the person indicated in the cover letter or e-mailed to:

Ms. Loydi Nguyen County of Los Angeles Public Works Business Relations and Contracts Division 900 South Fremont Avenue, 8th Floor Alhambra, California 91803-1331 Lnguyen@pw.lacounty.gov

Contact with any other County official or employee during the submittal period regarding this RFP may be cause for immediate disqualification of the Proposer as determined in the sole discretion of the County.

6.13 County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance

The County has enacted an ordinance regulating the activities of persons who lobby County officials. This Ordinance, referred to as the Lobbyist Ordinance, defines a County lobbyist and imposes certain registration requirements upon individuals meeting the definition. The complete text of the Ordinance can be found in County Code Chapter 2.160. In effect, each person, corporation, or other entity who seeks a County permit, license, franchise, or contract must certify compliance with the Ordinance. As part of this solicitation process, it is the responsibility of each Proposer to review the Ordinance independently as the text of said Ordinance is not contained within this RFP. Thereafter, each person, corporation, or other entity submitting a response to this RFP must certify that each County lobbyist, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010 and each such County Lobbyist is not on the Executive Office's List of Terminated Registered Lobbyists by completing and submitting the Familiarity with the County Lobbyist Ordinance Certification, as set forth in Form 4, as part of their proposal.

6.14 Gratuities

It is improper for any County officer, employee, or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from a Proposer with the implication, suggestion, or statement that the Proposer's provision of the consideration may secure more favorable treatment for the Proposer in the award of the contract or that the Proposer's failure to provide such consideration may negatively affect the County's consideration of the Proposer's submittal. A Proposer shall not offer or give, either directly or through an intermediary, consideration, in any form, to a County officer, employee, or agent for the purpose of securing favorable treatment with respect to the award of the contract.

A Proposer shall immediately report an attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the Public Works' manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861. Failure to report such a solicitation may result in the Proposer's submittal being eliminated from consideration.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

6.15 Consideration of GAIN/GROW Program Participants for Employment

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Proposers shall demonstrate a proven record of hiring participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Programs or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Proposers shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Proposers' employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

Proposers who are unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award. Proposers shall submit a completed, "Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants", form, as set forth in the Required Forms, along with their proposal. 6.16 Child Support Compliance Program

Proposer is required to fully comply with all applicable state and federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees. Proposer is required to fully comply with all lawfully served wage and earnings assignment orders and notices of assignment during the term of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation. Failure to comply may be cause for termination of a contract or initiation of debarment proceedings against the non-compliant Contractor (County Code Chapter 2.202).

6.17 Federal Earned Income Credit

Consultant shall notify its employees, and shall require each sub-consultant to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal Income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015. A copy of the notice is available at this website: http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/n1015.pdf.

6.18 Recycled Bond Paper

Proposer shall be required to comply with the County's policy on recycled bond paper as specified in Attachment 1, Consultant Services Agreement, Recycled Bond Paper paragraph.

- 6.19 County Policy on Doing Business with Small Business
 - 6.19.1 The County has multiple programs that address small businesses. The Board of Supervisors encourages small business participation in the County's contracting process by constantly streamlining and simplifying our selection process and expanding opportunities for small businesses to compete for our business.
 - 6.19.2 The Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program requires the company to complete a certification process. This program and how to obtain certification is available on the County of Los Angeles Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (Small Business Services) website: <u>dcba.lacounty.gov</u>.
 - 6.19.3 The County also has a policy on Doing Business with Small Business.

6.19.4 Local SBE Prompt Payment Program

It is the intent of the County that certified Local SBEs receive prompt payment for services they provide to County Departments. Prompt payment is defined as payment made 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

6.20 Indemnification and Insurance

The County's insurance requirements specify that Consultants should obtain coverage from insurance companies acceptable to the County who have a current A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII. A Best rating of A:VII indicates that the company evidences strong financial strength and ability to meet their ongoing financial obligations to policyholders. Consultant shall comply with indemnification and insurance provisions specified in Attachment 2 of this RFP which will be incorporated into Consultant Services Agreement.

6.21 Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance

Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

6.22 Failure to Maintain Insurance

Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

- 6.23 Determination of Proposer Responsibility
 - 6.23.1 A responsible Proposer is a Proposer who has demonstrated the

attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible consultants.

- 6.23.2 Proposers are hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may determine whether the Proposer is responsible based on a review of the Proposer's performance on any contracts, including but not limited to County contracts. Particular attention will be given to violations of labor laws related to employee compensation and benefits, and evidence of false claims made by the Proposer against public entities. Labor law violations which are the fault of subconsultants and of which the Proposer had no knowledge shall not be the basis of a determination that the Proposer is not responsible.
- 6.23.3 The County may declare a Proposer to be non-responsible for purposes of this contract if the Board of Supervisors, in its discretion, finds that the Proposer has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Proposer's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
- 6.23.4 If there is evidence that the highest ranked Proposer may not be responsible, the Department shall notify the Proposer in writing of the evidence relating to the Proposer's responsibility, and its intention to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Proposer be found not responsible. The Department shall provide the Proposer and/or the Proposer's representative with an opportunity to present evidence as to why the Proposer should be found to be responsible and to rebut evidence which is the basis for the Department's recommendation.
- 6.23.5 If the Proposer presents evidence in rebuttal to the Department, the Department shall evaluate the merits of such evidence, and based on that evaluation, make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The final decision concerning the responsibility of the Proposer shall reside with the Board of Supervisors.
- 6.23.6 The terms shall also apply to proposed subconsultants of Proposers on County contracts.

6.24 Proposer Debarment

- 6.24.1 The Proposer is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, the County may debar the Proposer from proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on other County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and the County may terminate any or all of the Proposer's existing contracts with the County, if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Proposer has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Proposer's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty; or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.
- 6.24.2 If there is evidence that the highest ranked Proposer may be subject to debarment, the Department shall notify the Proposer in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment, and shall advise the Proposer of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 6.24.3 The Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Proposer and/or the Proposer's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Proposer should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Proposer and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.
- 6.24.4 After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are received, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

- 6.24.5 If a Proposer has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Proposer may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Proposer has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
- 6.24.6 The Contractor Hearing Board will consider requests for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Proposer has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The <u>Contractor Hearing Board shall</u> present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of <u>Supervisors</u>. The Board of <u>Supervisors shall have the right to</u> modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

- 6.24.7 These terms shall also apply to proposed subconsultants of Proposers on County contracts.
- 6.24.8 <u>http://purchasingcontracts.co.la.ca.us/DebarmentList.htm</u> is the link to the County's website where there is a listing of Contractors that are currently on the Debarment List for Los Angeles County.

6.25 County's Quality Assurance Plan

The County, or its agent, will monitor the Consultant's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such monitoring will include assessing Consultant's compliance with all Contract terms and conditions and performance standards. Consultant deficiencies which County determines are significant or continuing, and that may place performance of the Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected, will be reported to the Board and listed in the appropriate contractor performance database. The report to the Board will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Consultant. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

6.26 Contractor Employee Jury Service Program

The prospective contract is subject to the requirements of the County's Employee Jury Service Ordinance (Jury Service Program) (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203). Prospective Contractors should carefully read the Jury Service Program and the pertinent jury service provisions of the model/sample contract, both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this RFP. The Jury Service Program applies to both Contractors and their subcontractors.

Proposers that fail to comply with the requirements of the Jury Service Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

6.26.1 The Jury Service Program requires Contractors and their subcontractors to have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service. For purposes of the Jury Service Program, employee means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a Contractor and full time means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time. Therefore, the Jury Service Program

applies to all of a Contractor's full-time California employees, even those not working specifically on the County project. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program.

- There are two ways in which a Contractor might not be subject to 6.26.2 the Jury Service Program. The first is if the Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of Contractor. The Program defines Contractor to mean a person, partnership, corporation, or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts. The second is if the Contractor meets one of the two exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The first exception concerns small businesses and applies to Contractors that have: 1) ten or fewer employees; and, 2) annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract is less than \$500,000; and, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation. The second exception applies to Contractors that possess a collective bargaining agreement that expressly supersedes the provisions of the Jury Service Program. The Contractor is subject to any provision of the Jury Service Program not expressly superseded by the collective bargaining agreement.
- 6.26.3 If a Contractor does not fall within the Jury Service Program's definition of Contractor or if it meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program, then the Contractor must so indicate in the Certification Form and Application for Exception and include with its submission all necessary documentation to support the claim such as tax returns or a collective bargaining agreement, if applicable. Upon reviewing the Contractor's application, the County will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the Contractor falls within the definition of Contractor or meets any of the exceptions to the Jury Service Program. The County's decision will be final.

6.27 Consultant Registration with the County of Los Angeles

Prior to a contract award, all potential Consultants must register in the County's WebVen. The WebVen contains the Vendor's business profile and identifies the goods/services the business provides. Registration can be accomplished online via the Internet by accessing the County's home page at http://camisvr.co.la.ca.us/webven/. If awarded a contract and Consultant does not have a valid vendor number, payments will be delayed until the Consultant is registered.

6.28 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/Termination of Agreement

Contractor shall have no claim against County for payment for any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Agreement. Should Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify County and shall immediately repay all such funds to County. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Agreement.

6.29 Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in the County of Los Angeles, and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in Attachment of this solicitation document. It is also available on the Internet at <u>www.babysafela.org</u> for printing purposes.

6.30 Notification to County of Pending Acquisitions/Mergers by Proposing Company

The proposer shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of its company unless otherwise legally prohibited from doing so. If the proposer is restricted from legally notifying the County of pending acquisitions/mergers, then it should notify the County of the actual acquisitions/mergers as soon as the law allows and provide to the County the legal framework that restricted it from notifying the County prior to the actual acquisitions/mergers. This information shall be provided by the proposer in Required Form - Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit (Form 13). Failure of the proposer to provide this information may eliminate its proposal from any further consideration. Proposer shall have a continuing obligation to notify the County and update any changes to its response in Form 13 (Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit) during the solicitation.

6.31 Prevailing Wage Requirements

These services will consist of both prevailing wage work and nonprevailing wage work.

- a. For project which is a public work as defined in Section 1720 of the California Labor Code, and subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR), the following provisions of this Section shall apply.
- b. A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to requirements of Section 4104 of the California Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public works, unless currently registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and qualified to perform public work pursuant to California Labor Code section 1725.5.
- c. The County shall not accept any bid nor award any contract without proof of the contractor and subcontractor's current registration to perform the project. A copy of the confirmed registration from the Department of Industrial Relations website (https://cadir.secure.force.com/ContractorSearch) must be attached in applicable part of the bid package. The bid submitted by an unregistered contractor shall be basis for considering the bid non-responsive [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1].
- d. An inadvertent error in listing an unregistered subcontractor pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 in a bid proposal shall be grounds for considering the bid non-responsive, unless:
 - (1) The subcontractor is registered prior to the bid opening.
 - (2) Within 24 hours after the bid opening, the subcontractor is registered and has paid the penalty registration fee specified in

subparagraph (E) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 1725.5.

- (3) The subcontractor is replaced by another registered subcontractor pursuant to Section 4107 of the Public Contract Code.
- e. All contractors and subcontractors must furnish certified payroll records directly to the Labor Commissioner (aka Division of Labor Standards Enforcement) in a format prescribed by the Labor Commission.
- f. The prime contractor is required to post job site notices prescribed below:

8 Calif. Code Reg. §16451(d):

"This public works project is subject to monitoring and investigative activities by the Compliance Monitoring Unit (CMU) of the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, Department of Industrial Relations, State of California. This Notice is intended to provide information to all workers employed in the execution of the contract for public work and to all contractors and other persons having access to the job site to enable the CMU to ensure compliance with and enforcement of prevailing wage laws on public works projects.

"The prevailing wage laws require that all workers be paid at least the minimum hourly wage as determined by the Director of Industrial Relations for the specific classification (or type of work) performed by workers on the project. These rates are listed on a separate job site posting of minimum prevailing rates required to be maintained by the public entity which awarded the public works contract. Complaints concerning nonpayment of the required minimum wage rates to workers on this project may be filed with the CMU at any office of the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE).

Local Office Telephone Number:

Division of Labor Standards Enforcement Office 320 W. Fourth Street, Suite 450 Los Angeles, CA 90013 (213) 620-6330

"Complaints should be filed in writing immediately upon discovery of any violations of the prevailing wage laws due to the short period of time following the completion of the project that the CMU may take legal action against those responsible.

"Complaints should contain details about the violations alleged (for example, wrong rate paid, not all hours paid, overtime rate not paid for hours worked in excess of 8 per day or 40 per week, etc) as well as the name of the employer, the public entity which awarded the public works contract, and the location and name of the project.

"For general information concerning the prevailing wage laws and how to file a complaint concerning any violation of these prevailing wage laws, you may contact any DLSE office. Complaint forms are also available at the Department of Industrial Relations website found at http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html."

g. In addition, electronic certified payroll records must be submitted to the County through an online system designated by the County.

6.32 Mental Health Services for Critical Incidents

In the event of a serious accident on the Project site, the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH) will, if requested, respond. The response may be within a few hours or as long as a few days after the incident, depending on when the request was made. The services DMH will provide include crisis intervention, normalization of the stress response that survivors may be experiencing, stress management techniques and resources if the stress reactions increase in frequency or intensity. Requests for services may be made by calling the DMH Emergency Outreach Bureau Deputy Director, (213) 738-4924, during normal business hours or the ACCESS Center, (800) 854-7771, evenings, holidays, and weekends.

6.33 Protest Review Process

The County will handle and process any and all protests in connection with this RFP according to the County of Los Angeles Contracting Manual, Countywide Construction Contracting Policy Guidelines, No. P-05-04, "Bid Protests", dated March 31, 2003. Proposers who wish to file a protest shall do so in accordance with the requirements specified in Construction Contracting Policy Guideline No. P-05-04, which can be found at http://dpw.lacounty.gov/general/bids/BidProtests.pdf.

Policy Overview

The County of Los Angeles will process bid protests in a timely and consistent manner to assure that all prospective contractors/consultants are accorded fair and equal consideration for the award of County contracts.

Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this Policy Guideline is to convey the County's general course of action for addressing bid protests asserted by prospective contractors. This guideline will address the administrative guidelines for protests arising from the acquisition of construction and construction-related services under both the Invitation for Bid (IFB) and Request for Proposal (RFP) methods of solicitation.

Application and Responsibility

This Policy Guideline applies to all County departments involved in the contractor selection process for construction and construction-related contracts.

6.33.1 Policy Guidelines

- 6.33.1.1 **Introduction.** Protests received by the County before contract award shall be immediately forwarded to the contract administrator issuing the IFB or RFP. The contract administrator will prepare a written response, reviewed by County Counsel if necessary, and approved by the department/agency head or his/her designee.
- 6.33.1.2 **Timely Filing**. The protest of a likely contract award to the apparent lowest bidder (IFB) or best-qualified firm or consultant (RFP) must be made prior to contract award. Untimely notice will not serve the interests of either party. Protests should be received by the County at the earliest practical time. For this solicitation, the deadline to submit the protest is five business days from the debriefing meeting with Contract Administrator or five business days from the receipt of selection notification, whichever is later.
- 6.33.1.3 **Post-Award Protests.** With respect to protests received after contract award, the County will not suspend contract performance or terminate the awarded contract unless so directed by the Board.
- 6.33.1.4 **Protest Format.** The protesting party's protest should reference all pertinent County, State, Federal, or local laws or regulations that are relied upon in support of the protest. Any documents relevant to the protest should be submitted. The County, at its

discretion, may decide the protest without requesting further submittal(s) from the party submitting the protest. Thus, the initial protest should include all matters that the party wishes the County to consider in deciding the protest outcome. Such matters include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) The name and address of the party and its relationship to the procurement.

(2) Identification of the proposed project or contract.

(3) Description of the nature of the protest.

(4) Identification of the provision(s) of the solicitation, regulations, or laws upon which the protest is based (i.e., identification of the technical specifications or item of content in the IFB/RFP).

(5) Copies of all (or any) documentation supporting the allegations in the protest.

(6) Statement of the specific relief requested.

- 6.33.1.5 **Protest Submittal.** The best interests of the parties are served if the protest is (1) filed with the contract administrator, (2) filed in a timely fashion, and (3) filed in the format and detail described in Protest Format above. A contractor may also appear in person before the Board. The Board, acting in the best interests of the County, may decide to continue with the award and acquisition subject to resolution of the protest.
- 6.33.1.6 **Protest Remedies.** A decision by the responsible official will be made based on the merits of the protest. A written response will be provided by the County and all findings and specified remedies will be considered final. The Board may suspend a contract upon a finding that the protest has merit and is based on solid legal principles.
- 6.33.1.7 Authority for Administration of Protests. The responsible official may assign contract administrators to conduct the administrative processing of protests filed with the County. Assigned contract administrators shall be responsible for proper distribution of protest submittals and responses, coordination of staff evaluation of the protest, compliance with the time limits stated herein, and maintenance of all documents related to the protest. The responsible official shall request County Counsel to review and advise the contract administrator concerning any legal issues involved in protests.

6.34 County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

The prospective contract is subject to the requirements of the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.206). Prospective contractors should carefully read the Defaulted Tax Program Ordinance, and the pertinent provisions of the sample contract, Attachment 1, both of which are incorporated by reference into and made a part of this solicitation. The Defaulted Tax Program applies to both contractors and their subcontractors.

Bidders/proposers shall be required to certify that they are in full compliance with the provisions of the Defaulted Tax Program and shall maintain compliance during the term of any contract that may be awarded pursuant to this solicitation or shall certify that they are exempt from the Defaulted Tax Program by completing Certification of Compliance with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Required Forms. Failure to maintain compliance, or to timely cure defects, may be cause for termination of a contract or initiation or debarment proceedings against the noncompliant contractor (Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202).

Bids/proposals that fail to comply with the certification requirements of the Defaulted Tax Program will be considered non-responsive and excluded from further consideration.

6.35 County's Request to Replace Consultant's Personnel

If the County determines, in its sole discretion, that the performance or conduct of any of Consultant's personnel on the Project is unsatisfactory, County reserves the right to request that the Consultant replace such personnel for the Project. In the event the County makes such a request, the Consultant shall promptly comply with such request.

6.36 Time Off for Voting

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than 10 days before every statewide election, every Contractor and subcontractors shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14000.

6.37 Injury & Illness Prevention Program

Contractor shall be required to comply with the State of California's Cal OSHA's regulations. Section 3203 of Title 8 in the California Code of Regulations requires all California employers to have a written, effective Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP) that addresses hazards pertaining to the particular workplace covered by the program.

6.38 Background and Security Investigations

Background and security investigations of Contractor's staff may be required at the discretion of the County as a condition of beginning and continuing work under any resulting Contract. The cost of background checks is the responsibility of the Contractor.

6.39 Confidentiality and Independent Contractor Status

As appropriate, Contractor shall be required to comply with the Confidentiality provision and the Independent Contractor Status provision contained in Sample Consultant Services Agreement.

6.40 Conflict of Interest

No County employee whose position in the County enables him/her to influence the selection of a Contractor for this RFP, or any competing RFP, nor any spouse of economic dependent of such employees, shall be employed in any capacity by a Proposer or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in the selection of a Contractor. Proposer shall certify that he/she is aware of and has read Section 2.180.010 of the Los Angeles County Code as stated in Form 2 - Avoidance of Conflict of Interest Certificate.

6.41 Contractor CARD Track/Monitoring Database

The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

6.42 Consultant Independence/Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitations:

In accordance with Board Policy No. 5.090, Contractor Independence, The County Board of Supervisors has adopted a countywide policy that prohibits any person, or any firm [collectively "firm"] or any subsidiary of a firm from submitting a bid or proposal in any County solicitation process where the person or firm, assisted in the development of the solicitation document(s).

A Proposer, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Proposer/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Proposer/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision shall result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Proposer from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract.

6.43 Proposals Submitted

Only one proposal from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or association may be submitted. Using the same or different names to submit additional proposals is not acceptable, and such proposals will not be considered. If the County has reasonable grounds for believing that any Proposer has an interest in more than one proposal for the work contemplated, the proposal may be rejected as nonresponsive and/or nonresponsible. If the County has reason to believe that collusion exists among the Proposers, the proposals will be rejected, and such Proposers and participants may be subject to debarment.

6.44 Proposer's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking

On October 4, 2016, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a motion taking significant steps to protect victims of human trafficking by establishing a zero tolerance human trafficking policy. The policy prohibits contractors engaged in human trafficking from receiving contract awards or performing services under a County contract.

Contractors are required to complete Form 17 Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking Policy Certification, certifying that they are in full compliance with the County's Commitment to Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking provision as defined in "Compliance with County's Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking" in the Agreement. Further, contractors are required to comply with the requirements under said provision for the term of any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

6.45 Sustainability

The County is committed to the principles of sustainable development. The County Board of Supervisors has adopted the use of Envision as a standard for all County infrastructure projects to achieve sustainable development. The Consultant understands and agrees that the County may require the use of the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure's Envision Sustainable Infrastructure Rating System on projects associated with this contract.

6.46 Proposer's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices

On May 29, 2018, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a Fair Chance Employment Policy in an effort to remove job barriers for individuals with criminal records. The policy requires businesses that contract with the County to comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History (Section 12952).

Contractors are required to complete Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices Certification (Required Forms), certifying that they are in full compliance with Section 12952, as indicated in the Sample Contract. Further, contractors are required to comply with the requirements under Section 12952 for the term of any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

6.47 Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under an agreement/contract with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).

Upon contract award or at the request of the A-C and/or the contracting department, the Contractor shall submit a direct deposit authorization request with banking and vendor information, and any other information that the A-C

determines is reasonably necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.

Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.

Upon contract award or at any time during the duration of the agreement/contract, a Contractor may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. The A-C, in consultation with the contracting department(s), shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

6.48 Disallowed Cost

If Proposer's compliance with a County contract has been reviewed by the Department of the Auditor-Controller within the last 10 years, Proposer must not have unresolved questioned costs identified by the Auditor-Controller, in an amount over \$100,000.00, that are confirmed to be disallowed costs by the contracting County department, and remain unpaid for six months or more from the date of disallowance, unless such disallowed costs are the subject of current good faith negotiations to resolve the disallowed costs, in the opinion of the County.

6.49 Compliance with the County Policy of Equity

The consultant acknowledges that the County takes its commitment to preserving the dignity and professionalism of the workplace very seriously, as set forth in the County Policy of Equity (CPOE) (<u>https://ceop.lacounty.gov/</u>). The consultant further acknowledges that the County strives to provide a workplace free from discrimination, harassment, retaliation and inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, and which may violate the CPOE. The consultant, its employees and subconsultants acknowledge and certify receipt and understanding of the CPOE. Failure of the consultant, its employees or its subconsultants to uphold the County's expectations of a workplace free from harassment and discrimination, including inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, may subject the consultant to termination of contractual agreements as well as civil liability.

6.50 Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Program Compliance

This Paragraph shall apply *when applicable* to the contract:

- 6.50.1 The County of Los Angeles is a permittee to a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (NPDES Permit) issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board to reduce or eliminate pollutants moved into surface water through storm water management systems and facilities. One of the conditions of the NPDES Permit is the implementation of an Integrated Pest Management Program (IPM Program) crafted to reduce the impact of pesticides and fertilizers to surface water.
- 6.50.2 The prospective contract is subject to the requirements of the County's IPM Program. Two main components of the Program include a training component for contractor employees who apply pesticides on County owned or maintained property, as well as monthly and annual reporting to the Los Angeles County Department of Agricultural Commissioner/ Weights and Measures (ACWM).
- 6.50.3 Proposers are required to complete Integrated Pest Management Program Compliance Certification in Required Forms, acknowledging and certifying compliance with the County's Integrated Pest Management Program, Compliance with County's Integrated Pest Management Program in Sample Contract. Further, contractors are required to comply with the requirements under said provision for the term of any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation.
- 6.51 Charitable Contributions Certification

The Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) added requirements to California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act which regulates those receiving and raising charitable contributions.

6.52 Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts

Proposer must list all contracts that have been terminated within the past three years. Terminated contracts are those contracts terminated by an agency or firm before the contract's expiration date. Any and all terminated contracts should be accompanied with "Reason for termination". It should be noted that contracts that naturally expired need not be listed. The County is only seeking information on contracts that were terminated prior to expiration.

6.53 Cost Principles and Administrative Requirements

- A. The CONSULTANT agrees that 48 CFR Part 31, Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, shall be used to determine the allowability of individual terms of cost.
- B. The CONSULTANT also agrees to comply with Federal procedures in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.
- C. Any costs for which payment has been made to the CONSULTANT that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under 48 CFR Part 31 or 2 CFR Part 200 are subject to repayment by the CONSULTANT to LOCAL AGENCY.
- D. When a CONSULTANT or Subconsultant is a Non-Profit Organization or an Institution of Higher Education, the Cost Principles for Title 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards shall apply.

6.54 COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel

Proposers are advised that it must comply with Chapter 2.212 (COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel) of County Code Title 2 - Administration, Division 4 as a condition of performing work under any awarded contract resulting from this solicitation. Proposers are advised to review the requirements of Chapter 2.212 (COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel) and the sample contract requirements prior to submitting a proposal to this solicitation. A completed **Exhibit B** (COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance) is a required part of any agreement with the County.

6.55 Contractor Development and Bonding Program

Contractor Development and Bonding Program (CDABP) - Administered by the Chief Executive Office of the County of Los Angeles for all County Construction Contracting Departments. The CDABP provides a broad range of contractor technical assistance, training, and support in qualifying for bonds, as well as contract financing for County awarded contracts. CDABP assistance is available to prime and subcontractors. The CDABP is a County funded resource designed to reduce the barriers to small and diverse firms seeking to bid and contract on County projects. For information on the CDABP, please contact contract administrator.

7. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PARTICIPATION

Federal regulations require Local Agency to comply with the DBE program and ensure that DBE firms have the opportunity to participate in the contract (49 CFR 26). Consultants who enter into a federally-funded agreement will assist in making a good faith effort to achieve the California's statewide overall DBE goal.

The goal for DBE participation for this Agreement is **21%**. Participation by DBE Consultant or subconsultants shall be in accordance with information *provided* in Exhibit 10-O1: Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment.

All Proposers (including Proposers who are able to meet DBE goal) will be required to complete, Exhibit 15-H: Proposer/Contractor Good Faith Effort and include Exhibit in their Proposal under Section 8.

8. FORMAT OF PROPOSAL

The response to this RFP shall be made according to the requirements set forth in this Section, both for content and for sequence. Noncompliance with these requirements or the inclusion of conditions, limitations, or misrepresentations, may be cause for rejection of the proposal. Each proposing firm shall submit only one (1) proposal electronically through Bid Express **or** mail in electronic proposals via Universal Serial Bus (USB) drive or compact disk (CD) to Public Works Headquarters. Hard copies of proposals will not be accepted. Mailed electronic proposals must be received by the Cashier's Office by the deadline. **Proposers may submit proposals in person to the Cashier's Office by the deadline.**

The Department of Public Works does not assume responsibility for documents that are incorrectly submitted. It shall be the responsibility of the Consultant to confirm proper delivery and receipt by the Department of Public Works of a submitted proposal. Mail-in USB/CD proposals shall be addressed to:

County of Los Angeles Public Works Cashier's Office 900 South Fremont Avenue, Mezzanine Level Alhambra, California 91803-1331 Attention: Ms. Loydi Nguyen

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More information is provided in the RFP's cover letter on electronic submission of the proposal through <u>www.bidexpress.com</u>, a secure online bidding service website. Refer to the Infotech/Bidexpress.com Set-Up Guide, which states that for new customers, **you must register for an account and set up a Multi-Browser Digital ID** before the RFP deadline.

PROPOSALS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

8.1 Format of Proposal Summary

Proposal submittals shall be organized as indicated below. Specific requirements for each of the Consultant's proposal sections are included hereinafter. This requirement applies to proposals submitted in electronic format.

- 8.1.1 <u>Mandatory Contents</u> Clearly labelled tabs are recommended.
 - Section 1 Cover Letter
 - Section 2 Table of Contents
 - Section 3 Corporate Documentation
 - Section 4 Qualifications and Experience
 - Section 5 Standard Services and Work Plan
 - Section 6 Acceptance of Terms and Conditions
 - Section 7 Required Certifications
 - Section 8 DBE Information Good Faith Effort
 - Section 9 Indemnification and Insurance Affirmation

Section 10 – Performance History/References

Section 11 – Additional Data

- 8.2 Specific Requirements for each Section of the Proposal
 - 8.2.1 Section 1

<u>Cover Letter</u> shall be a maximum two-page letter including the name and address of the organization submitting the proposal; whether the proposing firm is an individual, partnership, corporation, or joint venture; and the **name, address, E-mail address, and telephone number of the contact person** who will be authorized to make representations for the organization.

8.2.2 Section 2

<u>Table of Contents</u> shall include an outline of the proposal, identified by sequential page number, and section title as described herein.

8.2.3 Section 3

8.2.3.1 <u>Corporate Documentation</u> shall include relevant information that demonstrates organizational stability and strength, including a description/statement of the organization (e.g.), sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, joint venture, etc.

8.2.3.2 Corporations or Limited Liability Company (LLC):

The Proposer shall submit the following documentation with the Proposal:

- 1) A copy of a "Certificate of Good Standing" with the state of incorporation/organization.
- A conformed copy of the most recent "Statement of Information" as filed with the California Secretary of State listing corporate officers or members and managers.

8.2.3.3 Limited Partnership:

The Proposer shall submit a conforming copy of the Certificate of Limited Partnership or Application for Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership as filed with the California Secretary of State, and any amendments.

8.2.4 Section 4

<u>Qualifications and Experience</u> shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- 8.2.4.1 Designation of an experienced senior individual as the supervisor/administrator of the Consultant's staff who will be responsible for the delivery of services in accordance with the established Scope of Services.
- 8.2.4.2 Identification of principal staff members including major subconsultants. Provide an organizational chart of the Consultant and all subconsultants with clear information (name/title) which role each member will provide to meet the Scope of Services. Include relevant experience, professional certification/license/registration, education, and past experience.
- 8.2.4.3 A list of projects which indicates related experience in accordance with the established Scope of Services in providing On-Call Project Management and Related Services. Include a list of references with E-mail addresses and respective phone numbers, for information only.

8.2.5 Section 5

<u>Standard Services</u> shall include the Proposer's approach to providing the services described in Section 2, <u>Scope of Services</u>, of this RFP.

<u>Work Plan</u> will outline how the Proposer intends to provide and manage the resources necessary to accomplish the Scope of Services.

- 8.2.5.1 Provide a Work Plan for <u>all</u> services outlined in Exhibit A (Scope of Services). The typical Work Plan shall indicate activities in support of the services requested in the established Scope of Services, including quality assurance and quality control reviews and participation of subconsultants.
- 8.2.5.2 Provide a staffing and resources management plan for Consultant and each subconsultant which identifies specific tasks for the services required in accordance with the established Scope of Services for the project. Proposer may include a detailed narrative and any supporting matrix or chart to fully describe its Standard Services and staffing and resources management plan for Consultant and each subconsultant.
- 8.2.5.3 Specifically describe your current workload and capability/commitment to complete services indicated in the Scope of Services. Describe how fast the Proposer can respond to the County.

8.2.6 Section 6

<u>Acceptance of Terms and Conditions</u> shall include a statement affirming the Proposer's acceptance of the terms and conditions contained in the attached sample Consultant Services Agreement.

8.2.7 Section 7

Required Forms/Certifications

Proposer shall complete, sign, and submit with the proposal, the certifications and forms listed below. Except for the Contractor Employee Jury Service Program form and State of California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) registration, these forms are required only from the Proposer (prime). If the Proposer is submitting as a Joint Venture, each entity within the Joint Venture shall complete the certifications and forms. In addition, each entity within the joint venture shall meet the minimum mandatory requirements, if applicable. The Contractor Employee Jury Service Program form must be completed and signed by the entire project team.

- 8.2.7.1 Los Angeles County CBE Form and Form 1A Subconsultant Certification Form (**information only**)
- 8.2.7.2 Avoidance of Conflict of Interest
- 8.2.7.3 EEO Certification
- 8.2.7.4 Lobbyist Ordinance Affidavit
- 8.2.7.5 Attestation of Willingness to Consider GAIN/GROW Participants
- 8.2.7.6 A completed history of past and current contracting with the County over the past three years
- 8.2.7.7 False Claims
- 8.2.7.8 Civil Litigation History
- 8.2.7.9 Criminal Conviction
- 8.2.7.10 Contractor Employee Jury Service Program form from the Consultant and entire project team, including subconsultants, if any.
- 8.2.7.11 Debarments
- 8.2.7.12 Labor Law/Payroll Violations
- 8.2.7.13 Proposer's Organization Questionnaire/Affidavit
- 8.2.7.14 Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program
- 8.2.7.15 Reference Survey Form
- 8.2.7.16 Minimum Mandatory Requirements Form
- 8.2.7.17 Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking Policy Certification
- 8.2.7.18 Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Hiring Practices Certification
- 8.2.7.19 Disallowed Cost Attestation
- 8.2.7.20 Charitable Contributions Certification
- 8.2.7.21 Prospective Contractor List of Terminated Contracts
- 8.2.7.22 COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance
- 8.2.7.23 Consultant's Ability to Address Upcoming Audit
- 8.2.7.24 For prevailing wage work, attach a copy of the

active and valid State of California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) registration for the proposer and any applicable subconsultants.

Download the additional Exhibit forms from Caltrans' website <u>https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/forms/local-assistance-procedures-manual-forms</u> to ensure the most current form is completed:

- Exhibit 10-I: Notice to Proposers DBE Information (attached)
- Exhibit 10-O1: Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment
- Exhibit 10-Q: Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
- Exhibit 15-H: Proposer/Contractor Good Faith Effort

8.2.8 Section 8

<u>DBE Participation</u> shall include documentation of DBE participation goal specified in Section 7, DBE Participation. Complete and provide **Exhibit 15-H: Proposer/Contractor Good Faith Effort in Section 8.**

8.2.9 Section 9

Proposer shall include a statement affirming the Proposer's acceptance to comply with the Indemnification and Insurance Provisions contained in Attachment 2. The affirmation statement shall also name each subconsultant, if any, and indicate that the subconsultants will be included as insureds under Consultant's own policies, or that each of the subconsultants will comply with the Indemnification and Insurance Provisions contained in Attachment 2. Further, Consultant shall include a statement affirming Consultant will be solely responsible to verify that its subconsultants' insurance complies with Indemnification and Insurance Provisions contained in Attachment 2. The Consultant and its subconsultants shall procure, maintain, and provide to the County proof of insurance coverage for all the programs of insurance along with associated amounts specified in the Attachment 2, Indemnification and Insurance Provisions. If filing

as Joint Venture, the Joint Venture entity shall procure, maintain, and provide to the County proof of insurance coverage for all the programs of insurance along with associated amounts specified in the Attachment 2, Indemnification and Insurance Provisions. Prior to the execution of the agreement, the insurance coverage must be under the Joint Venture firm's name and not the individual joint venture team member's insurance.

8.2.10 Section 10

Performance History References

The template below is for Non-County of Los Angeles References to be included in Section 10 (Tab 10 of the proposal).

Proposer shall include two references from different contracts during the previous five years, where Proposer provided similar services listed in the Scope of Services of this RFP. Reference Form shall include: name of organization/firm; type of organization (other counties, cities, state agency, federal agency, or private agencies); services provided; service dates; contact name, title, telephone number and e-mail address. In addition, it is the Proposer's responsibility to contact these references for completion of the Reference Survey – <u>Non</u>-County of Los Angeles Reference and Performance History Reference Evaluation Checklist-CARD (Form 15) located in the Required Certification Forms section of this RFP. Form 15 must be completed in its entirety by the reference personnel, who is currently employed by the organization/firm, signed, and included in your proposal under Section 10.

Unsigned and incomplete Form 15 will not be scored. The Non-County of Los Angeles Reference and Performance History Reference Evaluation Checklist-CARD are total of two pages (Form 15).

It is the Proposer's responsibility to ensure that its references respond promptly. Late submission of reference surveys will

not be accepted after proposal deadline. Public Works may contact references for any reason during the solicitation process; however Public Works will not contact these references to conduct the survey.

Performance History References Scoring:

- 8.2.10.1 Performance History References (5 points) -
 - 8.2.10.1.1 Each reference survey will be reviewed and scored based on the response given. Proposer may receive up to 2.5 points for each reference survey included in Section 10 of the proposal, for a maximum award of 5 points.
 - 8.2.10.1.2 Proposer shall receive 0.5 points for each positive response for a maximum of 2.5 points for each reference survey.
 - 8.2.10.1.3 Questions not answered shall receive zero points.
- 8.2.10.2 In addition to the references provided, County review will include the County's Contract Database and Contractor Alert Reporting Database (CARD), if applicable, reflecting past performance history on County or other contracts. This review may result in point deductions up to 100% of the total points awarded in this evaluation category. Additionally, a review of terminated contracts will be conducted which may result in point deductions. The number of active and resolved issues from CARD and CARD-related issues from any non-County reference will be added to determine if deductions are applicable. If deductions apply, deductions shall be based on the following:
 - 8.2.10.2.1 Deductions shall be applied against the points awarded in the Performance History/Reference section as follows:

- a. 100% if Proposer has two or more confirmed active CARD issues;
- b. 75% of points awarded for one confirmed active CARD issue; and
- c. 25% of points awarded if Proposer has three or more issues that were resolved within the last five years.
- 8.2.10.3 A review will be conducted to determine the significance of any litigation or judgments pending against the Proposer as provided in Section 7 of the proposal.
- 8.2.11 Section 11

Additional Data shall include any other data the Proposer deems essential to the evaluation of the proposal, i.e., other relevant projects, etc. If there is no additional data, this section will consist of the statement, "We wish to present no additional data."

9. EVALUATION CRITERIA

9.1 PASS/FAIL REQUIREMENTS

A pass/fail evaluation will be made of the Proposal to determine whether the Mandatory Contents required by Sections 8.1 and 8.2 are included in the Proposal. Failure to meet the mandatory pass/fail requirements and provide full and accurate information as required under this RFP may be cause for disqualifying the Proposal as non-responsive. The determination of non-responsiveness shall be made solely at the discretion of the County, if it is determined to be in the County's best interests. Pass/fail criteria include the following:

- 9.1.1 The submittal shall contain all information as required in Section 8.2, which lists the specific requirements for each section of the proposal.
- 9.1.2 The proposal shall include all required forms completed and signed as defined in Section 8.2.7 <u>Required Forms/Certifications</u>.

9.2 SUMMARY OF SCORING

Proposals that are determined to be responsive to the mandatory requirements shall be evaluated using a 100 point total cumulative score rating according to the following criteria:

- 9.2.1 Qualifications and Experience (55 points)
- 9.2.2 Standard Services and Work Plan (40 points)
- 9.2.3 Performance History References Scoring (5 points)

9.3 INFORMED AVERAGING SCORING METHODOLOGY

When applicable, each category will have a scoring factor of Exceeds, Meets, Weak, or Not Met. Definitions for the rating factors are as follows:

Exceeds

The rating should be given when the proposal clearly presents enough information that indicates a higher level than what is required in the RFP.

<u>Meets</u>

The rating should be given when the proposal clearly presents enough information to ascertain compliance with the requirement of the RFP factor being rated – no more and no less.

<u>Weak</u>

The rating should be given if there is questionable compliance, or if the discussion of the RFP requirement is brief or merely an affirmation that the proposer will comply with the RFP requirement being rated.

Not Met

The rating should be given in two situations: 1) the proposal does not address or acknowledge a certain RFP factor, or 2) the proposal indicates an inappropriate or different response to what is being asked in the RFP.

9.4 Public Works reserves the right to conduct oral interviews with up to five of the high ranked Proposers or as appropriate and in the best interest of the County. Should interviews be conducted, Proposers will be evaluated using a 50 point total cumulative score rating according to the following criteria:

SUMMARY OF SCORING

- 9.4.1 Presentation (30 points)
- 9.4.2 Responsiveness to Direct Questions (20 points)

The highest ranked Proposer from the total scoring from Sections 9.2 and 9.4 shall be recommended to be awarded the contract in accordance with Section 1.1.

9.5 MINIMUM THRESHOLD SCORE

A threshold of 50% applies to this solicitation. Firms must receive a minimum of 50% of the written evaluated score to be considered for oral interview (if any) and in order to be eligible for contract award. Any firm receiving less than 50% of the total score may be disqualified from consideration for contract award.

10. FINANCIAL DOCUMENT REVIEW PROCESS

Contracts receiving state or federal funds are highly scrutinized and will be subject to an audit or review by Caltrans' Audit and Investigations (A&I) Unit. Contracts equal to or greater than \$1 Million shall comply with all requirements specified in the Local Assistance Procedures Manual – Chapter 10.1.3 A&E Consultant Audit and Review Process:

https://dot.ca.gov/-/media/dot-media/programs/localassistance/documents/lapm/ch10.pdf

The following information and form(s) will be requested of the firms recommended for award of contract:

Refer to "Sample Cost Proposal 2 – For Contracts with Specific Rates of Compensation" (<u>https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/guidance-and-oversight/consultant-selection-procurement</u>)

- Obtain all required documentation from A&E prime consultants and subconsultants as outlined in the Financial Document Review Request form. Share with subconsultants the additional documents that may be required on FDR form.
- Certification of Indirect Costs and Financial Management System (Prime/Subs), access form on <u>https://ig.dot.ca.gov/resources/instructions-fdr-icr</u>
- Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan questionnaire is to be completed by Prime/subconsultants, *unless* the firm is completing the Safe Harbor Rate.

The Independent Office of Audits and Investigations (IOAI) will use the completed PPP Loan questionnaire to determine compliance with the applicable requirements. PPP Loan Questionnaire may be accessed at <u>https://ig.dot.ca.gov/resources/instructions-fdr-icr</u>

Exhibit 10-02, Consultant Contract DBE Commitment form (Prime)

The Financial Document Review (FDR) period may take 30 business days upon A&I's receipt of a complete packet of required the Prime's team documents. Additional inquiries may be requested by Caltrans Auditor during the FDR process.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Information



Individuals requiring reasonable accessibility accommodations may request written materials in alternate formats, physical accessibility accommodations, sign language interpreters or other reasonable accommodations by contacting our departmental Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at (626) 458-7337, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday (excluding holidays). Persons who are hearing impaired may make contact by first dialing the California Relay Service at 7-1-1. Requests should be made at least one week in advance to ensure availability. When making a reasonable accommodation request, please reference Business Relations and Contracts Division [BRC-2].

SCOPE OF SERVICES

ON-CALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT DIVISION III (PMDIII) FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROJECTS FY2022-23 RFP NUMBER: BRC0000363

The services to be rendered by the Consultant shall include all services as described herein and shall consist of all such services as are customarily rendered when providing professional services of this type. The work shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

A. GENERAL

The Consultant shall provide On-Call Project Management and Related Services as a member of the County team in support of Public Works. The Consultant is expected to manage projects in a professional, proficient, and legal manner.

Consultant shall be able to provide services in support of Department administered road, bridge, flood control, sewer, water, and airport improvement construction projects located throughout Los Angeles County.

Consultant must provide their own laptop computers, software, Internet service, cell phones, safety gear, vehicle, required code books, and all other equipment necessary to provide project management and related services.

Consultant shall provide resumes upon request and furnish qualified staff within seven days of notification.

The County reserves the right to change personnel from the selected firms, if it deems this necessary.

All professional staff provided by the Consultant shall be approved by the County and shall not be removed or replaced without prior consent of the County.

If a change in personnel is necessary, the Consultant shall submit the name and resume for the proposed replacement for County approval 30 calendar days prior to the effective day of the change. In addition, the Consultant shall commit to the County that any staff presented and accepted by the County on a project shall remain committed to the project as long as they remain employed by the Consultant.

1. PROJECT MANAGERS

Desired Qualifications:

- a. Graduation from an accredited college with a major in architecture, civil engineering, construction engineering, or a related field.
- b. Licensed professional in California, and/or Certified Construction Manager.
- c. Experience in the program planning and development, systems development, resource management, budget maintenance and control, schedule management and control, design and construction of building and infrastructure projects.
- d. Experience with full responsibility as Owner's representative for coordinating complex infrastructure projects through all phases including design, bidding, construction, and occupancy and having immediate responsibility for the timely completion of these projects with schedule, resource, and budget limitations.

The Consultant is expected to be responsible for, but not limited to, a combination of the following essential functions:

Roles and Responsibilities:

- a. Manage and coordinate the programing, design, and construction of projects.
- b. Manage and coordinate design reviews and plan approvals, identify potential problems in advance, and take corrective action or notify the proper level of authority.
- c. Prepare authorization documentation (Board of Supervisors' letters and delegation of memoranda).
- d. Prepare and maintain project budgets and schedules.
- e. Review the work of other consultants and make recommendations on the approval of invoices.
- f. Administer construction contracts.
- g. Manage cost and schedule performance of projects.
- h. Prepare and issue monthly project construction reports.
- i. Review and make recommendations on contractor submittals and Requests for Information.

- j. Monitor and help coordinate project construction activities in the field.
- k. Coordinate project close-out activities.
- I. Evaluate and make recommendations on changes in scope of work and prepare change orders.
- m. Conduct and coordinate briefings and presentations for project stakeholders.
- n. Conduct community meetings.
- o. Review and validate construction bids and Job Order Contract (JOC) cost proposals.
- p. Interface with other County Departments and outside jurisdictional agencies to obtain project approvals.
- q. Prepare project meeting agendas and be responsible to run project meetings.
- r. Coordinate planning and other project management functions as necessary for the delivery of projects.

The Consultant shall monitor, coordinate, and evaluate all key project activities to ensure optimum scope/configuration control, cost/schedule compliance, and quality assurance/control of project design, specification, contracting strategies, and contractor performance leading to claims avoidance/claims mitigation. When appropriate, the Consultant will participate in the training of Public Works' staff on preapproved project delivery techniques.

2. <u>CONSTRUCTION MANAGERS</u>

Desired Qualifications:

- a. Graduation from an accredited college with a major in Civil or Construction Engineering.
- b. Licensed professional in California, and/or Certified Construction Manager.
- c. Familiarity with, and a working knowledge of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (Greenbook) and the Standard Plans for Public Works Construction, and experience in their use.
- d. Working knowledge of the Caltrans Standard Specifications, Standard Plans and Standard Special Provisions, and experience in their use.
- e. Working knowledge of the Cal/OSHA Construction Safety Orders.

- f. Working knowledge of the Environmental Protection Agency Policy & Guidance.
- g. Ability to interpret plans, specifications, special provisions, and other contract documents.
- h. Familiarity with contract administration requirements contained in the Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual.
- i. Graduation from the Caltrans Resident Engineer Academy or documented experience as the Resident Engineer on at least three major road, bridge, or dam construction projects.
- j. Strong communication and public speaking skills.
- k. Ability to work independently with minimal oversight.
- I. Ability to independently identify problems and propose solutions.
- m. At least 10 years' experience performing construction management on bridge construction, bridge widening, bridge seismic retrofit, major storm drain, major dam modification, or major roadway reconstruction projects (required).

Roles and Responsibilities:

- a. Under the oversight and direction of Public Works' Section Heads the Construction Managers will perform construction inspection, enforcement of compliance with the contract documents, scheduling, technical support, and on-site management of construction projects.
- b. Prepare and process change orders, daily logs, and working day statements; collect work records; maintain accurate records of work for payment purposes; conduct employee interviews; prepare as-built plans and perform other associated contract administration tasks.
- c. Arrange for materials testing and construction staking to be performed by Department staff.
- d. Respond to inquiries from the public, elected officials, other agencies, Project Management Division III staff and other affected Public Works' Divisions.
- e. Conduct community meetings.
- f. Coordinate the construction of the project.
- g. Prepare and maintain project budgets and schedules.

- h. Prepare authorization documentation as directed.
- i. Review the work of other consultants and make recommendations on the approval of invoices.
- j. Administer project contracts.
- k. Manage cost and schedule performance of the project.
- I. Prepare and coordinate monthly project construction reports.
- m. Review and make recommendations on contractor submittals.
- n. Evaluate and make recommendations on changes in scope of work and prepare requests for change orders.
- o. Prepare and respond to contractor's correspondence including requests for information
- p. Interface with other County Departments and agencies to resolve problems and coordinate planning and other construction management functions as necessary.
- q. Prepare project meeting agendas, run project meetings, and prepare accurate meeting minutes.
- r. The consultant shall monitor, coordinate, and evaluate all key project activities to ensure cost/schedule compliance, and quality assurance/control of project and contractor's performance. When appropriate, the consultant will participate in the training of Public Works' staff on preapproved project delivery techniques.
- s. Establish and maintain effective working relationships with Project Management Division III and Public Works' staff.
- t. Coordinate project close-out activities.
- u. Manage public outreach program services such as Local Targeted Worker Hiring and Small Business Outreach.

3. <u>RESIDENT ENGINEERS</u>

Desirable Qualifications:

a. Graduation from an accredited college with a major in Civil or Construction Engineering.

- b. Registration as a Civil Engineer by the State of California (required).
- c. Familiarity with, and a working knowledge of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (Greenbook) and the Standard Plans for Public Works Construction, and experience in their use.
- d. Working knowledge of the Caltrans Standard Specifications, Standard Plans and Standard Special Provisions, and experience in their use.
- e. Working knowledge of the Cal/OSHA Construction Safety Orders.
- f. Ability to interpret plans, specifications, special provisions, and other contract documents.
- g. Familiarity with contract administration requirements contained in the Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual.
- h. Graduation from the Caltrans Resident Engineer Academy or documented experience as the Resident Engineer on at least three major bridge construction projects.
- i. Ability to work independently with minimal oversight.
- j. Ability to independently identify problems and propose solutions.
- k. Previous experience on at least three bridge construction, bridge widening, bridge seismic retrofit, major storm drain, or major roadway reconstruction projects (required).

The Consultant is expected to be responsible for, but not limited to, a combination of the following essential functions:

Roles and Responsibilities:

- a. Under the oversight and direction of Public Works' Section Heads and Field Area Supervisors, Resident Engineers will be assigned to individual projects. These projects may involve bridge construction, rehabilitation, widening or seismic retrofit; dam rehabilitation; storm drain or sewage pump plant construction or rehabilitation; major road reconstruction; construction of major storm drain systems; or other types of public works projects.
- b. Perform construction inspection, oversight, enforcement of compliance with the contract documents, and on-site management of the construction of the types of projects described above.

- c. Prepare and process change orders, daily logs, and working day statements; collect work records; maintain accurate records of work done for payment purposes; conduct employee interviews; prepare as-built plans and perform other associated contract administration tasks.
- d. Arrange for materials testing and construction staking to be performed by Public Works' staff.
- e. Respond to inquiries from the public, elected officials, other agencies, Project Management Division III staff and other affected Public Works' Divisions.
- f. Establish and maintain effective working relationships with Project Management Division III and Public Works' staff.

4. <u>SCHEDULERS</u>

Desirable Qualifications:

- a. Graduation from an accredited college with a major in Civil Engineering, Construction Engineering, or a related field.
- b. Ability to interpret plans, specifications, special provisions, and other contract documents.
- c. Proficiency in the use of personal computers and applications of WordPerfect, Excel, and Access.
- d. Proficiency in the implementation and use of Suretrak, Primavera P6 and Microsoft Project Online.
- e. Ability to prepare project and program schedules using Suretrak, Primavera P6 and Microsoft Project Online.
- f. Ability to interpret construction schedules.
- g. Previous experience preparing and analyzing schedules for the types of projects described under Resident Engineer.

The Consultant is expected to be responsible for, but not limited to, a combination of the following essential functions:

Roles and Responsibilities:

a. Under the oversight and direction of Public Works' Section Heads, Area Supervisors, or Resident Engineers, Construction Schedulers will be assigned

various scheduling tasks in support of Public Works' construction projects and construction programs.

- b. Construction Schedulers may also be assigned to individual projects currently under construction.
- c. Develop schedules for various Public Works' construction programs.
- d. Prepare schedules for various Public Works' construction projects.
- e. Analyze project schedules submitted by contractors prior to the start of construction.
- f. Analyze monthly progress schedules submitted by contractors.
- g. Develop As-built schedules based upon available records in support of claims analysis.
- h. Establish and maintain effective working relationships with Project Management Division III and Public Works' staff.
- i. Provide instruction and training to Public Works' staff in the preparation and interpretation of construction schedules.

B. MANDATORY CONSTRUCTION SAFETY TAILGATE MEETINGS

The Consultant must attend Construction Safety Tailgate Meetings when they are scheduled. Safety meetings that are missed shall be made up at a later date, but no more than 30 days after the original safety meeting.

C. COMPENSATION

The Consultant shall be compensated monthly, based on personnel furnished, the number of hours of service provided, and the agreed hourly and reimbursable expense rates.

Mileage will be reimbursable. Consultant will be paid the standard mileage rate for County mileage permittees. Consultant shall submit monthly requests for mileage reimbursement.

Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) is defined in Paragraph 4r of this Contract. No COLA will be granted on these contracts.

Public Works will not pay a mark-up on hourly rates for the services of any subconsultants that were included in Consultant's original proposal. Public Works will not pay a mark-up on hourly rates for the services of any Consultant employee

or subconsultant that were included in Consultant's original proposal, if the selected employee or subconsultant is no longer available at the time of selection to provide services during the duration of the Contract. Public Works will not pay a mark-up on the reproduction of any reports generated from the services listed in the Scope of Services.

Monthly invoices shall include a detailed breakdown with backup receipts for work completed and all authorized reimbursable expenses incurred. Invoice shall contain the Contract PW-No, month services that are being provided and Consultants names, hourly rates and total hours worked. Reimbursable receipts shall contain the Project ID, Project PCA invoice shall be made for reimbursable costs. A monthly contract budget-analysis spreadsheet, showing all actual verses projects costs estimate-to-complete (ETC), Contract PW-No., Consultant staff and the following:

\$ Spent-to-Date
% Spent-to-Date
Authorized Budget
Actual Balance
Projected End Balance

The Consultant's staff shall submit their timesheets in a timely manner on the 15th and 30th of each month to their Public Works Supervisor for review and approval. The Consultant shall submit their staff approved County timesheet along with their monthly billing invoice for processing.

HOURLY RATES

The hourly rates the Consultant provides on these contracts shall be used throughout the contract term. The Consultant's rates shall include all administrative costs, supervision, labor, materials, transportation, taxes, equipment, supplies and profit unless stated otherwise in the RFP.

EXHIBIT B

WEBSITE – COVID-19 VACCINATION CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

https://doingbusiness.lacounty.gov/covid-19-vaccinations-county-contractor/

REQUIRED FORMS – FORM 1 LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (CBE) INFORMATION

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| Native Americans | | | % | % | | | | | | | |
| Subcontinent Asian | | | % | % | | | | | | | |
| White | | | % | % | | | | | | | |

Instructions for Completing Form 1 - Community Business Enterprise (CBE) Information

The County seeks diverse broad-based participation in its contracting and strongly encourages participation by CBEs. Complete all fields listed on form. Where a field requests number or total indicate response using numerical digits only.

| Section 1: FIR | M/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION |
|---|--|
| Total Number of Employees in California | Using numerical digits, enter the total number of individuals employed by the firm in the state of California. |
| Total Number of Employees (including owners). If the firm has more than one office location, all personnel from all offices must be included. | Using numerical digits, enter the total number of individuals employed by the firm regardless of location. |
| Race/Ethnic Composition of Firm Table | Using numerical digits, enter the make-up of Owners/Partners/Associate Partners and percentage of how ownership of the firm is distributed into the Race/Ethnic Composition categories listed in the table. Final number must total 100%. |

Section 2: CERTIFICATION AS MINORITY, WOMEN, DISADVANTAGED, DISABLED VETERAN, AND LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUEER, AND QUESTIONING-OWNED (LGBTQQ) BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

If the firm is currently certified as a Community Based Enterprise (CBE) by a public agency, complete the table by entering the names of the certifying Agency and placing an "X" under the appropriate CBE designation (Minority, Women, Disadvantaged, Disabled Veteran or LGBTQQ). Enter all the CBE certifications held by the firm.

Proposer acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this proposal are made, the proposal may be rejected. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

Subconsultant Certification Form

FORM 1A

 Certification as Minority, Women, Disadvantaged, Disabled Veteran, and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning-Owned Business Enterprises: If any of your subconsultants/subcontractors is currently certified as these certifications by a public agency, complete the following and <u>attach a copy of the proof of certification</u>. Also include County of Los Angeles Local Small Business Enterprise/Social Enterprise/Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise certified subconsultants/subcontractors. All Subcontractors/Subconsultants listed in the bid/proposal shall be listed below. (Make a copy of this form, if necessary).

| | Subconsultant Name | Local Small Business Enterprise | Small Business Enterprise | Minority | Women- Owned | Disadvantaged Business | Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise | Social Enterprise | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Questioning- Owned Business Enterprise |
|----|--------------------|--|---------------------------------|----------|-----------------|---------------------------|---|-------------------|--|
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2. Declaration: I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above information is true and accurate.

| Print Name: | Authorized Signature | Title | Date |
|-------------|----------------------|-------|------|
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AVOIDANCE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, provides as follows:

CONTRACTS PROHIBITED

Notwithstanding any other section of this Code, the County shall not contract with, and shall reject any proposals submitted by, the persons or entities specified below, unless the Board of Supervisors finds that special circumstances exist which justify the approval of such contract:

- 1. Employees of the County or of public agencies for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body;
- 2. Profit-making firms or businesses in which employees described in number 1 serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders;
- 3. Persons who, within the immediately preceding 12 months, came within the provisions of number 1, and who:
 - a. Were employed in positions of substantial responsibility in the area of service to be performed by the contract; or
 - b. Participated in any way in developing the contract or its service specifications; and
- 4. Profit-making firms or businesses in which the former employees, described in number 3, serve as officers, principals, partners, or major shareholders.

Contracts submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval or ratification shall be accompanied by an assurance by the department submitting, district or agency that the provisions of this section have not been violated.

Proposer Name (please print)

Proposer's Official Title (please print)

Proposer's Signature

PROPOSER'S EEO CERTIFICATION

Company Name

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

GENERAL

In accordance with provisions of the County Code of the County of Los Angeles, the Proposer certifies and agrees that all persons employed by such firm, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and will be treated equally by the firm without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, or sex and in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the United States of America and the State of California.

| | CERTIFICATION | YI | ES | 6 | NC |) |
|----|--|----|----|---|----|---|
| 1. | Proposer has written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment. | (| |) | (|) |
| 2. | Proposer periodically conducts a self-analysis or utilization analysis of its work force. | (| |) | (|) |
| 3. | Proposer has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups. | (| |) | (|) |
| 4. | When problem areas are identified in employment practices, Proposer has a system for taking reasonable corrective action to include establishment of goal and/or timetables. | (| |) | (|) |

Signature

Date

Name and Official Title (please print)

FAMILIARITY WITH THE COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

The Proposer certifies that it is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Lobbyist Ordinance, Los Angeles Code Chapter 2.160. The Proposer also certifies that all persons acting on behalf of the Proposer organization have and will comply with it during the proposal process.

Signature:_____

Date:_____

FORM 5

ATTESTATION OF WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER GAIN/GROW PARTICIPANTS

As a threshold requirement for consideration for contract award, Proposer shall demonstrate a proven record for hiring GAIN/GROW participants or shall attest to a willingness to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment opening if they meet the minimum qualifications for that opening. Additionally, Proposer shall attest to a willingness to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to the Proposer's employee mentoring program, if available, to assist these individuals in obtaining permanent employment and/or promotional opportunities.

To report all job openings with job requirements to obtain qualified GAIN/GROW participants as potential employment candidates, Contractor shall email: <u>GAINGROW@dpss.lacounty.gov</u> and <u>BSERVICES@WDACS.LACOUNTY.GOV</u>.

Proposers unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

Proposer shall complete all of the following information, sign where indicated below, and return this form with their proposal.

A. Proposer has a proven record of hiring GAIN/GROW participants.

_____ YES (subject to verification by County) _____ NO

B. Proposer is willing to provide DPSS with all job openings and job requirements to consider GAIN/GROW participants for any future employment openings if the GAIN/GROW participant meets the minimum qualifications for the opening. "Consider" means that Proposer is willing to interview qualified GAIN/GROW participants.

_____YES _____NO

C. Proposer is willing to provide employed GAIN/GROW participants access to its employee-mentoring program, if available.

_____YES ____NO ____N/A (Program not available)

| Proposer's Organization: | | |
|--------------------------|--------|--|
| Signature: | | |
| | | |
| Title: | Date: | |
| Telephone No: | Email: | |

FORM 6

3-YEAR CONTRACTING HISTORY

| LIST ALL CURRENT AND COMPLETE | ED CONTRACTS WITH THE COUNTY FOR THE PAST T | HREE YEARS (Begin with the most recent pro |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| TYPE OF FACILITY | PROJECT ADDRES | S |
| DESCRIPTION OF WORK | | |
| CLIENT DEPARTMENT | CONTRACT AMOUNT \$ | DATE OF CONTRACT |
| COUNTY CONTACT NAME/PHONE | IF CONSTRUCTION: /ARCHITECT NAME/PHONE | |
| TYPE OF FACILITY | PROJECT ADDRES | S |
| DESCRIPTION OF WORK | | |
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| COUNTY CONTACT NAME/PHONE | IF CONSTRUCTION:ARCHITECT NAME/PHONE | / |
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| DESCRIPTION OF WORK | | |
| CLIENT DEPARTMENT | CONTRACT AMOUNT \$ | DATE OF CONTRACT |
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| COUNTY | IF CONSTRUCTION: | |

ARCHITECT NAME/PHONE

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CONTACT NAME/PHONE

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FALSE CLAIMS

Bidders/Proposers shall provide either the certification requested below or the information requested on the next page. Failure to certify or provide the requested information may result in a determination that the Bidder/Proposer is non-responsive. Failure to fully and accurately provide the requested certification or information may result in a determination that the Bidder/Proposer is not responsible.

"False Claims Act", as used herein, is defined as either or both the Federal False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. Sections 3729 et seq., and the California False Claims Act, Government Code Sections 12650 et seq.

FALSE CLAIMS ACT CERTIFICATION

If the Bidder/Proposer has no False Claims Act violations as described above, complete the following:

by_____

(signature of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Bid/Proposal)

FALSE CLAIMS ACT VIOLATIONS

With regard to any determinations by a tribunal or court of competent jurisdiction that the False Claims Act, as defined above, has been violated by (1) the Bidder/Proposer submitting this Bid/Proposal, including any person who is an officer of, or in a management position with, or has an ownership interest in the contracting entity which is submitting this Bid/Proposal, or (2) the qualifying person licensed by the State Contractors' License Board to perform the work described in the Bid/Proposal, including any such person when they were an officer, manager, owner, or responsible managing employee of a construction contractor other than the Bidder/Proposer submitting this Bid/Proposal, Bidder/Proposer shall provide on the following page labeled "False Claim Act Violations Information:" (1) the date of the determination of the violation, (2) the identity of tribunal or court and the case name or number, if any, (3) the identity of government contract or project involved, (4) the identity of government agency involved, 5) the amount of fine imposed, and (6) any exculpatory information of which the County should be aware.

FALSE CLAIMS ACT VIOLATIONS INFORMATION

| (1) | Date of determination of the violation: |
|------------|--|
| (2) | Identity of tribunal or court and the case name or number, if any: |
| (3) | Government contract or project involved: |
| (4) | Government agency involved: |
| (5) (6) | Amount of fine imposed: |
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| Dec | laration: I declare under penalty of perjury that the above information is true and |
| corr | rect. |
| Exe | cuted this day of at (month and year) (city and state) |
| by_ | (signature of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Bid/Proposal) |

FORM 8

CIVIL LITIGATION HISTORY

Bidder/Proposer shall provide either the certification requested below or information requested on the next page. Failure to provide such certification or information may result in a determination that the Bidder/Proposer is nonresponsive. Failure to fully and accurately provide the requested certification or information may result in a determination that the Bidder/Proposer is not responsible.

For the two (2) years preceding the date of submittal of this Bid/Proposal, identify any civil litigation arising out of the performance of a construction contract within the State of California in which the (1) Bidder/Proposer submitting this Bid/Proposal, including any person who is an officer of, or in a management position with, or has an ownership interest in the contracting entity which is submitting this Bid/Proposal, or (2) the qualifying person licensed by the State Contractors' License Board to perform the work described in this Bid/Proposal, including any such person when they were an officer, manager, owner, or responsible managing employee of a construction contractor other than the Bidder/Proposer submitting this Bid/Proposal, was a named plaintiff or defendant in a lawsuit brought by or against the Owner. Do not include litigation which is limited solely to enforcement of mechanics' liens or stop notices. Provide on the following page labeled "Civil Litigation History Information:" (1) the name and court case identification number of each case, (2) the jurisdiction in which it was filed, and (3) the outcome of the litigation, e.g., whether the case is pending, a judgment was entered, a settlement was reached, or the case was dismissed. If a settlement was reached within the two years preceding the date of submittal of this Bid/Proposal, please provide the dollar value of the settled claim(s). The dollar value may be marked as confidential if Bidder/Proposer does not want the settlement information to be public record.

CIVIL LITIGATION CERTIFICATION

If the Bidder/Proposer has no civil litigation history to report as described above, complete the following:

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| (| int name of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Bid/Proposal) | |

(Bidder/Proposer name as shown on Bid/Proposal)

| nor | |
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(name of responsible managing person licensed by the Contractors' State License Board)

has been involved in civil litigation as described above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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| | | (month and year) | (city and state) |
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|) <u> </u> | signature of owner, offi | cer, manager, or licensee resp | oonsible for submission of Bid/Proposal) |

CIVIL LITIGATION HISTORY INFORMATION

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| | Court case identification number: |
|) | Jurisdiction in which case was filed: |
|) | Outcome of the case: |
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| | Name of Case: |
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| | Jurisdiction in which case was filed: |
| | Outcome of the case: |
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(signature of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Bid/Proposal)

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS

Proposer shall provide either the certification requested below or information requested on the next page. Failure to provide such certification or information may result in a determination that the Proposer is nonresponsive. Failure to fully and accurately provide the requested certification or information may result in a determination that the Proposer is not responsible.

For the five (5) years preceding the date this Proposal is due, identify on the following page any criminal conviction in any jurisdiction of the United States for a violation of law arising out of the performance of a construction contract (1) by the Proposer submitting this Proposal, including any person who is an officer of, or in a management position with, or has an ownership interest in the contracting entity which is submitting this Proposal, or (2) by the gualifying person licensed by the State Contractors' License Board to perform the work described in the Proposal, including any such person when they were an officer, manager, owner, or responsible managing employee of a construction contractor other than the Proposer submitting this Proposal. Provide on the following page labeled "Criminal Convictions Information:" (1) the date of conviction, (2) the name and court case identification number, (3) the identity of the law violated, (4) the identity of the prosecuting agency, (5) the contract or project involved, (6) the punishment imposed, and (7) any exculpatory information of which the Agency should be aware.

CRIMINAL CONVICTION CERTIFICATION

If the Proposer has no criminal convictions to report as described above, complete the following:

| I | |
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| I | |
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_____, hereby certify that neither (print name of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Proposal)

(Proposer name as shown on Proposal)

nor ___

(name of responsible managing person licensed by the Contractors' State License Board)

has been convicted of a criminal violation as described above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this _____day of _____at ____(month and year) (city and state)

by _____

(signature of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Proposal)

Criminal Convictions

CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS INFORMATION

| (1) | Date of conviction: | | | |
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| (2) | Name of case: | | | |
| | Court case identification number: | | | |
| (3) | Identity of the law violated: | | | |
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| (4) | Identity of the prosecuting agency: | | | |
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| (5) | Contract or project involved: | | | |
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| (6) | Punishment imposed: | | | |
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| (7) | Exculpatory information: | | | |
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Criminal Convictions

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE PROGRAM CERTIFICATION FORM AND APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION

The County's solicitation for this contract (Request for Proposals) is subject to the County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program), Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203. <u>All proposers, whether a contractor or subcontractor, must complete this form to either: 1) request an exception from the Program requirements; or 2) certify compliance</u>. Upon review of the submitted form, the County department will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the proposer is excepted from the Program.

| Company Name: | | |
|---|--|----------------------------------|
| Company Addres | S: | |
| City: | State: | Zip Code: |
| Telephone Numb | er: | |
| Solicitation For BRC0000363 On-Call Project Management and Related Services: PMDIII | | ent and Related Services: PMDIII |
| | for Federally-Funded Projects FY2022-2 | 3 |

If you believe the Jury Service Program does not apply to your business, check the appropriate box in Part I (attach documentation to support your claim); or, complete Part II to certify compliance with the Program. Whether you complete Part I or Part II, please sign and date this form below.

Part I: Jury Service Program is Not Applicable to My Business

- My business does not meet the definition of "contractor," as defined in the Program, as it has not received an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts (this exception is not available if the contract itself will exceed \$50,000). I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if my revenues from the County exceed an aggregate sum of \$50,000 in any 12-month period.
- My business is a small business as defined in the Program. It 1) has ten or fewer employees; and, 2) has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract, are \$500,000 or less; and, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, as defined below. I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if the number of employees in my business and my gross annual revenues exceed the above limits.
- "Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months, which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.
- "Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.
- My business is subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (attach agreement) that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program.

OR

Part II: Certification of Compliance

My business <u>has</u> and adheres to a written policy that provides, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service for full-time employees of the business who are also California residents, or my company will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

| Print Name: | Title: |
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| Signature: | Date: |

DEBARMENTS

Proposer shall provide either the certification requested below or the information requested on the next page. Failure to provide such certification or information may result in a determination that the Proposer is nonresponsive. Failure to fully and accurately provide the requested certification or information may result in a determination that the Proposer is not responsible.

For the ten (10) years preceding the date this Proposal is due, identify on the following page any debarment by any Federal, State, or local public agency arising out of the performance of a construction contract (1) by the Proposer submitting this Proposal, including any person who is an officer of, or in a management position with, or has an ownership interest in the contracting entity which is submitting this Proposal, or (2) by the gualifying person licensed by the Contractors' State License Board to perform the work described in the Proposal, including any debarment of any such person when they were an officer, manager, owner, or responsible managing employee of a construction contractor other than the Proposer submitting this Proposal. Provide on the following page labeled "Debarment Information:" (1) the date of debarment and the duration of the debarment, (2) the project name or contract from which the debarment arose, (3) the identify of the debarring agency, (4) stated reason for debarment, and (5) any exculpatory information of which the Agency should be aware.

HISTORY OF DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION

If the Bidder/Proposer has no debarments to report as described above, complete the following:

Ι.

, _____, hereby certify that neither (print name of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Proposal)

(Proposer name as shown on Proposal)

nor

(name of responsible managing person licensed by Contractors' State License Board)

has been debarred as described above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this _____ day of _____ at ____ (month and year) (city and state)

by

(signature of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Proposal)

DEBARMENT INFORMATION

| (1) | Date and duration of debarment: | |
|---------------|---|-----|
| (2) | Project name or contract involved: | |
| (3) | Debarring agency: | |
| (4) | Stated reason for debarment: | |
| | | |
| | | |
| (5) | Exculpatory information: | |
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| | | |
| | | |
| Declaratio | on: I declare under penalty of perjury that the above information is true and correct | xt. |
| xecuted | this day of at (month and year) (city and state) | |
| y (signatu | re of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Proposal) | |

LABOR LAW/PAYROLL VIOLATIONS

Bidder/Proposer shall provide the certification requested below or the information requested on the next page. Failure to provide such certification or information may result in a determination that the Bidder/Proposer is nonresponsive. Failure to fully and accurately provide the requested certification or information may result in a determination that the Bidder/Proposer is not responsible.

"Labor law/payroll violation" means for purposes of this disclosure a violation of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC section 276a) and/or a violation of California Labor Code sections 1720 through 1861 concerning the payment of prevailing wages, employment of apprentices and hours and working conditions.

For the three (3) years preceding the date this Bid/Proposal is due, identify on the following page any determination made by any Federal, State, or local public agency of a labor law/payroll violation arising out of the performance of a construction contract (1) by the Bidder/Proposer submitting this Bid/Proposal, including any person who is an officer of, or in a management position with, or has an ownership interest in the contracting entity which is submitting this Bid/Proposal, or (2) by the qualifying person licensed by the Contractors' State License Board to perform the work described in the Bid/Proposal, including any such person when they were an officer, manager, owner, or responsible managing employee of a construction contractor other than the Bidder/Proposer submitting this Bid/Proposal. Provide on the following page labeled "Labor Law/Payroll Violations Information:" (1) the date of the determination of the violation, (2) the case number, if any, or other identifying information for the proceeding, (3) the identity of the government contract or project involved, (4) the identity of the government agency involved, (5) the description of violation, (6) the amount of any civil wage and penalty assessment, and (7) any exculpatory information of which the Agency should be aware.

LABOR LAW/PAYROLL VIOLATION CERTIFICATION

If the Bidder/Proposer has no labor law/payroll violations to report as described above, complete the following:

I, _____, hereby certify that neither (print name of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Bid/Proposal)

(Bidder/Proposer name as shown on Bid/Proposal)

nor__

(name of responsible managing person licensed by Contractors' State License Board)

has been determined to have violated any Federal, State, or local labor laws as described above.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this _____ day of _____ at ____ (month and year) (city and state)

by_

(signature of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Bid/Proposal)

LABOR LAW/PAYROLL VIOLATIONS INFORMATION

| (1) | Date of violation determination: | |
|-------|---|-----|
| (2) | Case number: | _ |
| (3) | Government contract or project involved: | |
| (4) | Government agency involved: | - |
| (5) | Description of the violation (attach disposition letter): | _ |
| | | |
| (6) | Amount of any civil wage and penalty assessment: | |
| (7) | Exculpatory information: | |
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| | ration: I declare under penalty of perjury that the above information is true and c | |
| Execu | ited this day of at at (month and year) (city and stat | te) |
| by | (signature of owner, officer, manager, or licensee responsible for submission of Bid/Pr | |

PROPOSER'S ORGANIZATION QUESTIONNAIRE/AFFIDAVIT

Please complete, date and sign this form. The person signing the form must be authorized to sign on behalf of the Proposer and to bind the applicant in a Contract.

1. If your firm is a corporation or a limited liability company (LLC), state its legal name (as found in your Articles of Incorporation) and State of incorporation:

| Name | State | Year Inc. |
|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| If your firm is a limited partnership or a so managing partner: | ole proprietorship, state the nam | e of the proprietor or |
| If your firm is doing business under one or m registration: | ore DBA's, please list all DBA's | and the County(s) of |
| Name | County of Registration | Year became DBA |
| | | |
| ls your firm wholly or majority owned by, or a Name of parent firm: | | |
| ls your firm wholly or majority owned by, or a | · | |
| ls your firm wholly or majority owned by, or a Name of parent firm: | nt firm: | |

6. Indicate if your firm is involved in any pending acquisition/merger, including the associated company name. If not applicable, so indicate below.

Proposer acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this proposal are made, the proposal may be rejected. The evaluation and determination in this area shall be at the Director's sole judgment and his/her judgment shall be final.

Proposer's Name:

| Address: | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| e-mail address: | Telephone number: |
| (Name of Proposer's authorized repre | (Proposer's name), I esentative), certify that the information contained in this Proposer's true and correct to the best of my information and belief. |
| Signature | Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number |
| Title | California Business License Number |
| Date | County WebVen Number |

FORM 14

CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

| Company Name: | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Company Address: | |
| City: | State: Zip Code: |
| Telephone Number: | Email address: |
| Solicitation/Contract For_BRC0000363 | Services: On-Call Project Management and Related |

Services for PMDIII for Federally-Funded Projects

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor certifies that:

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It is familiar with the terms of the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.206; **AND**

To the best of its knowledge, after a reasonable inquiry, the Proposer/Bidder/ Contractor is not in default, as that term is defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.020.E, on any Los Angeles County property tax obligation; **AND**

The Proposer/Bidder/Contractor agrees to comply with the County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program during the term of any awarded contract.

– OR –

I am exempt from the County of Los Angeles Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program, pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Section 2.206.060, for the following reasons:

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

| Print Name: | Title: |
|-------------|--------|
| Signature: | Date: |

| Date: |
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Chapter 2.206 DEFAULTED PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION PROGRAM

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The Board of Supervisors finds that significant revenues are lost each year as a result of taxpayers who fail to pay their tax obligations on time. The delinquencies impose an economic burden upon the County and its taxpayers. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors establishes the goal of ensuring that individuals and businesses that benefit financially from contracts with the County fulfill their property tax obligation. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

A. "Contractor" shall mean any person, firm, corporation, partnership, or combination thereof, which submits a bid or proposal or enters into a contract or agreement with the County.

B. "County" shall mean the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the Board of Supervisors is the governing body.

C. "County Property Taxes" shall mean any property tax obligation on the County's secured or unsecured roll; except for tax obligations on the secured roll with respect to property held by a Contractor in a trust or fiduciary capacity or otherwise not beneficially owned by the Contractor.

D. "Department" shall mean the County department, entity, or organization responsible for the solicitation and/or administration of the contract.

E. "Default" shall mean any property tax obligation on the secured roll that has been deemed defaulted by operation of law pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 3436; or any property tax obligation on the unsecured roll that remains unpaid on the applicable delinquency date pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code section 2922; except for any property tax obligation dispute pending before the Assessment Appeals Board.

F. "Solicitation" shall mean the County's process to obtain bids or proposals for goods and services.

G. "Treasurer-Tax Collector" shall mean the Treasurer and Tax Collector of the County of Los Angeles. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to all solicitations issued 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. This chapter shall also apply to all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts entered into 60 days after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.040 Required solicitation and contract language.

All solicitations and all new, renewed, extended, and/or amended contracts shall contain language which: A. Requires any Contractor to keep County Property Taxes out of Default status at all times during the term of an awarded contract;

B. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may prevent the Contractor from being awarded a new contract; and

C. Provides that the failure of the Contractor to comply with the provisions in this chapter may constitute a material breach of an existing contract, and failure to cure the breach within 10 days of notice by the County by paying the outstanding County Property Tax or making payments in a manner agreed to and approved by the Treasurer-Tax Collector, may subject the contract to suspension and/or termination. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.050 Administration and compliance certification.

A. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The Treasurer-Tax Collector shall, with the assistance of the Chief Executive Officer, Director of Internal Services, and County Counsel, issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other departments.

B. Contractor shall be required to certify, at the time of submitting any bid or proposal to the County, or entering into any new contract, or renewal, extension or amendment of an existing contract with the County, that it is in compliance with this chapter is not in Default on any County Property Taxes or is current in payments due under any approved payment arrangement. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.060 Exclusions/Exemptions.

A. This chapter shall not apply to the following contracts:

1. Chief Executive Office delegated authority agreements under \$50,000;

2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor;

3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract;

4. A contract where state or federal monies are used to fund service related programs, including but not limited to voucher programs, foster care, or other social programs that provide immediate direct assistance;

5. Purchase orders under a master agreement, where the Contractor was certified at the time the master agreement was entered into and at any subsequent renewal, extension and/or amendment to the master agreement.

6. Purchase orders issued by Internal Services Department under \$100,000 that is not the result of a competitive bidding process.

7. Program agreements that utilize Board of Supervisors' discretionary funds;

8. National contracts established for the purchase of equipment and supplies for and by the National Association of Counties, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, or any similar related group purchasing organization;

9. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-3700 or a successor provision;

10. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, section 4.6.0 or a successor provision;

11. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section P-2810 or a successor provision;

12. A non-agreement purchase worth a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, section A-0300 or a successor provision; or

13. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual section P-0900 or a successor provision;

14. Other contracts for mission critical goods and/or services where the Board of Supervisors determines that an exemption is justified.

B. Other laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any Contractor in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.070 Enforcement and remedies.

A. The information furnished by each Contractor certifying that it is in compliance with this chapter shall be under penalty of perjury.

B. No Contractor shall willfully and knowingly make a false statement certifying compliance with this chapter for the purpose of obtaining or retaining a County contract.

C. For Contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the County department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

1. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,

2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor; and/or,

3. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors that an exemption is justified pursuant to Section 2.206.060.A.14 of this chapter or payment deferral as provided pursuant to the California Revenue and Taxation Code. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

2.206.080 Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. No. 2009-0026 § 1 (part), 2009.)

REFERENCE SURVEY

(Non-County of Los Angeles Reference)

| PROPOSER: | NAME OF SOLICITATION:BRC0000363 On-Call Project Management and Related Services for PMDIII Federally-Funded Projects FY 2022-23 |
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| Name of Organization: | | | | Date: |
|-----------------------|----------|------------|-----|--------------|
| Contact's Name/Title: | | Signature: | | |
| Contact's Address: | Telephon | e No. | Ema | ail Address: |

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES PROVIDED (INCLUDE EVALUATION PERIOD):

PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU DO NOT PROVIDE A RESPONSE FOR A QUESTION, THAT QUESTION WILL BE CONSIDERED AS NO

| Please think about your experiences the last time you did | | Res | ponse | Com | ments |
|---|---|-----|-------|-------------------------|---|
| bι | usiness with this firm when answering the following: | Yes | No | (If no, please explain) | |
| 1. | Did the product/service delivered by this firm match your order specifications? | | | | |
| 2. | Were you satisfied with the timeliness of the product/service delivery? | | | | |
| 3. | Was this firm responsive in managing problems and/or discrepancies? | | | | |
| 4. | Were you satisfied with the overall performance of this proposer? | | | | |
| 5. | Would you do business with this firm again? | | | | |
| | | | | TOTAL SCORE | (to be completed by the Contract Administrator) |

If you have any questions, please contact the Contract Administrator listed below.

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NON-COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PERFORMANCE HISTORY REFERENCE EVALUATION CHECKLIST – CARD

| Proposer: | | | Name of Solicitation: BRC0000363 On-Call Project Management and Related Services for PMDIII Federally- Funded Projects FY 2022-23 | | | | |
|-----------|--|-------|---|-----------|--------------------|---|--------|
| Ser | Services Provided: | | | | | | |
| Cor | ntracting Agency (Reference): | | | | | | |
| Age | ency Contact and Title: | | Telephor | ne/Email: | | | |
| Eva | aluation Period: From: To: | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| | CARD CRITERIA | RES | SPONSE | | SSUE AN E ISSUE | IF INACTI ISSUED RE IN THE L YEA | SOLVED |
| 1. | The firm owes or owed your agency/company for overpayments and/or questioned costs and has not entered into a repayment agreement or agreed to pay you back, or has referred to collection. | YES 🗌 |] NO 🗌 | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 |
| 2. | The firm has not taken the appropriate steps to correct significant documented instances of contract non-compliance in a timely manner. | YES 🗌 |] NO 🗌 | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 |
| 3. | The firm and/or their principal owners are currently debarred by other government entities. Principal owner is any person or entity who or which owns a 10 percent or more interest in the proposer. | YES [|] NO [] N/A [] | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 | YES 🗌 | NO |
| 4. | The firm has experienced financial, administrative, programmatic or legal issues that affect their ability to comply with your contract requirements. Examples of these issues include, but are not limited to the following: Bankruptcy Loss of licenses Failure to pay property or payroll taxes Financial viability concerns Lack of qualified staff Amount of disallowed undocumented costs Lack of required insurance Poor program services Assessment of any fines and/or penalties by public entities | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 | YES 🗌 | NO |
| 5. | Your agency/company has imposed contractual remedies against the firm for non-compliance with your contract requirements. Examples of these contract remedies include, but are not limited to the following: Termination for default Assessing liquidated damages Adjusting the proposer's funding Not renewing the contract PLEASE PROVIDE SUPPORTING DOC | YES 🗌 | | | | YES 🗌 | NO 🗌 |

"YES" REPONSES WITHOUT SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION WILL BE DISREGARDED.

BRC0000363 ON-CALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES FOR PMDIII FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROJECTS FY 2022-23

MINIMUM MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

Completing this form by itself without including detailed narrative in your proposal to support the minimum mandatory requirement of this RFP, any inconsistencies or inaccuracy in the information provided in this form, or this form and your proposal, may subject your proposal to disqualification or other actions, at the sole discretion of the County.

This is a Pass/Fail requirement. Proposer acknowledges and certifies that it meets and will comply with all of the Minimum Mandatory Requirements listed in Paragraph 1.2 – Proposal - Minimum Mandatory Requirements, of this Request for Proposal, as listed below.

1.2.1 Proposer or its subconsultant shall have a Resident Engineer with a valid and active registered civil engineer's license by the State of California.

Check the appropriate boxes:

□ Yes. Proposer meets qualification (provide copy of engineering license and complete table below):

| Resident Engineer Name | Name of Firm | Civil Engineer License No. |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| | | |

No. Proposal will be immediately disqualified, if answer is "No."

1.2.2 Previous experience on at least three bridge construction, bridge widening, bridge seismic retrofit, major storm drain, or major roadway reconstruction projects.

□ Yes. Proposer or its subconsultant(s) meets the required qualifications (complete table on next page):

List the name of project:

| Resident Engineer's Name and Name of Firm | Name of the Project | Description of the Project | Page No. in Proposal. |
|---|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
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No. Proposal will be immediately disqualified, if answer is "No."

Proposer declares under penalty of perjury that the information stated above is true and accurate. Proposer further acknowledges that if any false, misleading, incomplete, or deceptively unresponsive statements in connection with this proposal are made, the proposal may be rejected at the sole discretion of the County.

| Proposer's Name: | |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| | |
| Authorized representative Name: | |
| | |
| Signature: | Date: |

ZERO TOLERANCE HUMAN TRAFFICKING POLICY CERTIFICATION

| Company Name: | | |
|--|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Company Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip Code: |
| Telephone Number: | Email address: | |
| Solicitation/Contract for BRC00003 PMDIII Federally-Funded Projects | , , | nt and Related Services for |

PROPOSER CERTIFICATION

Los Angeles County has taken significant steps to protect victims of human trafficking by establishing a zero tolerance human trafficking policy that prohibits contractors found to have engaged in human trafficking from receiving contract awards or performing services under a County contract.

Proposer acknowledges and certifies compliance with (Compliance with County's Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking Policy) of the proposed Contract and agrees that proposer or a member of his staff performing work under the proposed Contract will be in compliance. Proposer further acknowledges that noncompliance with the County's Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking Policy may result in rejection of any proposal, or cancellation of any resultant Contract, at the sole judgment of the County.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized to represent this company.

| Print Name: | Title: |
|-------------|--------|
| Signature: | Date: |

FORM 18

<u>COMPLIANCE WITH FAIR CHANCE EMPLOYMENT</u> <u>HIRING PRACTICES CERTIFICATION</u>

| Company Name: | | | |
|---|----------------|-----------|--|
| Company Address: | | | |
| City: | State: | Zip Code: | |
| Telephone Number: | Email address: | | |
| Solicitation/Contract for BRC0000363 On-Call Project Management and Related Services for PMDIII Federally-Funded Projects FY 2022-23 | | | |

PROPOSER/CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a Fair Chance Employment Policy in an effort to remove job barriers for individuals with criminal records. The policy requires businesses that contract with the County to comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952, Employment Discrimination: Conviction History (California Government Code Section 12952), effective January 1, 2018.

Proposer/Contractor acknowledges and certifies compliance with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952 and agrees that Proposer/Contractor and staff performing work under the Contract will be in compliance. Proposer/Contractor further acknowledges that noncompliance with fair chance employment practices set forth in California Government Code Section 12952 may result in rejection of any proposal, or termination of any resultant Contract, at the sole judgment of the County.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized to represent this company.

| Print Name: | Title: |
|-------------|--------|
| Signature: | Date: |

DISALLOWED COST ATTESTATION

| Company Name: | | | |
|---|----------------|-----------|--|
| Company Address: | | | |
| City: | State: | Zip Code: | |
| Telephone Number: | Email address: | | |
| Solicitation/Contract for BRC0000363 On-Call Project Management and Related Services for PMDII Federally-Funded Projects FY 2022-23 | | | |

PROPOSER ATTESTATION

If Proposer's compliance with a County contract has been reviewed by the Department of the Auditor-Controller within the last 10 years, Proposer must not have unresolved questioned costs identified by the Auditor-Controller, in an amount over \$100,000.00, that are confirmed to be disallowed costs by the contracting County department, and remain unpaid for six months or more from the date of disallowance, unless such disallowed costs are the subject of current good faith negotiations to resolve the disallowed costs, in the opinion of the County.

Proposer acknowledges and certifies compliance with the above paragraph.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information herein is true and correct and that I am authorized to represent this company.

| Print Name: | Title: |
|-------------|--------|
| Signature: | Date: |

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS CERTIFICATION

Company Name

Address

Internal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number

California Registry of Charitable Trusts "CT" number (if applicable)

The Nonprofit Integrity Act (SB 1262, Chapter 919) added requirements to California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act which regulates those receiving and raising charitable contributions.

Check the Certification below that is applicable to your company.

Proposer or Contractor has examined its activities and determined that it does not now receive or raise charitable contributions regulated under California's Supervision of Trustees and Fundraisers for Charitable Purposes Act. If Proposer engages in activities subjecting it to those laws during the term of a County contract, it will timely comply with them and provide County a copy of its initial registration with the California State Attorney General's Registry of Charitable Trusts when filed.

OR

□ Proposer or Contractor is registered with the California Registry of Charitable Trusts under the CT number listed above and is in compliance with its registration and reporting requirements under California law. Attached is a copy of its most recent filing with the Registry of Charitable Trusts as required by Title 11 California Code of Regulations, sections 300-301 and Government Code sections 12585-12586.

Signature

Date

Please Print Name and Title of Signer

PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR LIST OF TERMINATED CONTRACTS

Contractor's Name: _____

Proposer must list all contracts that have been terminated within the past three years. Terminated contracts are those contracts terminated by an agency or firm before the contract's expiration date. Any and all terminated contracts should be accompanied with "Reason for termination". It should be noted that contracts that naturally expired need not be listed. The County is only seeking information on contracts that were terminated prior to expiration.

| 1. Name of Firm | Address of Firm | Contact Person | Telephone # () | Email | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------|--|
| Name or Contract No. | Reason for Termination: | | | | |
| 2. Name of Firm | Address of Firm | Contact Person | Telephone # () | Email | |
| Name or Contract No. | Reason for Termination: | | | | |
| 3. Name of Firm | Address of Firm | Contact Person | Telephone # () | Email | |
| Name or Contract No. | Reason for Termination: | | | | |
| 4. Name of Firm | Address of Firm | Contact Person | Telephone # () | Email | |
| Name or Contract No. | Reason for Termination: | | | | |

COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance Urgency Ordinance, County Code Title 2 – Administration, Division 4 – Miscellaneous – Chapter 2.212 (COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel)

I, _____, on behalf of ______, the "Contractor"), certify that on County Contract (TBD) BRC0000363 On-Call Project Management and Related Services for PMDIII Federally-Funded Projects FY2022-23:

_____ All Contractor Personnel* on this Contract are fully vaccinated as required by the Ordinance.

_____ Most Contractor Personnel* on this Contract are fully vaccinated as required by the Ordinance. The Contractor or its employer of record, has granted a valid medical or religious exemption to the below identified Contractor Personnel. Contractor will certify weekly that the following unvaccinated Contractor Personnel have tested negative within 72 hours of starting their work week under the County Contract, unless the contracting County department requires otherwise. The Contractor Personnel who have been granted a valid medical or religious exemption are [LIST ALL CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL]:

*Contractor Personnel includes subcontractors.

I have authority to bind the Contractor and have reviewed the requirements above and further certify that I will comply with said requirements.

Signature

Date

Title

Company/Contractor Name

Released December 14, 2021

Version 2.0

CONSULTANT ABILITY TO ADDRESS UPCOMING AUDIT ITEMS

Consultant shall be required to provide financial documents for contract of equal or greater than \$1 Million. Additionally, subconsultants with a participation on contract greater than \$1 Million shall be required to provide financial documents.

Proposer/team unable to meet this requirement shall not be considered for contract award.

A. Consultant has a 2020 and/or 2021 CPA Audit of their indirect Cost Rate (ICR) Schedule with FAR Reference notes. Will provide current ICR Schedule upon request.

_____YES _____NO

B. Subconsultants proposed on team (subconsultants with participation amount of \$1 Million or greater) have a 2020 and/or 2021 CPA Audit of their indirect Cost Rate (ICR) Schedule with FAR Reference notes. Will provide current ICR Schedule upon request.

_____YES _____NO

C. Consultant/subconsultant who received a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan Forgiveness will be required to respond to the PPP Questionnaire and provide supporting documents, **upon request.** See Attachment as Reference.

_____ YES (Prime) _____ NO, did not apply for a PPP loan (Prime).

D. Consultant/subconsultants will be able to provide a Prevailing Wage (PW)* work written policy accounting method for treatment of delta base and delta fringe.

_____ YES _____ NO

E. Consultant's subconsultants have affirmed they have a financial management system capable of accumulating and summarizing costs including direct and indirect labor, unallowable and ODCs by the contract/project.

_____ YES _____ NO

* Visit Interpretive Guidance – General A&E Contract Resources https://dot.ca.gov/programs/procurement-and-contracts/ae-contract-information/general-a-e-contract-resources

| Proposer's Organization: | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Signature: | |
| Print Name: | |
| Title: | Date: |

PPP LOAN QUESTIONNAIRE

| Name of Firm | | | |
|---|--|--|--|
| Who is the contact person for accounting questions? | | | |
| Name: | | | |
| Title: | | | |
| Phone Number: | | | |
| Email Address: | | | |

DO NOT INCLUDE WITH FORM 23.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: PROPOSER, PLEASE SHARE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE WITH YOUR SUBCONSULTANTS. THIS QUESTIONNAIRE WILL BE REQUESTED OF THE SELECTED CONSULTANT/ SUBCONSLTANTS.

Background

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued Memorandum HCFB-30 dated March 24, 2021, which stated that when PPP loan proceeds are applied to a firm's cost (direct or indirect) within the scope of a federally funded contract and the PPP loan is forgiven, appropriate adjustments to consultant accounting records become necessary to comply with 48 CFR Part 31.

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/coronavirus/docs/HCF%20Info%20Memo Treatment%20of%20PPP%20Funds%20for% 20AE%20Consultants 3-24-21.pdf

Caltrans issued Guidance for PPP loan forgiveness dated April 15, 2022. <u>Caltrans PPP Loan Forgiveness</u> <u>Guidance</u>. The Guidance stated, in part, an adjustment (to the indirect cost rate) will provide an equitable allocation of the credit across different contracts and customer types for architectural and engineering (A&E) services under Federal-aid or Federal lands highway program

funded (federally funded) contracts. All firms will be required to complete and submit a PPP Certification Form.

Locally administered contracts with federally funded funds must adhere to FHWA's requirements. Each local contract federally funded must have each consultant complete this questionnaire unless the firm is requesting the Safe Harbor Rate. The Independent Office of Audits and Investigation will use the completed questionnaire to determine compliance with the applicable requirements.

Questions:

1. Did your firm receive a PPP Loan?

If no, skip to the bottom of the questionnaire to sign and date the form. If you did receive PPP Loan(s) continue.

Total Amount Received?

| First Round: \$ | Date Received: | Covered Period: From: | То: |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----|
| Second Round: \$ | Date Received: | Covered Period: From: | То: |

- 2. Have any of the funds received been forgiven?
 - a) If yes:

Amount Forgiven: \$_____ Date Forgiven:_____

Continue to Question 3.

b) If no, does the firm plan to request forgiveness in the future?

Anticipated Date of Request:

Skip to the bottom of the questionnaire to sign and date the form.

3. Did the firm account for the loan forgiven funds in its annual audit of the indirect cost rate? If yes, was the FAR related direct labor cost reallocated to the indirect cost schedule as a credit? If yes, skip to the bottom of the questionnaire to sign and date the form and submit the audited indirect cost rate. If no, continue to Question 4.

PPP LOAN QUESTIONNAIRE

4. What were the loan forgiveness proceeds used for during the covered period(s)?

| | Amount |
|---|--------|
| Indirect Labor Costs - Allowable | |
| Indirect Labor Costs - Unallowable | |
| Direct Labor (federally funded contracts) | |
| Direct Labor (non-federally funded contracts) | |
| Business Mortgage Interest Payments | |
| Business Rent or Lease Payments | |
| Utility Payments | |
| Other Expenses (describe): | |
| | |
| | |
| Total | |

Instructions: The total amount should equal the loan forgiveness amount. When classifying labor costs, you should consider the following guidance.

Forgiven PPP loan funds spent on direct labor or other direct costs for commercial or government clients that were not reimbursed through contracts subject to 48 CFR Part 31 or spent on otherwise unallowable indirect costs may be excluded from the credit to the indirect cost pool.

FHWA's Memorandum dated March 24, 2021, states if adjustments to an A&E consultant's indirect cost rate have no bearing on the award of the contract type (e.g., firm fixed price or lump sum contracts), adjustment to that contract would not be required.

5. Was the federally funded related direct labor cost reallocated to the indirect cost schedule as a credit?

If no, please explain why?

I certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief this questionnaire is a complete and accurate representation of the above-named organization's treatment of PPP loans.

Print Name

Signature

Title

Date

Exhibit 10-I Notice to Proposers DBE Information

BRC0000363 – On-Call Project Management and Related Services for PMDIII FY2022-23

The Agency has established a DBE goal for this Contract of **21%**

1. TERMS AS USED IN THIS DOCUMENT

- The term "Disadvantaged Business Enterprise" or "DBE" means a for-profit small business concern owned and controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged person(s) as defined in Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Part 26.5.
- The term "Agreement" also means "Contract."
- Agency also means the local entity entering into this contract with the Contractor or Consultant.
- The term "Small Business" or "SB" is as defined in 49 CFR 26.65.

2. AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

- A. DBEs and other small businesses are strongly encouraged to participate in the performance of Contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds (See 49 CFR 26, "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs"). The Consultant must ensure that DBEs and other small businesses have the opportunity to participate in the performance of the work that is the subject of this solicitation and should take all necessary and reasonable steps for this assurance. The proposer must not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of subcontracts.
- B. Proposers are encouraged to use services offered by financial institutions owned and controlled by DBEs.

3. SUBMISSION OF DBE INFORMATION

If there is a DBE goal on the contract, Exhibit 10-O1: Consultant Proposal DBE Commitment must be included in the Proposal. In order for a proposer to be considered responsible and responsive, the proposer must make good faith efforts to meet the goal established for the contract. If the goal is not met, the proposer must document adequate good faith efforts. All DBE participation will be counted towards meeting the contract goal; therefore, all DBE participation shall be collected and reported.

Exhibit 10-O2 *Consultant Contract DBE Information* must be included in best qualified consultant's executed consultant contract. Even if no DBE participation will be reported, the successful proposer must execute and return the form.

4. DBE PARTICIPATION GENERAL INFORMATION

It is the proposer's responsibility to be fully informed regarding the requirements of 49 CFR, Part 26, and the Department's DBE program developed pursuant to the regulations. Particular attention is directed to the following:

- A. A DBE must be a small business firm defined pursuant to 13 CFR 121 and be certified through the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP).
- B. A certified DBE may participate as a prime consultant, subconsultant, joint venture partner, as a vendor of material or supplies, or as a trucking company.
- C. A DBE proposer not proposing as a joint venture with a non-DBE, will be required to document one or a combination of the following:
 - 1. The proposer is a DBE and will meet the goal by performing work with its own forces.
 - 2. The proposer will meet the goal through work performed by DBE subconsultants, suppliers or trucking companies.
 - 3. The proposer, prior to proposing, made adequate good faith efforts to meet the goal.
- D. A DBE joint venture partner must be responsible for specific contract items of work or clearly defined portions thereof. Responsibility means actually performing, managing, and supervising the work with its

own forces. The DBE joint venture partner must share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks and profits of the joint venture commensurate with its ownership interest.

- E. A DBE must perform a commercially useful function pursuant to 49 CFR 26.55, that is, a DBE firm must be responsible for the execution of a distinct element of the work and must carry out its responsibility by actually performing, managing and supervising the work.
- F. The proposer shall list only one subconsultant for each portion of work as defined in their proposal and all DBE subconsultants should be listed in the bid/cost proposal list of subconsultants.
- G. A prime consultant who is a certified DBE is eligible to claim all of the work in the Contract toward the DBE participation except that portion of the work to be performed by non-DBE subconsultants.

5. **RESOURCES**

- A. The CUCP database includes the certified DBEs from all certifying agencies participating in the CUCP. If you believe a firm is certified that cannot be located on the database, please contact the Caltrans Office of Certification toll free number 1-866-810-6346 for assistance.
- B. Access the CUCP database from the Department of Transportation, Office of Civil Rights website.
 - 1. Click on the link titled "Access the DBE Query Form"
 - 2. Click on "Start DBE Firms Query" link

Searches can be performed by one or more criteria. Follow instructions on the screen.

6. Materials or supplies purchased from dbes count towards the dbe goal under the following conditions:

- A. If the materials or supplies are obtained from a DBE manufacturer, count 100 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory, or establishment that produces on the premises the materials, supplies, articles, or equipment required under the Contract and of the general character described by the specifications.
- B. If the materials or supplies purchased from a DBE regular dealer, count 60 percent of the cost of the materials or supplies. A DBE regular dealer is a firm that owns, operates or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials, supplies, articles or equipment of the general character described by the specifications and required under the Contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. To be a DBE regular dealer, the firm must be an established, regular business that engages, as its principal business and under its own name, in the purchase and sale or lease of the products in question. A person may be a DBE regular dealer in such bulk items as petroleum products, steel, cement, gravel, stone or asphalt without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business provided in this section.
- C. If the person both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products, any supplementing of regular dealers' own distribution equipment shall be, by a long-term lease agreement and not an ad hoc or Agreement-by-Agreement basis. Packagers, brokers, manufacturers' representatives, or other persons who arrange or expedite transactions are not DBE regular dealers within the meaning of this section.
- D. Materials or supplies purchased from a DBE, which is neither a manufacturer nor a regular dealer, will be limited to the entire amount of fees or commissions charged for assistance in the procurement of the materials and supplies, or fees or transportation charges for the delivery of materials or supplies required on the job site, provided the fees are reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees charged for similar services.

| Firm's Name: | |
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| Print Name | Title: |
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| Signature: | |
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ON-CALL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES FOR PMDIII FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROJECTS FY 2022-23

AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 2022.

BY AND BETWEEN

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, State of California, hereinafter referred to as County,

AND

CONSULTANT, a [State of Incorporation] Corporation, hereinafter referred to as Consultant,

The parties hereto do mutually agree as follows:

1. Definition

County means either County and Local Agency means County; County, as agent for such joint powers authority or nonprofit corporation as may be involved in the issuance of bonds, certificates of participation, or other evidences of indebtedness to finance the work contemplated herein; or said joint powers authority or nonprofit corporation.

2. Introduction

- A. The Project Manager for the CONSULTANT will be (NAME) The name of LOCAL AGENCY is as follows: County of Los Angeles The name of the County Project Manager for Local Agency will be (NAME)
- B. The work to be performed under this Agreement is described in Exhibit A, On-Call TITLE, RFP No. BRC0000363, all addenda/notices to the RFP and approved Consultant's Cost Proposal dated (DATE). The approved Consultant's Cost Proposal is attached hereto (Attachment 1) and incorporated by reference. If there is any conflict between the approved Cost Proposal and this Agreement, this Agreement shall take precedence.
- C. CONSULTANT agrees to the fullest extent permitted by law, to indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, officials, agents, employees and volunteers from and against any and all claims, damages, demands, liability, costs, losses and expenses, including without limitation, court costs and

reasonable attorneys' and expert witness fees, arising out of any failure to comply with applicable law, any injury to or death of any person(s), damage to property, loss of use of property, economic loss or otherwise arising out of the performance of the work described herein, to the extent caused by a negligent act or negligent failure to act, errors, omissions, recklessness or willful misconduct incident to the performance of this AGREEMENT on the part of CONSULTANT, except such loss or damage which was caused by the sole negligence, or willful misconduct of LOCAL AGENCY, as determined by a Court of competent jurisdiction. The provisions of this section shall survive termination or suspension of this AGREEMENT.

- D. CONSULTANT in the performance of this AGREEMENT, shall act in an independent capacity. It is understood and agreed that CONSULTANT (including CONSULTANT's employees) is an independent contractor and that no relationship of employer-employee exists between the Parties hereto. CONSULTANT's assigned personnel shall not be entitled to any benefits payable to employees of County.
- E. LOCAL AGENCY is not required to make any deductions or withholdings from the compensation payable to CONSULTANT under the provisions of the AGREEMENT, and is not required to issue W-2 Forms for income and employment tax purposes for any of CONSULTANT's assigned personnel. CONSULTANT, in the performance of its obligation hereunder, is only subject to the control or direction of the LOCAL AGENCY as to the designation of tasks to be performed and the results to be accomplished.
- F. Any third party person(s) employed by CONSULTANT shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision, and control of CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT hereby indemnifies and holds LOCAL AGENCY harmless from any and all claims that may be made against County based upon any contention by any third party that an employer-employee relationship exists by reason of this AGREEMENT.
- G. Except as expressly authorized herein, CONSULTANT's obligations under this AGREEMENT are not assignable or transferable, and CONSULTANT shall not subcontract any work, without the prior written approval of the LOCAL AGENCY. However, claims for money due or which become due to CONSULTANT from County under this AGREEMENT may be assigned to a financial institution or to a trustee in bankruptcy, without such approval. Notice of any assignment or transfer whether voluntary or involuntary shall be furnished promptly to the LOCAL AGENCY.
- H. CONSULTANT shall be as fully responsible to the LOCAL AGENCY for the negligent acts and omissions of its contractors and subcontractors or subconsultants, and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them, in the same manner as persons directly employed by CONSULTANT.

 No alteration or variation of the terms of this AGREEMENT shall be valid, unless made in writing and signed by the parties authorized to bind the parties; and no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein, shall be binding on any of the parties hereto.

3. Consultant's Reports or Meetings

- A. CONSULTANT shall submit progress reports on each specific project in accordance with the Task Order. These reports shall be submitted at least once a month. The report should be sufficiently detailed for LOCAL AGENCY's Project Manager or Project Coordinator to determine, if CONSULTANT is performing to expectations, or is on schedule; to provide communication of interim findings, and to sufficiently address any difficulties or special problems encountered, so remedies can be developed.
- B. CONSULTANT's Project Manager shall meet with LOCAL AGENCY's Project Manager or Project Coordinator, as needed, to discuss progress on the project(s).
- 4. Performance Period
 - A. The term of this Agreement shall be for a period of three years commencing on the date of full execution of the contract. At the sole discretion of the County, this Agreement may be extended for two additional one-year terms, not to exceed a total contract period of five years. No work will proceed until a Notice to Proceed is issued by the County.
 - B. CONSULTANT is advised that any recommendation for AGREEMENT award is not binding on LOCAL AGENCY until the AGREEMENT is fully executed and approved by LOCAL AGENCY.
 - C. The Consultant shall notify Public Works when this Contract is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Consultant shall send written notification to Public Works at the address herein provided in Notices Paragraph.

5. <u>Allowable Costs and Payments</u>

A. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed for hours worked at the hourly rates specified in the CONSULTANT's approved Cost Proposal. The specified hourly rates shall include direct salary costs, employee benefits, prevailing wages, employer payments, overhead, and fee. These rates are not adjustable for the performance period set forth in this AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed within thirty

(30) days upon receipt by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in duplicate.

- B. In addition, CONSULTANT will be reimbursed for incurred (actual) direct costs other than salary costs that are in the approved Cost Proposal and identified in the approved Cost Proposal and in the executed Task Order.
- C. Specific projects will be assigned to CONSULTANT through issuance of Task Orders.
- D. After a project to be performed under this AGREEMENT is identified by LOCAL AGENCY, LOCAL AGENCY will prepare a draft Task Order; less the cost estimate. A draft Task Order will identify the scope of services, expected results, project deliverables, period of performance, project schedule and will designate a LOCAL AGENCY Project Coordinator. The draft Task Order will be delivered to CONSULTANT for review. CONSULTANT shall return the draft Task Order within ten (10) calendar days along with a Cost Estimate, including a written estimate of the number of hours and hourly rates per staff person, any anticipated reimbursable expenses, overhead, fee if any, and total dollar amount. After agreement has been reached on the negotiable items and total cost; the finalized Task Order shall be signed by both LOCAL AGENCY and CONSULTANT.
- E. Task Orders may be negotiated for a lump sum (Firm Fixed Price) or for specific rates of compensation, both of which must be based on the labor and other rates set forth in CONSULTANT's approved Cost Proposal.

CONSULTANT shall be responsible for any future adjustments to prevailing wage rates including, but not limited to, base hourly rates and employer payments as determined by the Department of Industrial Relations. CONSULTANT is responsible for paying the appropriate rate, including escalations that take place during the term of the AGREEMENT.

- F. Reimbursement for transportation and subsistence costs shall not exceed the rates as specified in the approved Cost Proposal. CONSULTANT will be responsible for transportation and subsistence costs in excess of State rates.
- G. When milestone cost estimates are included in the approved Cost Proposal, CONSULTANT shall obtain prior written approval in the form of an AGREEMENT amendment for a revised milestone cost estimate from the Contract Administrator before exceeding such estimate.
- H. Progress payments for each Task Order will be made monthly in arrears based on services provided and actual costs incurred.

- CONSULTANT shall not commence performance of work or services until this AGREEMENT has been approved by LOCAL AGENCY and notification to proceed has been issued by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator. No payment will be made prior to approval or for any work performed prior to approval of this AGREEMENT.
- J. A Task Order is of no force or effect until returned to LOCAL AGENCY and signed by an authorized representative of LOCAL AGENCY. No expenditures are authorized on a project and work shall not commence until a Task Order for that project has been executed by LOCAL AGENCY.
- K. CONSULTANT will be reimbursed within thirty (30) days upon receipt by LOCAL AGENCY'S Contract Administrator of itemized invoices in duplicate. Separate invoices itemizing all costs are required for all work performed under each Task Order. Invoices shall be submitted no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the performance of work for which CONSULTANT is billing, or upon completion of the Task Order. Invoices shall detail the work performed on each milestone, on each project as applicable. Invoices shall follow the format stipulated for the approved Cost Proposal and shall reference this AGREEMENT number, project title and Task Order number. Credits due LOCAL AGENCY that include any equipment purchased under the provisions of Article 11, Equipment Purchase, must be reimbursed by CONSULTANT prior to the expiration or termination of this AGREEMENT. Invoices shall be mailed to LOCAL AGENCY's Project Manager at the following address:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS P. O. BOX 7508 ALHAMBRA, CA 91802-7508 ATTN: PROJECT MANAGER

- L. The period of performance for Task Orders shall be in accordance with dates specified in the Task Order. No Task Order will be written which extends beyond the expiration date of this AGREEMENT.
- M. The total amount payable by LOCAL AGENCY for an individual Task Order shall not exceed the amount agreed to in the Task Order, unless authorized by amendment.
- N. If CONSULTANT fails to satisfactorily complete a deliverable according to the schedule set forth in a Task Order, no payment will be made until the deliverable has been satisfactorily completed.
- O. Task Orders may not be used to amend the language (or the terms) of this AGREEMENT nor to exceed the scope of work under this AGREEMENT.

- P. The total amount payable by LOCAL AGENCY for all Task Orders resulting from this AGREEMENT shall not exceed an aggregate **Twenty-Four Million Dollars** (\$24,000,000). It is understood and agreed that there is no guarantee, either expressed or implied that this dollar amount will be authorized under this AGREEMENT through Task Orders.
- Q. If requested by the Consultant, the contract (hourly, daily, monthly, etc.) amount may, at the sole discretion of the County, be increased at the time of contract renewal, if exercised by the County, based on the most recently published percentage change in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim area for the 12-month period preceding the contract renewal date, which shall be the effective date for any Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). However, any increase shall not exceed the general salary movement granted to County employees as determined by the Chief Executive Officer as of each July 1 for the prior 12-month period. Furthermore, should fiscal circumstances ultimately prevent the Board from approving any increase in County employee salaries, no COLA will be granted. Upon approval of a COLA, a notification will be sent to the Consultant.
- R. Consultant will notify County when Contract amount has been incurred up to 75% of the Contract total.

6. Termination

- A. This AGREEMENT may be terminated by LOCAL AGENCY, provided that LOCAL AGENCY gives not less than thirty (30) calendar days' written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of intent to terminate. Upon termination, LOCAL AGENCY shall be entitled to all work, including but not limited to, reports, investigations, appraisals, inventories, studies, analyses, drawings and data estimates performed to that date, whether completed or not.
- B. LOCAL AGENCY may temporarily suspend this AGREEMENT, at no additional cost to LOCAL AGENCY, provided that CONSULTANT is given written notice (delivered by certified mail, return receipt requested) of temporary suspension. If LOCAL AGENCY gives such notice of temporary suspension, CONSULTANT shall immediately suspend its activities under this AGREEMENT. A temporary suspension may be issued concurrent with the notice of termination.
- C. Notwithstanding any provisions of this AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT shall not be relieved of liability to LOCAL AGENCY for damages sustained by County by virtue of any breach of this AGREEMENT by CONSULTANT, and County may withhold any payments due to CONSULTANT until such time as the exact amount of damages, if any, due County from CONSULTANT is determined.

- D. In the event of termination, CONSULTANT shall be compensated as provided for in this AGREEMENT. Upon termination, LOCAL AGENCY shall be entitled to all work, including but not limited to, reports, investigations, appraisals, inventories, studies, analyses, drawings and data estimates performed to that date, whether completed or not.
- 7. Cost Principles and Administrative Requirements
 - A. The CONSULTANT agrees that 48 CFR Part 31, Contract Cost Principles and Procedures, shall be used to determine the allowability of individual terms of cost.
 - B. The CONSULTANT also agrees to comply with Federal procedures in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.
 - C. Any costs for which payment has been made to the CONSULTANT that are determined by subsequent audit to be unallowable under 48 CFR Part 31 or 2 CFR Part 200 are subject to repayment by the CONSULTANT to LOCAL AGENCY.
 - D. When a CONSULTANT or Subconsultant is a Non-Profit Organization or an Institution of Higher Education, the Cost Principles for Title 2 CFR Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards shall apply.

8. <u>Retention of Record/Audits</u>

For the purpose of determining compliance with Gov. Code § 8546.7, the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and LOCAL AGENCY shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records, Independent CPA Audited Indirect Cost Rate workpapers, and other evidence pertaining to the performance of the AGREEMENT including, but not limited to, the costs of administering the AGREEMENT. All parties, including the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, shall make such workpapers and materials available at their respective offices at all reasonable times during the AGREEMENT period and for three (3) years from the date of final payment under the AGREEMENT. LOCAL AGENCY, Caltrans Auditor, FHWA, or any duly authorized representative of the Federal government having jurisdiction under Federal laws or regulations (including the basis of Federal funding in whole or in part) shall have access to any books, records, and documents of the CONSULTANT, Subconsultants, and the CONSULTANT's Independent CPA, that are pertinent to the AGREEMENT for audits, examinations, workpaper review, excerpts, and transactions, and copies thereof shall be furnished if requested without limitation.

9. <u>Audit Review Procedures</u>

A. Any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under an interim or post audit of this AGREEMENT that is not disposed of by AGREEMENT, shall be reviewed by

LOCAL AGENCY'S Chief Financial Officer.

- B. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after issuance of the final audit report, CONSULTANT may request a review by LOCAL AGENCY'S Chief Financial Officer of unresolved audit issues. The request for review will be submitted in writing.
- C. Neither the pendency of a dispute nor its consideration by LOCAL AGENCY will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance, in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT.
- D. CONSULTANT and subconsultant AGREEMENTs, including cost proposals and Indirect Cost Rates (ICR), may be subject to audits or reviews such as, but not limited to, an AGREEMENT audit, an incurred cost audit, an ICR Audit, or a CPA ICR audit work paper review. If selected for audit or review, the AGREEMENT, cost proposal and ICR and related work papers, if applicable, will be reviewed to verify compliance with 48 CFR Part 31 and other related laws and regulations. In the instances of a CPA ICR audit work paper review it is CONSULTANT's responsibility to ensure federal, LOCAL AGENCY, or local government officials are allowed full access to the CPA's work papers including making copies as necessary. The AGREEMENT, cost proposal, and ICR shall be adjusted by CONSULTANT and approved by LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator to conform to the audit or review recommendations. CONSULTANT agrees that individual terms of costs identified in the audit report shall be incorporated into the AGREEMENT by this reference if directed by LOCAL AGENCY at its sole discretion. Refusal by CONSULTANT to incorporate audit or review recommendations, or to ensure that the federal, LOCAL AGENCY or local governments have access to CPA work papers, will be considered a breach of AGREEMENT terms and cause for termination of the AGREEMENT and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
- E. CONSULTANT's Cost Proposal may be subject to a CPA ICR Audit Work Paper Review and/or audit by the Independent Office of Audits and Investigations (IOAI). IOAI, at its sole discretion, may review and/or audit and approve the CPA ICR documentation. The Cost Proposal shall be adjusted by the CONSULTANT and approved by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator to conform to the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report. Refusal by the CONSULTANT to incorporate the Work Paper Review recommendations included in the management letter or audit recommendations included in the audit report will be considered a breach of the AGREEMENT terms and cause for termination of the AGREEMENT and disallowance of prior reimbursed costs.
 - During IOAI's review of the ICR audit work papers created by the CONSULTANT's independent CPA, IOAI will work with the CPA and/or CONSULTANT toward a resolution of issues that arise during the review. Each party agrees to use its best efforts to resolve any audit disputes in a timely

manner. If IOAI identifies significant issues during the review and is unable to issue a cognizant approval letter, LOCAL AGENCY will reimburse the CONSULTANT at an accepted ICR until a FAR (Federal Acquisition Regulation) compliant ICR {e.g. 48 CFR Part 31; GAGAS (Generally Accepted Auditing Standards); CAS (Cost Accounting Standards), if applicable; in accordance with procedures and guidelines of the American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Audit Guide; and other applicable procedures and guidelines} is received and approved by IOAI.

Accepted rates will be as follows:

- a. If the proposed rate is less than one hundred fifty percent (150%) the accepted rate reimbursed will be ninety percent (90%) of the proposed rate.
- b. If the proposed rate is between one hundred fifty percent (150%) and two hundred percent (200%) the accepted rate will be eighty-five percent (85%) of the proposed rate.
- c. If the proposed rate is greater than two hundred percent (200%) the accepted rate will be seventy-five percent (75%) of the proposed rate.
- 2. If IOAI is unable to issue a cognizant letter per paragraph E.1. above, IOAI may require CONSULTANT to submit a revised independent CPA-audited ICR and audit report within three (3) months of the effective date of the management letter. IOAI will then have up to six (6) months to review the CONSULTANT's and/or the independent CPA's revisions.
- 3. If the CONSULTANT fails to comply with the provisions of this paragraph E, or if IOAI is still unable to issue a cognizant approval letter after the revised independent CPA audited ICR is submitted, overhead cost reimbursement will be limited to the accepted ICR that was established upon initial rejection of the ICR and set forth in paragraph E.1. above for all rendered services. In this event, this accepted ICR will become the actual and final ICR for reimbursement purposes under this AGREEMENT.
- 4. CONSULTANT may submit to LOCAL AGENCY final invoice only when all of the following items have occurred: (1) IOAI accepts or adjusts the original or revised independent CPA audited ICR; (2) all work under this AGREEMENT has been completed to the satisfaction of LOCAL AGENCY; and, (3) IOAI has issued its final ICR review letter. The CONSULTANT MUST SUBMIT ITS FINAL INVOICE TO LOCAL AGENCY no later than sixty (60) calendar days after occurrence of the last of these items. The accepted ICR will apply to this AGREEMENT and all other agreements executed between LOCAL AGENCY and the CONSULTANT, either as a prime or subconsultant, with the same fiscal period ICR.

10. <u>Subcontracting</u>

- A. Nothing contained in this AGREEMENT or otherwise, shall create any contractual relation between the LOCAL AGENCY and any Subconsultants, and no subagreement shall relieve the CONSULTANT of its responsibilities and obligations hereunder. The CONSULTANT agrees to be as fully responsible to the LOCAL AGENCY for the acts and omissions of its Subconsultants and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by any of them as it is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT's obligation to pay its Subconsultants is an independent obligation from the LOCAL AGENCY's obligation to make payments to the CONSULTANT.
- B. The CONSULTANT shall perform the work contemplated with resources available within its own organization and no portion of the work shall be subcontracted without written authorization by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator, except that which is expressly identified in the CONSULTANT's approved Cost Proposal.
- C. Any subagreement entered into as a result of this AGREEMENT, shall contain all the provisions stipulated in this entire AGREEMENT to be applicable to Subconsultants unless otherwise noted.
- D. CONSULTANT shall pay its Subconsultants within Fifteen (15) calendar days from receipt of each payment made to the CONSULTANT by the LOCAL AGENCY.
- E. Any substitution of Subconsultants must be approved in writing by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator in advance of assigning work to a substitute Subconsultant.
- F. Prompt Progress Payment

CONSULTANT or subconsultant shall pay to any subconsultant, not later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of each progress payment, unless otherwise agreed to in writing, the respective amounts allowed CONSULTANT on account of the work performed by the subconsultants, to the extent of each subconsultant's interest therein. In the event that there is a good faith dispute over all or any portion of the amount due on a progress payment from CONSULTANT or subconsultant to a subconsultant, CONSULTANT or subconsultant may withhold no more than 150 percent of the disputed amount. Any violation of this requirement shall constitute a cause for disciplinary action and shall subject the licensee to a penalty, payable to the subconsultant, of 2 percent of the amount due per month for every month that payment is not made.

In any action for the collection of funds wrongfully withheld, the prevailing party shall be entitled to his or her attorney's fees and costs. The sanctions authorized under this requirement shall be separate from, and in addition to, all other remedies, either civil, administrative, or criminal. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subconsultants.

G. Prompt Payment of Withheld Funds to Subconsultants

The LOCAL AGENCY may hold retainage from CONSULTANT and shall make prompt and regular incremental acceptances of portions, as determined by the LOCAL AGENCY, of the contract work, and pay retainage to CONSULTANT based on these acceptances. The LOCAL AGENCY shall designate the method below in the contract to ensure prompt and full payment of any retainage kept by CONSULTANT or subconsultant to a subconsultant.

<u>Method 2</u>: No retainage will be held by the LOCAL AGENCY from progress payments due to CONSULTANT. Any retainage kept by CONSULTANT or by a subconsultant must be paid in full to the earning subconsultant within 15 days after the subconsultant's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment may take place only for good cause and with the LOCAL AGENCY's prior written approval. Any violation of these provisions shall subject the violating CONSULTANT or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions, and remedies specified in Section 3321 of the California Civil Code. This requirement shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative or judicial remedies, otherwise available to CONSULTANT or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by CONSULTANT, deficient subconsultant performance and/or noncompliance by a subconsultant. This clause applies to both DBE and non-DBE subconsultants.

Any violation of these provision shall subject the violating CONSULTANT or subconsultant to the penalties, sanctions and other remedies specified therein. These requirements shall not be construed to limit or impair any contractual, administrative, or judicial remedies otherwise available to CONSULTANT or subconsultant in the event of a dispute involving late payment or nonpayment by CONSULTANT, deficient subcontract performance, or noncompliance by a subconsultant.

11. Equipment Purchase and Other Capital Expenditures

A. Prior authorization in writing by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator shall be required before CONSULTANT enters into any unbudgeted purchase order, or subcontract exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for supplies, equipment,

or CONSULTANT services. CONSULTANT shall provide an evaluation of the necessity or desirability of incurring such costs.

- B. For purchase of any item, service, or consulting work not covered in CONSULTANT's approved Cost Proposal and exceeding five thousand dollars (\$5,000), with prior authorization by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator, three competitive quotations must be submitted with the request, or the absence of bidding must be adequately justified.
- C. Any equipment purchased with funds provided under the terms of this AGREEMENT is subject to the following:
 - 1. CONSULTANT shall maintain an inventory of all nonexpendable property. Nonexpendable property is defined as having a useful life of at least two years and an acquisition cost of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or more. If the purchased equipment needs replacement and is sold or traded in, LOCAL AGENCY shall receive a proper refund or credit at the conclusion of the AGREEMENT, or if the AGREEMENT is terminated, CONSULTANT may either keep the equipment and credit LOCAL AGENCY in an amount equal to its fair market value, or sell such equipment at the best price obtainable at a public or private sale, in accordance with established LOCAL AGENCY procedures; and credit LOCAL AGENCY in an amount equal to the sales price. If CONSULTANT elects to keep the equipment, fair market value shall be determined at CONSULTANT's expense, on the basis of a competent independent appraisal of such equipment. Appraisals shall be obtained from an appraiser mutually agreeable to by LOCAL AGENCY and CONSULTANT, if it is determined to sell the equipment, the terms and conditions of such sale must be approved in advance by LOCAL AGENCY.
 - 2. Regulation 2 CFR Part 200 requires a credit to Federal funds when participating equipment with a fair market value greater than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) is credited to the project.

12. <u>State Prevailing Wage Rates</u>

- A. No CONSULTANT or Subconsultant may be awarded an AGREEMENT containing public work elements unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) pursuant to Labor Code §1725.5. Registration with DIR must be maintained throughout the entire term of this AGREEMENT, including any subsequent amendments.
- B. The CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the applicable provisions of the California Labor Code requiring the payment of prevailing wages. The General Prevailing Wage Rate Determinations applicable to work under this

AGREEMENT are available and on file with the Department of Transportation's Regional/District Labor Compliance Officer (https://dot.ca.gov/programs/construction/labor-compliance). These wage rates are made a specific part of this AGREEMENT by reference pursuant to Labor Code §1773.2 and will be applicable to work performed at a construction project site. Prevailing wages will be applicable to all inspection work performed at LOCAL AGENCY construction sites, at LOCAL AGENCY facilities and at off-site locations that are set up by the construction contractor or one of its subcontractors solely and specifically to serve LOCAL AGENCY projects. Prevailing wage requirements do not apply to inspection work performed at the facilities of vendors and commercial materials suppliers that provide goods and services to the general public.

- C. General Prevailing Wage Rate Determinations applicable to this project may also be obtained from the Department of Industrial Relations website at <u>http://www.dir.ca.gov</u>.
- D. Payroll Records
 - 1. Each CONSULTANT and Subconsultant shall keep accurate certified payroll records and supporting documents as mandated by Labor Code §1776 and as defined in 8 CCR §16000 showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in connection with the public work. Each payroll record shall contain or be verified by a written declaration that it is made under penalty of perjury, stating both of the following:
 - a. The information contained in the payroll record is true and correct.
 - b. The employer has complied with the requirements of Labor Code §1771, §1811, and §1815 for any work performed by his or her employees on the public works project.
 - 2. The payroll records enumerated under paragraph (1) above shall be certified as correct by the CONSULTANT under penalty of perjury. The payroll records and all supporting documents shall be made available for inspection and copying by LOCAL AGENCY representatives at all reasonable hours at the principal office of the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT shall provide copies of certified payrolls or permit inspection of its records as follows:
 - a. A certified copy of an employee's payroll record shall be made available for inspection or furnished to the employee or the

employee's authorized representative on request.

- b. A certified copy of all payroll records enumerated in paragraph (1) above, shall be made available for inspection or furnished upon request to a representative of LOCAL AGENCY, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the Department of Industrial Relations. Certified payrolls submitted to LOCAL AGENCY, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards shall not be altered or obliterated by the CONSULTANT.
- c. The public shall not be given access to certified payroll records by the CONSULTANT. The CONSULTANT is required to forward any requests for certified payrolls to the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator by both email and regular mail on the business day following receipt of the request.
- 3. Each CONSULTANT shall submit a certified copy of the records enumerated in paragraph (1) above, to the entity that requested the records within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of a written request.
- 4. Any copy of records made available for inspection as copies and furnished upon request to the public or any public agency by LOCAL AGENCY shall be marked or obliterated in such a manner as to prevent disclosure of each individual's name, address, and social security number. The name and address of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant performing the work shall not be marked or obliterated.
- 5. The CONSULTANT shall inform LOCAL AGENCY of the location of the records enumerated under paragraph (1) above, including the street address, city and county, and shall, within five (5) working days, provide a notice of a change of location and address.
- 6. The CONSULTANT or Subconsultant shall have ten (10) calendar days in which to comply subsequent to receipt of written notice requesting the records enumerated in paragraph (1) above. In the event the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant fails to comply within the ten (10) day period, he or she shall, as a penalty to LOCAL AGENCY, forfeit one hundred dollars (\$100) for each calendar day, or portion thereof, for each worker, until strict compliance is effectuated. Such penalties shall be withheld by LOCAL AGENCY from payments then due. CONSULTANT is not subject to a penalty assessment pursuant to this section due to the failure of a Subconsultant to comply with this section.

- E. When prevailing wage rates apply, the CONSULTANT is responsible for verifying compliance with certified payroll requirements. Invoice payment will not be made until the invoice is approved by the LOCAL AGENCY Contract Administrator.
- F. Penalty
 - The CONSULTANT and any of its Subconsultants shall comply with Labor Code §1774 and §1775. Pursuant to Labor Code §1775, the CONSULTANT and any Subconsultant shall forfeit to the LOCAL AGENCY a penalty of not more than two hundred dollars (\$200) for each calendar day, or portion thereof, for each worker paid less than the prevailing rates as determined by the Director of DIR for the work or craft in which the worker is employed for any public work done under the AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT or by its Subconsultant in violation of the requirements of the Labor Code and in particular, Labor Code §§1770 to 1780, inclusive.
 - 2. The amount of this forfeiture shall be determined by the Labor Commissioner and shall be based on consideration of mistake, inadvertence, or neglect of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in failing to pay the correct rate of prevailing wages, or the previous record of the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant in meeting their respective prevailing wage obligations, or the willful failure by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant to pay the correct rates of prevailing wages. A mistake, inadvertence, or neglect in failing to pay the correct rates of prevailing wages is not excusable if the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant had knowledge of the obligations under the Labor Code. The CONSULTANT is responsible for paying the appropriate rate, including any escalations that take place during the term of the AGREEMENT.
 - 3. In addition to the penalty and pursuant to Labor Code §1775, the difference between the prevailing wage rates and the amount paid to each worker for each calendar day or portion thereof for which each worker was paid less than the prevailing wage rate shall be paid to each worker by the CONSULTANT or Subconsultant.
 - 4. If a worker employed by a Subconsultant on a public works project is not paid the general prevailing per diem wages by the Subconsultant, the prime CONSULTANT of the project is not liable for the penalties described above unless the prime CONSULTANT had knowledge of that failure of the Subconsultant to pay the specified prevailing rate of wages to those workers or unless the prime CONSULTANT fails to comply with all of the following requirements:
 - a. The AGREEMENT executed between the CONSULTANT and the Subconsultant for the performance of work on public works projects

shall include a copy of the requirements in Labor Code §§ 1771, 1775, 1776, 1777.5, 1813, and 1815.

- b. The CONSULTANT shall monitor the payment of the specified general prevailing rate of per diem wages by the Subconsultant to the employees by periodic review of the certified payroll records of the Subconsultant.
- c. Upon becoming aware of the Subconsultant's failure to pay the specified prevailing rate of wages to the Subconsultant's workers, the CONSULTANT shall diligently take corrective action to halt or rectify the failure, including but not limited to, retaining sufficient funds due the Subconsultant for work performed on the public works project.
- d. Prior to making final payment to the Subconsultant for work performed on the public works project, the CONSULTANT shall obtain an affidavit signed under penalty of perjury from the Subconsultant that the Subconsultant had paid the specified general prevailing rate of per diem wages to the Subconsultant's employees on the public works project and any amounts due pursuant to Labor Code §1813.
- 5. Pursuant to Labor Code §1775, LOCAL AGENCY shall notify the CONSULTANT on a public works project within fifteen (15) calendar days of receipt of a complaint that a Subconsultant has failed to pay workers the general prevailing rate of per diem wages.
- 6. If LOCAL AGENCY determines that employees of a Subconsultant were not paid the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and if LOCAL AGENCY did not retain sufficient money under the AGREEMENT to pay those employees the balance of wages owed under the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, the CONSULTANT shall withhold an amount of moneys due the Subconsultant sufficient to pay those employees the general prevailing rate of per diem wages if requested by LOCAL AGENCY.
- G. Hours of Labor

Eight (8) hours labor constitutes a legal day's work. The CONSULTANT shall forfeit, as a penalty to the LOCAL AGENCY, twenty-five dollars (\$25) for each worker employed in the execution of the AGREEMENT by the CONSULTANT or any of its Subconsultants for each calendar day during which such worker is required or permitted to work more than eight (8) hours in any one calendar day and forty (40) hours in any one calendar week in violation of the provisions of the Labor Code, and in particular §§1810 to 1815 thereof, inclusive, except that work performed by employees in excess of eight (8) hours per day, and forty (40) hours during any one week, shall be permitted upon compensation for all hours

worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day and forty (40) hours in any week, at not less than one and one-half (1.5) times the basic rate of pay, as provided in §1815.

- H. Employment of Apprentices
 - 1. Where either the prime AGREEMENT or the subagreement exceeds thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), the CONSULTANT and any subconsultants under him or her shall comply with all applicable requirements of Labor Code §§ 1777.5, 1777.6 and 1777.7 in the employment of apprentices.
 - 2. CONSULTANTs and subconsultants are required to comply with all Labor Code requirements regarding the employment of apprentices, including mandatory ratios of journey level to apprentice workers. Prior to commencement of work, CONSULTANT and subconsultants are advised to contact the DIR Division of Apprenticeship Standards website at https://www.dir.ca.gov/das/, for additional information regarding the employment of apprentices and for the specific journey-to- apprentice ratios for the AGREEMENT work. The CONSULTANT is responsible for all subconsultants' compliance with these requirements. Penalties are specified in Labor Code §1777.7.

13. Conflict of Interest

- A. During the term of this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall disclose any financial, business, or other relationship with LOCAL AGENCY that may have an impact upon the outcome of this AGREEMENT or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project. The CONSULTANT shall also list current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this AGREEMENT or any ensuing LOCAL AGENCY construction project which will follow.
- B. CONSULTANT certifies that it has disclosed to LOCAL AGENCY any actual, apparent, or potential conflicts of interest that may exist relative to the services to be provided pursuant to this AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT agrees to advise LOCAL AGENCY of any actual, apparent or potential conflicts of interest that may develop subsequent to the date of execution of this AGREEMENT. CONSULTANT further agrees to complete any statements of economic interest if required by either LOCAL AGENCY ordinance or State law.
- C. The CONSULTANT hereby certifies that it does not now have nor shall it acquire any financial or business interest that would conflict with the performance of services under this AGREEMENT.

D. The CONSULTANT hereby certifies that the CONSULTANT or subconsultant and any firm affiliated with the CONSULTANT or subconsultant that bids on any construction contract or on any Agreement to provide construction inspection for any construction project resulting from this AGREEMENT, has established necessary controls to ensure a conflict of interest does not exist. An affiliated firm is one, which is subject to the control of the same persons, through joint ownership or otherwise.

14. <u>Rebates, Kickbacks or other Unlawful Consideration</u>

The CONSULTANT warrants that this AGREEMENT was not obtained or secured through rebates, kickbacks or other unlawful consideration either promised or paid to any LOCAL AGENCY employee. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY shall have the right, in its discretion, to terminate this AGREEMENT without liability, to pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or to deduct from this AGREEMENT price or otherwise recover the full amount of such rebate, kickback or other unlawful consideration.

15. Prohibition of Expending Local Agency, State, or Federal Funds for Lobbying

- A. The CONSULTANT certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:
 - 1. No State, Federal, or LOCAL AGENCY appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the CONSULTANT, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any local, State, or Federal agency, a Member of the State Legislature or United States Congress, an officer or employee of the Legislature or Congress, or any employee of a Member of the Legislature or Congress in connection with the awarding or making of this AGREEMENT, or with the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of this AGREEMENT.
 - 2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with this AGREEMENT, the CONSULTANT shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- B. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. §1352. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and not

more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for each such failure.

C. The CONSULTANT also agrees by signing this document that he or she shall require that the language of this certification be included in all lower tier subagreements, which exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), and that all such subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

16. Non-Discrimination Clause and Statement of Compliance

- A. The CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein and dated shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the CONSULTANT has, unless exempt, complied with the nondiscrimination program requirements of Gov. Code §12990 and 2 CCR § 8103.
- B. During the performance of this AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall not deny the AGREEMENT's benefits to any person on the basis of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status, nor shall they unlawfully discriminate, harass, or allow harassment against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, or military and veteran status. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall insure that the evaluation and treatment of their employees and applicants for employment are free from such discrimination and harassment.
- C. CONSULTANT and subconsultants shall comply with the provisions of the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Gov. Code §12990 et seq.), the applicable regulations promulgated there under (2 CCR §11000 et seq.), the provisions of Gov. Code §§11135-11139.5, and the regulations or standards adopted by LOCAL AGENCY to implement such article. The applicable regulations of the Fair Employment and Housing Commission implementing Gov. Code §12990 (a-f), set forth 2 CCR §§8100-8504, are incorporated into this AGREEMENT by reference and made a part hereof as if set forth in full.
- D. CONSULTANT shall permit access by representatives of the Department of Fair Employment and Housing and the LOCAL AGENCY upon reasonable notice at any time during the normal business hours, but in no case less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice, to such of its books, records, accounts, and all other sources of information and its facilities as said Department or LOCAL AGENCY shall require to ascertain compliance with this clause.

- E. CONSULTANT and its subconsultants shall give written notice of their obligations under this clause to labor organizations with which they have a collective bargaining or other Agreement.
- F. CONSULTANT shall include the nondiscrimination and compliance provisions of this clause in all subcontracts to perform work under this AGREEMENT.
- G. The CONSULTANT, with regard to the work performed under this AGREEMENT, shall act in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §2000d et seq.). Title VI provides that the recipients of federal assistance will implement and maintain a policy of nondiscrimination in which no person in the United States shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of or subject to discrimination under any program or activity by the recipients of federal assistance or their assignees and successors in interest.
- H. The CONSULTANT shall comply with regulations relative to non-discrimination in federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation (49 CFR Part 21 Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964). Specifically, the CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by 49 CFR §21.5, including employment practices and the selection and retention of Subconsultants.
- I. CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will never exclude any person from participation in, deny any person the benefits of, or otherwise discriminate against anyone in connection with the award and performance of any contract covered by 49 CFR 26 on the basis of race, color, sex, or national origin. In administering the LOCAL AGENCY components of the DBE Program Plan, CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant will not, directly, or through contractual or other arrangements, use criteria or methods of administration that have the effect of defeating or substantially impairing accomplishment of the objectives of the DBE Program Plan with respect to individuals of a particular race, color, sex, or national origin.

17. <u>Debarment and Suspension Certification</u>

- A. The CONSULTANT's signature affixed herein shall constitute a certification under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the CONSULTANT or any person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer or manager:
 - 1. Is not currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or determination of ineligibility by any federal agency;
 - 2. Has not been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded, or determined

ineligible by any federal agency within the past three (3) years;

- 3. Does not have a proposed debarment pending; and
- 4. Has not been indicted, convicted, or had a civil judgment rendered against it by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three (3) years.
- B. Any exceptions to this certification must be disclosed to LOCAL AGENCY. Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of recommendation for award, but will be considered in determining responsibility. Disclosures must indicate the party to whom the exceptions apply, the initiating agency, and the dates of agency action.
- C. Exceptions to the Federal Government Excluded Parties List System maintained by the U.S. General Services Administration are to be determined by FHWA.
- 18. <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Participation</u>
- A. CONSULTANT, subrecipient (LOCAL AGENCY), or subconsultant shall take necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that DBEs have opportunities to participate in the contract (49 CFR 26). To ensure equal participation of DBEs provided in 49 CFR 26.5, The LOCAL AGENCY shows a contract goal for DBEs. CONSULTANT shall make work available to DBEs and select work parts consistent with available DBE subconsultants and suppliers.

CONSULTANT shall meet the DBE goal shown elsewhere in these special provisions or demonstrate that they made adequate good faith efforts to meet this goal. It is CONSULTANT's responsibility to verify that the DBE firm is certified as DBE at date of proposal opening and document the record by printing out the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP) data for each DBE firm. A list of DBEs certified by the CUCP can be found <u>here</u>.

All DBE participation will count toward the California Department of Transportation's federally mandated statewide overall DBE goal. Credit for materials or supplies CONSULTANT purchases from DBEs counts towards the goal in the following manner:

• 100 percent counts if the materials or supplies are obtained from a DBE manufacturer.

- 60 percent counts if the materials or supplies are purchased from a DBE regular dealer.
- Only fees, commissions, and charges for assistance in the procurement and delivery of materials or supplies count if obtained from a DBE that is neither a

manufacturer nor regular dealer. 49CFR26.55 defines "manufacturer" and "regular dealer."

This AGREEMENT is subject to 49 CFR Part 26 entitled "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs". CONSULTANTs who enter into a federally-funded agreement will assist the LOCAL AGENCY in a good faith effort to achieve California's statewide overall DBE goal.

- B. The goal for DBE participation for this AGREEMENT is 21%. Participation by DBE CONSULTANT or subconsultants shall be in accordance with information contained in Exhibit 10-O2: Consultant Contract DBE Commitment attached hereto and incorporated as part of the AGREEMENT. If a DBE subconsultant is unable to perform, CONSULTANT must make a good faith effort to replace him/her with another DBE subconsultant, if the goal is not otherwise met.
- C. CONSULTANT can meet the DBE participation goal by either documenting commitments to DBEs to meet the AGREEMENT goal, or by documenting adequate good faith efforts to meet the AGREEMENT goal. An adequate good faith effort means that the CONSULTANT must show that it took all necessary and reasonable steps to achieve a DBE goal that, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, could reasonably be expected to meet the DBE goal. If CONSULTANT has not met the DBE goal, complete and submit Exhibit 15-H: DBE Information Good Faith Efforts to document efforts to meet the goal. Refer to 49 CFR Part 26 for guidance regarding evaluation of good faith efforts to meet the DBE goal.
- D. Contract Assurance

Under 49 CFR 26.13(b):

CONSULTANT, subrecipient or subconsultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. CONSULTANT shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR 26 in the award and administration of federal-aid contracts.

Failure by the CONSULTANT to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- (1) Withholding monthly progress payments;
- (2) Assessing sanctions;
- (3) Liquidated damages; and/or
- (4) Disqualifying CONSULTANT from future proposing as non-responsible

E. Termination and Substitution of DBE Subconsultants

CONSULTANT shall utilize the specific DBEs listed to perform the work and supply the materials for which each is listed unless CONSULTANT or DBE subconsultant obtains the LOCAL AGENCY's written consent. CONSULTANT shall not terminate or substitute a listed DBE for convenience and perform the work with their own forces or obtain materials from other sources without authorization from the LOCAL AGENCY. Unless the LOCAL AGENCY's consent is provided, the CONSULTANT shall not be entitled to any payment for work or material unless it is performed or supplied by the listed DBE on the Exhibit 10-02 Consultant Contract DBE Commitment form, included in the Consultant's Proposal.

The LOCAL AGENCY authorizes a request to use other forces or sources of materials if CONSULTANT shows any of the following justifications:

- 1. Listed DBE fails or refuses to execute a written contract based on plans and specifications for the project.
- 2. The LOCAL AGENCY stipulated that a bond is a condition of executing the subcontract and the listed DBE fails to meet the LOCAL AGENCY's bond requirements.
- 3. Work requires a consultant's license and listed DBE does not have a valid license under Contractors License Law.
- 4. Listed DBE fails or refuses to perform the work or furnish the listed materials (failing or refusing to perform is not an allowable reason to remove a DBE if the failure or refusal is a result of bad faith or discrimination).
- 5. Listed DBE's work is unsatisfactory and not in compliance with the contract.
- 6. Listed DBE is ineligible to work on the project because of suspension or debarment.
- 7. Listed DBE becomes bankrupt or insolvent.
- 8. Listed DBE voluntarily withdraws with written notice from the Contract
- 9. Listed DBE is ineligible to receive credit for the type of work required.
- 10. Listed DBE owner dies or becomes disabled resulting in the inability to perform the work on the Contract.
- 11. The LOCAL AGENCY determines other documented good cause.

CONSULTANT shall notify the original DBE of the intent to use other forces or material sources and provide the reasons and provide the DBE with 5 days to respond to the notice and advise CONSULTANT and the LOCAL AGENCY of the reasons why the use of other forces or sources of materials should not occur.

CONSULTANT's request to use other forces or material sources must include:

- 1. One or more of the reasons listed in the preceding paragraph.
- 2. Notices from CONSULTANT to the DBE regarding the request.
- 3. Notices from the DBEs to CONSULTANT regarding the request.

If a listed DBE is terminated or substituted, CONSULTANT must make good faith efforts to find another DBE to substitute for the original DBE. The substitute DBE must perform at least the same amount of work as the original DBE under the contract to the extent needed to meet or exceed the DBE goal.

F. Commitment and Utilization

The LOCAL AGENCY's DBE program must include a monitoring and enforcement mechanism to ensure that DBE commitments reconcile to DBE utilization.

The LOCAL AGENCY shall request CONSULTANT to:

- 1. Notify the LOCAL AGENCY's contract administrator or designated representative of any changes to its anticipated DBE participation
- 2. Provide this notification before starting the affected work
- 3. Maintain records including:
 - Name and business address of each 1st-tier subconsultant
 - Name and business address of each DBE subconsultant, DBE vendor, and DBE trucking company, regardless of tier
 - Date of payment and amount paid to each business (see Exhibit 9-F *Monthly Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Payment*)

If CONSULTANT is a DBE CONSULTANT, they shall include the date of work performed by their own forces and the corresponding value of the work.

If a DBE is decertified before completing its work, the DBE must notify CONSULTANT in writing of the decertification date. If a business becomes a certified DBE before completing its work, the business must notify CONSULTANT in writing of the certification date. CONSULTANT shall submit the notifications to the LOCAL AGENCY. On work completion, CONSULTANT shall complete a Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Certification Status Change, Exhibit 17-O, form and submit the form to the LOCAL AGENCY within 30 days of contract acceptance.

Upon work completion, CONSULTANT shall complete Exhibit 17-F1 Final Report – Utilization of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) for On-Call Contracts, First-Tier Subcontractors and submit it to the LOCAL AGENCY within 90 days of contract acceptance. The LOCAL AGENCY will withhold \$10,000 until the form is submitted. The LOCAL AGENCY will release the withhold upon submission of the completed form.

In the LOCAL AGENCY's reports of DBE participation to Caltrans, the LOCAL AGENCY must display both commitments and attainments.

- G. A DBE is only eligible to be counted toward the AGREEMENT goal if it performs a commercially useful function (CUF) on the AGREEMENT. CUF must be evaluated on an agreement by agreement basis. A DBE performs a Commercially Useful Function (CUF) when it is responsible for execution of the work of the AGREEMENT and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved. To perform a CUF, the DBE must also be responsible, with respect to materials and supplies used on the AGREEMENT, for negotiating price, determining quality and quantity, ordering the material and installing (where applicable), and paying for the material itself. To determine whether a DBE is performing a CUF, evaluate the amount of work subcontracted, industry practices, whether the amount the firm is to be paid under the AGREEMENT is commensurate with the work it is actually performing, and other relevant factors.
- H. A DBE does not perform a CUF if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, AGREEMENT, or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation. In determining whether a DBE is such an extra participant, examine similar transactions, particularly those in which DBEs do not participate.
- If a DBE does not perform or exercise responsibility for at least thirty percent (30%) of the total cost of its AGREEMENT with its own work force, or the DBE subcontracts a greater portion of the work of the AGREEMENT than would be expected on the basis of normal industry practice for the type of work involved, it will be presumed that it is not performing a CUF.
- J. CONSULTANT shall maintain records of materials purchased or supplied from all subcontracts entered into with certified DBEs. The records shall show the name and business address of each DBE or vendor and the total dollar amount actually paid each DBE or vendor, regardless of tier. The records shall show the date of payment and the total dollar figure paid to all firms. DBE CONSULTANT's shall also show the date of work performed by their own forces along with the corresponding dollar value of the work.
- K. If a DBE subconsultant is decertified during the life of the AGREEMENT, the decertified subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of decertification. If a subconsultant becomes a certified DBE during the life of the AGREEMENT, the subconsultant shall notify CONSULTANT in writing with the date of certification. Any

changes should be reported to LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator within thirty (30) calendar days.

- L. After submitting an invoice for reimbursement that includes a payment to a DBE, but no later than the 10th of the following month, the prime contractor/consultant shall complete and email the Exhibit 9- F: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Running Tally of Payments to <u>business.support.unit@dot.ca.gov</u> with a copy to the Agency.
- M. Any subcontract entered into as a result of this AGREEMENT shall contain all of the provisions of this section.
- 19. Insurance
- A. Prior to commencement of the work described herein, CONSULTANT shall furnish LOCAL AGENCY a Certificate of Insurance. The insurance requirements set forth in **Attachment 2** are the County's basic requirements.
- B. The Certificate of Insurance will provide:
 - 1. That the insurer will not cancel the insured's coverage without thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice to LOCAL AGENCY.
 - 2. That LOCAL AGENCY, its officers, agents, employees, and servants are included as additional insureds, but only insofar as the operations under this AGREEMENT are concerned.
 - 3. That LOCAL AGENCY will not be responsible for any premiums or assessments on the policy.
- C. CONSULTANT agrees that the bodily injury liability insurance herein provided for, shall be in effect at all times during the term of this AGREEMENT. In the event said insurance coverage expires at any time or times during the term of this AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT agrees to provide at least thirty (30) calendar days prior notice to said expiration date; and a new Certificate of Insurance evidencing insurance coverage as provided for herein, for not less than either the remainder of the term of the AGREEMENT, or for a period of not less than one (1) year. New Certificates of Insurance are subject to the approval of LOCAL AGENCY. In the event CONSULTANT fails to keep in effect at all times insurance coverage as herein provided, LOCAL AGENCY may, in addition to any other remedies it may have, terminate this AGREEMENT upon occurrence of such event.
- 20. Funding Requirements
- A. It is mutually understood between the parties that this AGREEMENT may have been written before ascertaining the availability of funds or appropriation of funds, for the mutual benefit of both parties, in order to avoid program and fiscal delays that would

occur if the AGREEMENT were executed after that determination was made.

- B. This AGREEMENT is valid and enforceable only if sufficient funds are made available to LOCAL AGENCY for the purpose of this AGREEMENT. In addition, this AGREEMENT is subject to any additional restrictions, limitations, conditions, or any statute enacted by the Congress, State Legislature, or LOCAL AGENCY governing board that may affect the provisions, terms, or funding of this AGREEMENT in any manner.
- C. It is mutually agreed that if sufficient funds are not appropriated, this AGREEMENT may be amended to reflect any reduction in funds.
- D. LOCAL AGENCY has the option to terminate the AGREEMENT pursuant to Article VI Termination, or by mutual agreement to amend the AGREEMENT to reflect any reduction of funds.
- 21. Change in Terms
- A. This AGREEMENT may be amended or modified only by mutual written agreement of the parties.
- B. CONSULTANT shall only commence work covered by an amendment after the amendment is executed and notification to proceed has been provided by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator.
- C. There shall be no change in CONSULTANT's Project Manager or members of the project team, as listed in the approved Cost Proposal, which is a part of this AGREEMENT without prior written approval by LOCAL AGENCY's Contract Administrator.
- 22. Contingent Fee

CONSULTANT warrants, by execution of this AGREEMENT that no person or selling agency has been employed, or retained, to solicit or secure this AGREEMENT upon an agreement or understanding, for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees, or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by CONSULTANT for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, LOCAL AGENCY has the right to annul this AGREEMENT without liability; pay only for the value of the work actually performed, or in its discretion to deduct from the AGREEMENT price or consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

23. Disputes

Prior to either party commencing any legal action under this AGREEMENT, the parties agree to try in good faith, to settle any dispute amicably between them. If a dispute has not been settled after forty-five (45) days of good-faith negotiations and as may be otherwise provided herein, then either party may commence legal action against the other.

- A. Any dispute, other than audit, concerning a question of fact arising under this AGREEMENT that is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by a committee consisting of LOCAL AGENCY's Project Manager and/or Local Agency's Project Manager's Supervisor or designee who may consider written or verbal information submitted by CONSULTANT.
- B. Not later than thirty (30) calendar days after completion of all work under the AGREEMENT, CONSULTANT may request review by LOCAL AGENCY Governing Board of unresolved claims or disputes, other than audit. The request for review will be submitted in writing.
- C. Neither the pendency of a dispute, nor its consideration by the committee will excuse CONSULTANT from full and timely performance in accordance with the terms of this AGREEMENT.
- 24. Inspection of Work

CONSULTANT and any subconsultant shall permit LOCAL AGENCY, the State, and the FHWA if federal participating funds are used in this AGREEMENT; to review and inspect the project activities and files at all reasonable times during the performance period of this AGREEMENT.

25. Safety

- A. CONSULTANT shall comply with OSHA regulations applicable to CONSULTANT regarding necessary safety equipment or procedures. CONSULTANT shall comply with safety instructions issued by LOCAL AGENCY Safety Officer and other LOCAL AGENCY representatives. CONSULTANT personnel shall wear hard hats and safety vests at all times while working on the construction project site.
- B. Pursuant to the authority contained in Vehicle Code §591, LOCAL AGENCY has determined that such areas are within the limits of the project and are open to public traffic. CONSULTANT shall comply with all of the requirements set forth in Divisions 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Vehicle Code. CONSULTANT shall take all reasonably necessary precautions for safe operation of its vehicles and the protection of the traveling public from injury and damage from such vehicles.

D. CONSULTANT must have a Division of Occupational Safety and Health (CAL-OSHA) permit(s), as outlined in Labor Code §6500 and §6705, prior to the initiation of any practices, work, method, operation, or process related to the construction or excavation of trenches which are five (5) feet or deeper.

26. Ownership of Data

- A. It is mutually agreed that all materials prepared by CONSULTANT under this AGREEMENT shall become the property of County, and CONSULTANT shall have no property right therein whatsoever. Immediately upon termination, County shall be entitled to, and CONSULTANT shall deliver to County, reports, investigations, appraisals, inventories, studies, analyses, drawings and data estimates performed to that date, whether completed or not, and other such materials as may have been prepared or accumulated to date by CONSULTANT in performing this AGREEMENT which is not CONSULTANT's privileged information, as defined by law, or CONSULTANT's personnel information, along with all other property belonging exclusively to County which is in CONSULTANT's possession. Publication of the information derived from work performed or data obtained in connection with services rendered under this AGREEMENT must be approved in writing by County.
- B. Additionally, it is agreed that the Parties intend this to be an AGREEMENT for services and each considers the products and results of the services to be rendered by CONSULTANT hereunder to be work made for hire. CONSULTANT acknowledges and agrees that the work (and all rights therein, including, without limitation, copyright) belongs to and shall be the sole and exclusive property of County without restriction or limitation upon its use or dissemination by County.
- C. Nothing herein shall constitute or be construed to be any representation by CONSULTANT that the work product is suitable in any way for any other project except the one detailed in this Contract. Any reuse by County for another project or project location shall be at County's sole risk.
- D. Applicable patent rights provisions regarding rights to inventions shall be included in the contracts as appropriate (48 CFR 27 Subpart 27.3 - Patent Rights under Government Contracts for federal-aid contracts).
- E. LOCAL AGENCY may permit copyrighting reports or other agreement products. If copyrights are permitted; the AGREEMENT shall provide that the FHWA shall have the royalty-free nonexclusive and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use; and to authorize others to use, the work for government purposes.

27. Claims Filed by Local Agency's Construction Contractor

- A. If claims are filed by LOCAL AGENCY's construction contractor relating to work performed by CONSULTANT's personnel, and additional information or assistance from CONSULTANT's personnel is required in order to evaluate or defend against such claims; CONSULTANT agrees to make its personnel available for consultation with LOCAL AGENCY'S construction contract administration and legal staff and for testimony, if necessary, at depositions and at trial or arbitration proceedings.
- B. CONSULTANT's personnel that LOCAL AGENCY considers essential to assist in defending against construction contractor claims will be made available on reasonable notice from LOCAL AGENCY. Consultation or testimony will be reimbursed at the same rates, including travel costs that are being paid for CONSULTANT's personnel services under this AGREEMENT.
- C. Services of CONSULTANT's personnel in connection with LOCAL AGENCY's construction contractor claims will be performed pursuant to a written contract amendment, if necessary, extending the termination date of this AGREEMENT in order to resolve the construction claims.

28. Confidentiality of Data

- A. All financial, statistical, personal, technical, or other data and information relative to LOCAL AGENCY's operations, which are designated confidential by LOCAL AGENCY and made available to CONSULTANT in order to carry out this AGREEMENT, shall be protected by CONSULTANT from unauthorized use and disclosure.
- B. Permission to disclose information on one occasion, or public hearing held by LOCAL AGENCY relating to the AGREEMENT, shall not authorize CONSULTANT to further disclose such information, or disseminate the same on any other occasion.
- C. CONSULTANT shall not comment publicly to the press or any other media regarding the AGREEMENT or LOCAL AGENCY's actions on the same, except to LOCAL AGENCY's staff, CONSULTANT's own personnel involved in the performance of this AGREEMENT, at public hearings, or in response to questions from a Legislative committee.
- D. CONSULTANT shall not issue any news release or public relations item of any nature, whatsoever, regarding work performed or to be performed under this AGREEMENT without prior review of the contents thereof by LOCAL AGENCY, and receipt of LOCAL AGENCY'S written permission.

29. National Labor Relations Board Certification

In accordance with Public Contract Code §10296, CONSULTANT hereby states under penalty of perjury that no more than one final unappealable finding of contempt of court by a federal court has been issued against CONSULTANT within the immediately preceding two-year period, because of CONSULTANT's failure to comply with an order of a federal court that orders CONSULTANT to comply with an order of the National Labor Relations Board.

30. Evaluation of Consultant

CONSULTANT's performance may be evaluated by LOCAL AGENCY. The evaluation shall be retained in the Contract file.

31. Prompt Payment from the Local Agency to Consultant

The LOCAL AGENCY shall make any progress payment within 30 days after receipt of an undisputed and properly submitted payment request from CONSULTANT on a professional service contract. Upon receipt of a payment request, the LOCAL AGENCY shall act in accordance with both of the following:

(1) Each payment request shall be reviewed by the LOCAL AGENCY as soon as practicable after receipt for the purpose of determining that the payment request is a proper payment request.

(2) Any payment request determined not to be a proper payment request suitable for payment shall be returned to CONSULTANT as soon as practicable, but not later than seven (7) days, after receipt. A request returned pursuant to this paragraph shall be accompanied by a document setting forth in writing the reasons why the payment request is not proper.

32. <u>Title VI Assurances</u>

APPENDICES A - E of the TITLE VI ASSURANCES

The <u>U.S. Department of Transportation Order No.1050.2A</u> requires all federal-aid Department of Transportation contracts between an agency and a consultant to contain Appendices A and E of the Title VI Assurances.

APPENDIX A

During the performance of this Agreement, the contractor, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (hereinafter collectively referred to as CONSULTANT) agrees as follows:

- a. <u>Compliance with Regulations</u>: CONSULTANT shall comply with the regulations relative to nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the REGULATIONS), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this agreement.
- b. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>: CONSULTANT, with regard to the work performed by it during the AGREEMENT, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, or disability in the selection and retention of sub-applicants, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. CONSULTANT shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the agreement covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- c. <u>Solicitations for Sub-agreements, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment</u>: In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by CONSULTANT for work to be performed under a Sub- agreement, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential sub-applicant or supplier shall be notified by CONSULTANT of the CONSULTANT'S obligations under this Agreement and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
- d. <u>Information and Reports</u>: CONSULTANT shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the recipient or FHWA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations or directives. Where any information required of CONSULTANT is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, CONSULTANT shall so certify to the recipient or FHWA as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts CONSULTANT has made to obtain the information.
- e. <u>Sanctions for Noncompliance</u>: In the event of CONSULTANT's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this agreement, the recipient shall impose such agreement sanctions as it or the FHWA may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

i. withholding of payments to CONSULTANT under the Agreement within a reasonable period of time, not to exceed 90 days; and/or

ii. cancellation, termination or suspension of the Agreement, in whole or in part.

f. <u>Incorporation of Provisions</u>: CONSULTANT shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every sub-agreement, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto.

CONSULTANT shall take such action with respect to any sub-agreement or procurement as the recipient or FHWA may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance, provided, however, that, in the event CONSULTANT becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a sub-applicant or supplier as a result of such direction, CONSULTANT may request the recipient enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the State, and, in addition, CONSULTANT may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

APPENDIX E

During the performance of this contract, the CONSULTANT, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "CONSULTANT") agrees to comply with the following non-discrimination statutes and authorities, including, but not limited to:

Pertinent Non-Discrimination Authorities:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49 CFR Part 21.
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23 U.S.C. § 324 et seq.), prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex;
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CR Part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, (42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49 U.S.C. § 471, Section 47123), as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, (PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by

expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);

- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination of the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131 – 12189) as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations 49 C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Non-discrimination statute (49 U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq)

COUNTY/LOCAL AGENCY'S PROVISIONS BEGINS ON ARTICLE 33 THROUGH 103. Should any provision in this Agreement conflict with another paragraph above, the Federal Provision shall govern.

33. Equipment and Supplies

Consultant agrees to furnish all necessary equipment and supplies used in the performance of the aforementioned services at Consultant's sole cost and expense.

34. <u>County's Responsibility</u>

County will make available drawings, specifications, and other records as available in County Department of Public Works' file. Notwithstanding the foregoing, County does not represent the accuracy of the content of said materials.

35. County's Representative

Director or Director's authorized representative, shall represent County in all matters pertaining to the services to be rendered pursuant to this Agreement.

36. <u>Amendment</u>

- a. For any change which affects the scope of work, Term, Contract Sum, payments, or any term or condition included under this Contract, an Amendment shall be prepared and executed by the Consultant and by Director.
- b. The County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Contract during the term of this Contract. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the County's Board of Supervisors or Chief Executive Officer. To implement such changes, an Amendment or a change order to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Consultant and by the Director.
- c. The County, at its sole discretion, may authorize extensions of time as defined in Article 4, Performance Period. The Consultant agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, a Notice to the Consultant will be prepared by the County.
- d. For any change which does not materially affect the Scope of Work or any other term or condition included under this Contract, a change order shall be prepared by Public Works and signed by the Contractor. If the change order is prepared by the Contractor, it shall be approved by Public Works and signed by the Contractor and the County.

37. Assignment and Delegation/Mergers or Acquisitions

- a. The Consultant shall notify the County of any pending acquisitions/mergers of its company unless otherwise legally prohibited from doing so. If the Consultant is restricted from legally notifying the County of pending acquisitions/mergers, then it should notify the County of the actual acquisitions/mergers as soon as the law allows and provide to the County the legal framework that restricted it from notifying the County prior to the actual acquisitions/mergers.
- b. The Consultant shall not assign, exchange, transfer, or delegate its rights or duties under this Contract, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment, delegation, or otherwise transfer of its rights or duties, without such consent shall be null and void. For

purposes of this paragraph, County consent shall require a written Amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Consultant may have against the County.

c. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Consultant's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any person or entity other than the Consultant, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Consultant as it could pursue in the event of default by Consultant.

38. <u>Authorization Warranty</u>

The Consultant represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract for the Consultant is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Consultant to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of the Consultant have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

39. Budget Reductions

In the event that the County's Board of Supervisors adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County Contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Consultant under this Contract shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Consultant regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Consultant shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

40. Compliance with Applicable Law

a. In the performance of this Contract, Consultant shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference. b. Consultant shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, or subconsultants, to comply with any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies, or procedures, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Consultant's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph shall be conducted by Consultant and performed by counsel selected by Consultant and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Consultant fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Consultant for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Consultant shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction or other equitable relief. or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

41. Compliance with Civil Rights Laws

The Consultant hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. The Consultant shall comply with Consultant's EEO Certification.

42. Compliance with Jury Service Program

This Contract is subject to provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service (Jury Service Program) as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.

a. Unless Consultant, also referred herein as Contractor, has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a Contractor as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Consultant shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides

that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

- b. For purposes of this Paragraph, Contractor means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a Contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County Contracts or subcontracts. Employee means any California resident who is a full -time employee of Contractor. Full-time means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Paragraph. The provisions of this Paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract Agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the Agreement.
- c. If Consultant is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its exception status from the Jury Service Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of Contractor or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Agreement and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside the Jury Service Program's definition of Contractor of Contractor and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.
- d. Contractor's violation of this Paragraph of the Agreement may constitute a material breach of the Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contractor and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

43. Confidentiality

Consultant shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information, proprietary information, software codes, trade secrets, confidential information, etc., whether of County or third parties, in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, directives, guidelines, policies and procedures relating to confidentiality, including, without limitation, County policies concerning information technology security and the protection of confidential records and information.

Consultant shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, losses, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, defense costs and legal, accounting and other expert, consulting, or professional fees, arising from, connected with, or related to any failure by Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, or subconsultants, to comply with this Paragraph, as determined by County in its sole judgment. Any legal defense pursuant to Consultant's indemnification obligations under this Paragraph shall be conducted by Consultant and performed by counsel selected by Consultant and approved by County. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, County shall have the right to participate in any such defense at its sole cost and expense, except that in the event Consultant fails to provide County with a full and adequate defense, as determined by County in its sole judgment, County shall be entitled to retain its own counsel, including, without limitation, County Counsel, and reimbursement from Consultant for all such costs and expenses incurred by County in doing so. Consultant shall not have the right to enter into any settlement, agree to any injunction, or make any admission, in each case, on behalf of County without County's prior written approval.

44. Conflict of Interest

No County employee in a position to influence the award of this Agreement or any competing Agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by Consultant herein, or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement. No officer or employee of the Consultant who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

Consultant represents and warrants that it is aware of, and its authorized officers have read, the provisions of Los Angeles County Code, Section 2.180.010, "Certain Contracts Prohibited," and that execution of this Agreement will not violate those provisions. Consultant shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. Consultant warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of

interest. If Consultant hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, including those identified in Section 2.180.010, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons so identified and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Paragraph may be a material breach of this Contract subjecting Contractor to either Contract termination for default or debarment proceedings or both.

45. Consideration of Hiring County Employees Targeted for Layoff/or Re-Employment List

Should the Consultant require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the Consultant shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

46. Consideration of Hiring GAIN/GROW Program Participants

Should the Consultant require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the Consultant shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Consultant's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Consultant will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Consultant. Consultant shall report all job openings with job requirements to: <u>GAINGROW@dpss.lacounty.gov</u> to obtain a list of qualified GAIN/GROW job candidates.

In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

47. Background and Security Investigations

a. Each of Contractor's staff performing services under this Contract, who is in a designated sensitive position, as determined by County in County's sole discretion, shall undergo and pass a background investigation to the satisfaction of County as a condition of beginning and continuing to perform services under this Contract. Such background investigation must be obtained through fingerprints submitted to the California Department of Justice to include State, local, and federal-level review, which may include, but shall not be limited to, criminal conviction information. The fees associated with the background investigation shall be at the

expense of the Contractor, regardless of whether the member of Contractor's staff passes or fails the background investigation.

- b. If a member of Contractor's staff does not pass the background investigation, County may request that the member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Contract. Contractor shall comply with County's request at any time during the term of the Contract. County will not provide to Contractor or to Contractor's staff any information obtained through the County's background investigation.
- c. County, in its sole discretion, may immediately deny or terminate facility access to any member of Contractor's staff that does not pass such investigation to the satisfaction of the County or whose background or conduct is incompatible with County facility access.
- d. Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

48. <u>CARD Track/Monitoring Database</u>

The County maintains databases that track/monitor contractor performance history. Information entered into such databases may be used for a variety of purposes, including determining whether the County will exercise a contract term extension option.

49. Compliance with County's Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking

Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a Zero Tolerance Human Trafficking Policy prohibiting contractors from engaging in human trafficking.

If a Contractor or member of Contractor's staff is convicted of a human trafficking offense, the County shall require that the Contractor or member of Contractor's staff be removed immediately from performing services under the Contract. County will not be under any obligation to disclose confidential information regarding the offenses other than those required by law.

Disqualification of any member of Contractor's staff pursuant to this Paragraph shall not relieve Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

50. Compliance with Fair Chance Employment Practices:

Consultant, and its subconsultants, must comply with fair chance employment hiring practices set forth in <u>California Government Code Section 12952</u>. Consultant's violation of this paragraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract.

51. Compliance with the County Policy of Equity:

The consultant acknowledges that the County takes its commitment to preserving the dignity and professionalism of the workplace very seriously, as set forth in the County Policy of Equity (CPOE) (<u>https://ceop.lacounty.gov/</u>). The consultant further acknowledges that the County strives to provide a workplace free from discrimination, harassment, retaliation and inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, and which may violate the CPOE. The consultant, its employees and subconsultants acknowledge and certify receipt and understanding of the CPOE. Failure of the consultant, its employees or its subconsultants to uphold the County's expectations of a workplace free from harassment and discrimination, including inappropriate conduct based on a protected characteristic, may subject the consultant to termination of contractual agreements as well as civil liability.

52. Consultant Responsibility and Debarment

- a. A responsible Consultant is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily perform the Contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.
- b. The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other Contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County Contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five years but may exceed five years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Contracts the Contractor may have with the County.
- c. The County may debar a Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a Contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County; (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality,

fitness or capacity to perform a Contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same; (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

- d. If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- e. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.
- f. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Hearing Board.
- g. If the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
- h. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting

documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

i. These terms shall also apply to subcontractors of County Contractors.

53. <u>Consultant's Acknowledgement of County's Commitment to the Safely Surrendered</u> <u>Baby Law and Notice to Employees Regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law</u>

The Consultant acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Consultant understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Consultants to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Consultant's place of business. The Consultant will also encourage its Subconsultants, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Subconsultant's place of business. The Consultant of Children and Family Services will supply the Consultant with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at <u>www.babysafela.org</u>.

The Consultant shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each Subconsultant to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is available on the Internet at <u>www.babysafela.org</u> for printing purposes.

54. Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program

Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through Contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers. As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter

2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or District Attorney Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with these requirements shall constitute a default by Contractor under this Contract.

55. County's Quality Assurance Plan

The County, or its agent, will monitor the Consultant's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such monitoring will include assessing Consultant's compliance with all Contract terms and conditions and performance standards. Consultant deficiencies which County determines are significant or continuing, and that may place performance of the Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected, will be reported to the Board and listed in the appropriate contractor performance database. The report to the Board will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and Consultant. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

56. County Rights

The County may employ, either during or after performance of this Contract, any right of recovery the County may have against the Consultant by any means it deems appropriate including, but not limited to, set-off, action at law or in equity, withholding, recoupment, or counterclaim. The rights and remedies of the County under this Contract are in addition to any right or remedy provided by California law.

57. Damage to County Facilities, Buildings Grounds

a. When applicable, the Consultant shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Consultant or employees or agents of the Consultant. Such repairs shall be made immediately after the Consultant has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the occurrence.

b. If the Consultant fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the Consultant by cash payment upon demand.

58. Default Method of Payment: Direct Deposit or Electronic Funds Transfer

- a. The County, at its sole discretion, has determined that the most efficient and secure default form of payment for goods and/or services provided under an agreement/ contract with the County shall be Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or direct deposit, unless an alternative method of payment is deemed appropriate by the Auditor-Controller (A-C).
- b. The Contractor shall submit a direct deposit authorization request via the website https://directdeposit.lacounty.gov with banking and vendor information, and any other information that the A-C determines is reasonably necessary to process the payment and comply with all accounting, record keeping, and tax reporting requirements.
- c. Any provision of law, grant, or funding agreement requiring a specific form or method of payment other than EFT or direct deposit shall supersede this requirement with respect to those payments.
- d. At any time during the duration of the agreement/contract, a Contractor may submit a written request for an exemption to this requirement. Such request must be based on specific legal, business or operational needs and explain why the payment method designated by the A-C is not Feasible and an alternative is necessary. The A-C, in consultation with the contracting department(s), shall decide whether to approve exemption requests.

59. Disallowed Cost

If Proposer's compliance with a County contract has been reviewed by the Department of the Auditor-Controller within the last 10 years, Proposer must not have unresolved questioned costs identified by the Auditor-Controller, in an amount over \$100,000.00, that are confirmed to be disallowed costs by the contracting County department, and remain unpaid for six months or more from the date of disallowance, unless such disallowed costs are the subject of current good faith negotiations to resolve the disallowed costs, in the opinion of the County.

60. Employment Eligibility Verification

Consultant warrants that it fully complies with all Federal statutes and regulations

regarding employment of aliens and others, and that all its employees performing services hereunder meet the citizenship or alien status requirements contained in Federal statutes and regulations. Consultant shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verifications and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal statutes and regulations as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Consultant shall retain such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law. Consultant shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Consultant or County in connection with any alleged violation of Federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Agreement.

61. Facsimile/Electronic Representations

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard facsimile/electronic representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Agreement, Change Orders and amendments prepared, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to amendments to this Contract, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile/electronic transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile/electronic) transmission of "original" versions of such documents. Electronic signatures include facsimile or email electronic signatures. Each executed counterpart shall be deemed an original. All counterparts, taken together, constitute the executed Agreement. The parties hereby acknowledge and agree that electronic records and electronic signatures, as well as facsimile signatures, used in connection with the execution of this Agreement and electronic signatures, facsimile signatures or signatures transmitted by electronic mail in so-called pdf format shall be legal and binding and shall have the same full force and effect as if a paper original of this Agreement had been delivered had been signed using a handwritten signature. Contractor and County (i) agree that an electronic signature, whether digital or encrypted, of a party to this Agreement is intended to authenticate this writing and to have the same force and effect as a manual signature, (ii) intend to be bound by the signatures (whether original, faxed or electronic) on any document sent or delivered by facsimile or, electronic mail, or other electronic means, (iii) are aware that the other party will rely on such signatures, and (iv) hereby waive any defenses to the enforcement of the terms of this Agreement based on the foregoing forms of signature. If this Agreement has been executed by electronic signature, all parties executing this document are expressly consenting under the United States Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act of 2000 ("E-SIGN") and California Uniform Electronic Transactions Act ("UETA")(Cal. Civ. Code § 1633.1, et seq.), that a signature by fax, email or other electronic means shall constitute an Electronic Signature to an Electronic Record

under both E-SIGN and UETA with respect to this specific transaction.

62. Fair Labor Standards

Consultant shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act for services performed by Consultant's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

63. Force Majeure

- a. Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subconsultants), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this Paragraph as "force majeure events").
- b. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subconsultant of Consultant shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both Consultant and such subconsultant, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, Consultant shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subconsultant were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit Consultant to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this subparagraph, the term "subconsultant" and "subconsultants" mean subconsultants at any tier.
- c. In the event Consultant's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, Consultant agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

64. Governing Law, Jurisdiction, and Venue

This Contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Consultant agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Contract and

further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

65. Gratuities

Contractor is advised that it is improper for any County officer, employee, or agent to solicit consideration, in any form, from Contractor with the implication, suggestion, or statement that Contractor's provision of the consideration, or failure to provide consideration, may cause favorable or unfavorable treatment, respectively, for the Contractor relating to the amendment or extension of the Contract or the making of any determinations with respect to Contractor's performance under this Contract. A Contractor shall not offer or give, either directly or through an intermediary, such improper consideration, in any form, to a County officer, employee, or agent for the purpose of securing favorable treatment as described herein.

A Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash; discounts; services; and the provision of travel, entertainment, or tangible gifts.

Note that Contractor's failure to adhere to this requirement could subject this Contract to Termination for Improper Consideration Paragraph in this Agreement.

66. Independent Consultant Status

This Agreement is by and between County of Los Angeles and Consultant and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Consultant. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

The Consultant shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Consultant. Consultant understands and agrees that all persons furnishing services to County pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of Workers' Compensation liability, employees solely of Consultant and not of County.

Consultant shall bear the sole responsibility and liability for furnishing workers' compensation benefits to any person for injuries arising from, or connected with, services performed on behalf of Consultant pursuant to this Agreement.

67. Indemnification and Insurance

The Indemnification and Insurance Provisions are set forth in **Attachment 2** of this Agreement. The insurance requirements set forth in Attachment 2 are the County's basic requirements. The County reserves the right to add additional insurance types and/or adjust the limits on a project-by-project basis.

68. INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

69. Liquidated Damages

- a. If, in the judgment of the Director, or his/her designee, the Consultant is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the Director, or his/her designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Consultant's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Consultant from the County, will be forwarded to the Consultant by the Director, or his/her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.
- If the Director or his/her designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the b. performance of this Contract that the Director, or his/her designee, deems are correctable by the Consultant over a certain time span, the Director, or his/her designee, will provide a written notice to the Consultant to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Consultant fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the Director, or his/her designee, may: (a) Deduct from the Consultant's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Monthly Contract Sum; and/or (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Consultant to correct a deficiency within the specified time The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a frame. reasonable estimate of such damages is Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) per day per infraction, and that the Consultant shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the Countv's payment to the Consultant; and/or (c) Upon giving five (5) days notice to the Consultant for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private

Consultant, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Consultant from the County, as determined by the County.

- c. The action noted in this Paragraph shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Consultant to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Consultant to complete or comply with the provisions of this Contract.
- d. This Paragraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Contract provided by law or as specified in Paragraph b above, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Contract as agreed to herein.
- 70. Local Small Business Enterprise/Social Enterprise/Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise Utilization: When requested by the County, the Consultant shall provide to the County via methods specified by the County, such as submission of electronic live (or dynamic) data on invoices for the prime and all subcontractors using Countydesignated third party software system or to a County approved website, or other means of submitting expenditure information on subconsultants, including but not limited to the following information: the name, business address and telephone number/email address of each subconsultant.

In addition, the Consultant shall be required to provide each of the specified subconsultant's Local Small Business Enterprise (LSBE), (i.e., whether any of the listed subcontractors are Local SBE's), Social Enterprise (SE) status, and Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise (DVBE) status, and the proposed monetary amount of the work the subconsultant will perform on each Notice to Proceed. At the time of submittal of each invoice, the consultant shall indicate, via methods specified by the County, the actual dollar amounts paid to each listed subconsultant who performed work on the project. The subconsultant may be requested to confirm receipt of the actual payment to the subconsultant by the prime.

The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure to the Contractor to comply with this Article. The parties will agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is specified in this Consultant Services Agreement, Liquidated Damages Paragraph, and that the Consultant shall be liable to the County for said amount.

If in the judgment of the Director, or his/her designee, the Consultant is deemed to be in non-compliance with the terms and obligations, the Director or his/her designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided in the Consultant Services Agreement, may deduct and withhold liquidated damages from County's final payment to the Consultant.

71. Mental Health Services for Critical Incidents

In the event of a serious accident on the Project site, the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (DMH) will, if requested, respond. The response may be within a few hours or as long as a few days after the incident, depending on when the request was made. The services DMH will provide include crisis intervention, normalization of the stress response that survivors may be experiencing, stress management techniques and resources if the stress reactions increase in frequency or intensity. Requests for services may be made by calling the DMH Emergency Outreach Bureau Deputy Director, (213) 738-4924, during normal business hours or the ACCESS Center, (800) 854-7771, evenings, holidays, and weekends.

72. Most Favored Public Entity

If the Consultant's prices decline, or should the Consultant at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

73. Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

- a. The Consultant certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.
- b. The Consultant shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of Consultant's EEO Certification.
- c. The Consultant shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State antidiscrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- d. The Consultant certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subconsultants, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.

- e. The Consultant certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.
- f. The Consultant shall allow County representatives access to the Consultant's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph when so requested by the County.
- g. If the County finds that any provisions of this Paragraph have been violated, such violation shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While the County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission or the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the Consultant has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Consultant has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.
- h. The parties agree that in the event the Consultant violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

74. Non Exclusivity

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the Consultant. This Contract shall not restrict Department from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

75. Notice of Delays

Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

76. Notice of Disputes

The Consultant shall bring to the attention of the County's Project Manager and/or County's Project Manager's Supervisor any dispute between the County and the Consultant regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County's Project Manager or County's Project Manager's Supervisor is not able to resolve the dispute, the Director of Public Works or his/her designee shall resolve it.

77. Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit

Consultant shall notify its employees, and shall require each subconsultant to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirement set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.

78. Notices

Any notice required or desired to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be given in writing and addressed indicated below and emailed as follows:

<u>COUNTY</u>

CONSULTANT

Department of Public Works Business Relations and Contracts Division Contracts Section II, 8th Floor 900 South Fremont Avenue Alhambra, CA 91803 (626) 458-2180 Lnguyen@pw.lacounty.gov

The address for notice may be changed by giving notice pursuant to this Paragraph.

79. Ownership of County Materials

a. Consultant and County agree that all materials, including but not limited to, designs, specifications, techniques, plans, reports, deliverables, data, photographs, diagrams, maps, images, graphics, text, videos, advertising, software, source codes, website plans and designs, interactive media, drafts, working papers, outlines, sketches, summaries, edited and/or unedited versions of deliverables, and any other materials or information developed under this Agreement and any and all Intellectual Property rights to these materials, including any copyrights, trademarks,

service marks, trade secrets, trade names, unpatented inventions, patent applications, patents, design rights, domain name rights, know-how, and any other proprietary rights and derivatives thereof, are and/or shall be the sole property of County (hereafter collectively, "County Materials"). Consultant hereby assigns and transfers to County all Consultant's right, title and interest in and to all such County Materials developed under this Agreement.

Notwithstanding such County ownership in the County Materials, Consultant may retain possession of working papers and materials prepared by Consultant under this Contract. During and for a minimum of five years subsequent to the term of this Contract, County shall have the right to inspect any and all such working papers and materials, make copies thereof and use the working papers and materials and the information contained therein.

- b. Consultant shall execute all documents requested by County and shall perform all other acts requested by County to assign and transfer to, and vest in County, all Consultant's right, title and interest in and to the County Materials, including, but not limited to, any and all copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade names, unpatented inventions, patent applications, patents, design rights, domain name rights, know-how, and any other proprietary rights and derivatives thereof resulting from this Contract. County shall have the right to register all applicable copyrights, trademarks and patents in the name of the County of Los Angeles. Further, County shall have the right to assign, license, or otherwise transfer any and all County's rights, title and interest, including, but not limited to copyrights, trademarks, and patents, in and to the County Materials.
- c. Consultant represents and warrants that the County Materials prepared herein under this Agreement, are the original work of Consultant and do not infringe upon any Intellectual Property or proprietary rights of third parties. For those portions of the County Materials that are not the original work of Consultant, Consultant represents and warrants that it has secured all appropriate licenses, rights, and/or permission from appropriate third parties to include such materials in the County Materials.

Consultant shall defend, indemnify and hold County harmless against any claims by third parties based on infringement of copyright, patent, trade secret, trademark, or any other claimed Intellectual Property or proprietary right, arising from County's use of County Materials created and/or prepared by Consultant. Consultant will also indemnify and defend at its sole expense, any action brought against County based on a claim that County Materials furnished hereunder by Consultant and used within the scope of this Agreement infringe any copyright, patent, trade secret, trademark, or any other claimed intellectual property or proprietary right of third parties, and Consultant will pay any costs, damages and attorney's fees incurred by County. County will notify Consultant promptly and in writing of any such action or claim and will permit Consultant to fully participate in the defense thereof.

- d. Consultant shall affix the following notice to all County Materials: "© Copyright 2023 (or such other appropriate date of first publication), County of Los Angeles. All Rights Reserved." Consultant shall affix such notice on the title page of all images, photographs, documents and writings, and otherwise as County may direct.
- e. County shall also have the sole right to control the preparation, modification, and revisions to, all acknowledgment and/or attribution language for all County Materials resulting from this Agreement. County will however, honor requests by Consultant seeking removal of all acknowledgment and/or attribution language relating to the Consultant, should Consultant no longer wish to receive attribution for its work on the County Materials.
- f. If directed to do so by County, Consultant will place the County name and County logo on County Materials developed under this Agreement. Consultant may not, however, use the County name and County logo on any other materials prepared or developed by Consultant that falls outside the scope of this Agreement.

80. Prohibition Against Inducement or Persuasion

Notwithstanding the above, the Consultant and the County agree that, during the term of this Contract and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

81. Prohibition from Participation in Future Solicitation(s)

The County Board of Supervisors has adopted a countywide policy that prohibits any person, or any firm [collectively "firm"] or any subsidiary of a firm from submitting a bid or proposal in any County solicitation process where the person or firm, assisted in the development of the solicitation document(s).

A Proposer, or a Contractor or its subsidiary or Subcontractor ("Proposer/Contractor"), is prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the

Proposer/Contractor has provided advice or consultation for the solicitation. A Proposer/Contractor is also prohibited from submitting a bid or proposal in a County solicitation if the Proposer/Contractor has developed or prepared any of the solicitation materials on behalf of the County. A violation of this provision shall result in the disqualification of the Contractor/Proposer from participation in the County solicitation or the termination or cancellation of any resultant County contract. This provision shall survive the expiration, or other termination of this Agreement.

82. Public Records Act

- a. Any documents submitted by the Consultant; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Consultant's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement Paragraph of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret," "confidential," or "proprietary." The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- b. In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "trade secret," "confidential," or "proprietary," the Consultant agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in an action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

83. Publicity

- a. The Consultant shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However, in recognizing the Consultant's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Consultant from publishing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:
 - i. The Consultant shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
 - ii. During the term of this Contract, the Consultant shall not, and shall not

authorize another to, publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the Director of Public Works or his/her designee. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.

b. The Consultant may, without the prior written consent of County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this Paragraph shall apply.

84. Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement

The Consultant shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Consultant shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. The Consultant agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be kept and maintained by the Consultant and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Consultant at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Consultant shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

- a. In the event that an audit of the Consultant is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Consultant or otherwise, then the Consultant shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Consultant's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, the County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).
- b. Failure on the part of the Consultant to comply with any of the provisions of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract.

c. If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Consultant regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Consultant, then the difference shall be either: a) repaid by the Consultant to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Consultant from the County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the Consultant by the County to the Consultant, then the difference shall be paid to the Consultant by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Contract.

85. Recycled Bond Paper

Consistent with the Board of Supervisors' policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Consultant agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Contract.

86. Subcontracting

- a. The requirements of this Contract may not be subcontracted by the Consultant without the advance approval of the County. Subconsultants listed in the Consultant's Proposals are approved by County, unless otherwise indicated by County. Any attempt by the Consultant to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Contract.
- b. If the Consultant desires to subcontract, the Consultant shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request.
 - A description of the work to be performed by the Subconsultant;
 - A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
 - Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.
- c. The Consultant shall indemnify and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every Subconsultant in the same manner and to the same degree as if such Subconsultant(s) were the Consultant employees.
- d. The County does not have contractual privity with the subconsultant. The Consultant shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Consultant has determined to subcontract. Consultant shall remain fully responsible for services rendered by

any subconsultant pursuant to a subcontract between the Consultant and subconsultant.

- e. The Consultant shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all Subconsultants and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- f. The Consultant shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the Subconsultant maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved Subconsultant. The Consultant shall ensure delivery by e-mail of all such documents to:

Los Angeles County Public Works Business Relations and Contracts Division Contracts Section II Contract Administrator: Loydi Nguyen Email Address:Lnguyen@pw.lacounty.gov (626) 458-2180

before any Subconsultant employee may perform any work hereunder.

87. <u>Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Child</u> <u>Support Compliance Program</u>

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in rounds upon which the County may terminate this Contract pursuant to Termination for Default and pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

88. <u>Termination for Breach of Warranty to Maintain Compliance with County's Defaulted</u> <u>Property Tax Reduction Program.</u>

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in "Contractor's Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program" shall constitute default under this contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this contract, failure of Contractor to cure such default within 10 days of notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this contract and/or pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.206.

89. <u>Termination for Convenience</u>

- a. This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to the Consultant specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than three (3) days after the notice is sent.
- b. After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Consultant shall 1) stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and 2) complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- c. All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Consultant under this Contract shall be maintained by the Consultant in accordance with Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement Paragraph.
- d. County shall not incur any liability to Consultant, other than payment for work already performed, up to the date of termination.

90. <u>Termination for Default</u>

- a. The County may, by written notice to the Consultant, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of the Director or Public Works or his/her designee:
 - Consultant has materially breached this Contract; or
 - Consultant fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or
 - Consultant fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.
- b. In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in this Paragraph, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services similar to those so terminated. The Consultant shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such

similar goods and services. The Consultant shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this sub-paragraph.

- Except with respect to defaults of any Subconsultant, the Consultant shall not be C. liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in above sub-paragraph if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Consultant. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Consultant. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a Subconsultant, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Consultant and Subconsultant, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Consultant shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the Subconsultant were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Consultant to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this Paragraph, the term "Subconsultant(s)" means Subconsultant(s) at any tier.
- d. If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this Paragraph, it is determined by the County that the Consultant was not in default under the provisions of this Paragraph, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of Paragraph, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to Termination for Convenience Paragraph.
- e. The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

91. <u>Termination for Improper Consideration</u>

County may, by written notice to Consultant, immediately terminate the right of Consultant to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by Consultant, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of the Agreement or the making of any determinations with respect to Consultant's performance pursuant to the agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Consultant as it could pursue in

the event of default by Consultant.

Consultant shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (213) 974-0914 or (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

92. <u>Termination for Insolvency</u>

- a. The County may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following: 1) Insolvency of the Consultant. The Consultant shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Consultant is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code; 2) The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Consultant under the Federal Bankruptcy Code; 3) The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Consultant; or 4) The execution by the Consultant of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- b. The rights and remedies of the County provided in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

93. Termination for Non-Adherence of County Lobbyist Ordinance

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance, County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

94. Termination for Non-Appropriation of Funds

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County shall not be obligated for the Consultant's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Contract in the County's Budget for each such

future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Consultant in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

95. Time Off for Voting

The Consultant shall notify its employees and shall require each subconsultant to notify and provide to its employees, information regarding the time off for voting law (Elections Code Section 14000). Not less than 10 days before every statewide election, every Consultant and subconsultants shall keep posted conspicuously at the place of work, if practicable, or elsewhere where it can be seen as employees come or go to their place of work, a notice setting forth the provisions of Section 14000.

96. Warranty of Compliance with County's Defaulted Property Tax Reduction Program

Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals and businesses that benefit financially from County through contract are current in paying their property tax obligations (secured and unsecured roll) in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

Unless Contractor qualifies for an exemption or exclusion, Contractor warrants and certifies that to the best of its knowledge it is now in compliance, and during the term of this contract will maintain compliance, with Los Angeles County Code Chapter. 2.206.

97. Validity

If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

98. <u>Waiver</u>

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

99. Warranty Against Contingent Fees

- a. The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon any Contract or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.
- b. For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Contract and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

100. Prevailing Wage Requirements

a Prevailing Wages

When applicable, the services provided in this Contract constitute "public works" as defined in California Labor Code 1720, and are therefore subject to payment of prevailing wages, compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR).

The Director of the DIR has established the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for each craft, classification, type of worker, or mechanic needed to execute public works and improvements. The current general prevailing wage rate determinations are available at <u>www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/pwd/index.htm</u>. The Contractor is required to pay its agents and employees the applicable, current prevailing wage rate and is responsible for selecting the classification of workers required to perform this service.

The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 1775 of the California Labor Code relating to the payment of prevailing wages, the utilization of apprentices in accordance to LC 1777.5, and the assessment of penalties determined by the California Labor Commissioner. Pursuant to Section 1773.2 of the California Labor Code, copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the County Department of Public Works, Construction Division, and will be made available for inspection by request to the Contract Administrator. Future effective wage rates will be on file with the Department of Industrial Relations. The new wage rates shall become effective on the day following the expiration date of the current determinations and apply to the Contract in the same manner as if they had been included or referenced in the Contract.

b. <u>Work Records</u>

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of Section 1812 of the Labor Code. The Contractor shall maintain an accurate written record of all employees working on the project each calendar day. The record shall include each employee's name, Social Security number, job classification, and the actual number of hours worked.

c. <u>Posting of Notices</u>

The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Section 1773.2 of the Labor Code. The Contractor shall post a copy of the prevailing wage rates at the worksite and comply with applicable law including posting of jobsite notices required by 8 California Code Reg. §16451(d):

"This public works project is subject to monitoring and investigative activities by the Compliance Monitoring Unit (CMU) of the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, Department of Industrial Relations, State of California. This Notice is intended to provide information to all workers employed in the execution of the Contract for public work and to all contractors and other persons having access to the jobsite to enable the CMU to ensure compliance with and enforcement of prevailing wage laws on public works projects.

The prevailing wage laws require that all workers be paid at least the minimum hourly wage as determined by the Director of Industrial Relations for the specific classification (or type of work) performed by workers on the project. These rates are listed on a separate jobsite posting of minimum prevailing rates required to be maintained by the public entity, which awarded the public works Contract. Complaints concerning nonpayment of the required minimum wage rates to workers on this project may be filed with the CMU at any office of the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement (DLSE).

Local Office Telephone Number:

Division of Labor Standards Enforcement Office 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 450 Los Angeles, CA 90013 (213) 620-6330

Complaints should be filed in writing immediately upon discovery of any violations of the prevailing wage laws due to the short period of time following the completion of the project that the CMU may take legal action against those responsible.

Complaints should contain details about the violations alleged (for example, wrong rate paid, not all hours paid, overtime rate not paid for hours worked in excess of 8 hours per day or 40 hours per week, etc.) as well as the name of the employer, the public entity which awarded the public works Contract, and the location and name of the project.

For general information concerning the prevailing wage laws and how to file a complaint concerning any violation of these prevailing wage laws, you may contact any DLSE office. Complaint forms are also available at the Department of Industrial Relations website found at <u>http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html</u>."

d. <u>Certified Payroll Records</u>

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of Section 1776 of the Labor Code. Contractor and Subcontractors, if any, must furnish certified payroll records directly to the Labor Commissioner (aka Division of Labor Standards Enforcement) in a format prescribed by the Labor Commissioner.

e. When requested by the County, electronic certified payroll records must be submitted to the County, through an online system designated by the County.

101. Advertising and Other External Communications About the Project

Consultant/Contractor shall obtain the County's prior written approval before disclosing or communicating any information concerning the award of the contract, the progress of the work, or the completion of the work, to any non-party, including but not limited to outside media and news organizations. The County retains the sole discretion as to the release of such information, including the right to deny the request for disclosure, the right to direct the timing of the disclosure, and/or the right to direct Consultant/Contractor to make revisions to the information prior to disclosure.

102. COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel

 At Contractor's sole cost, Contractor shall comply with Chapter 2.212 (COVID-19 Vaccinations of County Contractor Personnel) of County Code Title 2 -Administration, Division 4. All employees of Contractor and persons working on its behalf, including but not limited to, Subcontractors of any tier (collectively, "Contractor Personnel"), must be fully vaccinated against the novel coronavirus 2019 ("COVID-19") prior to (1) interacting in person with County employees, interns, volunteers, and commissioners ("County workforce members"), (2) working on County owned or controlled property while performing services under this Contract, and/or (3) coming into contact with the public while performing services under this Contract (collectively, "In-Person Services").

- Contractor Personnel are considered "fully vaccinated" against COVID-19 two (2) weeks or more after they have received (1) the second dose in a 2-dose COVID-19 vaccine series (e.g. Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), (2) a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine (e.g. Johnson and Johnson [J&J]/Janssen), or (3) the final dose of any COVID-19 vaccine authorized by the World Health Organization ("WHO").
- 3. Prior to assigning Contractor Personnel to perform In-Person Services, Contractor shall obtain proof that such Contractor Personnel have been fully vaccinated by confirming Contractor Personnel is vaccinated through any of the following documentation: (1) official COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card (issued by the Department of Health and Human Services, CDC or WHO Yellow Card), which includes the name of the person vaccinated, type of vaccine provided, and date of the last dose administered ("Vaccination Record Card"); (2) copy (including a photographic copy) of a Vaccination Record Card; (3) Documentation of vaccination from a licensed medical provider; (4) a digital record that includes a guick response ("QR") code that when scanned by a SMART HealthCard reader displays to the reader client name, date of birth, vaccine dates, and vaccine type, and the QR code confirms the vaccine record as an official record of the State of California; or (5) documentation of vaccination from Contractors who follow the CDPH vaccination records guidelines and standards. Contractor shall also provide written notice to County before the start of work under this Contract that its Contractor Personnel are in compliance with the requirements of this section. Contractor shall retain such proof of vaccination for the document retention period set forth in this Contract, and must provide such records to the County for audit purposes, when required by County.
- 4. Contractor shall evaluate any medical or sincerely held religious exemption request of its Contractor Personnel, as required by law. If Contractor has determined that Contractor Personnel is exempt pursuant to a medical or sincerely held religious reason, the Contractor must also maintain records of the Contractor Personnel's testing results. The Contractor must provide such records to the County for audit purposes, when required by County. The unvaccinated exempt Contractor Personnel must meet the following requirements prior to (1) interacting in person with County workforce members, (2) working on County owned or controlled property while performing services under this Contract, and/or (3) coming into contact with the public while performing services under this Contract:

- a. Test for COVID-19 with either a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) or antigen test has an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) by the FDA or is operating per the Laboratory Developed Test requirements by the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Testing must occur at least weekly, or more frequently as required by County or other applicable law, regulation or order.
- b. Wear a mask that is consistent with CDC recommendations at all times while on County controlled or owned property, and while engaging with members of the public and County workforce members.
- c. Engage in proper physical distancing, as determined by the applicable County department that the Contract is with.
- In addition to complying with the requirements of this section, Contractor shall also comply with all other applicable local, departmental, State, and federal laws, regulations and requirements for COVID-19. A completed Exhibit B (COVID-19 Vaccination Certification of Compliance) is a required part of any agreement with the County.
- 103. Entire Agreement

This Contract constitutes the entire Agreement between County and Consultant and may be modified only by further written Agreement between the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused these presents to be subscribed by the Director of the Department of Public Works, and the Consultant has hereunto subscribed its corporate name and affixed its corporate seal by its duly authorized officers the day, month, and year herein first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

NAME OF CONSULTANT

By_____

Ву____

Deputy Director Department of Public Works

President

By__

Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RODRIGO A. CASTRO-SILVA County Counsel

By___

Senior Deputy County Counsel

INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE PROVISIONS

I. INDEMNIFICATION

A. The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers ("County Indemnitees") from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from and/or relating to this Contract, except for such loss or damage arising from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the County Indemnitees.

Β. To the fullest extent permitted by California Civil Code Section 2782.8, the Consultant shall (1) immediately defend and (2) indemnify the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, agents and volunteers (Indemnified Party) from and against all liabilities, regardless of nature or type that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the Consultant. or its employees, agents, or subcontractors. Liabilities subject to the duties to defend and indemnify include, without limitation, all claims, losses, damages, penalties, fines, and judgments; associated investigation and administrative expenses; defense costs, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees; court costs; and costs of alternative dispute resolution. The Consultant's obligation to indemnify applies unless it is finally adjudicated that the liability was caused by the sole active negligence or sole willful misconduct of an indemnified party. If it is finally adjudicated that liability is caused by the comparative active negligence or willful misconduct of an indemnified party, then Consultant's indemnification obligation shall be reduced in proportion to the established comparative liability.

II. GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR ALL INSURANCE COVERAGE

Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County, and in the performance of this Contract and until all of its obligations pursuant to this Contract have been met, Contractor shall provide and maintain at its own expense insurance coverage satisfying the requirements specified in paragraphs II and III of this Attachment. These minimum insurance coverage terms, types and limits (the "Required Insurance") also are in addition to and separate from any other contractual obligation imposed upon Contractor pursuant to this Contract. The County in no way warrants that the Required Insurance is sufficient to protect the Contractor for liabilities which may arise from or relate to this Contract.

- A. Evidence of Coverage and Notice to County
- Certificate(s) of insurance coverage (Certificate) satisfactory to County, and a copy of an Additional Insured endorsement confirming County and its Agents (defined below) has been given Insured status under the Contractor's General Liability policy, shall be delivered to County at the address shown below and provided prior to commencing services under this Contract.

- Renewal Certificates shall be provided to County not less than 10 days prior to Contractor's policy expiration dates. The County reserves the right to obtain complete, certified copies of any required Contractor and/or Sub-Contractor insurance policies at any time.
- Certificates shall identify all Required Insurance coverage types and limits specified herein, reference this Contract by name or number, and be signed by an authorized representative of the insurer(s). The Insured party named on the Certificate shall match the name of the Contractor identified as the contracting party in this Contract. Certificates shall provide the full name of each insurer providing coverage, its NAIC (National Association of Insurance Commissioners) identification number, its financial rating, the amounts of any policy deductibles or self-insured retentions exceeding fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, and list any County required endorsement forms.
- Neither the County's failure to obtain, nor the County's receipt of, or failure to object to a non-complying insurance certificate or endorsement, or any other insurance documentation or information provided by the Contractor, its insurance broker(s) and/or insurer(s), shall be construed as a waiver of any of the Required Insurance provisions.

<u>Certificates and copies of any required endorsements shall be emailed to</u> <u>Ms. Loydi Nguyen, Lnguyen@dpw.lacounty.gov, Contract Administrator.</u>

Contractor also shall promptly report to County any injury or property damage accident or incident, including any injury to a Contractor employee occurring on County property, and any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of County property, monies or securities entrusted to Contractor. Contractor also shall promptly notify County of any third party claim or suit filed against Contractor or any of its Sub-Contractors which arises from or relates to this Contract, and could result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County.

B. Additional Insured Status and Scope of Coverage

The County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, Elected Officials, Officers, Agents, Employees and Volunteers (collectively County and its Agents) shall be provided additional insured status under Contractor's General Liability policy with respect to liability arising out of Contractor's ongoing and completed operations performed on behalf of the County. County and its Agents additional insured status shall apply with respect to liability and defense of suits arising out of the Contractor's acts or omissions, whether such liability is attributable to the Contractor or to the County. The full policy limits and scope of protection also shall apply to the County and its Agents as an additional insured, even if they exceed the County's minimum Required Insurance specifications herein. Use of an automatic additional insured endorsement form is acceptable providing it satisfies the Required Insurance provisions herein.

C. Cancellation of or Changes in Insurance

Contractor shall provide County with, or Contractor's insurance policies shall contain a provision that County shall receive, written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance, including insurer, limits of coverage, term of coverage or policy period. The written notice shall be provided to County at least ten (10) days in advance of cancellation for non-payment of premium and thirty (30) days in advance for any other cancellation or policy change. Failure to provide written notice of cancellation or any change in Required Insurance may constitute a material breach of the Contract, in the sole discretion of the County, upon which the County may suspend or terminate this Contract.

D. Failure to Maintain Insurance

Contractor's failure to maintain or to provide acceptable evidence that it maintains the Required Insurance shall constitute a material breach of the Contract, upon which County immediately may withhold payments due to Contractor, and/or suspend or terminate this Contract. County, at its sole discretion, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase the Required Insurance, and without further notice to Contractor, deduct the premium cost from sums due to Contractor or pursue Contractor reimbursement.

E. Insurer Financial Ratings

Coverage shall be placed with insurers acceptable to the County with A.M. Best ratings of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by County.

F. Contractor's Insurance Shall Be Primary

Contractor's insurance policies, with respect to any claims related to this Contract, shall be primary with respect to all other sources of coverage available to Contractor. Any County maintained insurance or self-insurance coverage shall be in excess of and not contribute to any Contractor coverage.

G. Waivers of Subrogation

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor hereby waives its rights and its insurer(s)' rights of recovery against County under all the Required Insurance for any loss arising from or relating to this Contract. The Contractor shall require its insurers to execute any waiver of subrogation endorsements which may be necessary to effect such waiver.

H. Sub-Contractor Insurance Coverage Requirements

Contractor shall include all Sub-Contractors as insureds under Contractor's own policies, or shall provide County with each Sub-Contractor's separate evidence of insurance coverage. Contractor shall be responsible for verifying each Sub-Contractor complies with the Required Insurance provisions herein, and shall require that each Sub-

Contractor name the County and Contractor as additional insureds on the Sub-Contractor's General Liability policy. Contractor shall obtain County's prior review and approval of any Sub-Contractor request for modification of the Required Insurance.

I. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs)

Contractor's policies shall not obligate the County to pay any portion of any Contractor deductible or SIR. The County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate policy deductibles and SIRs as respects the County, or to provide a bond guaranteeing Contractor's payment of all deductibles and SIRs, including all related claims investigation, administration and defense expenses. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

J. Claims Made Coverage

If any part of the Required Insurance is written on a claims made basis, any policy retroactive date shall precede the effective date of this Contract. Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following Contract expiration, termination or cancellation.

K. Application of Excess Liability Coverage

Contractors may use a combination of primary, and excess insurance policies which provide coverage as broad as the underlying primary policies, to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions.

L. Separation of Insureds

All liability policies shall provide cross-liability coverage as would be afforded by the standard ISO (Insurance Services Office, Inc.) separation of insureds provision with no insured versus insured exclusions or limitations.

M. Alternative Risk Financing Programs

The County reserves the right to review, and then approve, Contractor use of selfinsurance, risk retention groups, risk purchasing groups, pooling arrangements and captive insurance to satisfy the Required Insurance provisions. The County and its Agents shall be designated as an Additional Covered Party under any approved program.

N. County Review and Approval of Insurance Requirements

The County reserves the right to review and adjust the Required Insurance provisions, conditioned upon County's determination of changes in risk exposures.

III. INSURANCE COVERAGE

A. Commercial General Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CG 00 01), naming County and its Agents as an additional insured, with limits of not less than:

| General Aggregate: | \$2 million |
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| Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: | \$1 million |
| Personal and Advertising Injury: | \$1 million |
| Each Occurrence: | \$1 million |

B. Automobile Liability insurance (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form CA 00 01) with limits of not less than \$1 million for bodily injury and property damage, in combined or equivalent split limits, for each single accident. Insurance shall cover liability arising out of Contractor's use of autos pursuant to this Contract, including owned, leased, hired, and/or non-owned autos, as each may be applicable.

C. Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance or qualified selfinsurance satisfying statutory requirements, which includes Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$1 million per accident. If Contractor will provide leased employees, or, is an employee leasing or temporary staffing firm or a professional employer organization (PEO), coverage also shall include an Alternate Employer Endorsement (providing scope of coverage equivalent to ISO policy form WC 00 03 01 A) naming the County as the Alternate Employer, and the endorsement form shall be modified to provide that County will receive not less than thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation of this coverage provision. If applicable to Contractor's operations, coverage also shall be arranged to satisfy the requirements of any federal workers or workmen's compensation law or any federal occupational disease law.

D. Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions

Insurance covering Contractor's liability arising from or related to this Contract, with limits of not less than \$1 million per claim and \$2 million aggregate. Further, Contractor understands and agrees it shall maintain such coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years following this Contract's expiration, termination or cancellation.

ATTACHMENT 3

Safely Surrendered Baby Law

Babies can be safely surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County

No shame. No blame. No names.

In Los Angeles County: 1-877-BABY SAFE • 1-877-222-9723



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What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law? California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a baby, let her know there are other options. For three days (72 hours) after birth, a baby can be surrendered to staff at any hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at **1-800-540-4000**.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

A baby's story

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby; this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.

Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro

Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados en forma segura al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles

Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin nombres.

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¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro de California permite la entrega confidencial de un recién nacido por parte de sus padres u otras personas con custodia legal, es decir cualquier persona a quien los padres le hayan dado permiso. Siempre que el bebé tenga tres días (72 horas) de vida o menos, y no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, pueden entregar al recién nacido sin temor de ser arrestados o procesados.

Cada recién nacido se merece la oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele que tiene otras opciones. Hasta tres días (72 horas) después del nacimiento, se puede entregar un recién nacido al personal de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del condado de Los Angeles.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al **1-800-540-4000**.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan *si tienen custodia legal.*

¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/ madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

Historia de un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

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CONTRACTOR DEVELOPMENT AND BONDING PROGRAM

THE FOUR PILLARS OF CONTRACTOR DEVELOPMENT



The Contractor Development and Bonding Program assists contractors with their contracting capacity and business growth.

PRIME CONTRACTOR PARTNERSHIPS

CONTRACT FINANCING & PROJECT ASSISTANCE ASSESSMENT & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

ATTACHMENT 4

Assessment & Technical Assistance

- Enrollment in our Contractor Development and Bonding Program.
- Personal Account Manager to provide a professional assessment of your current capacity and growth needs.
- One-on-one consultation to develop a work plan aligned with your business needs and goals.
- Facilitated referrals to Program Partners and resources.
- Contracting opportunities and industry-related workshops and events sent via our *LA Contractor Weekly* bulletin.
- Referrals to specific project opportunities.

Bonding, Contract Financing & Project Assistance

EDUCATION,

TRAINING &

CONTRACT

SUPPORT

- Assistance with obtaining or increasing bonding.
- Access to collateral support for bid performance and payment bonds for qualified contractors.*
- Contract review, project assessment, and field support for Program-bonded or financed contracts.
- Assistance with project risk identification and mitigation.
- Access to contract cash flow funding.
- Accounting cost subsidy for CPAprepared financial statements.

*L.A. County has limited capacity.

Education, Training & Contract Support

- Group Classes on public construction best practices led by industry experts.
- Contract-specific support on Regional Bond Program-supported contracts.
- Creation of individualized Contractor Profile to assist with business marketing.

Prime Contractor Partnerships

- Strategic alliances with Program Prime contractors including matchmaking and referrals.
- Networking with public agency staff and peer contractors.

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Los Angeles County Contractor Development and Bonding Program



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

"An inclusionary program to build a stronger region"

What services does the County's Contractor Development and Bonding Program (CDABP) provide?

The County's CDABP extends comprehensive capacity building, technical, bonding and contract financing assistance to small and diverse contractors seeking to pursue County construction-related contracts. Starting with a thorough assessment of your current business status, we identify areas of opportunity in order to help you better position your firm to successfully compete for and complete County contracts.

After your assessment, you'll be assigned a dedicated Account Manager who will work closely with you to tailor a technical assistance work plan and financial resources specific to your needs, which may include:

- ✓ One-on-one consultations
- ✓ Training clinics and learning immersion academies
- ✓ Help with prime contractor pre-qualifications
 - » Facilitation of prime or prime-sub contractor introductions
 - » Project/bid matches

- Assistance obtaining bonding, including bonding collateral support, if needed, and contract financing
- ✓ If you are awarded a County-related contract with bonding support, you will also receive ongoing project assistance to help you successfully complete your contract.

Who is eligible to participate in the CDABP? Eligible firms include local small and diverse businesses who are certified or eligible for certification within one of the County's business enterprise categories. For detailed information on the County's certification programs, visit their Small Business Certifications webpage (https://iddweb.isd.lacounty.gov/DCA_eComplaint/SmallBusinessCertifications).

Why should small and diverse businesses enroll in the CDABP? LA County's CDABP provides game-changing resources for small and diverse businesses who want to expand their capacity and improve their opportunities for winning County contracts. For example, the inability to secure or increase bonding often impedes small and diverse contractors from bidding and/or pre-qualifying with prime firms and participating on public works projects. This program helps reduce such barriers, even offering bonding collateral support (standard surety bond premiums and commissions charged are not covered by the CDABP).

Similarly, not having access to the capital needed to fund the cost of doing the contract work that you've been awarded can be a major challenge, and little to no assistance is available through traditional lending sources. Through the CDABP, the County provides for up to \$250,000 of contract-based financing with a low origination fee and very low interest rate, and not tied to your financials or credit. This is a particularly good time to enroll, because in November 2021, President Joe Biden signed a \$1.2 trillion infrastructure investment plan supporting a range of construction projects in localities across the nation, including Los Angeles County. If you are a small or diverse local business, the CDABP can assist you in competing for upcoming construction contracts!

My subcontracted work hasn't required bonding in the past, so how would I benefit from participating in the CDABP? While you may not always need to provide a bond for some subcontracted work, a bond will always be required if you want to bid directly with the County on small prime contracts – and being "bondable" is a significant competitive advantage when bidding on many subcontracting opportunities. Becoming "bondable" demonstrates that your company's capacity to perform work has been assessed and vetted by a third party, which is then reflected in the dollar amount for which you can bond. Even when a bond for subcontract work is not required, it is quite common to be asked to demonstrate that your company is "bondable" in order to meet contract owner or prime requirements. Pre-qualification requirements often include demonstrating your bond underwriting and/or financial capacity to perform work. The CDABP will assist you in meeting advance requirements with primes or prime-sub contractors pursuing or performing County work.

What is the cost to participate in the CDABP? The CDABP is sponsored by the County of Los Angeles, so, with one exception, all services are offered at no cost to participating contractors! If needed, the only cost you may incur is for having a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) prepare a financial statement for your company, a requirement for bonding. For those who qualify, the program even provides a one-time subsidy toward this CPA-prepared company financial statement. If the subsidy is provided to you, you will be asked to pay the first \$500 toward the preparation of your financial statement and any costs in excess of what the \$3,200 subsidy covers.

The CDABP is one of the County's tools to effectively support and increase the inclusion and participation of small and diverse contractors on County projects. Because barriers impede access, CDABP is intended to reduce and eliminate barriers wherever possible.

When should I look to enroll in the County's program? Should I wait until I've identified a County project for which I want to bid? Don't wait, enroll now! The earlier you enroll and have your company assessed, the sooner you'll be able to receive expert guidance and support in bidding suitable County projects. For example, getting pre-approved for a specific bonding amount will not only boost your company's credentials, but will also help you confidently identify and pursue County contracting opportunities within that range. Your CDABP Account Manager will be helping you every step of the way, including steering you toward opportunities with CDABP program prime partners. By planning ahead, your firm will be better positioned for consideration by the County's prime and larger contractors, who are always seeking qualified and certified firms to meet their project participation goals.

How long will it take for me to get approved for bonding or contract financing? The timing of the bonding or contract financing process depends mostly on you. The initial steps of preparing an underwriting package for bonding or prequalifying you for contract financing require gathering information about your company. If you have the necessary documentation and information complete and readily available, then the next steps of the process can move quickly. Your CDABP Account Manager is always on hand to answer questions and help guide you through the process.

Must I already be working with a bonding broker in order to participate? You do not already need to be working with a bonding broker. The CDABP will work with any bonding broker with whom you've already established a relationship that you wish to continue. In fact, the program can also work with your current surety agent to increase your existing bonding capacity with them as well. However, if you do not have a current broker, the program can provide for your consideration a list of brokers who work with smaller contractors and with program surety partners.

We look forward to hearing from you! Reach us at:



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