

CITY OF MADISON

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS



RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1

Title: On-Call Metro Transit Outreach Consultants

City Agency: Metro Transit

Due Date: Tuesday, February 7th, 2023
2:00 PM CST

Table of Contents

1 NOTICE TO PROPOSERS..... 1

 1.1 Summary..... 1

 1.2 Important Dates..... 1

 1.3 Format..... 1

 1.4 Labeling..... 1

 1.5 Delivery of Proposals..... 1

 1.6 Appendix A: Standard Terms & Conditions..... 1

 1.7 Appendix B: Sample Contract for Purchase of Services..... 2

 1.8 Affirmative Action Notice..... 2

 1.9 Multiple Proposals..... 2

 1.10 City of Madison Contact Information..... 2

 1.11 Inquiries and Clarifications..... 3

 1.12 Addenda..... 3

 1.13 Bid Distribution Networks..... 3

 1.14 Oral Presentations/Site Visits/Meetings..... 4

 1.15 Acceptance/Rejection of Proposals..... 4

 1.16 Withdrawal or Revision of Proposals..... 4

 1.17 Non-Material and Material Variances..... 4

 1.18 Public Records..... 4

 1.19 Usage Reports..... 5

 1.20 Partial Award..... 5

 1.21 Tax Exempt..... 5

 1.22 Cooperative Purchasing..... 5

 1.23 Proposers Responsibility..... 6

2 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES/COMMODITIES..... 7

 2.1 Scope of Work..... 7

 2.2 Timeline..... 7

 2.3 Translation and Language Requirements..... 8

 2.4 Experience Requirements..... 8

 2.5 Contract Structure..... 8

 2.6 Submission Requirements..... 8

 2.7 Basis for Evaluation and Award..... 9

3 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PROGRAM..... 10

 3.1 Prequalification Requirements..... 10

 3.2 DBE Project Requirements..... 14

4 REQUIRED INFORMATION AND CONTENT OF PROPOSALS..... 16

 4.1 Forms..... 16

Form A: Signature Affidavit

Form B: Receipt of Forms and Submittal Checklist

Form C: Vendor Profile

Form D: Cost Proposal

Form E: References

Form F: FTA & Local Certifications

Appendix A: Standard Terms & Conditions (For submission of bids/in the absence of signed contract)

Appendix B: Sample Contract for Purchase of Services

Appendix C: USDOT/FTA Terms and Conditions

1 NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

1.1 Summary

The City of Madison Metro Transit (“City”) is soliciting Proposals from qualified vendors for On-Call Metro Transit Outreach Consultants. Vendors submitting Proposals (“Proposers”) are required to read this Request for Proposals (“RFP”) in its entirety and follow the instructions contained herein.

1.2 Important Dates

Deliver Proposals no later than the due time and date indicated below. The City will reject late Proposals:

Issue Date: Tuesday, January 10th, 2023
Questions Due Date: Wednesday, January 18th, 2023
Answers Posted Date: Tuesday, January 24th, 2023
Due Date: Tuesday, February 7th, 2023, 2:00 PM CST

1.3 Format

Submit Technical and Cost Proposals electronic in separate, distinct parts within the proposal package.

Electronic Proposal: One (1) complete copy. Cost and Technical Proposals should be separate files.

The City will not consider illegible Proposals.

Elaborate proposals (i.e., expensive artwork) beyond that sufficient to present a complete and effective proposal, are not necessary or desired.

Complete and return Forms A through E to City of Madison Purchasing Services by Tuesday, February 7th, 2023, 2:00 PM CST.

1.4 Labeling

All proposals must be clearly labeled: Proposer’s Name and Address
RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1
Title: Metro Transit Outreach Consultants
Due: Tuesday, February 7th, 2023, 2:00 PM CST

All email correspondence must include RFP #11090-0-2022-BG-1 in the subject line.

1.5 Delivery of Proposals

Delivery of electronic copy to: via email to bids@cityofmadison.com

Proposals must be delivered as instructed. Deliveries to other City departments and/or locations may result in disqualification.

1.6 Appendix A: Standard Terms & Conditions

Proposers are responsible for reviewing Appendix A, the Standard Terms and Conditions, prior to submission of their Proposals. Appendix A applies to the submission of proposals and in the absence of a signed contract becomes part of the contract terms. Part I of Appendix A provides legal terms relevant only to the submission of proposals. Part II of Appendix A provides legal terms that would apply *only in the absence of a signed contract*.

1.7 Appendix B: Sample Contract for Purchase of Services

Proposers are responsible for reviewing Appendix B, Sample Contract, prior to submission of their Proposals. A contract in the form of Appendix B will serve as the basis of the contract resulting from this RFP. The resulting contract will control over any different legal terms in this RFP, Appendix A, the proposal, etc. **By submitting a proposal, Proposers affirm their willingness to enter into a contract containing the terms found in Appendix B.** While the City strives to provide the most appropriate sample contract for this RFP, the City reserves the right to modify the sample form for any resulting contract. The City does not negotiate legal terms prior to award.

1.8 Affirmative Action Notice

If Contractor employs 15 or more employees and does aggregate annual business with the City of \$50,000 or more for the calendar year in which the PO and/or Contract is in effect, Contractor shall file, within thirty (30) days from the PO/Contract effective date and BEFORE RELEASE OF PAYMENT, an Affirmative Action Plan designed to ensure that the Contractor provides equal employment opportunity to all and takes affirmative action in its utilization of applicants and employees who are women, minorities and/or persons with disabilities. A sample affirmative action plan, Request for Exemption forms, and instructions are available at: www.cityofmadison.com/civil-rights/contract-compliance/vendors-suppliers/forms or by contacting a Contract Compliance Specialist at the City of Madison Affirmative Action Division at (608) 266-4910. Vendors must register for an account to complete the required forms online, here: <https://elam.cityofmadison.com/citizenaccess>

Contractor shall also allow maximum feasible opportunity to small business enterprises to compete for any subcontracts entered into pursuant to this PO/Contract.

Job postings: All contractors who employ 15 or more employees (regardless of the dollar amount of this contract or their annual aggregate business with the City) must notify the City of all external job openings at locations in Dane County, Wisconsin, and agree to interview candidates referred by the City or its designated organization. Job posting information is available at: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/civil-rights/programs/referrals-and-interviews-for-sustainable-employment-raise-program>. Instructions for contractors: http://www.cityofmadison.com/civil-rights/documents/RaISE_Job_Posting_Instructions.pdf

The complete set of Affirmative Action requirements for this purchase can be found in **paragraph 20 of Appendix A – Standard Terms and Conditions** and, in **Section 13 of Appendix B – Sample Contract for Purchase of Services**.

1.9 Multiple Proposals

Multiple Proposals from Proposers are permitted; however, each must fully conform to the requirements for submission. Proposers must sequentially label (e.g., Proposal #1, Proposal #2) and separately package each Proposal. Proposers may submit alternate pricing schemes without having to submit multiple Proposals.

1.10 City of Madison Contact Information

The City of Madison Metro Transit is the procuring agency:

Mick Rusch
City of Madison Metro Transit
PH: (608) 266-6532
mrusch@cityofmadison.com

The City of Madison
Purchasing Services
administers the procurement
function:

Brittany Garcia
Purchasing Services
City-County Bldg, Room 407
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Madison, WI 53703-3346
PH: (608) 243-0529
bids@cityofmadison.com

For questions regarding
Affirmative Action Plans please
contact:

Contract Compliance
Department of Civil Rights
City-County Bldg., Room 523
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Madison, WI 53703
PH: (608) 266-4910
dcr@cityofmadison.com

The City employs spam filtering that occasionally blocks legitimate emails, holding them in ‘quarantine’ for four calendar days. The contacts listed in this RFP will acknowledge all emails received. Proposers not receiving acknowledgement within twenty-four hours shall follow-up via phone with specific information identifying the originating email address for message recovery.

1.11 Inquiries and Clarifications

Proposers are to raise any questions they have about the RFP document without delay. Direct all questions, *in writing*, to the Purchasing Services administrator listed in Section 1.10.

Proposers finding any significant ambiguity, error, conflict, discrepancy, omission, or other deficiency in this RFP document shall immediately notify the Buyer and request clarification. In the event that it is necessary to provide additional clarification or revision to the RFP, the City will post addenda – see 1.12 below. Proposers are strongly encouraged to check for addenda regularly.

Proposals should be as responsive as possible to the provisions stated herein. Exceptions are not permitted. The City of Madison reserves the right to disqualify any and all bids that are non-responsive or that include exceptions.

1.12 Addenda

In the event that it is necessary to provide additional clarification or revision to the RFP, the City will post addenda to its Proposals distribution websites – see 1.13 below. It is the Proposers responsibility to regularly monitor the websites for any such postings. Proposers must acknowledge the receipt of any addenda on Form B. Failure to retrieve addenda and include their provisions may result in disqualification.

1.13 Bid Distribution Networks

The City of Madison posts all Request for Proposals, addenda, tabulations, awards and related announcements on two distribution networks – VendorNet and DemandStar. The aforementioned documents are available **exclusively** from these websites. It is the Proposers responsibility to regularly monitor the bid distribution network for any such postings. Proposers failure to retrieve such addenda and incorporate their appropriate provisions in their response may result in disqualification. Both sites offer free registration to City Proposers.

State of Wisconsin
VendorNet System:

State of Wisconsin and local agencies bid network. Registration is free.
<http://vendornet.state.wi.us/vendornet>

DemandStar by Onvia: National bid network – Free subscription is available to access Proposals from the City of Madison and other Wisconsin agencies, participating in the Wisconsin Association of Public Purchasers (WAPP). A fee is required if subscribing to multiple agencies that are not included in WAPP.

Bid Opportunities: www.cityofmadison.com/finance/purchasing/bidDemandStar.cfm

Home Page: www.demandstar.com

To Register: <https://www.demandstar.com/app/registration>

Please note when registering: Pick the **Wisconsin Association of Public Procurement (WAPP)** to select all current Wisconsin government agencies.

1.14 Oral Presentations/Site Visits/Meetings

Proposers may be asked to attend meetings, make oral presentations, inspect City locations or make their facilities available for a site inspection as part of this RFP process. Such presentations, meetings or site visits will be at the Proposers expense.

1.15 Acceptance/Rejection of Proposals

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals submitted, in whole or in part, and to waive any informalities or technicalities, which at the City's discretion is determined to be in the best interests of the City. Further, the City makes no representations that a contract will be awarded to any proposer responding to this request. The City expressly reserves the right to reject any and all proposals responding to this invitation without indicating any reasons for such rejection(s).

The City reserves the right to postpone due dates and openings for its own convenience and to withdraw this solicitation at any time without prior notice.

1.16 Withdrawal or Revision of Proposals

Proposers may, without prejudice, withdraw Proposals submitted prior to the date and time specified for receipt of Proposals by requesting such withdrawal before the due time and date of the submission of Proposals. After the due date of submission of Proposals, no Proposals may be withdrawn for a period of 90 days or as otherwise specified or provided by law. Proposers may modify their Proposals at any time prior to opening of Proposals.

1.17 Non-Material and Material Variances

The City reserves the right to waive or permit cure of nonmaterial variances in the offer if, in the judgment of the City, it is in the City's best interest to do so. The determination of materiality is in the sole discretion of the City.

1.18 Public Records

Proposers are hereby notified that all information submitted in response to this RFP may be made available for public inspection according to the Public Records Law of the State of Wisconsin or other applicable public record laws. Information qualifying as a "trade secret"—defined in State of Wisconsin Statutes—may be held confidential.

Proposers shall seal separately and clearly identify all information they deem to be “trade secrets,” as defined in the State of Wisconsin Statutes. Do not duplicate or co-mingle information, deemed confidential and sealed, elsewhere in your response.

S. 19.36(5)

(5) TRADE SECRETS. An authority may withhold access to any record or portion of a record containing information qualifying as a trade secret as defined in s. 134.90(1)(c).

s. 134.90(1)(c)

(c) “Trade secret” means information, including a formula, pattern, compilation, program, device, method, technique or process to which all of the following apply:

1. The information derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use.
2. The information is the subject of efforts to maintain its secrecy that are reasonable under the circumstances.

The City cannot ensure that information will not be subject to release if a request is made under applicable public records laws. The City cannot consider the following confidential: a bid in its entirety, price information, or the entire contents of any resulting contract. The City will not provide advance notice to Proposers prior to release of any requested record.

To the extent permitted by such laws, it is the intention of the City to withhold the contents of Proposals from public view—until such times as competitive or bargaining reasons no longer require non-disclosure, in the City’s opinion. At that time, all Proposals will be available for review in accordance with such laws.

1.19 Usage Reports

Annually, the successful Proposers shall furnish to City Purchasing usage reports summarizing the ordering history for each department served during the previous contract year. The report, at a minimum, must include each and every item or service ordered during the period, its total quantities and dollars by item/service and in total. The City reserves the right to request usage reports at any time and request additional information, if required, when reviewing contract activity.

1.20 Partial Award

Unless otherwise noted, it will be assumed that Proposers will accept an order for all or part of the items/services priced.

1.21 Tax Exempt

The City of Madison as a municipality is exempt from payment of federal excise taxes (Registration Number 008-1020421147-08) and State of Wisconsin taxes per Wisconsin statute 77.54(9a). Federal Tax ID #39-6005507. A completed Wisconsin Department of Revenue Form S-211 (R.2-00) can be found on the City website. Our tax-exempt number is ES 42916.

1.22 Cooperative Purchasing

Bidders may choose to extend prices offered on bids to other municipalities. Under Wisconsin Statutes, a municipality is defined as a county; city; village; town; school district; board of school directors; sewer district; drainage district; vocational, technical and adult education district; or any other public or quasi-public corporation, officer, board or other body having the authority to award public contracts. This is known as “cooperative” or “piggyback” purchasing, a practice common amongst units of government. The City is not responsible for any contract resulting from a cooperative purchase using this RFB as a basis; they are made solely between the bidders and third party unit of government.

1.23 Proposers Responsibility

Proposers shall examine this RFP and shall exercise their judgment as to the nature and scope of the work required. No plea of ignorance concerning conditions or difficulties that exist or may hereafter arise in the execution of the work under the resulting contract, as a consequence of failure to make necessary examinations and investigations, shall be accepted as an excuse for any failure or omission on the part of the Proposers to fulfill the requirements of the resulting contract.

2 DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES/COMMODITIES

2.1 Scope of Work

Metro Transit is looking for outreach consultants to go to various community events, transfer points (busy bus stop areas), employment centers, and neighborhood meetings. Consultants will staff information tables and teach people how to ride the bus and use new fare technology.

Potential locations for outreach consultants are as follows:

- East Transfer Point (102 W Corporate Dr, Madison, WI 53779)
- North Transfer Point (1213 Huxley St, Madison, WI 53704)
- South Transfer Point (2430 S Park St, Madison, WI 53713)
- West Transfer Point (5700 Tokay Blvd, Madison, WI 53719)
- Capitol Square
- Catholic Multicultural Center (1862 Beld St, Madison, WI 53713)
- Latino Academy of Workforce Development (1917 Lake Point Dr, Madison, WI 53713)
- St. Vincent de Paul food pantry (2033 Fish Hatchery Rd, Madison, WI 53713)
- Centro Hispano (810 W Badger Rd, Madison, WI 53713)
- The River food pantry (2201 Darwin Rd, Madison, WI 53704)
- Kennedy Heights Community Center (2201 Darwin Rd, Madison, WI 53704)
- Vera Court Neighborhood Center (614 Vera Ct, Madison, WI 53704)
- Aging and Disabilities Resource Center (2865 N Sherman Ave, Madison, WI 53704)
- YWCA (2865 N Sherman Ave, Madison, WI 53704)
- Salvation Army of Dane County (630 E Washington Ave, Madison, WI 53703)
- Bayview Foundation (601 Bay Vw, Madison, WI 53715)
- The Beacon (615 E Washington Ave, Madison, WI 53703)
- Luke House (310 S Ingersoll St, Madison, WI 53703)
- East Madison Community Center (8 Straubel Ct, Madison, WI 53704)
- Goodman Community Center (214 Waubesa St, Madison, WI 53704)
- Lussier Community Center (55 S Gammon Rd, Madison, WI 53717)
- Community Living Connections (6515 Watts Rd, Madison, WI 53719)
- Middleton Outreach Ministries (3502 Parmenter St, Middleton, WI 53562)
- UW campus (various locations)
- Sun Prairie park and ride (2751 O'Keeffe Ave, Sun Prairie, WI 53590)
- Dutch Mill Park and Ride
- Madison Senior Center (330 W Mifflin St, Madison, WI 53703)
- Newbridge – North (1625 Northport Dr, Madison, WI 53704)
- Newbridge – West (5724 Raymond Rd, Madison, WI 53711)

These are all tentative, and subject to change.

Metro Transit estimates this outreach project requiring approximately 4,000 hours of work.

2.2 Timeline

Metro Transit intends to focus outreach consultants on 3 main projects:

- The end of 2022 through June of 2023 when the route redesign will take place
- Months leading up to BRT which will open in 2024
- Smartcard fare technology (2023-2024)

2.3 Translation and Language Requirements

Metro Transit is interested in having a number of the outreach consultants be fluent Spanish, Hmong and/or Chinese speakers. We will not require any written translation.

2.4 Experience Requirements

Preferred previous experience includes:

- 1 year of customer service
- Public speaking/Teaching, Ability to give directions face to face
- Ability to use mobile device (apps)
- Ability to understand Metro fares

2.5 Contract Structure

Metro would enter a contract with a vendor at an overarching "Not to Exceed" amount and set hourly rates but without a detailed scope of work or a Purchase Order (PO). As specific tasks are identified, the detailed scope and fee would be negotiated with the contracted vendor (based on established hourly rates) and a PO will be issued according to the contract for that particular task.

Funding sources may be local or federal, depending upon the task, so the procurement process will follow federal guidelines. However, since there will not be a specific scope, DBE goals will be established during the scoping process of each federally funded Purchase Order rather than creating a blanket percentage for the overall contract during the solicitation phase.

In addition, to meet FTA requirements, Metro must select a single vendor in each category and cannot create a "menu" of vendors for the same task.

Contract term for this procurement is expected to run through 2024.

2.6 Submission Requirements

Vendors shall prepare a technical proposal that includes descriptions of other Madison area community events for which they provided staff. Descriptions should include specific vendors' areas of expertise and skill levels of available employees. It should also include plan to ensure that available pool of employees represents the same cultural and racial diversity that is found in the greater Madison community. It should also include any available ties that can be leveraged with local transit riders, greater Madison neighborhood communities, and/or service agencies focused on environmental sustainability.

The City of Madison's values include racial equality and social justice, and we wish to contract with businesses who have similar values. In your technical proposal, please indicate how your firm has prioritized racial equity and social justice in its operations, practices, and policies. Examples include hiring and workplace culture, user-centered/innovative design, community outreach, and hiring sub-consultants.

Notice to bidders submitting their proposals:

Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), 48 C.F.R. part 31 principles apply to this project.

To be considered, proposers must visit and read at https://www.acquisition.gov/far/part-31#FAR_Part_31 then sign on Form B.

2.7 Basis for Evaluation and Award

The City will have sole discretion as to the methodology used in making the award. The award will be made to the responsible and responsive Proposer who offers the best combination of addressing the following criteria, indicated below. Protest procedure is available upon request.

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the proposals. The criteria are listed in order of importance but some criteria may not be given equal weight:

Relevant Technical Experience – 25%

Staffing Capacity – 25%

Demonstrated Ability to Provide Diverse Staff – 20%

Cost – 30%

3 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) PROGRAM

This project is unique in that a DBE goal will not be set for bidding. However, DBE goals will be set for each specific scope of work in the future.

Any questions about the DBE Program provisions of this project, including filling out the Special Prequalification Report, should be directed to, Affirmative Action Division Manager, City Civil Rights Department, at 608-266-6510, e-mail dcr@cityofmadison.com.

A copy of the complete City of Madison Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program and/or DBE Directory may be obtained by calling the City Civil Rights Department at 608-266-6510 or online at: <http://wisconsin.gov/Pages/doing-bus/civil-rights/dbe/certified-firms.aspx>.

3.1 Prequalification Requirements

A. Purpose

It is the policy of the U. S. Department of Transportation/Federal Transit Administration (USDOT/FTA) that disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE) as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 shall have the maximum feasible opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. Consequently, the DBE requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 applies to this contract.

B. DBE Obligation

The Contractor agrees to ensure that DBEs as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 have the maximum feasible opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and subcontracts financed under this project. In this regard, all bidders shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26 to insure that DBEs have the maximum feasible opportunity to compete for and perform contracts. The Contractor or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of USDOT/FTA-assigned contracts.

C. DBE Utilization Goal

For this contract, The City of Madison will assign a DBE goal for each scope of work issued on each Purchase Order. No DBE Goal submission is required for this RFP.

During the implementation of the contract, the bidder will be required to show adequate good faith efforts to meet the DBE goals set for each scope of work. DBE firms may participate as subcontractors, suppliers or in joint ventures.

D. DBE Certification

In order to be considered a DBE firm, the firm must be certified by the Wisconsin Unified Certification Program at the time of bid submittal. The DBE Directory is available at the following link:

<http://wisconsin.gov/Pages/doing-bus/civil-rights/dbe/certified-firms.aspx>

E. Definitions And Certification Requirements

For the purposes of this program, a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) is a small business concern:

Which is at least fifty-one (51) percent owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least fifty-one (51) percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged individuals; and

Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the socially and economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.

The Contract Compliance Officer has a list of DBE firms who are certified as meeting these definitions.

F. Good Faith Efforts

For this contract, The City of Madison will assign a DBE goal for each scope of work issued on each Purchase Order. No DBE Goal submission is required for this RFP.

Once the contract work is initiated, to demonstrate sufficient reasonable efforts to meet the DBE contract goal, a bidder shall document, using a standard form, the steps it has taken to obtain DBE participation, including but not limited to the following:

1. Obtaining information about DBEs in specific subcontracting areas by:
 - a. Developing and maintaining the Contractor's own file of certified DBEs;
 - b. Consulting the list of certified DBEs from the Wisconsin Unified Certification Program Directory.
 - c. If necessary, assisting an uncertified firm to obtain certification by the City of Madison Department of Civil Rights. The Civil Rights Department will provide the necessary forms at the bidder's request.
2. Contacting DBEs sufficiently in advance of the bid deadline so that they can prepare a bid and engage in negotiations:
 - a. Advertising in general circulation media, trade association publications, and minority-focus media for at least twenty (20) calendar days before bids are due. If twenty (20) days are not available, publication for a shorter reasonable time is acceptable, and
 - b. Written notification to DBEs that their interest in the contract is solicited.
3. Selecting portions of the work, to be performed by DBEs to increase the likelihood of achieving the DBE project goal.
4. Negotiating directly with DBEs, including DBEs who contact the bidder to volunteer a quote for participating as a subcontractor/subconsultant.
5. Outlining efforts to negotiate with DBEs for specific sub-bids including at a minimum the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of DBEs that were contracted; a description of the information provided to DBEs regarding the plans and specifications for portions of the work to be performed; and a statement of why additional agreements with DBEs were not reached:
 - a. If the DBE is unavailable, a detailed statement from the bidder of the reasons for that conclusion;
 - b. If the bidder considers the DBE to be unqualified, a detailed statement of the reasons for that conclusion;
 - c. If the DBE refused to or was unable to offer a price which the bidder could reasonably agree to pay, a detailed statement of the reasons for that decision; and

- d. Any other reasons why agreements with DBEs could not be reached.
6. Efforts made to assist the DBEs contacted with needed assistance in obtaining bonding or insurance required by the bidder or the City.
7. Attendance at the virtual pre-bid conference is not mandatory, but it is recommended.

The selected firm will not be considered to have made a good faith effort to meet the DBE project goal if he or she rejects the bid of an otherwise qualified and competent DBE on the basis of price alone, unless it is shown that no reasonable price can be obtained from a DBE. A DBE's bid for the subcontract will be presumed to be unreasonable if the DBE's price exceeds the average price quoted by more than five (5) percent.

G. Counting DBE Participation

For this contract The City of Madison will assign a DBE goal for each scope of work issued on each Purchase Order. No DBE Goal submission is required for this RFP.

During the project, the firm may count towards his or her attainment of the DBE goal only those expenditures to DBEs that perform a commercially useful function. For purposes of evaluating a firm's responsiveness to the attainment of the DBE goal, the contract participation by a DBE is based on the percentage of the total base bid proposed by the Contractor. The total base bid price is inclusive of all amendments, modifications and change orders.

Work performed by a DBE firm in a particular transaction can be counted toward the goal only if it involves a commercially useful function. As provided in Section 26.55 (c) (1) a DBE performs a commercially useful function if the DBE firm in accordance with industry practices performs a useful role in the transaction. Under Section 26.55 (c)(2) a DBE does not perform a commercially useful function if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract, or project to enable a prime contractor to pass through funds in order to obtain the appearance of DBE participation. If, in the City of Madison's judgment, the firm does not perform a commercially useful function in the transaction, no credit towards goals may be awarded, and the firm's participation cannot be counted towards the attainment of the DBE Goal.

It should be noted that the question of whether a firm is performing a commercially useful function is completely separate from the question of whether the firm is an eligible DBE. A firm is eligible if it meets the definitional criteria and ownership and control requirements, as set forth in the City of Madison's DBE Program.

The City of Madison will determine whether or not a firm is performing a commercially useful function on a project. If the commercially useful function is that of a dealer, then the City of Madison, in accordance with Section 26.55(e) (2)(i) may count 60% of the value of the product supplied towards the DBE goal.

As provided in Section 26.55 (e)(2)(ii) a regular dealer must be engaged in selling the product in question to the public and must be in regular trade with a variety of customers. This is an important distinguishing characteristic which defines whether or not a firm is acting as a regular dealer. If a firm performs supplier-like functions on an ad-hoc basis or for only one or two contractors with whom it has a special relationship, the firm will not be performing commercially useful function since it is not considered a regular dealer.

Section 26.55(e)(2)(ii)(A) allows a supplier of bulk goods to qualify as a regular dealer without owning, operating or maintaining a place of business if the supplier both owns and operates distribution equipment for the products. With respect to the distribution equipment; e. g., a fleet of trucks, the term "and operates" is intended to cover a situation in which the supplier leases the equipment on a regular basis for its entire business through a long-term lease agreement and not on an ad-hoc basis by simply

providing drivers for trucks owned or leased by another party; e. g., a prime contractor, or leases such a party's trucks on an ad-hoc basis for a specific job.

If the commercially useful function being performed is not that of a regular dealer, but rather that of delivery of products, for example, a business that simply transfers title of a product from manufacturer to ultimate purchaser; e. g., a sales representative who re-invoices a steel product from the steel company to the City of Madison, or a firm that puts a product into a container for delivery, or a firm that expedites transactions would not be considered a regular dealer under provisions of Section 26.55(e)(2)(ii) (C).

Section 26.55 (e)(3) concerns the use of services that help the City of Madison obtain needed supplies, personnel, materials or equipment to perform a portion of the contract. If a DBE is acting as a broker or manufacturer's representative in the procurement of supplies, facilities, or materials, etc., only the fee received by the service provider could be counted toward goals. For example, use of a minority sales representative or distributor for a steel company, if performing a commercially useful function at all, would entitle the City of Madison receiving the steel to count only the fee paid to the representative or distributor toward the goal.

A similar provision contained in Section 26.55 (a)(2) would also govern fees for professional, technical, managerial and other services obtained expressly and solely to perform work relating to a specific contract or program function such as procurement of personnel. The counting rules of 49 CFR Part 26.55 (a)(2) would apply and only the commission will be counted towards the DBE goal.

Section 26.55 (a)(2) requires the application of the same principle to bonding and insurance matters. Contractors often are required to obtain bonding and insurance concerning their work in USDOT-assisted contracts. When a contractor obtains a bond or an insurance policy from a DBE agent, the amount allowable toward goals is not any portion of the face value of the policy or bond or the total premium, but rather the fee received by the agent for selling the bond or insurance policy.

Section 26.55(d) concerns credit for participation by trucking firms and management of transportation services. If a DBE trucking company picks up a product from a manufacturer or regular dealer and delivers the product to the City of Madison, the commercially useful function it is performing is not that of a supplier, but simply that of a transporter of goods. Unless the trucking company is itself the manufacturer or a regular dealer in the product, credit cannot be given based on a percentage of the cost of the product. Rather, credit would be allowed for the cost of the transportation service.

The City is aware that the rule's language does not explicitly mention every kind of business that works in USDOT/FTA financially assisted programs. In administering 49 CFR Part 26, the City will, on a case-by-case basis, determine the appropriate regulatory provision to apply in a particular situation.

H. The DBE Program Special Prequalification Report

For this contract The City of Madison will assign a DBE goal for each scope of work issued on each Purchase Order. No DBE Goal submission is required for this RFP.

There will be specific reporting requirements and standard forms the firm will have to submit for each scope of work relating to the DBE goals.

I. DBE Award Notification

Whenever a prime Contractor is awarded a contract by the City of Madison, the DBE subcontractor will be notified in writing by the DBE Liaison Officer that a contract has been awarded in which they were identified as a DBE subcontractor. A copy of the Letter of Notification will also be sent to the prime Contractor and the Transit General Manager.

3.2 DBE Project Requirements

A. DBE Substitutions

Once goals are set and the firm submits a list of subcontractors to work on each project scope, arbitrary changes by the Contractor of DBEs identified in his or her bid is strictly prohibited. Further, without prior approval by the DBE Liaison Officer, the Contractor may not terminate a subcontract agreement, reduce the scope of work nor decrease the proposed price to the DBE.

In instances where the Contractor finds it necessary to request substitution of a DBE for reasons such as default on the part of the DBE or poor work performance, the Contractor shall submit, in writing, to the DBE Liaison Officer, the reasons justifying release of prior approved DBEs and receive approval from the City of such change prior to subcontracting with another certified DBE.

The Contractor's notification shall, follow prior notice to the DBE proposed for termination (with a copy to the DBE Liaison Officer) including the specific reasons for the proposed substitution and in accordance with 49 CFR § 26.53(f). Stated reasons which would be acceptable include any of the following examples:

1. A previously committed DBE was found not to be able to perform;
2. A committed DBE was found not to be able to produce acceptable work;
3. A committed DBE was later discovered not to be bona fide; and
4. A DBE previously committed to a given price later demands an unreasonable escalation of price.

The Contractor's position in these cases shall be fully explained and supported with adequate documentation. Stated reasons which will not be acceptable include:

1. A replacement firm has been recruited to perform the same work under terms more advantageous to the Contractor;
2. Issues about performance by the committed DBE were disputed (unless every reasonable effort has already been taken to have the issues resolved or mediated satisfactorily); and
3. DBE has requested reasonable price escalation which may be justified due to unforeseen circumstances; i. e., change in scope of DBE's work.

The Contractor's notification should include the name, address, and principal official of any proposed substitute DBE and the dollar value and scope of work of the proposed subcontractor. The same DBE affidavits, documents, and Letter of Intent which are required of bidders should be attached.

The DBE Liaison Officer will evaluate the submitted documentation and respond within fifteen (15) working days to the request for approval of a substitution. The response may be in the form of requesting more information, or requesting an interview to clarify or mediate the problem. The response may also be in the form of a rejection of the proposed DBE substitution with the reasons therefore included in the City's response. In the case of an expressed emergency need to receive the necessary decision for the sake of job progress, the City will instead respond as soon as practicable.

Actual substitution of a DBE to fulfill contract requirements should not be made prior to City approval. Once notified of City approval, the substitute DBE subcontract shall be executed within five (5) working days, and a copy of the DBE subcontract, with signatures of both parties to the agreement, should be submitted to the DBE Liaison Officer.

The City will not approve extra payment for escalated costs incurred by the Contractor when a substitution of subcontractors becomes necessary in order to comply with DBE contract requirements.

In the case where an enterprise under contract was previously considered to be a DBE but is later found not to be, or whose work is found not to be creditable toward the DBE goals fully as planned, the City will consider the following criteria in evaluating at the request:

1. Whether the Contractor was reasonable in believing the enterprise was a DBE or that eligibility or "counting" standards were not being violated, and
2. The adequacy of unsuccessful efforts taken to obtain a substitute DBE.

B. Contract Monitoring

To ensure DBE compliance on all contracts regardless of dollar amount, the DBE Liaison Officer will contact the Contractor and the DBE subcontractor when the project reaches the 50% mark of completion. The Contractor will receive a request for status of DBE subcontractor payment. The request will identify the names of DBEs proposed by the Contractor, the proposed goods or services the DBE subcontractor was to provide and the proposed subcontracted DBE dollar amount. The Contractor will be requested to supply, within ten (10) working days, proof of payment for each of the DBEs listed in order to verify the year-to-day DBE participation.

The DBE subcontractor will be requested to provide an affidavit for DBE subcontractor participation/payment attesting to the work performed and the amount paid to date to the subcontractor.

C. Non-Compliance And Liquidated Damages

The City shall have the discretion to apply suitable sanctions to the Contractor if the Contractor is found to be in non-compliance with the DBE requirements. Failure to comply with the DBE terms of a contract or failure to use DBEs as stated in the Contractor's bid constitutes a material breach of this contract, and may lead to the suspension or termination of this contract in whole or in part; furthermore, continued eligibility to enter into future contracting arrangements with the City of Madison may be jeopardized as a result of non-compliance. In some cases, monthly progress payments may be withheld until corrective action is taken.

Therefore, in such cases of non-compliance, the City will deduct as liquidated damages cumulative amounts computed as follows: for each one (1) percent (or fraction thereof) of shortfall toward the DBE goal, one (1) percent of the base bid for this contract shall be surrendered by the Contractor to the City in payment as liquidated damages, if such damages are assessed.

When work is completed, in the event that the City has determined that the Contractor was not in compliance in the fulfillment of the required DBE goals, and a grant of relief of the requirements was not obtained, the City will thereby be damaged in the failure to provide the benefit of participation to DBEs to the degree set forth in the contract.

D. Opportunities For The Use Of Banks Owned & Controlled By DBEs

The City of Madison encourages its prime contractors to use banks owned and controlled by minorities and women in Wisconsin whenever feasible.

E. Prompt Payment Requirement

The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment for that work from the City of Madison, as provided for in 49 CFR Part Section 26.29. In addition, the contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed.

4 REQUIRED INFORMATION AND CONTENT OF PROPOSALS

4.1 Forms

Form A- Signature Affidavit
Form B- Receipt Forms and Submittal Checklist
Form C- Vendor Profile
Form D- Cost Proposal
Form E- References
Form F- FTA & Local Certifications

Appendix A: City of Madison Standard Terms and Conditions
Appendix B: Sample Contract for Purchase of Services
Appendix C: US DOT/FTA Terms and Conditions



Form A: Signature Affidavit

**RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1 On-Call Metro Transit
Outreach Consultants**

This form must be returned with your response.

In signing Proposals, we certify that we have not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement or participated in any collusion or otherwise take any action in restraint of free competition; that no attempt has been made to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit Proposals, that Proposals have been independently arrived at, without collusion with any other Proposers, competitor or potential competitor; that Proposals have not been knowingly disclosed prior to the opening of Proposals to any other Proposers or competitor; that the above statement is accurate under penalty of perjury.

The undersigned, submitting this Proposals, hereby agrees with all the terms, conditions, and specifications required by the City in this Request for Proposals, declares that the attached Proposals and pricing are in conformity therewith, and attests to the truthfulness of all submissions in response to this solicitation.

Proposers shall provide the information requested below. Include the legal name of the Proposers and signature of the person(s) legally authorized to bind the Proposers to a contract.

COMPANY NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINT NAME OF PERSON SIGNING



Form B: Receipt of Forms and Submittal Checklist

RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1 On-Call Metro Transit Outreach Consultants

This form must be returned with your response.

Proposers hereby acknowledge the receipt and/or submittal of the following forms:

Forms	Initial to Acknowledge SUBMITTAL	Initial to Acknowledge RECEIPT
Description of Services/Commodities	N/A	
Form A: Signature Affidavit		
Form B: Receipt of Forms and Submittal Checklist		
Form C: Vendor Profile		
Form D: Cost Proposal		
Form E: References		
Form F- FTA & Local Certifications		
Appendix A: Standard Terms & Conditions	N/A	
Appendix B: Contract for Purchase of Services	N/A	
Appendix C: USDOT/FTA Terms and Conditions	N/A	
Addendum #		
Addendum #		
Addendum #		

VENDOR NAME

COMPANY NAME



Form C: Vendor Profile

RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1 On-Call Metro Transit Outreach Consultants

This form must be returned with your response.

COMPANY INFORMATION

COMPANY NAME (Make sure to use your complete, legal company name.)			
Registered with the Federal System for Award Management (SAM): Yes / No (circle one)			
FEIN (or SSN collected upon award.)		SAM Unique Entity Identifier	
CONTACT NAME (Able to answer questions about proposal.)		TITLE	
TELEPHONE NUMBER		FAX NUMBER	
EMAIL			
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION CONTACT

If the selected contractor employs 15 or more employees and does aggregate annual business with the City of \$50,000 or more, the contractor will be required to file an Affirmative Action Plan and comply with the City of Madison Affirmative Action Ordinance, Section 39.02(9)(e), within thirty (30) days contract signature. Vendors who believe they are exempt based on number of employees or annual aggregate business must file a request for exemption. Link to information and applicable forms: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/civil-rights/contract-compliance/vendors-suppliers>

CONTACT NAME		TITLE	
TELEPHONE NUMBER		FAX NUMBER	
EMAIL			
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP

ORDERS/BILLING CONTACT

Address where City purchase orders/contracts are to be mailed and person the department contacts concerning orders and billing.

CONTACT NAME		TITLE	
TELEPHONE NUMBER		FAX NUMBER	
EMAIL			
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP



Form D: Cost Proposal

RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1 On-Call Metro Transit Outreach Consultantss

This form must be returned with your response.

Prepare the fee proposal as all inclusive, not-to-exceed, fixed fees:

- All Inclusive – Covers all direct and indirect necessary expenses including but not limited to; travel, telephone, copying and other out-of-pocket expenses.
- Not To Exceed – The actual fees shall not exceed the amount specified in fee proposal.
- Fixed Fee – All prices, rates, fees and conditions outlined in the proposal shall remain fixed and valid for the entire length of the contract and any/all renewals.

Any pricing increases or additions must be agreed upon in writing by both parties.

Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price
Hourly Rate to provide outreach consultant services as described in Section 2 of RFP 11090-0-2022-BG	1	Hours	\$ _____/hr
Hourly Rate to provide outreach consultant services in Spanish as described in Section 2 of RFP 11090-0-2022-BG	1	Hours	\$ _____/hr
Hourly Rate to provide outreach consultant services in Hmong as described in Section 2 of RFP 11090-0-2022-BG	1	Hours	\$ _____/hr
Hourly Rate to provide outreach consultant services in Chinese as described in Section 2 of RFP 11090-0-2022-BG	1	Hours	\$ _____/hr
Lump Sum rate to provide 4,000 hours of outreach consulting as described in RFP 11090-0-2022-BG	4,000	Hours	\$ _____/lump sum

COMPANY NAME



Form E: References

RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1 On-Call Metro Transit Outreach Consultants

This form must be returned with your response.

Please list three references that are **NOT** from the City of Madison. If you wish to highlight any additional work experience for the City of Madison, please list it on a separate page.

REFERENCE #1 – CLIENT INFORMATION			
COMPANY NAME	CONTACT NAME		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
TELEPHONE NUMBER	FAX NUMBER		
EMAIL			
CONTRACT PERIOD	YEAR COMPLETED	TOTAL COST	
DESCRIPTION OF THE PERFORMED WORK			

REFERENCE #2 – CLIENT INFORMATION			
COMPANY NAME	CONTACT NAME		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
TELEPHONE NUMBER	FAX NUMBER		
EMAIL			
CONTRACT PERIOD	YEAR COMPLETED	TOTAL COST	
DESCRIPTION OF THE PERFORMED WORK			

COMPANY NAME

REFERENCE #3 – CLIENT INFORMATION			
COMPANY NAME	CONTACT NAME		
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
TELEPHONE NUMBER	FAX NUMBER		
EMAIL			
CONTRACT PERIOD	YEAR COMPLETED	TOTAL COST	
DESCRIPTION OF THE PERFORMED WORK			

COMPANY NAME

FTA & LOCAL CERTIFICATIONS

The following Certifications and forms must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope marked "Envelope No. 2-- Certifications."

1. AFFIDAVIT AND INFORMATION REQUIRED OF PROPOSERS -(Include in all bids)

I hereby declare and affirm under the penalty for perjury:

- A. That I am the Proposer (if the Proposer is an individual), a partner in the Proposal (if the Proposer is a partnership), or an officer or employee of the proposing corporation (if the Proposer is a corporation);
- B. That the attached Proposal(s) have been arrived at by the Proposer independently and have been submitted without collusion or sham [fraud] and without any agreement, understanding, or planned common course of action with any other vendor of materials, supplies, equipment, or services described in the request for proposals, designed to limit independent proposing or competition;
- C. That the contents of the Proposal(s) have not been communicated, directly or indirectly, by the Proposer or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or agent of the Proposer or its surety or any bond furnished with the Proposal(s), and will not be communicated to any such person prior to the official opening of the proposal(s); and
- D. That I have fully informed myself regarding the accuracy of the statements made in the affidavit.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

2. OVERALL FEDERAL REGULATION COMPLIANCE

All contractual provisions required by USDOT/FTA, as set forth in USDOT/FTA Circular 4220.1F, as amended, and outlined in “USDOT/FTA Terms and Conditions”, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all USDOT/FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in the Proposal with the successful Proposer. The successful Proposer shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any City of Madison requests which would cause the City of Madison to be in violation of USDOT/FTA or Wisconsin Department of Transportation grant terms and conditions. The successful Proposer shall ensure that any proposed subcontractors have been determined to meet the same standards of responsibility applicable to the prime contractor.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

3. COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS/SCOPE OF WORK -(Include in all bids)

The Proposer hereby certifies that it will comply with the specifications/scope of work issued by the City of Madison, WI. **The Proposer warrants and certifies that of the following three paragraphs, paragraph A or B or C is true (check one ONLY):**

A. ____ The Proposer hereby states that it will comply with the specifications/scope of work in all areas. (This means that there are no exceptions to the City's specifications/scope of work, no matter how minor. If you have any doubts, check paragraph C or call the Project Administrator, at 608/267-1148, for assistance.)

B. ____ The Proposer hereby states that it will comply with the specifications/scope of work in all areas except those where requests for clarification were approved by the City prior to Proposal submission.

C. ____ The Proposer hereby states that it will comply with the specifications/scope of work in all areas except those noted in its response as not being granted by the City in the requests for clarification process. The Proposer understands that those exceptions to the specifications/scope of work may be considered not responsive and may be rejected by the City.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

**4. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION (LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTION)
(Only Proposals Exceeding \$25,000)**

Instructions for Certification:

1. By signing and submitting this Offer or proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the signed certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by in writing by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction", without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant agrees to review the "Excluded Parties Listing System" at <http://www.sam.gov>, before entering into any third party contract or subagreement.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
9. Except for transactions authorized under Paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies including suspension and/or debarment.

The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this Proposal, that neither it nor its "principals" as defined at 49 C.F.R. § 29.105 is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective lower tier participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal, and indicate that it has done so, by placing an X in the following space: _____

Furthermore, the prospective lower tier participant certifies that it will provide immediate written notice to the Procuring Agency if, at any time during the course of the proposed Offer, it learns that this certification was erroneous when submitted or has been erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

THE PROPOSER OR OFFEROR, CERTIFIES OR AFFIRMS THE TRUTHFULNESS AND ACCURACY OF EACH STATEMENT OF ITS CERTIFICATION AND EXPLANATION, IF ANY. IN ADDITION, THE PROPOSER OR OFFEROR UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES THAT THE PROVISIONS OF 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 ET SEQ. APPLY TO THIS CERTIFICATION AND EXPLANATION, IF ANY.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

**5. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION - PRIMARY
(Only Proposals Exceeding \$25,000)**

Instructions for Certification:

1. By signing and submitting this Offer or proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the signed certification set out below.

2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.

3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

5. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by in writing by the department or agency entering into this transactions.

7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction", provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant agrees to review the "Excluded Parties Listing System" at <http://www.sam.gov>, before entering into any third party contract or subagreement.

9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

10. Except for transactions authorized under Paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

5. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION - PRIMARY- (continued)

The prospective primary participant certifies, by submission of this Proposal, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that neither it nor its "principals," as defined at 49 C.F.R. Part 29.105:

Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (2) of this certification.

Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, local) terminated for cause or default.

If the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective primary participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal, and indicate that it has done so, by placing an "X" in the following space: ____.

Furthermore, the potential Proposer certifies that it will provide immediate written notice to the Procuring Agency if, at any time during the course of the proposed contract, it learns that this certification was erroneous when submitted or has been erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

THE PROPOSER OR OFFEROR, CERTIFIES OR AFFIRMS THE TRUTHFULNESS AND ACCURACY OF EACH STATEMENT OF ITS CERTIFICATION AND EXPLANATION, IF ANY. IN ADDITION, THE PROPOSER OR OFFEROR UNDERSTANDS AND AGREES THAT THE PROVISIONS OF 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801 ET SEQ. APPLY TO THIS CERTIFICATION AND EXPLANATION, IF ANY.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

6. LOBBYING CERTIFICATION (Only Proposals Exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned [Proposer] certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for making lobbying contacts to 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 Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form--LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions [as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: Language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, *et seq.*)]

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

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 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 1352(c)(1)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or failure.]

The Proposer, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Proposer understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. A 3801, *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

7. DBE APPROVAL CERTIFICATION

The Proposer hereby certifies that it will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age or physical handicap in awarding a subcontract, and that it will take reasonable and necessary steps to ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in DOT Financial Assistance Programs, including 49 CFR 26.13, will have the opportunity to participate in the performance of this Proposal. Furthermore, the Proposer certifies that its goals have not been disapproved by the Federal Transit Administration.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

8. COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL AFFIRMATIVE ACTION ORDINANCE

The Proposer hereby certifies that it will comply with all provisions of the Affirmative Action Ordinance of the City of Madison including contract compliance requirements. **The Proposer warrants and certifies that, of the following three paragraphs, paragraph A or B or C, is true (check one ONLY), Check Paragraph D if applicable:**

A. ____ It has prepared and has on file with the City of Madison's Affirmative Action Department an Affirmative Action Plan that meets the formal requirements of Federal Revised Order No. 4, 41 C.F.R. Part 60.2, as established by 43 FR 51400, November 3, 1978, including appendices required by the City of Madison ordinances or it has prepared and has on file a model Affirmative Action Plan approved by the Madison Common Council. (Please note that Affirmative Action plans must be updated annually with the Department of Civil Rights.)

B. ____ Within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Proposal, it will complete an Affirmative Action Plan that meets the format requirements of Federal Revised Order No. 4, 41 C.F.R. Part 60.2, as established by 43 FR 51400, November 3, 1978, including appendices required by the City of Madison ordinance or within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Proposal, it will complete a model Affirmative Action Plan approved by the Madison Common Council.

C. ____ The Proposer is exempt from filing an Affirmative Action Plan as he or she has fewer than fifteen (15) employees. Within thirty (30) days after Proposal award, the Proposer will file with the Affirmative Action Department an Employer Information Report form to document his or her exempt status.

D. ____ The Bidder/Offeror understands that if Offeror is found by Procuring Agencies Department of Civil Rights to be non-exempt, Paragraph B applies.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

9. DBE VENDOR SURVEY

The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) has issued new rules to restructure the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program so it complies with Court orders. These new rules at 49 C.F.R. Part 26.11 require transit properties to obtain the following information from all current, past and potential Proposers. Here "potential Proposer" is defined as one seeking or has sought to do business with us.

A. PROPOSING COMPANY NAME _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip + 4 _____

B. How long has your firm been in business? _____

C. What is the annual gross receipts of your firm? _____

D. Are you a D.B.E.? Yes _____ No _____

E. If yes, is your personal net worth greater than \$750,000? Yes _____ No _____

F. If you want USDOT and the City of Madison to treat this information as proprietary you must place an "X" in the following space: _____. If done, then USDOT and the City will view this information as proprietary. It will therefore be protected under the Federal Freedom of Information Act, which pre-empts state and local laws, if any, which may allow this information to be otherwise released.

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

TITLE _____

FIRM NAME _____

DATE _____

10. VENDOR DATA SHEET

A. LIST THE PERSON THE CITY CAN CONTACT IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR PROPOSAL.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip + 4 _____
Phone _____ FAX _____ E-mail _____

B. LIST THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR REQUIRED AFFIRMATIVE ACTION INFORMATION.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip + 4 _____
Phone _____ FAX _____ E-mail _____

C. LIST THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR INVOICES & PREVAILING WAGE DOCUMENTATION.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip + 4 _____
Phone _____ FAX _____ E-mail _____

D. LIST THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORTS, if required.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip + 4 _____
Phone _____ FAX _____ E-mail _____



Form A: Signature Affidavit

**RFP #: 11090-0-2022-BG-1 On-Call Metro Transit
Outreach Consultants**

This form must be returned with your response.

In signing Proposals, we certify that we have not, either directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement or participated in any collusion or otherwise take any action in restraint of free competition; that no attempt has been made to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit Proposals, that Proposals have been independently arrived at, without collusion with any other Proposers, competitor or potential competitor; that Proposals have not been knowingly disclosed prior to the opening of Proposals to any other Proposers or competitor; that the above statement is accurate under penalty of perjury.

The undersigned, submitting this Proposals, hereby agrees with all the terms, conditions, and specifications required by the City in this Request for Proposals, declares that the attached Proposals and pricing are in conformity therewith, and attests to the truthfulness of all submissions in response to this solicitation.

Proposers shall provide the information requested below. Include the legal name of the Proposers and signature of the person(s) legally authorized to bind the Proposers to a contract.

COMPANY NAME

SIGNATURE

DATE

PRINT NAME OF PERSON SIGNING



INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONTRACTOR

DO NOT ATTACH TO CONTRACT

***Your contract MUST include the following information,
or it will not be signed by the City.***

- Check one box at top of Page 1 for the type of business entity.
- Sections 3 & 4 will be completed by the City and should be complete before you sign.
- Put a name in Sec. 7.A. – person responsible for administering the contract.
- Affirmative Action:** Check the appropriate box in Sec. 13.B., Article IV and complete the appropriate online form for the box you have checked:

All contractors:

Access the online forms for Affirmative Action compliance at this link: www.cityofmadison.com/civil-rights/contract-compliance/vendors-suppliers/forms. If you do not already have an approved, current Affirmative Action Plan on file with the City of Madison, read the “*Instructions for Completing City of Madison Affirmative Action Plan*” at the above link. This will direct you to register for an account. If you already have an account you may click on the link for “*Affirmative Action Plan for Vendors and Suppliers*” to proceed. If you have never filed a plan or request for exemption, you must create an account in our online system. If you are exempt under Article IV, Sections C or D you will still need to create an account and go through some steps to confirm your exemption. Register for an account here: <https://elam.cityofmadison.com/citizenaccess>.

Affirmative Action Questions? Contact Dept. of Civil Rights, Contract Compliance: (608) 266-4910.

- Complete Sec. 15 – Official Notices. This is the name/job title/address of the person at your organization to receive legal notices under the contract.
- Signature line. A person with authority to bind the organization should sign, date, and print name and job title where shown on the signature page. Contractor signs first, City signs last.
- Print, sign and return three (3) complete, signed hard copies to the address for the City in Sec. 15 (Notices) unless otherwise instructed. (Under some circumstances, the City will accept a signed, scanned PDF of the entire contract. Please ask if you want to use this method.)
 - Make sure all exhibits/attachments are labeled and attached after the signature page, unless otherwise instructed.
 - Double-sided is OK, but all attachments should begin on a new page.
 - City will sign last, and will send you one hard copy with original signatures unless otherwise agreed.
- Enclose CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (C.O.I.) showing proof of insurance required by Sec. 27.

Insurance Instructions:

Certificate Holder: City of Madison
 Attn: Risk Manager
 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Room 406
 Madison, WI 53703

Proof of all insurance required in the contract must be shown. Use City's certificate at this link: www.cityofmadison.com/finance/documents/CertInsurance.pdf

Insurance delivery options: (a) enclose hard copy of certificate with hard copies of contract mailed to the address in Section 15 of the contract, or (b) email certificate to City Risk Manager Eric Veum at: eveum@cityofmadison.com and cc: your City contact person on the email. Call Eric Veum at (608) 266-5965 with insurance questions.

Failure to complete these steps will result in contract not being signed.

THIS PAGE IS INTENTIONALLY BLANK

SAMPLE

City of Madison CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF SERVICES

1. **PARTIES.**

This is a Contract between the City of Madison, Wisconsin, hereafter referred to as the "City" and _____ hereafter referred to as "Contractor."

The Contractor is a: Corporation Limited Liability Company General Partnership LLP
(to be completed by contractor) Sole Proprietor Unincorporated Association Other: _____.

2. **PURPOSE.**

The purpose of this Contract is as set forth in Section 3.

3. **SCOPE OF SERVICES AND SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS.**

Contractor will perform the following services and be paid according to the following schedule(s) or attachment(s):

List all attachments here by name, and attach and label them accordingly.

Order of Precedence: In the event of a conflict between the terms of this Contract for Purchase of Services and the terms of any document attached or incorporated herein, the terms of this Contract for Purchase of Services shall control and supersede any such conflicting term.

4. **TERM AND EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Contract shall become effective upon execution by the Mayor, (or the Purchasing Agent, if authorized) on behalf of the City of Madison, unless another effective date is specified in the Attachment(s) incorporated in Section 3, however in no case shall work commence before execution by the City of Madison. The term of this Contract shall be insert dates or reference attachments as needed.

5. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.**

This Contract for Purchase of Services, including any and all attachments, exhibits and other documents referenced in Section 3 (hereafter, "Agreement" or "Contract") is the entire Agreement of the parties and supersedes any and all oral contracts and negotiations between the parties. If any document referenced in Section 3 includes a statement that expressly or implicitly disclaims the applicability of this Contract for Purchase of Services, or a statement that such other document is the "entire agreement," such statement shall be deemed rejected and shall not apply to this Contract.

6. **ASSIGNABILITY/SUBCONTRACTING.**

Contractor shall not assign or subcontract any interest or obligation under this Contract without the City's prior written approval. All of the services required hereunder will be performed by Contractor and employees of Contractor.

7. **DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE.**

- A. Contractor designates _____ as Contract Agent with primary responsibility for the performance of this Contract. In case this Contract Agent is replaced by another for any reason, the Contractor will designate another Contract Agent within seven (7) calendar days of the time the first terminates his or her employment or responsibility using the procedure set forth in Section 15, Notices.
- B. In the event of the death, disability, removal or resignation of the person designated above as the Contract agent, the City may accept another person as the Contract agent or may terminate this Agreement under Section 25, at its option.

8. **PROSECUTION AND PROGRESS.**

- A. Services under this Agreement shall commence upon written order from the City to the Contractor, which order will constitute authorization to proceed; unless another date for commencement is specified elsewhere in this Contract including documents incorporated in Section 3.
- B. The Contractor shall complete the services under this Agreement within the time for completion specified in Section 3, the Scope of Services, including any amendments. The Contractor's services are completed when the City notifies the Contractor in writing that the services are complete and are acceptable. The time for completion shall not be extended because of any delay attributable to the Contractor, but it may be extended by the City in the event of a delay attributable to the City, or in the event of unavoidable delay caused by war, insurrection, natural disaster, or other unexpected event beyond the control of the Contractor. If at any time the Contractor believes that the time for completion of the work should be extended because of unavoidable delay caused by an unexpected event, or because of a delay attributable to the City, the Contractor shall notify the City as soon as possible, but not later than seven (7) calendar days after such an event. Such notice shall include any justification for an extension of time and shall identify the amount of time claimed to be necessary to complete the work.
- C. Services by the Contractor shall proceed continuously and expeditiously through completion of each phase of the work.
- D. Progress reports documenting the extent of completed services shall be prepared by the Contractor and submitted to the City with each invoice under Section 24 of this Agreement, and at such other times as the City may specify, unless another procedure is specified in Section 3.
- E. The Contractor shall notify the City in writing when the Contractor has determined that the services under this Agreement have been completed. When the City determines that the services are complete and are acceptable, the City will provide written notification to the Contractor, acknowledging formal acceptance of the completed services.

9. **AMENDMENT.**

This Contract shall be binding on the parties hereto, their respective heirs, devisees, and successors, and cannot be varied or waived by any oral representations or promise of any agent or other person of the parties hereto. Any other change in any provision

of this Contract may only be made by a written amendment, signed by the duly authorized agent or agents who executed this Contract.

10. **EXTRA SERVICES.**

The City may require the Contractor to perform extra services or decreased services, according to the procedure set forth in Section 24. Extra services or decreased services means services which are not different in kind or nature from the services called for in the Scope of Services, Section 3, but which may increase or decrease the quantity and kind of labor or materials or expense of performing the services. Extra services may not increase the total Contract price, as set forth in Section 23, unless the Contract is amended as provided in Section 9 above.

11. **NO WAIVER.**

No failure to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power or remedy hereunder on the part of the City or Contractor shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or remedy. No express waiver shall affect any event or default other than the event or default specified in such waiver, and any such waiver, to be effective, must be in writing and shall be operative only for the time and to the extent expressly provided by the City or Contractor therein. A waiver of any covenant, term or condition contained herein shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same covenant, term or condition.

12. **NONDISCRIMINATION.**

During the term of this Contract, the Contractor agrees not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, marital status, age, color, sex, handicap, national origin or ancestry, income level or source of income, arrest record or conviction record, less than honorable discharge, physical appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity, political beliefs or student status. Contractor further agrees not to discriminate against any subcontractor or person who offers to subcontract on this Contract because of race, religion, color, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin.

13. **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION.**

A. The following language applies to all contractors employing fifteen (15) or more employees (MGO 39.02(9)(c):

The Contractor agrees that, within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Contract, Contractor will provide to the City of Madison Department of Civil Rights (the "Department"), certain workforce utilization statistics, using a form provided by the City.

If the Contract is still in effect, or if the City enters into a new Agreement with the Contractor, within one year after the date on which the form was required to be provided, the Contractor will provide updated workforce information using a second form, also to be furnished by the City. The second form will be submitted to the Department no later than one year after the date on which the first form was required to be provided.

The Contractor further agrees that, for at least twelve (12) months after the effective date of this Contract, it will notify the Department of each of its job openings at facilities in Dane County for which applicants not already employees of the Contractor are to be considered. The notice will include a job description, classification, qualifications, and application procedures and deadlines, shall be provided to the City by the opening date of advertisement and with sufficient time for the City to notify candidates and make a timely referral. The Contractor agrees to interview and consider candidates referred by the Department, or an organization designated by the Department, if the candidate meets the minimum qualification standards established by the Contractor, and if the referral is timely. A referral is timely if it is received by the Contractor on or before the date stated in the notice.

The Department will determine if a contractor is exempt from the above requirements (Sec. 13.A.) at the time the Request for Exemption in 13.B.(2) is made.

**B. Articles of Agreement, Request for Exemption, and Release of Payment:
The "ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT" beginning on the following page, apply to all contractors, unless determined to be exempt under the following table and procedures:**

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES	LESS THAN \$50,000 Aggregate Annual Business with the City*	\$50,000 OR MORE Aggregate Annual Business with the City*
14 or less	Exempt**	Exempt**
15 or more	Exempt**	Not Exempt

*As determined by the Finance Director

**As determined by the Department of Civil Rights

(1) **Exempt Status:** In this section, "Exempt" means the Contractor is exempt from the Articles of Agreement in section 13.B.(5) of this Contract and from filing an Affirmative Action plan as required by Section IV of the Articles of Agreement. The Department of Civil Rights ("Department") makes the final determination as to whether a contractor is exempt. If the Contractor is not exempt, sec. 13.B.(5) shall apply and Contractor shall select option A. or B. under Article IV therein and file an Affirmative Action Plan.

(2) **Request for Exemption – Fewer Than 15 Employees:** (MGO 39.02(9)(a)2.) Contractors who believe they are exempt based on number of employees shall submit a Request for Exemption on a form provided by the Department within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Contract.

(3) **Exemption – Annual Aggregate Business:** (MGO 39.02(9)(a)c.): The Department will determine, at the time this Contract is presented for signature, if the Contractor is exempt because it will have less than \$50,000 in annual aggregate business with the City for the calendar year in which the contract is in effect. CONTRACTORS WITH 15 OR MORE

EMPLOYEES WILL LOSE THIS EXEMPTION AND BECOME SUBJECT TO SEC. 13.B.(5) UPON REACHING \$50,000 OR MORE ANNUAL AGGREGATE BUSINESS WITH THE CITY WITHIN THE CALENDAR YEAR, BEGINNING IN 2019.

(4) Release of Payment: (MGO 39.02(9)(e)1.b.) All non-exempt contractors must have an approved Affirmative Action plan meeting the requirements of Article IV below on file with the Department within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Contract and prior to release of payment by the City. Contractors that are exempt based on number of employees agree to file a Request for Exemption with the Department within thirty (30) days of the effective date and prior to release of payment by the City.

(5) Articles of Agreement:

ARTICLE I

The Contractor shall take affirmative action in accordance with the provisions of this Contract to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to race, religion, color, age, marital status, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin and that the employer shall provide harassment-free work environment for the realization of the potential of each employee. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training including apprenticeship insofar as it is within the control of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants notices to be provided by the City setting out the provisions of the nondiscrimination clauses in this Contract.

ARTICLE II

The Contractor shall in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractors state that all qualified or qualifiable applicants will be employed without regard to race, religion, color, age, marital status, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin.

ARTICLE III

The Contractor shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining Agreement or other Contract or understanding a notice to be provided by the City advising the labor union or workers representative of the Contractor's equal employment opportunity and affirmative action commitments. Such notices shall be posted in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

ARTICLE IV

(This Article applies to non-public works contracts.)

The Contractor agrees that it will comply with all provisions of the Affirmative Action Ordinance of the City of Madison (MGO 39.02) including the Contract compliance requirements. The Contractor warrants and certifies that one of the following paragraphs is true (**check one**):

- A. Contractor has prepared and has on file an affirmative action plan that meets the format requirements of Federal Revised Order No. 4, 41 CFR part 60-2, as established by 43 FR 51400 November 3, 1978, including appendices required by City of Madison ordinances or it has prepared and has on file a model affirmative action plan approved by the Madison Common Council.
- B. Within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Contract, Contractor will complete an affirmative action plan that meets the format requirements of Federal Revised Order No. 4, 41 CFR Part 60-2, as established by 43 FR 51400, November 3, 1978, including appendices required by City of Madison ordinance or within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Contract, it will complete a model affirmative action plan approved by the Madison Common Council.
- C. Contractor believes it is exempt from filing an affirmative action plan because it has fewer than fifteen (15) employees and has filed, or will file within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Contract, a form required by the City to confirm exempt status based on number of employees. If the City determines that Contractor is not exempt, the Articles of Agreement will apply.
- D. Contractor believes it is exempt from filing an affirmative action plan because its annual aggregate business with the City for the calendar year in which the contract is in effect is less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or for another reason listed in MGO 39.02(9)(a)2. If the City determines that Contractor is not exempt, the Articles of Agreement will apply.

ARTICLE V

(This Article applies only to public works contracts.)

The Contractor agrees that it will comply with all provisions of the Affirmative Action Ordinance of the City of Madison, including the Contract compliance requirements. The Contractor agrees to submit the model affirmative action plan for public works Contractors in a form approved by the Director of Affirmative Action.

ARTICLE VI

The Contractor will maintain records as required by Section 39.02(9)(f) of the Madison General Ordinances and will provide the City's Department of Affirmative Action with access to such records and to persons who have relevant and necessary information, as provided in Section 39.02(9)(f). The City agrees to keep all such records confidential, except to the extent that public inspection is required by law.

ARTICLE VII

In the event of the Contractor's or subcontractor's failure to comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action provisions of this Contract or Sections 39.03 and 39.02 of the Madison General Ordinances, it is agreed that the City at its option may do any or all of the following:

- A. Cancel, terminate or suspend this Contract in whole or in part.
- B. Declare the Contractor ineligible for further City contracts until the Affirmative Action requirements are met.
- C. Recover on behalf of the City from the prime Contractor 0.5 percent of the Contract award price for each week that such party fails or refuses to comply, in the nature of liquidated damages, but not to exceed a total of five percent (5%) of the Contract price, or ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), whichever is less. Under public works contracts, if a subcontractor is in noncompliance, the City may recover liquidated damages from the prime Contractor in the manner described above. The preceding sentence shall not be construed to prohibit a prime Contractor from recovering the amount of such damage from the noncomplying subcontractor.

ARTICLE VIII

(This Article applies to public works contracts only.)

The Contractor shall include the above provisions of this Contract in every subcontract so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor as necessary to enforce such provisions, including sanctions provided for noncompliance.

ARTICLE IX

The Contractor shall allow the maximum feasible opportunity to small business enterprises to compete for any subcontracts entered into pursuant to this Contract. (In federally funded contracts the terms "DBE, MBE, and WBE" shall be substituted for the term "small business" in this Article.)

14. SEVERABILITY.

It is mutually agreed that in case any provision of this Contract is determined by any court of law to be unconstitutional, illegal or unenforceable, it is the intention of the parties that all other provisions of this Contract remain in full force and effect.

15. NOTICES.

All notices to be given under the terms of this Contract shall be in writing and signed by the person serving the notice and shall be sent registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, or hand delivered to the addresses of the parties listed below:

FOR THE CITY:

(Department or Division Head)

FOR THE CONTRACTOR:

16. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR/INDEPENDENT/TAX FILING.

It is agreed that Contractor is an independent Contractor and not an employee of the City, and that any persons who the Contractor utilizes and provides for services under this Contract are employees of the Contractor and are not employees of the City of Madison.

Contractor shall provide its taxpayer identification number (or social security number) to the Finance Director, 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Room 406, Madison, WI 53703, prior to payment. The Contractor is informed that as an independent Contractor, s/he may have a responsibility to make estimated tax returns, file tax returns, and pay income taxes and make social security payments on the amounts received under this Contract and that no amounts will be withheld from payments made to this Contractor for these purposes and that payment of taxes and making social security payments are solely the responsibility and obligation of the Contractor. The Contractor is further informed that s/he may be subject to civil and/or criminal penalties if s/he fails to properly report income and pay taxes and social security taxes on the amount received under this Contract.

17. GOODWILL.

Any and all goodwill arising out of this Contract inures solely to the benefit of the City; Contractor waives all claims to benefit of such goodwill.

18. THIRD PARTY RIGHTS.

This Contract is intended to be solely between the parties hereto. No part of this Contract shall be construed to add, supplement, amend, abridge or repeal existing rights, benefits or privileges of any third party or parties, including but not limited to employees of either of the parties.

19. AUDIT AND RETAINING OF DOCUMENTS.

The Contractor agrees to provide all reports requested by the City including, but not limited to, financial statements and reports, reports and accounting of services rendered, and any other reports or documents requested. Financial and service reports shall be provided according to a schedule (when applicable) to be included in this Contract. Any other reports or documents shall be provided within five (5) working days after the Contractor receives the City's written requests, unless the parties agree in writing on a longer period. Payroll records and any other documents relating to the performance of services under the terms of this Contract shall be retained by the Contractor for a period of three (3) years after completion of all work under this Contract, in order to be available for audit by the City or its designee.

20. CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM SELECTION.

This Contract shall be governed by and construed, interpreted and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Wisconsin. The parties agree, for any claim or suit or other dispute relating to this Contract that cannot be mutually resolved, the venue shall be a court of competent jurisdiction within the State of Wisconsin and the parties agree to submit themselves to the jurisdiction of said court, to the exclusion of any other judicial district that may have jurisdiction over such a dispute according to any law.

21. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS.

The Contractor shall become familiar with, and shall at all times comply with and observe all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations which in any manner affect the services or conduct of the Contractor and its agents and employees.

22. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.**

- A. The Contractor warrants that it and its agents and employees have no public or private interest, and will not acquire directly or indirectly any such interest, which would conflict in any manner with the performance of the services under this Agreement.
- B. The Contractor shall not employ or Contract with any person currently employed by the City for any services included under the provisions of this Agreement.

23. **COMPENSATION.**

It is expressly understood and agreed that in no event will the total compensation under this Contract exceed \$_____.

24. **BASIS FOR PAYMENT.**A. **GENERAL.**

- (1) The City will pay the Contractor for the completed and accepted services rendered under this Contract on the basis and at the Contract price set forth in Section 23 of this Contract. The City will pay the Contractor for completed and approved "extra services", if any, if such "extra services" are authorized according to the procedure established in this section. The rate of payment for "extra services" shall be the rate established in this Contract. Such payment shall be full compensation for services rendered and for all labor, material, supplies, equipment and incidentals necessary to complete the services.
- (2) The Contractor shall submit invoices, on the form or format approved by the City and as may be further specified in Section 3 of this Contract. The City will pay the Contractor in accordance with the schedule, if any, set forth in Section 3. The final invoice, if applicable, shall be submitted to the City within three months of completion of services under this Agreement.
- (3) Should this Agreement contain more than one service, a separate invoice and a separate final statement shall be submitted for each individual service.
- (4) Payment shall not be construed as City acceptance of unsatisfactory or defective services or improper materials.
- (5) Final payment of any balance due the Contractor will be made upon acceptance by the City of the services under the Agreement and upon receipt by the City of documents required to be returned or to be furnished by the Contractor under this Agreement.
- (6) The City has the equitable right to set off against any sum due and payable to the Contractor under this Agreement, any amount the City determines the Contractor owes the City, whether arising under this Agreement or under any other Agreement or otherwise.
- (7) Compensation in excess of the total Contract price will not be allowed unless authorized by an amendment under Section 9, AMENDMENT.
- (8) The City will not compensate for unsatisfactory performance by the Contractor.

B. **SERVICE ORDERS, EXTRA SERVICE, OR DECREASED SERVICE.**

- (1) Written orders regarding the services, including extra services or decreased services, will be given by the City, using the procedure set forth in Section 15, NOTICES.
- (2) The City may, by written order, request extra services or decreased services, as defined in Section 10 of this Contract. Unless the Contractor believes the extra services entitle it to extra compensation or additional time, the Contractor shall proceed to furnish the necessary labor, materials, and professional services to complete the services within the time limits specified in the Scope of Services, Section 3 of this Agreement, including any amendments under Section 9 of this Agreement.
- (3) If in the Contractor's opinion the order for extra service would entitle it to extra compensation or extra time, or both, the Contractor shall not proceed to carry out the extra service, but shall notify the City, pursuant to Section 15 of this Agreement. The notification shall include the justification for the claim for extra compensation or extra time, or both, and the amount of additional fee or time requested.
- (4) The City shall review the Contractor's submittal and respond in writing, either authorizing the Contractor to perform the extra service, or refusing to authorize it. The Contractor shall not receive additional compensation or time unless the extra compensation is authorized by the City in writing.

25. **DEFAULT/TERMINATION.**

- A. In the event Contractor shall default in any of the covenants, agreements, commitments, or conditions herein contained, and any such default shall continue unremedied for a period of ten (10) days after written notice thereof to Contractor, the City may, at its option and in addition to all other rights and remedies which it may have at law or in equity against Contractor, including expressly the specific enforcement hereof, forthwith have the cumulative right to immediately terminate this Contract and all rights of Contractor under this Contract.
- B. Notwithstanding paragraph A., above, the City may in its sole discretion and without any reason terminate this Agreement at any time by furnishing the Contractor with ten (10) days' written notice of termination. In the event of termination under this subsection, the City will pay for all work completed by the Contractor and accepted by the City.

26. **INDEMNIFICATION.**

The Contractor shall be liable to and hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Madison, and its officers, officials, agents, and employees against all loss or expense (including liability costs and attorney's fees) by reason of any claim or suit, or of liability imposed by law upon the City or its officers, officials, agents or employees for damages because of bodily injury, including death at any time resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons or on account of damages to property, including loss of use thereof, arising from, in connection with, caused by or resulting from the Contractor's and/or Subcontractor's acts or omissions in the performance of this Agreement, whether caused by or contributed to by the negligence of the City, its officers, officials, agents, or its employees.

27. **INSURANCE.**

The Contractor will insure, and will require each subcontractor to insure, as indicated, against the following risks to the extent stated below. The Contractor shall not commence work under this Contract, nor shall the Contractor allow any Subcontractor to commence work on its Subcontract, until the insurance required below has been obtained and corresponding certificate(s) of insurance have been approved by the City Risk Manager.

Commercial General Liability

The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this Contract, Commercial General Liability insurance including, but not limited to bodily injury, property damage, personal injury, and products and completed operations (unless determined to be inapplicable by the Risk Manager) in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. This policy shall also provide contractual liability in the same amount. Contractor's coverage shall be primary and non-contributory and list the City of Madison, its officers, officials, agents and employees as additional insureds. Contractor shall require all subcontractors under this Contract (if any) to procure and maintain insurance meeting the above criteria, applying on a primary basis and listing the City of Madison, its officers, officials, agents and employees as additional insureds.

Automobile Liability

The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this Contract Business Automobile Liability insurance covering owned, non-owned and hired automobiles with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per accident. Contractor shall require all subcontractors under this Contract (if any) to procure and maintain insurance covering each subcontractor and meeting the above criteria.

Worker's Compensation

The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this Contract statutory Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the State of Wisconsin. The Contractor shall also carry Employers Liability limits of at least \$100,000 Each Accident, \$100,000 Disease – Each Employee, and \$500,000 Disease – Policy Limit. Contractor shall require all subcontractors under this Contract (if any) to procure and maintain such insurance, covering each subcontractor.

Professional Liability

The Contractor shall procure and maintain professional liability insurance with coverage of not less than \$1,000,000. If such policy is a "claims made" policy, all renewals thereof during the life of the Contract shall include "prior acts coverage" covering at all times all claims made with respect to Contractor's work performed under the Contract. This Professional Liability coverage must be kept in force for a period of six (6) years after the services have been accepted by the City.

Acceptability of Insurers. The above-required insurance is to be placed with insurers who have an A.M. Best rating of no less than A- (A minus) and a Financial Category rating of no less than VII.

Proof of Insurance, Approval. The Contractor shall provide the City with certificate(s) of insurance showing the type, amount, effective dates, and expiration dates of required policies prior to commencing work under this Contract. Contractor shall provide the certificate(s) to the City's representative upon execution of the Contract, or sooner, for approval by the City Risk Manager. If any of the policies required above expire while this Contract is still in effect, Contractor shall provide renewal certificate(s) to the City for approval. Certificate Holder language should be listed as follows:

City of Madison
ATTN: Risk Management, Room 406
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Madison, WI 53703

The Contractor shall provide copies of additional insured endorsements or insurance policies, if requested by the City Risk Manager. The Contractor and/or Insurer shall give the City thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation, non-renewal or material changes to any of the above-required policies during the term of this Contract.

28. **OWNERSHIP OF CONTRACT PRODUCT.**

All of the work product, including, but not limited to, documents, materials, files, reports, data, including magnetic tapes, disks of computer-aided designs or other electronically stored data or information (the "Documents"), which the Contractor prepares pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Contract are the sole property of the City. The Contractor will not publish any such materials or use them for any research or publication, other than as expressly required or permitted by this Contract, without the prior written permission of the City. The grant or denial of such permission shall be at the City's sole discretion.

The Contractor intends that the copyright to the Documents shall be owned by City, whether as author (as a Work Made For Hire), or by assignment from Contractor to City. The parties expressly agree that the Documents shall be considered a Work Made For Hire as defined by Title 17, United States Code, Section 101(2).

As further consideration for the City entering into this Contract, the Contractor hereby assigns to City all of the Contractor's rights, title, interest and ownership in the Documents, including the right to procure the copyright therein and the right to secure any renewals, reissues and extensions of any such copyright in any foreign country. The City shall be entitled to the sole and exclusive benefit of the Documents, including the copyright thereto, and whenever required by the City, the Contractor shall at no additional compensation, execute all documents of assignment of the full and exclusive benefit and copyright thereof to the City. Any subcontractors and other independent Contractors who prepare portions of the Documents shall be required by the Contractor to execute an assignment of ownership in favor of the City before commencing work.

29. **BAN THE BOX - ARREST AND CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.** (Sec. 39.08, MGO. Applicable to contracts exceeding \$25,000.)
- A. **DEFINITIONS.**
 For purposes of this section, "Arrest and Conviction Record" includes, but is not limited to, information indicating that a person has been questioned, apprehended, taken into custody or detention, held for investigation, arrested, charged with, indicted or tried for any felony, misdemeanor or other offense pursuant to any law enforcement or military authority.
 "Conviction record" includes, but is not limited to, information indicating that a person has been convicted of a felony, misdemeanor or other offense, placed on probation, fined, imprisoned or paroled pursuant to any law enforcement or military authority.
 "Background Check" means the process of checking an applicant's arrest and conviction record, through any means.
- B. **REQUIREMENTS.** For the duration of this Contract, the Contractor shall:
- (1) Remove from all job application forms any questions, check boxes, or other inquiries regarding an applicant's arrest and conviction record, as defined herein.
 - (2) Refrain from asking an applicant in any manner about their arrest or conviction record until after conditional offer of employment is made to the applicant in question.
 - (3) Refrain from conducting a formal or informal background check or making any other inquiry using any privately or publicly available means of obtaining the arrest or conviction record of an applicant until after a conditional offer of employment is made to the applicant in question.
 - (4) Make information about this ordinance available to applicants and existing employees, and post notices in prominent locations at the workplace with information about the ordinance and complaint procedure using language provided by the City.
 - (5) Comply with all other provisions of Sec. 39.08, MGO.
- C. **EXEMPTIONS:** This section does not apply when:
- (1) Hiring for a position where certain convictions or violations are a bar to employment in that position under applicable law, or
 - (2) Hiring a position for which information about criminal or arrest record, or a background check is required by law to be performed at a time or in a manner that would otherwise be prohibited by this ordinance, including a licensed trade or profession where the licensing authority explicitly authorizes or requires the inquiry in question.
- To be exempt under sec. C.(1) or (2) above, Contractor must demonstrate to the City that there is a law or regulation that requires the hiring practice in question. If so, the contractor is exempt from this section for the position(s) in question.
30. **WEAPONS PROHIBITION.**
 Contractor shall prohibit, and shall require its subcontractors to prohibit, its employees from carrying weapons, including concealed weapons, in the course of performance of work under this Contract, other than while at the Contractor's or subcontractor's own business premises. This requirement shall apply to vehicles used at any City work site and vehicles used to perform any work under this Contract, except vehicles that are an employee's "own motor vehicle" pursuant to Wis. Stat. sec. 175.60(15m).
31. **IT NETWORK CONNECTION POLICY.**
 If this Contract includes services such as software support, software maintenance, network services, and/or system development services and will require a Network Connection the City Network (as defined in the following link), the City's Network Connection Policy found at this link: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/attorney/documents/posNetworkConnection.doc> is hereby incorporated and made a part of this Contract and Contractor agrees to comply with all of its requirements.
32. **AUTHORITY.**
 Contractor represents that it has the authority to enter into this Contract. If the Contractor is not an individual, the person(s) signing on behalf of the Contractor represents and warrants that they have been duly authorized to bind the Contractor and sign this Contract on the Contractor's behalf.
33. **COUNTERPARTS, ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE AND DELIVERY.**
 This Contract may be signed in counterparts, each of which shall be taken together as a whole to comprise a single document. Signatures on this Contract may be exchanged between the parties by facsimile, electronic scanned copy (.pdf) or similar technology and shall be as valid as original; and this Contract may be converted into electronic format and signed or given effect with one or more electronic signature(s) if the electronic signature(s) meets all requirements of Wis. Stat. ch. 137 or other applicable Wisconsin or Federal law. Executed copies or counterparts of this Contract may be delivered by facsimile or email and upon receipt will be deemed original and binding upon the parties hereto, whether or not a hard copy is also delivered. Copies of this Contract, fully executed, shall be as valid as an original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands at Madison, Wisconsin.

CONTRACTOR:

(Type or Print Name of Contracting Entity)

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print Name and Title of Person Signing)

Date: _____

**CITY OF MADISON, WISCONSIN
a municipal corporation:**

By: _____
Satya Rhodes-Conway, Mayor

Date: _____

Approved:

David P. Schmiedicke, Finance Director

Date: _____

By: _____
Maribeth Witzel-Behl, City Clerk

Date: _____

Approved as to Form:

Eric T. Veum, Risk Manager

Date: _____

Michael Haas, City Attorney

Date: _____

For City Use Only: SIGNATURE INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONTRACTS SIGNED BY MAYOR/CLERK:
Obtain contractor's signature first. Route this contract & all of its attachments for City signatures using the City Clerk's Contract Routing Database. Include 1 copy of authorizing resolution & 1 copy of the Certificate of Insurance.

NOTE: Certain service contracts may be executed by the designee of the Finance Director on behalf of the City of Madison:

By: _____
Mary Richards, Procurement Supervisor

Date: _____

- MGO 4.26(3) and (5) authorize the Finance Director or designee to sign purchase of service contracts when all of the following apply:
- (a) The funds are included in the approved City budget.
 - (b) An RFP or competitive process was used, or the Contract is exempt from competitive bidding under 4.26(4)(a).
 - (c) The City Attorney has approved the form of the Contract.
 - (d) The Contract complies with other laws, resolutions and ordinances.
 - (e) The Contract is for a period of 1 year or less, OR not more than 5 years AND the average cost is not more than \$100,000 per year, AND was subject to competitive bidding. (If over \$50,000 and exempt from bidding under 4.26(4)(a), regardless of duration of the Contract, the Common Council must authorize the Contract by resolution and the Mayor and City Clerk must sign, per 4.26(5)(b).)

Emergency Service contracts may also be signed by the designee of the Finance Director if the requirements of MGO 4.26(3)(c) are met.

For City Use Only: SIGNATURE INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONTRACT TO BE SIGNED BY FINANCE (PURCHASING):
Obtain contractor's signature first. Attach the contractor-signed contract with all attachments/exhibits and the certificate of insurance to the requisition in MUNIS.

APPENDIX C: USDOT/FTA TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Federal Financial Assistance and Federal Changes: Up to 80% of the total cost of the deliverables described in the Contract will be financed with Federal monies from the Federal Transit Act of 1964, as amended.

1. No Government Obligation to Third Parties: The Contractor agrees that it will comply the U.S. Department of Transportation regulations relating to contractual liability of the Federal Government to third parties as follows:

The City and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying Contract, absent the express consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this Contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the City, Contractor, or any other party (whether or not party to the Contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying Contract.

2. Incorporation of FTA Terms. The provisions in this section include, in part, certain standard terms and conditions required by USDOT/FTA, whether or not expressly set forth in these provisions. All contractual provisions required by USDOT/FTA, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1F are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all USDOT/FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Contract. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any City of Madison requests, which would cause the City of Madison to be in violation of the USDOT/FTA terms and conditions.

The Contractor agrees that it will comply at all times with 49 CFR Part 18; U. S. Department of Transportation regulations relating to applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Agreement Form FTA MA (29) dated February 2022, between the City and U. S. Department of Transportation/Federal Transit Administration (USDOT/FTA), as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. The Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.

These grant agreements and FTA Circular 4220.1F, "Third Party Contracting," are available for examination at the Office of the Transit Finance Manager, 1245 East Washington Avenue, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53703-3052, 608/267-8766 (voice), 608/267-8778 (fax) or wblock@cityofmadison.com.

3. Procurement Protest Procedure: In accordance with USDOT/FTA Circular 4220.1F, the City of Madison has a written procurement protest procedure, which is available upon request from the Office of the Transit Finance Manager. Protests against the City's responses to requests for approved equals and/or exceptions, unclear or restrictive specifications, the procurement process, alleged improprieties, etc. must be submitted in writing, in accordance with said procedure.

4. Compliance with Local, State and Federal Laws: The services and/or equipment provided shall be in compliance with all requirements of the laws and regulations of the City of Madison, the State of Wisconsin and the United States of America.

5. Ethics:

a. Prohibited Interest: The Contractor guarantees that no employee, officer, or agent of the City during his or her tenure or one (1) year thereafter has any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof. Such a conflict would also arise when any employee, officer or agent's family member or partner or organization that employs, or is about to employ any of the above, has a financial or other interest in the Contractor selected for award.

b. Interest of Members of or Delegates to Congress: The Contractor guarantees that he or she has not offered or given to any member of, or delegate to the Congress of the United States, any share or part of this contract or to any benefit arising therefrom.

c. Covenant Against Gratuities: The Contractor guarantees that he or she has not offered or given gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts, or otherwise) to any employee, officer or agent of the City with a view toward securing favorable treatment in the awarding, amending, or evaluating performance of the proposal or proposed contract.

d. Collusive Agreements: The Contractor guarantees that the Contract submitted is not a product of collusion with any other Contractor and no effort has been made to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of any Contract price.

e. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements and Related Acts:

(1) Civil Fraud. The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying Contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(2) Criminal Fraud. The Contractor also understands and acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a Contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(3) Subcontracts. Subrecipient agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the Subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

6. Civil Rights - The Contractor shall comply with the following requirements:

a. Nondiscrimination - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

b. Equal Employment Opportunity - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to the underlying Contract:

1. Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex - In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

2. Age - In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § § 621 through 634 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue and with implementing regulations of the U.S. Equal Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC), 29 CFR, Part 1625.

3. Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

4. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:**

In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Contractor of the Contractor's obligations under this Contract and the Regulations relative to non-discrimination on the grounds of race, color, creed, age, disability, sex or national origin.

5. **Information and Reports:** The Contractor shall provide all information and reports required by the Federal 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 City or the USDOT/FTA to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders, and instructions. Where any information required of a Contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Contractor shall so certify to the City or to the USDOT/FTA, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

6. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The Contractor shall include the provisions of this section entitled “**Civil Rights**” (Section 6) in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the City or the USDOT/FTA may direct as a means of enforcing non-compliance. Provided, however, that in the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Contractor may request the City to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the United States.

7. **Penalties:** Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of the Contract, which may result in the withholding of payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies; cancellation, termination or suspension of this Contract; ineligibility for future Contracts; or such other remedy as the City or USDOT/FTA deems appropriate in order to assure compliance with applicable civil rights standards as required by law.

7. **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise:**

The requirements of § 1101(b) of SAFETEA – LU< 23 U.S.C. § 101, note, 49 C.F.R. Part 26 and the City's USDOT/FTA approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (D.B.E.) Program are incorporated in this Contract by reference.

a. **Policy.** It is the policy of the U.S. Department of Transportation that disadvantaged business enterprises as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 shall have the opportunity to participate in the performance of Contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds under this Agreement. Consequently, the DBE requirements of 49 CFR § 18.36(e) Contracting with Small and Minority Firms, Women’s Business Enterprise and Labor Surplus Area Firms apply to this Agreement.

b. **Obligation.** The Contractor and its subcontractor agrees to ensure that disadvantaged business enterprises as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 have the opportunity to participate in the performance of Contracts and subcontracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds provided under this Agreement. In this regard, all Contractors or their subcontractors shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26 to ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of all contracts and sub agreements supported with Federal assistance from the U.S. DOT.

c. **Penalty:** Failure by the Contractor or its subcontractor 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 City deems appropriate.

8. **Reservation of the Right to Inspect Work:** At any time during normal business hours and as often as the City may deem necessary, the Contractor shall permit the authorized representatives of the City to review and inspect all materials and workmanship at anytime during the duration of this proposed contract, provided, however, the City is under no duty to make such inspections, and any inspection so made shall not relieve the Contractor from any obligation to furnish materials, workmanship or professional services strictly in accordance with the instructions, Contract requirements and specifications.

9. **Audit and Inspection of Records:**

a. The Contractor shall maintain intact and readily accessible all data, documents, reports, records, Contracts, and supporting materials relating to this proposed contract during the course of this proposed contract and for three (3) years thereafter. The Contractor shall permit the authorized representations of the City and/or WisDOT or its designee, as required by USDOT/FTA, and the Comptroller General of the United States to inspect all project work, materials, payrolls, and other data, and to audit the books, records, and accounts pertaining to this Contract.

b. The Contractor further agrees to include in all his or her subcontracts hereunder a provision to the effect that the subcontractor agrees to the requirements of the above paragraph. The term "subcontractor" as used in this clause excludes subcontracts or purchase orders for public utility services at rates established for uniform applicability to the general public.

c. The periods of access and examination described above, for records which relate to (1) appeals under the disputes clause of this Contract, (2) litigation or the settlement of claims arising out of the performance of this Contract, and (3) costs and expenses of this Contract as to which exception has been taken by the Comptroller General or any of his/her duly authorized representatives, shall continue until such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions have been disposed of.

10. Labor: The Contractor agrees to comply with and assures compliance with applicable employee protection requirements for non-construction employees of section 102 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, as amended, 40 U.S.C. §§ 3701 et seq, and implementing USDOL regulations, Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Governing Federally Financed and Assisted Construction (also Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Non-construction Contracts Subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act), 29 C.F.R. Part 5.

11. Government-wide Debarment & Suspension Non-procurement: The Contractor agrees to comply with and shall assure subcontractor's compliance with the requirements of Executive Order 12549 and 12689, "Debarment and Suspension," 31 U.S.C. § 6101 note, and U.S. DOT regulations, "Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 49 C.F.R. Part 29, which prohibits FTA Contractors and Subcontractors from knowingly contracting for goods and services from organizations that have been suspended or debarred from receiving Federally-assisted contracts. The Contractor agrees to, and assures that its sub-contractors will, review the "Excluded Parties Listing System" at <http://www.sam.gov> before entering into any third party contract or subagreement. The Contractor shall submit the certification prescribed in 49 CFR Part 29, Appendix A.

The Contractor is required to pass this requirement on to subcontractors seeking subcontracts over \$25,000 and, accordingly, shall require subcontractors at every tier to include the certification prescribed in 49 CFR Part 29, Appendix B in any proposal submitted in connection with such lower tier contract transactions.

Furthermore, the Contractor agrees, to provide and to require subcontractors at every tier to agree to provide, the Procuring Agency with immediate written notice if it learns that its submitted certification, which was not erroneous when submitted, has become erroneous by reasons of changed circumstances. Written notice shall be sent to Wayne Block, Transit Finance Manager, 1245 East Washington Avenue, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53703-3052.

12. Environmental Requirements:

a. **Environmental Protection:** The Contractor agrees to comply with and shall assure subcontractors compliance with any applicable standards, orders, and/or requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 through 4335 (as restricted by 42 U.S.C. § 5159, if applicable); Executive Order No. 11514, as amended, "Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality," 42 U.S.C. § 4321 note; FTA statutory requirements at 49 U.S.C. § 5324(b); U.S. Council on Environmental Quality regulations pertaining to compliance with NEPA, 40 C.F.R. Parts 1500 through 1508; and joint FHWA/FTA regulations, "Environmental Impact and Related Procedures," 23 C.F.R. Part 771 and 49 C.F.R. Part 622; the applicable provisions of 23 U.S. §§ 139 and 326; and subsequent Federal environmental protection regulations that may be promulgated.

b. **Air Quality:** The Contractor agrees to comply and shall assure subcontractors' compliance with all applicable regulations, standards, or orders implementing the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 through 7671q. In addition:

1. The Contractor agrees to comply with the applicable requirements of section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7506(c), consistent with the joint FHWA/FTA document, "Interim Guidance for Implementing Key SAFETEA-LU Provisions on Planning, Environment, and Air Quality for Joint FHWA/FTA Authorities," dated September 2, 2005, and any subsequent applicable Federal directives that may be issued; with U.S. EPA regulations, "Conformity to State or Federal Implementation Plans of Transportation Plans, Programs, and Projects Developed, Funded or Approved Under Title 23 U.S.C. or the Federal Transit Act," 40 C.F.R. Part 51, Subpart T; and "Determining Conformity of Federal Actions to State or Federal Implementation Plans," 40 C.F.R. Part 93. All equipment provided under this contract shall be designed and equipped to limit air pollution in accordance with EPA regulations.

2. The Contractor agrees to comply with the following U.S. EPA regulations to the extent they are applicable to the work: "Control of Air Pollution from Mobile Sources," 40 C.F.R. Part 85; "Control of Air Pollution from New and In-Use Highway Vehicles and Engines: Certification and Test Procedures," 40 C.F.R. Part 86; and "Fuel Economy and Greenhouse Gas Exhaust Emissions of Motor Vehicles," 40 C.F.R. Part 600, and any revisions thereto.

3. The Contractor agrees to comply with the notice of violating facility provisions of Section 306 of the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7414, and facilitate compliance with Executive Order No. 11738, "Administration of

the Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with Respect to Federal Contracts, Grants, or Loans," 42 U.S.C. § 7606 note.

4. The Contractor shall include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000; issued in relation to this contract.

5. The Contractor shall report each violation to the Procuring Agency and understands and agrees that the Procuring Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

c. Clean Water: The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable Federal regulations and directives issued pursuant to the Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 through 1377. Specifically:

I. The Contractor agrees to protect underground sources of drinking water consistent with the provisions of the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 300f through 300j-6.

II. The Contractor agrees to comply with the notice of violating facility provisions of Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. § 1368, and facilitate compliance with Executive Order No. 11738, "Administration of the Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act with Respect to Federal Contracts, Grants, or Loans," 42 U.S.C. § 7606 note.

III. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Procuring Agency and understands and agrees that the Procuring Agency will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

IV. The Contractor shall include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000., issued pursuant to this contract.

d. Energy Conservation: The Contractor shall comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the State of Wisconsin Energy Conservation Plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 6321 et seq.) and 49 CFR Part 18; U. S. Department of Transportation regulations relating to energy conservation.

Violations shall be reported to USDOT/FTA and to the United States Environmental Protection Agency Assistant Administrator for Enforcement.

13. Prohibition Against the Use of Federal Funds for Lobbying: The Contractor, in compliance with 49 CFR Parts 19 and 20, hereby assures and certifies that for any Contracts over \$100,000: (1) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Contractor, to any person, to influence or attempt to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with awarding any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan or cooperative agreement. (2). If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for making lobbying contacts to 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 Federal contract or grant, the Contractor shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions. (3.) The Contractor shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subcontracts at all tiers and that all subcontractors shall certify and disclose accordingly. This assurance is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of the assurance and certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction, as imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each expenditure or failure.

14. Assignment of Contract by City: At any time during the continuance of the agreement, the City shall have the right to sell, assign and transfer the contract or all or part of the specified deliverables under the contract both the base and/or the option quantities with all its right, title, and interest therein, to any person, firm, or corporation, and the assignee thereof shall acquire all the rights granted to the City and shall be subject to any obligations that the City may have under the contract and any rights and restrictions the City may have under the license(s).

15. Sensitive Security Information. Contractor must protect, and take measures to ensure that its subcontractors at each tier protect “sensitive security information” made available during the administration of this contract or any subcontract to ensure compliance with 49 U.S.C. Section 40119(b) and implementing DOT regulations, “Protection of Sensitive Security Information,” 49 CFR Part 15, and with 49 U.S.C. Section 114(r) and implementing Department of Homeland Security regulations, “Protection of Sensitive Security Information,” 49 CFR Part 1520.

16. Seat Belt Use. In compliance with Federal Executive Order No. 13043, “Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States,” April 16, 1997, 24 U.S.C. Section 402 note, FTA encourages Contractor to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company owned, rented, or personally operated vehicles, and to include this provision in any third party subcontracts, involving the projects.

17. Distracted Driving, Including Text Messaging While Driving. In accordance with Executive Order No. 13513, “Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving,” October 1, 2009, and DOT Order 3902.10, “Text Messaging While Driving,” December 30, 2009, the Recipient is encouraged to comply with the terms of the following Special Provision:

(1) Definitions. As used in this Special Provision:

- (a) “Driving” means operating a motor vehicle on a roadway, including while temporarily stationary because of traffic, a traffic light, stop sign, or otherwise. “Driving” does not include being in your vehicle (with or without the motor running) in a location off the roadway where it is safe and legal to remain stationary.
- (b) “Text Messaging” means reading from or entering data into any handheld or other electronic device, including for the purpose of short message service texting, e-mailing, instant messaging, obtaining navigational information, or engaging in any other form of electronic data retrieval or electronic data communication. The term does not include the use of a cell phone or other electronic device for the limited purpose of entering a telephone number to make an outgoing call or answer an incoming call, unless the practice is prohibited by State or local law.

(2) Safety. The Recipient is encouraged to:

- (a) Adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers including policies to ban text messaging while driving—
- (b) Recipient-owned or Recipient-rented vehicles or Government-owned, leased or rented vehicles;
- (c) Privately-owned vehicles when on official Project related business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Project; or
- (d) Any vehicle, on or off duty, and using an employer supplied electronic device.

(3) Recipient Size. The Recipient is encouraged to conduct workplace safety initiatives in a manner commensurate with the Recipient’s size, such as:

- (a) Establishment of new rules and programs or re-evaluation of existing programs to prohibit text messaging while driving; and
- (b) Education, awareness, and other outreach to employees about the safety risks associated with texting while driving.

(4) Extension of Provision. The Recipient is encouraged to include this Special Provision in its subagreements with its subrecipients, its leases, and its third party contracts, and also encourage its subrecipients, lessees, and third party contractors to comply with the terms of this Special Provision, and include this Special Condition in each subagreement, lease, and third party contract at each tier financed with Federal assistance provided by the Federal Government.

18. National Intelligent Transportation Systems Architecture and Standards.

To the extent applicable, Contractor agrees to conform, and to assure its subcontractors’ conformity, to the National Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture and Standards as required by SAFETEA-LU § 5307(c), 23 U.S.C. § 5307(c), 23 U.S.C. § 512 note, and follow the provisions of FTA Notice, “FTA National ITS Architecture Policy on Transit Projects,” 66

Fed. Reg. 1455 et seq., January 8, 2001 and any other implementing directives FTA may issue at a later date, except to the extent FTA determines otherwise in writing.

19. FLY AMERICA

The Contractor shall comply with 49 U.S.C. 40118, which provide that Federal funds may not be used in the costs of international air transportation of any persons involved in or property acquired for this contract unless that air transportation is provided by U.S. flag air carriers to the extent service by these carriers is available, in accordance with the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974, as amended, 49 U.S.C. 40118, and with U.S. General Services Administration (U.S. GSA) regulations pertaining to the use of United States flag air carriers, at 41 C.F.R. 301.10.131 et seq.

The Contractor shall submit, if a foreign air carrier was used, an appropriate certification or memorandum adequately explaining why service by a U.S. flag air carrier was not available or why it was necessary to use a foreign air carrier and shall, in any event, provide a certificate of compliance with the Fly America requirements.

The Contractor shall include these requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract when the subcontract may involve the transport of property or persons by air between the United States and foreign destinations or between foreign destinations.

20. Breaches and Dispute Resolution

Disputes arising in the performance of this Contract which are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the Transit General Manager. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within ten (10) calendar days from date of receipt of its copy, the Selected Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the City of Madison Finance Director. At a minimum, the challenge shall include the name and address of the Selected Contractor; the telephone and FAX numbers of the Selected Contractor; the action which is the subject of the dispute; the reason for the dispute; and a statement of the remedy sought. The letter should include all information available to the Selected Contractor relevant to the appeal. The challenge should be specific. A dispute will not be considered by the City Comptroller if it is insufficiently supported or if it is not received within the specified time limits. The decision of the City Comptroller shall be binding upon the Selected Contractor and the Selected Contractor shall abide by the decision. In the letter outlining the decision, the City Comptroller shall respond to each material issue raised in the appeal. This section is an administrative dispute resolution mechanism. It is not intended to deprive either party of its rights or remedies under Section 20 Choice of Law and Forum Selection of the Contract for Purchase of Services.

Unless otherwise directed by the City, the Selected Contractor shall continue performance under this Contract while matters in dispute are being resolved.

21. Termination

Termination for Default – The City may, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract if the Contractor fails to make delivery of the supplies and/or work including, but not limited to buses and articles, parts and any other components provided for under this contract, or to perform the services within the time specified herein or any extension thereof; or if the Contractor fails to perform any of the other provisions of the Contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Contract in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of 10 (ten) calendar days (or such longer period as the City may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the City specifying such failure.

In the event the City elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Contract, such waiver by the City shall not limit the City's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Contract.

If the Contract is terminated in whole or in part for default, the City may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the City may deem appropriate, including all articles supplies or services similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the City for any excess costs for such similar buses including all articles, supplies or services, and shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this clause. Except with respect to defaults of subcontractors, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the buses including all articles, supplies or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required delivery or performance schedule.

Payment for completed work and buses including all articles delivered to and accepted by the City shall be at the Contract price. The City may withhold from amounts otherwise due the Contractor for such completed work and buses including all articles such sum as the City determines to be necessary to protect the City against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

If, after notice of termination of this Contract under the provisions of this clause, it is determined for any reason that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this clause, or that the default was excusable under the provisions of this clause, 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 of the City.

The rights and remedies of the City provided in this clause shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

Termination for Convenience - The performance of work under this Contract may be terminated at any time upon seven (7)-calendar days written notice to the Contractor, by the City in accordance with this clause in whole, or from time to time in part, whenever the City shall determine that such termination is in the best interest of the City. Any such termination shall be effected by delivery to the Contractor of a notice of termination specifying the extent to which performance of work under the Contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.

After receipt of a notice of termination, and except as otherwise directed by the City, the Contractor shall: stop work under the Contract on the date and to the extent specified in the notice of termination; place no further orders or subcontracts for materials, services, or facilities, except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the Contract as is not terminated; terminate all orders and subcontracts to the extent that they relate to the performance of work terminated by the notice of termination; assign to the City in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the City, all of the right, title, and interest of the Contractor under the orders and subcontracts so terminated, in which case the City shall have the right, in its discretion, to settle or pay and or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and subcontracts; settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and subcontracts, with the approval or ratification of the City, to the extent it may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause; transfer title to the City and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent, if any, directed by the City the fabricated or unfabricated parts, work in process, completed work, supplies, and other material produced as part of, or acquired in connection with the performance of, the work terminated, and the completed or partially completed plans, drawings, information and other property which, if the Contract had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the City; use its best efforts to sell, in the manner, at the times, to the extent, and at the price(s) directed or authorized by the City, any property of the types referred to above, provided, however, that the Contractor shall not be required to extend credit to any purchaser, and may acquire any such property under the conditions prescribed by and at a price(s) approved by the City, and provided further, that the proceeds of any such transfer or disposition shall be applied in reduction of any payments to be made by the City to the Contractor under this Contract or shall otherwise be credited to the price or cost of the work covered by this Contract or paid in such other manner as the City may direct; complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the notice of termination; and take such action as may be necessary, or as the City may direct, for the protection or preservation of the property related to this Contract which is in the possession of the Contractor and in which the City has or may acquire an interest.

The Contractor shall promptly submit its claim for payment to the City to be paid to the Contractor. Settlement of claims by the Contractor under this termination for convenience clause shall be in accordance with the provisions set forth in 48 C.F.R. Part 31.2 except that wherever the word "Government" appears it shall be deleted and the word "the City" shall be substituted in lieu thereof.

22. Seismic Safety:

The Contractor agrees that any new building or addition to an existing building will be designed and constructed in accordance with the standards for Seismic Safety required in Department of Transportation Seismic Safety Regulations 49 CFR Part 41 and will certify to compliance to the extent required by the regulation. The contractor also agrees to ensure that all work performed under this Contract including work performed by a subcontractor is in compliance with the standards required by the Seismic Safety Regulations and the certification of compliance issued on the project.

23. Privacy Act:

(1) The Contractor agrees to comply with, and assures the compliance of its employees with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. Among other things, the Contractor agrees to obtain the express consent of the Federal Government before the Contractor or its employees operate a system of records on behalf of

the Federal Government. The Contractor understands that the requirements of the Privacy Act, including the civil and criminal penalties for violation of that Act, apply to those individuals involved, and that failure to comply with the terms of the Privacy Act may result in termination of the underlying contract.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract to administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.