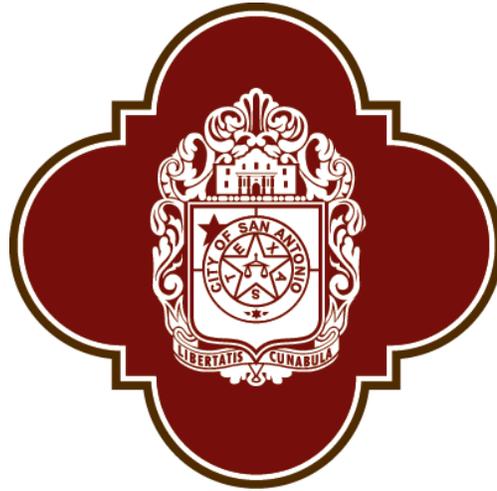


**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO**

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT**



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
("RFP")**

for

**SALES AND USE TAX AUDIT**

(RFP 16-009)

Release Date: October 30, 2015  
Proposals Due: December 4, 2015

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### 003 – BACKGROUND

The City of San Antonio (“City”) through its Finance Department is requesting submissions for an audit of City Sales & Use Tax Collections. City sales tax collections have averaged approximately \$226 million over the past five fiscal years. The adopted FY 15 budget for sales taxes was \$253.4 million.

San Antonio’s current sales tax rate is 8.250% and is distributed as follows: 1.000% City of San Antonio; 0.125% dedicated to the City of San Antonio Edwards Aquifer Protection and Parks Development and Expansion Venue Projects; 0.125% dedicated to the City of San Antonio Pre-K 4 SA initiative; 0.250% San Antonio ATD (Advanced Transportation District); 0.500% San Antonio MTA (Metropolitan Transit Authority); and 6.250% State of Texas. For more information on Sales and Use Tax including the monthly amount distributed to the City, please access the following website: <http://window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/sales/index.html>.

Texas imposes a state sales tax on all retail sales, leases and rentals of most goods, as well as taxable services. Texas cities, counties, transit authorities and special purpose districts have the option of imposing an additional local sales tax for a combined state and local tax rate of up to 8 1/4% (.0825).

To be considered for this contract with the City, the Respondent must submit a proposal addressing and demonstrating that it is qualified and capable of achieving the City’s goals for this service.

**Respondent shall provide the requested information contained in RFP Attachment A, Part Two, Experience, Background, and Qualifications. The answers should be responsive, concise and as brief as possible without being vague.**

### 004 - SCOPE OF SERVICE

It is the City’s desire to contract with a firm to perform a review and audit of state and city records to determine if:

1. All businesses operating within the City of San Antonio that are subject to city sales and use tax are in fact remitting the appropriate amount to the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.
2. All internet sales that are subject to local City of San Antonio sales and use tax are in fact remitting to the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.
3. The City of San Antonio is being correctly allocated all city sales and use tax due each month from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.
4. The City of San Antonio is correctly identifying and documenting sales and use tax collections.

In addition, the Contractor will be required to coordinate with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts office to correct appropriate records in order to ensure the collection of any unrealized sales tax revenue to the City. The Contractor must provide written reports on a monthly basis on the findings and results of the ongoing examination.

It will be the Contractor’s responsibility to assure compatibility of City and Texas Comptroller’s data files and transmittal medium to the Contractor’s computer system. The Contractor shall bear all costs, if any, for data conversion and any incidental costs related to data transfer.

All information supplied by the City and the Texas Comptroller to the Contractor shall be kept confidential and not disclosed to parties other than the Respondent’s employees on a need-to-know basis for the purpose of contract performance.

#### Optional Service:

1. Perform an optional one-time evaluation of City sales to determine whether application of sales and use tax is complete and accurate.

## 005 - ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

### Intellectual Property.

If selected, Respondent agrees to abide by the following regarding intellectual property rights:

Respondent shall pay all royalties and licensing fees. Respondent shall hold the City harmless and indemnify the City from the payment of any royalties, damages, losses or expenses including attorney's fees for suits, claims or otherwise, growing out of infringement or alleged infringement of copyrights, patents, materials and methods used in the project. It shall defend all suits for infringement of any Intellectual Property rights. Further, if Respondent has reason to believe that the design, service, process or product specified is an infringement of an Intellectual Property right, it shall promptly give such information to the City.

Upon receipt of notification that a third party claims that the program(s), hardware or both the program(s) and the hardware infringe upon any United States patent or copyright, Respondent will immediately:

Either:

obtain, at Respondent's sole expense, the necessary license(s) or rights that would allow the City to continue using the programs, hardware, or both the programs and hardware, as the case may be, or,

alter the programs, hardware, or both the programs and hardware so that the alleged infringement is eliminated, and

reimburse the City for any expenses incurred by the City to implement emergency backup measures if the City is prevented from using the programs, hardware, or both the programs and hardware while the dispute is pending.

Respondent further agrees to:

assume the defense of any claim, suit, or proceeding brought against the City for infringement of any United States patent or copyright arising from the use and/or sale of the equipment or software under this Agreement,

assume the expense of such defense, including costs of investigations, reasonable attorneys' fees, expert witness fees, damages, and any other litigation-related expenses, and

indemnify the City against any monetary damages and/or costs awarded in such suit;

Provided that:

Respondent is given sole and exclusive control of all negotiations relative to the settlement thereof, but that Respondent agrees to consult with the City Attorney of the City during such defense or negotiations and make good faith effort to avoid any position adverse to the interest of the City,

the Software or the equipment is used by the City in the form, state, or condition as delivered by Respondent or as modified without the permission of Respondent, so long as such modification is not the source of the infringement claim,

the liability claimed shall not have arisen out of the City's negligent act or omission, and the City promptly provide Respondent with written notice within 15 days following the formal assertion of any claim with respect to which the City asserts that Respondent assumes responsibility under this section.

### Ownership and Licenses.

In accordance with Texas law, Respondent acknowledges and agrees that all local government records created or received in the transaction of official business or the creation or maintenance of which were paid for with public funds are declared to be public property and subject to the provisions of Chapter 201 of the Texas Local Government Code and Subchapter J, Chapter 441 of the Texas Government Code. Thus, no such local government records produced by or on the behalf of Respondent pursuant to this Contract shall be the subject of any copyright or proprietary claim by Respondent.

The term "local government record" as used herein shall mean any document, paper, letter, book, map, photograph, sound or video recording, microfilm, magnetic tape, electronic medium, or other information recording medium, regardless of physical form or characteristic and regardless of whether public access to it is open or restricted under the laws of the state, created or received by local government or any of its officials or employees pursuant to law including an ordinance, or in the transaction of official business.

Respondent acknowledges and agrees that all local government records, as described in herein, produced in the course of the work required by any contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, will belong to and be the property of City. Respondent, if awarded this contract, will be required to turn over to City, all such records as required by said contract. Respondent, if awarded this contract, shall not, under any circumstances, release any records created during the course of performance of the contract to any entity without City's written permission, unless required to do so by a Court of competent jurisdiction.

In accordance herewith, Respondent, if selected, agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations governing documents and ownership, access and retention thereof.

### 006 - TERM OF CONTRACT

The term for this contract awarded in response to this RFP is three (3) years. The City shall have the option to renew under the same terms and conditions for up to two (2) additional one (1) year extensions. All renewals shall be in writing and signed by the Director, or their designee, without further action by the San Antonio City Council.

### 007 - PRE-SUBMITTAL CONFERENCE

A Pre-Submittal Conference will be held at Finance Department Purchasing Division, Large Conference Room, Riverview Towers, 111 Soledad, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, San Antonio, Texas 78205 at **10:00 a.m., Central Time, Monday, November 9, 2015.** Respondents are encouraged to prepare and submit their questions in writing 3 calendar days in advance of the Pre-Submittal Conference in order to expedite the proceedings. City's responses to questions received by this due date may be distributed at the Pre-Submittal Conference and posted with this solicitation. Attendance at the Pre-Submittal Conference is optional, but highly encouraged.

This meeting place is accessible to disabled persons. The Riverview Towers are wheelchair accessible. The accessible entrance is located at main entrance. Accessible parking spaces are located at Rand Garage, next door to Riverview Tower. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request. Interpreters for the Deaf must be requested at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. For assistance, call (210) 207-7245 Voice/TTY.

Any oral response given at the Pre-Submittal Conference that is not confirmed in writing and posted with this solicitation shall not be official or binding on the City. Only written responses shall be official and all other forms of communication with any officer, employee or agent of the City shall not be binding on the City. Respondents are encouraged to resubmit their questions in writing, to the City Staff person identified in the Restrictions on Communication section, after the conclusion of the Pre-Submittal Conference.

### 008 - PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Respondent's Proposal shall include the following items in the following sequence, noted with the appropriate heading as indicated below. If Respondent is proposing as a team or joint venture, provide the same information for each member of the team or joint venture.

Only hard copy proposals will be accepted. Submit one original signed in ink, **seven (7) copies** and one copy of the proposal on compact disk (CD) containing an Adobe PDF version of the entire proposal. Each of the items listed below must be labeled with the heading indicated below as a separate file on the CD.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY. The summary shall include a statement of the work to be accomplished, how Respondent proposes to accomplish and perform each specific service and unique problems perceived by Respondent and their solutions to include measurable performance goals for the scope performed.

GENERAL INFORMATION FORM. Use the Form found in this RFP as Attachment A, Part One.

EXPERIENCE, BACKGROUND & QUALIFICATIONS. Use the Form found in this RFP as Attachment A, Part Two.

PROPOSED PLAN. Use the Form found in this RFP as Attachment A, Part Three.

COST/COMPENSATION PROPOSAL. Use the Cost/Compensation Proposal Schedule that is found in this RFP as Attachment B.

CONTRACTS DISCLOSURE FORM. Use the Form in RFP Attachment C which is posted separately or Respondent may download a copy at:

<https://www.sanantonio.gov/eforms/atty/ContractsDisclosureForm.pdf>.

Instructions for completing the Contracts Disclosure form:

Download form and complete all fields. All fields must be completed prior to submitting the form.

Click on the "Print" button and place the copy in your proposal as indicated in the Proposal Checklist.

LITIGATION DISCLOSURE FORM. Complete and submit the Litigation Disclosure Form, found in this RFP as Attachment D. If Respondent is proposing as a team or joint venture, then all persons or entities who will be parties to the contract (if awarded) shall complete and return this form.

SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVOCACY (SBEDA) PROGRAM FORM(S). Complete, sign and submit any and all SBEDA form(s), found in this RFP as Attachment E.

LOCAL PREFERENCE PROGRAM (LPP) ORDINANCE IDENTIFICATION FORM. Complete, sign and submit LPP Identification Form found in this RFP as Attachment F.

VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS (VOSB) PREFERENCE PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION FORM. Complete, sign, and submit VOSB Identification Form found in this RFQ as Attachment G.

PROOF OF INSURABILITY. Submit a letter from insurance provider stating provider's commitment to insure the Respondent for the types of coverages and at the levels specified in this RFP if awarded a contract in response to this RFP. Respondent shall also submit a copy of their current insurance certificate.

SIGNATURE PAGE. Respondent must complete, sign and submit the Signature Page found in this RFP as Attachment H. The Signature Page must be signed by a person, or persons, authorized to bind the entity, or entities, submitting the proposal. Proposals signed by a person other than an officer of a corporate respondent or partner of partnership respondent shall be accompanied by evidence of authority.

PROPOSAL CHECKLIST. Complete and submit the Proposal Checklist found in this RFP as Attachment I.

Respondent is expected to examine this RFP carefully, understand the terms and conditions for providing the services listed herein and respond completely. FAILURE TO COMPLETE AND PROVIDE ANY OF THESE PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS MAY RESULT IN THE RESPONDENT'S PROPOSAL BEING DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND THEREFORE DISQUALIFIED FROM CONSIDERATION.

### **009 - CHANGES TO RFP**

Changes to the RFP, made prior to the due date for proposals shall be made by issuing Addendums. It is Respondent's responsibility to check for Addendums until the proposal due date. City will assume that all Respondents have reviewed all Addendums by the day proposals are due.

No oral statement of any person shall modify or otherwise change or affect the terms, conditions or specifications stated in the RFP.

### **010 - SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL**

All proposals must be submitted in hard copy format only.

### Submission of Hard Copy Proposals.

Respondent shall submit one (1) original, signed in ink, seven (7) hard copies and one (1) copy of the proposal on compact disk (CD) containing an Adobe PDF version of the entire proposal in a sealed package clearly marked with the project name, "**SALES AND USE TAX AUDIT**" on the front of the package.

Proposals must be received in the Office of the City Clerk no later than **11:00 A.M., Central Time, on Friday, December 4, 2015** at the address below. Any proposal or modification received after this time shall not be considered, and will be returned, unopened to the Respondent. Respondents should note that delivery to the P.O. Box address in a timely manner does not guarantee its receipt in the Office of the City Clerk by the deadline for submission. Therefore, Respondents should strive for early submission to avoid the possibility of rejection for late arrival.

#### Mailing Address:

Office of the City Clerk  
Attn: Finance, Public Utilities Division RFP for "Sales and Use Tax Audit"  
P.O. Box 839966  
San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966

#### Physical Address:

Office of the City Clerk  
Attn: Finance, Public Utilities Division "RFP for Sales and Use Tax Audit"  
100 Military Plaza  
2nd Floor, City Hall San Antonio, Texas 78205

Proposals sent by facsimile or email will not be accepted.

Proposal Format. Each proposal shall be typewritten, single spaced and submitted on 8 ½" x 11" white paper. If submitting a hard copy, place proposal inside a three ring binder. The use of recycled paper and materials is encouraged. Unnecessarily elaborate brochures, artwork, bindings, visual aids, expensive paper or other materials beyond that sufficient to present a complete and effective submission are not required. Font size shall be no less than 12-point type. All pages shall be numbered and, in the case of hard copy submissions, printed two-sided. Margins shall be no less than 1" around the perimeter of each page. Websites or URLs shall not be submitted in lieu of the printed proposal or electronic submission through City's portal. Each proposal must include the sections and attachments in the sequence listed in the RFP Section Proposal Requirements, and each section and attachment must be indexed and, for hard copy submissions, divided by tabs and indexed in a Table of Contents page. For the CD that contains the proposal in Adobe PDF version, each separate section should be attached as a separate file. Failure to meet the above conditions may result in disqualification of the proposal or may negatively affect scoring.

Modified Proposals. Proposals may be modified provided such modifications are received prior to the due date for submission of proposals and submitted in the same format as original proposal. For hard copy proposals, provide a cover letter with the proposal, indicating it is a modified proposal and that the Original proposal is being withdrawn.

#### Correct Legal Name.

Respondents who submit proposals to this RFP shall correctly state the true and correct name of the individual, proprietorship, corporation, and /or partnership (clearly identifying the responsible general partner and all other partners who would be associated with the contract, if any). No nicknames, abbreviations (unless part of the legal title), shortened or short-hand, or local "handles" will be accepted in lieu of the full, true and correct legal name of the entity. These names shall comport exactly with the corporate and franchise records of the Texas Secretary of State and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Individuals and proprietorships, if operating under other than an individual name, shall match with exact Assumed Name filings. Corporate Respondents and limited liability company Respondents shall include the 11-digit Comptroller's Taxpayer Number on the General Information form found in this RFP as Attachment A.

If an entity is found to have incorrectly or incompletely stated its name or failed to fully reveal its identity on the General Information form, the Director of Finance Department shall have the discretion, at any point in the contracting process, to suspend consideration of the proposal.

Firm Offer. All provisions in Respondent's proposal, including any estimated or projected costs, shall remain valid for one hundred and eighty (180) days following the deadline date for submissions or, if a proposal is accepted, throughout the entire term of the contract.

Confidential or Proprietary Information. All proposals become the property of the City upon receipt and will not be returned. Any information deemed to be confidential by Respondent should be clearly noted; however, City cannot guarantee that it will not be compelled to disclose all or part of any public record under the Texas Public Information Act, since information deemed to be confidential by Respondent may not be considered confidential under Texas law, or pursuant to a Court order.

Cost of Proposal. Any cost or expense incurred by the Respondent that is associated with the preparation of the Proposal, the Pre-Submittal conference, if any, or during any phase of the selection process, shall be borne solely by Respondent.

## **011 - RESTRICTIONS ON COMMUNICATION**

Respondents are prohibited from communicating with: 1) elected City officials and their staff regarding the RFP or proposals from the time the RFP has been released until the contract is posted as a City Council agenda item; and 2) City employees from the time the RFP has been released until the contract is awarded. These restrictions extend to "thank you" letters, phone calls, emails and any contact that results in the direct or indirect discussion of the RFP and/or proposal submitted by Respondent. Violation of this provision by Respondent and/or its agent may lead to disqualification of Respondent's proposal from consideration.

Exceptions to the Restrictions on Communication with City employees include:

Respondents may ask verbal questions concerning this RFP at the Pre-Submittal Conference.

Respondents may submit written questions concerning this RFP to the Staff Contact Person listed below until **2:00 A.M., Central Time, on Friday, November 13, 2015.** Questions received after the stated deadline will not be answered. All questions shall be sent by e-mail to:

**Dana Jordan, Procurement Specialist III**  
**City of San Antonio, Finance Department – Purchasing Division**  
[dana.jordan@sanantonio.gov](mailto:dana.jordan@sanantonio.gov)

A Respondent that has an ongoing business relationship with the City may communicate with City employees to the extent necessary to perform the Respondent's duties and obligations related to that business relationship.

Questions submitted and the City's responses will be posted with this solicitation.

Respondents may provide responses to questions asked of them by the Staff Contact Person after responses are received and opened. During interviews, if any, verbal questions and explanations will be permitted. If interviews are conducted, Respondents shall not bring lobbyists. The City reserves the right to exclude any persons from interviews as it deems in its best interests.

Exceptions to the Restrictions on Communication with City employees include:

Respondents and/or their agents are encouraged to contact the Small Business Office of the Economic Development Department for assistance or clarification with issues specifically related to the City's Small Business Economic Development Advocacy (SBEDA) Program policy and/or completion of the SBEDA form. David Rodriguez. David may be reached by telephone at (210) 207-0071 or by e-mail at [David.Rodriguez3@sanantonio.gov](mailto:David.Rodriguez3@sanantonio.gov). This exception to the restriction on communication does not apply, and there is no contact permitted to the Small Business Office regarding this solicitation, after the solicitation closing date.

Upon completion of the evaluation process, Respondents shall receive a notification letter indicating the recommended firm, anticipated City Council agenda date, and a review of the solicitation process.

City reserves the right to contact any Respondent to negotiate if such is deemed desirable by City. Such negotiations, initiated by City staff persons, shall not be considered a violation by Respondent of this section.

## 012 - EVALUATION OF CRITERIA

The City will conduct a comprehensive, fair and impartial evaluation of all Proposals received in response to this RFP. The City may appoint a selection committee to perform the evaluation. Each Proposal will be analyzed to determine overall responsiveness and qualifications under the RFP. Criteria to be evaluated may include the items listed below. The selection committee may select all, some or none of the Respondents for interviews. If the City elects to conduct interviews, Respondents may be interviewed and re-scored based upon the same criteria. The City may also request additional information from Respondents at any time prior to final approval of a selected Respondent. The City reserves the right to select one, or more, or none of the Respondents to provide services. Final approval of a selected Respondent is subject to the action of the City of San Antonio City Council.

### Evaluation Criteria:

#### Experience, Background, Qualifications (20 points)

#### Proposed Plan (25 points)

#### Cost/Compensation Proposal (20 points)

#### SBEDA (20 points)

##### SBE Prime Contract Program – 10 pts.

Certified SBE firms headquartered or having a Significant Business Presence within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area responding to this solicitation as Prime Contractors proposing at least 51% SBE participation (prime and/or subcontractor) will receive ten (10) evaluation criteria percentage points, and

##### MWBE Prime Contract Program –10 pts.

Certified M/WBE firms (see *Minority/Women Business Enterprise* definition) headquartered or having a Significant Business Presence within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area responding to this solicitation as Prime Contractors proposing at least 51% M/WBE participation (Prime and/or Sub-Consultant) will receive ten (10) evaluation criteria percentage points.

No evaluation criteria percentage Points will be awarded to non-SBE or non MWBE Prime Contractors through subcontracting to certified SBE or MWBE firms.

#### Local Preference (LPP) Ordinance Program (10 points)

10 evaluation points for local businesses headquartered for one year or more within the incorporated San Antonio city limits,

OR;

5 evaluation points for a business with an office within the incorporated limits of the City, which has been established for one year or more , from which at least 100% of its employees OR at least 20% of its total full-time, part-time and contract employees are regularly based; and from which a substantial role in the business's performance of a commercially useful function or a substantial part of its operations is conducted by those employees.

#### Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB) Preference Program (5 points)

5 evaluation points for a prime business

## 013 - AWARD OF CONTRACT AND RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

City reserves the right to award one, more than one or no contract(s) in response to this RFP.

The Contract, if awarded, will be awarded to the Respondent(s) whose Proposal(s) is deemed most advantageous to City, as determined by the selection committee, upon approval of the City Council.

City may accept any Proposal in whole or in part. If subsequent negotiations are conducted, they shall not constitute a rejection or alternate RFP on the part of City. However, final selection of a Respondent is subject to City Council approval.

City reserves the right to accept one or more proposals or reject any or all proposals received in response to this RFP, and to waive informalities and irregularities in the proposals received. City also reserves the right to terminate this RFP, and reissue a subsequent solicitation, and/or remedy technical errors in the RFP process.

City will require the selected Respondent(s) to execute a contract with the City, prior to City Council award. No work shall commence until City signs the contract document(s) and Respondent provides the necessary evidence of insurance as required in this RFP and the Contract. Contract documents are not binding on City until approved by the City Attorney. In the event the parties cannot negotiate and execute a contract within the time specified by City during the negotiating process, City reserves the right to terminate negotiations with the selected Respondent and commence negotiations with another Respondent.

This RFP does not commit City to enter into a Contract, award any services related to this RFP, nor does it obligate City to pay any costs incurred in preparation or submission of a proposal or in anticipation of a contract.

If selected, Respondent will be required to comply with the Insurance and Indemnification Requirements established herein.

The successful Respondent must be able to formally invoice the City for services rendered, incorporating the SAP-generated contract and purchase order numbers that shall be provided by the City.

Conflicts of Interest.

Respondent acknowledges that it is informed that the Charter of the City of San Antonio and its Ethics Code prohibit a City officer or employee, as those terms are defined in the Ethics Code, from having a financial interest in any contract with City or any City agency such as City-owned utilities. An officer or employee has a "prohibited financial interest" in a contract with City or in the sale to City of land materials, supplies or service, if any of the following individual(s) or entities is a party to the contract or sale: the City officer or employee; his parent, child or spouse; a business entity in which he or his parent, child or spouse owns ten (10) percent or more of the voting stock or shares of the business entity, or ten (10) percent or more of the fair market value of the business entity; or a business entity in which any individual or entity above listed is a subcontractor on a City contract, a partner or a parent or subsidiary business entity.

Respondent is required to warrant and certify that it, its officers, employees and agents are neither officials nor employees of the City, as defined in Section 2-42 of the City's Ethics Code. (Contracts Disclosure – form may be found online at <https://www.sanantonio.gov/eforms/atty/ContractsDisclosureForm.pdf>.)

Independent Contractor. Respondent agrees and understands that, if selected, it and all persons designated by it to provide services in connection with a contract, are and shall be deemed to be an independent contractors, responsible for their respective acts or omissions, and that City shall in no way be responsible for Respondent's actions, and that none of the parties hereto will have authority to bind the others or to hold out to third parties, that it has such authority.

State of Texas Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (Form CIQ). Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that persons, or their agents, who seek to contract for the sale or purchase of property, goods, or services with the City, shall file a completed Form CIQ with the City Clerk if those persons meet the requirements under §176.066(a) of the statute.

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the City Clerk not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Texas Local Government Code.

Form CIQ is available from the Texas Ethics Commission by accessing the following web address:

[https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/conflict\\_forms.htm](https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/conflict_forms.htm)

In addition, please complete the **City's Addendum to Form CIQ (Form CIQ-A)** and submit it with Form CIQ to the Office of the City Clerk. The Form CIQ-A can be found at:

<http://www.sanantonio.gov/atty/ethics/pdf/OCC-CIQ-Addendum.pdf>

When completed, the CIQ Form and the CIQ-A Form should be submitted together, either by mail or hand delivery, to the Office of the City Clerk. If mailing, mail to:

Office of the City Clerk, P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, TX 78283-3966.

If delivering by hand, deliver to:

Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 2nd floor, 100 Military Plaza, San Antonio, TX 78205.

Do not include these forms with your proposal. The Purchasing Division will not deliver the forms to the City Clerk for you.

#### **014 - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Following is a list of **projected dates/times** with respect to this RFP:

<b>RFP Release Date</b>	<b>Friday, October 30, 2015</b>
<b>Pre-Submittal Conference</b>	<b>Monday, November 9, 2015 @ 10:00 A.M., CST</b>
<b>Final Questions Accepted</b>	<b>Friday, November 13, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M., CST</b>
<b>Proposal Due</b>	<b>Friday, December 4, 2015 @ 11:00 A.M., CST</b>

## 015 - RFP EXHIBITS

### RFP EXHIBIT 1

#### SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVOCACY (SBEDA) PROGRAM

##### A. Solicitation Response and Contract Requirements and Commitment

Respondent understands and agrees that the following provisions shall be requirements of this solicitation and the resulting contract, if awarded, and by submitting its Response, Respondent commits to comply with these requirements.

**Exception Request** - A Respondent may, for good cause, request an Exception to the application of the SBEDA Program if the Respondent submits the *Exception to SBEDA Program Requirements Request* form (available at <http://www.sanantonio.gov/edd/SmallBusiness>) with its solicitation response. The Respondent's Exception request must fully document why: (1) the value of the contract is below the \$50,000 threshold for application of the SBEDA Program; or (2) no commercially-useful subcontracting opportunities exist within the contract scope of work; or (3) the type of contract is outside of the scope of the SBEDA Ordinance. **Late Exception Requests will not be considered.**

##### B. SBEDA Program

The CITY has adopted a Small Business Economic Development Advocacy Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2010-06-17-0531 and as amended, also referred to as "SBEDA" or "the SBEDA Program"), which is posted on the City's Economic Development (EDD) website page and is also available in hard copy form upon request to the CITY. The SBEDA Ordinance Compliance Provisions contained in this section of the Agreement are governed by the terms of this Ordinance, as well as by the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance Policy & Procedure Manual established by the CITY pursuant to this Ordinance, and any subsequent amendments to this referenced SBEDA Ordinance and SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual that are effective as of the date of the execution of this Agreement. Unless defined in a contrary manner herein, terms used in this section of the Agreement shall be subject to the same expanded definitions and meanings as given those terms in the SBEDA Ordinance and as further interpreted in the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual.

##### C. Definitions

**Affirmative Procurement Initiatives (API)** – Refers to various Small Business Enterprise, Minority Business Enterprise, and/or Women Business Enterprise ("S/M/WBE") Program tools and Solicitation Incentives that are used to encourage greater Prime and subcontract participation by S/M/WBE firms, including bonding assistance, evaluation preferences, subcontracting goals and joint venture incentives. (For full descriptions of these and other S/M/WBE program tools, see Section III. D. of Attachment A to the SBEDA Ordinance.)

**Centralized Vendor Registration System (CVR)** – a mandatory electronic system wherein the City requires all prospective Respondents and Subcontractors that are ready, willing and able to sell goods or services to the City to register. The CVR system assigns a unique identifier to each registrant that is then required for the purpose of submitting solicitation responses and invoices, and for receiving payments from the City. The CVR-assigned identifiers are also used by the Goal Setting Committee for measuring relative availability and tracking utilization of SBE and M/WBE firms by Industry or commodity codes, and for establishing Annual Aspirational Goals and Contract-by-Contract Subcontracting Goals.

**Certification or "Certified"** – the process by which the Small Business Office (SBO) staff determines a firm to be a bona-fide small, minority-, women-owned, or emerging small business enterprise. Emerging Small Business Enterprises (ESBEs) are automatically eligible for Certification as SBEs. Any firm may apply for multiple Certifications that cover each and every status category (e.g., SBE, ESBE, MBE, or WBE) for which it is able to satisfy eligibility standards. The SBO staff may contract these services to a regional Certification agency or other entity. For purposes of Certification, the City accepts any firm that is certified by local government entities and other organizations identified herein that have adopted Certification standards and procedures similar to those followed by the SBO, provided the prospective firm satisfies the eligibility requirements set forth in this Ordinance in Section III.E.6 of Attachment A.

**Commercially Useful Function** – an S/M/WBE firm performs a Commercially Useful Function when it is responsible for execution of a distinct element of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, staffing, managing and supervising the work involved. To perform a Commercially Useful Function, the S/M/WBE firm

must also be responsible, with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quantity and quality, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself. To determine whether an S/M/WBE firm is performing a Commercially Useful Function, an evaluation must be performed of the amount of work subcontracted, normal industry practices, whether the amount the S/M/WBE firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the work it is actually performing and the S/M/WBE credit claimed for its performance of the work, and other relevant factors. Specifically, an S/M/WBE firm does not perform a Commercially Useful Function if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of meaningful and useful S/M/WBE participation, when in similar transactions in which S/M/WBE firms do not participate, there is no such role performed. The use of S/M/WBE firms by CONTRACTOR to perform such “pass-through” or “conduit” functions that are not commercially useful shall be viewed by the CITY as fraudulent if CONTRACTOR attempts to obtain credit for such S/M/WBE participation towards the satisfaction of S/M/WBE participation goals or other API participation requirements. As such, under such circumstances where a commercially useful function is not actually performed by the S/M/WBE firm, the CONTRACTOR shall not be given credit for the participation of its S/M/WBE subcontractor or joint venture partner towards attainment of S/M/WBE utilization goals, and the CONTRACTOR and S/M/WBE firm may be subject to sanctions and penalties in accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance.

**Evaluation Preference** – an API that may be applied by the Goal Setting Committee (“GSC”) to Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods and Supplies contracts that are to be awarded on a basis that includes factors other than lowest price, and wherein responses that are submitted to the City by S/M/WBE firms may be awarded additional Points in the evaluation process in the scoring and ranking of their proposals against those submitted by other prime CONTRACTORS or Respondents.

**Good Faith Efforts** – documentation of the CONTRACTOR’s or Respondent’s intent to comply with S/M/WBE Program Goals and procedures including, but not limited to, the following: (1) documentation within a solicitation response reflecting the Respondent’s commitment to comply with SBE or M/WBE Program Goals as established by the GSC for a particular contract; or (2) documentation of efforts made toward achieving the SBE or M/WBE Program Goals (e.g., timely advertisements in appropriate trade publications and publications of wide general circulation; timely posting of SBE or M/WBE subcontract opportunities on the City of San Antonio website; solicitations of bids/proposals/qualification statements from all qualified SBE or M/WBE firms listed in the Small Business Office’s directory of certified SBE or M/WBE firms; correspondence from qualified SBE or M/WBE firms documenting their unavailability to perform SBE or M/WBE contracts; documentation of efforts to subdivide work into smaller quantities for subcontracting purposes to enhance opportunities for SBE or M/WBE firms; documentation of a Prime Contractor’s posting of a bond covering the work of SBE or M/WBE Subcontractors; documentation of efforts to assist SBE or M/WBE firms with obtaining financing, bonding or insurance required by the Respondent; and documentation of consultations with trade associations and consultants that represent the interests of SBE and/or M/WBEs in order to identify qualified and available SBE or M/WBE Subcontractors.) The appropriate form and content of CONTRACTOR’s Good Faith Efforts documentation shall be in accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance as interpreted in the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual.

**HUBZone Firm** – a business that has been certified by U.S. Small Business Administration for participation in the federal HUBZone Program, as established under the 1997 Small Business Reauthorization Act. To qualify as a HUBZone firm, a small business must meet the following criteria: (1) it must be owned and Controlled by U.S. citizens; (2) at least 35 percent of its employees must reside in a HUBZone; and (3) its Principal Place of Business must be located in a HUBZone within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area. [See 13 C.F.R. 126.200 (1999).]

**Independently Owned and Operated** – ownership of an SBE firm must be direct, independent and by Individuals only. Ownership of an M/WBE firm may be by Individuals and/or by other businesses provided the ownership interests in the M/WBE firm can satisfy the M/WBE eligibility requirements for ownership and Control as specified herein in Section III.E.6. The M/WBE firm must also be Independently Owned and Operated in the sense that it cannot be the subsidiary of another firm that does not itself (and in combination with the certified M/WBE firm) satisfy the eligibility requirements for M/WBE Certification.

**Individual** – an adult person that is of legal majority age.

**Industry Categories** – procurement groupings for the City of San Antonio inclusive of Construction, Architectural & Engineering (A&E), Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies (i.e., manufacturing, wholesale and retail distribution of commodities). This term may sometimes be referred to as “business categories.”

**Minority/Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE)** – firm that is certified as a Small Business Enterprise and also as either a Minority Business Enterprise or as a Women Business Enterprise, and which is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned,

managed and Controlled by one or more Minority Group Members and/or women, and that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City of San Antonio.

**M/WBE Directory** – a listing of minority- and women-owned businesses that have been certified for participation in the City's M/WBE Program APIs.

**Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)** – any legal entity, except a joint venture, that is organized to engage in for-profit transactions, which is certified a Small Business Enterprise and also as being at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and controlled by one or more Minority Group Members, and that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the CITY. To qualify as an MBE, the enterprise shall meet the Significant Business Presence requirement as defined herein. Unless otherwise stated, the term "MBE" as used in this Ordinance is not inclusive of women-owned business enterprises (WBEs).

**Minority Group Members** – African-Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian Americans and Native Americans legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories, as defined below:

African-Americans: Persons having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa as well as those identified as Jamaican, Trinidadian, or West Indian.

Hispanic-Americans: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Spanish or Central and South American origin.

Asian-Americans: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent or the Pacific Islands.

Native Americans: Persons having no less than 1/16<sup>th</sup> percentage origin in any of the Native American Tribes, as recognized by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs and as demonstrated by possession of personal tribal role documents.

**Originating Department** – the CITY department or authorized representative of the CITY which issues solicitations or for which a solicitation is issued.

**Payment** – dollars actually paid to CONTRACTORS and/or Subcontractors and vendors for CITY contracted goods and/or services.

**Points** – the quantitative assignment of value for specific evaluation criteria in the vendor selection process used in some Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, and Other Services contracts (e.g., up to 10 points out of a total of 100 points assigned for S/M/WBE participation as stated in response to a Request for Proposals).

**Prime Contractor** – the vendor or contractor to whom a purchase order or contract is issued by the City of San Antonio for purposes of providing goods or services for the City. For purposes of this agreement, this term refers to the CONTRACTOR.

**Relevant Marketplace** – the geographic market area affecting the S/M/WBE Program as determined for purposes of collecting data for the MGT Studies, and for determining eligibility for participation under various programs established by the SBEDA Ordinance, is defined as the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA), currently including the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina and Wilson.

**Respondent** – a vendor submitting a bid, statement of qualifications, or proposal in response to a solicitation issued by the City. For purposes of this agreement, CONTRACTOR is the Respondent.

**Responsible** – a firm which is capable in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and has the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance of contract specifications.

**Responsive** – a firm's submittal (bid, response or proposal) conforms in all material respects to the solicitation (Invitation for Bid, Request for Qualifications, or Request for Proposal) and shall include compliance with S/M/WBE Program requirements.

**San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA)** – also known as the Relevant Marketplace, the geographic market area from which the CITY's MGT Studies analyzed contract utilization and availability data for disparity (currently including the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina and Wilson).

**SBE Directory** - a listing of small businesses that have been certified for participation in the City's SBE Program APIs.

**Significant Business Presence** – to qualify for this Program, a S/M/WBE must be headquartered or have a *significant business presence* for at least one year within the Relevant Marketplace, defined as: an established place of business in one or more of the eight counties that make up the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA), from which 20% of its full-time, part-time and contract employees are regularly based, and from which a substantial role in the S/M/WBE's performance of a Commercially Useful Function is conducted. A location utilized solely as a post office box, mail drop or telephone message center or any combination thereof, with no other substantial work function, shall not be construed to constitute a significant business presence.

**Small Business Enterprise (SBE)** – a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship or other legal entity for the purpose of making a profit, which is Independently Owned and Operated by Individuals legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories, and which meets the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) size standard for a small business in its particular industry(ies) and meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein.

**Small Business Office (SBO)** – the office within the Economic Development Department (EDD) of the CITY that is primarily responsible for general oversight and administration of the S/M/WBE Program.

**Small Business Office Manager** – the Assistant Director of the EDD of the CITY that is responsible for the management of the SBO and ultimately responsible for oversight, tracking, monitoring, administration, implementation and reporting of the S/M/WBE Program. The SBO Manager is also responsible for enforcement of contractor and vendor compliance with contract participation requirements, and ensuring that overall Program goals and objectives are met.

**Small Minority Women Business Enterprise Program (S/M/WBE Program)** – the combination of SBE Program and M/WBE Program features contained in the SBEDA Ordinance.

**Subcontractor** – any vendor or contractor that is providing goods or services to a Prime Contractor or CONTRACTOR in furtherance of the Prime Contractor's performance under a contract or purchase order with the City. A copy of each binding agreement between the CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors shall be submitted to the CITY prior to execution of this contract agreement and any contract modification agreement.

**Suspension** – the temporary stoppage of the SBE or M/WBE firm's beneficial participation in the CITY's S/M/WBE Program for a finite period of time due to cumulative contract payments the S/M/WBE firm received during a fiscal year that exceed a certain dollar threshold as set forth in Section III.E.7 of Attachment A to the SBEDA Ordinance, or the temporary stoppage of CONTRACTOR's and/or S/M/WBE firm's performance and payment under CITY contracts due to the CITY's imposition of Penalties and Sanctions set forth in Section III.E.13 of Attachment A to the SBEDA Ordinance.

**Subcontractor/Supplier Utilization Plan** – a binding part of this contract agreement which states the CONTRACTOR's commitment for the use of Joint Venture Partners and / or Subcontractors/Suppliers in the performance of this contract agreement, and states the name, scope of work, and dollar value of work to be performed by each of CONTRACTOR's Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors/Suppliers in the course of the performance of this contract, specifying the S/M/WBE Certification category for each Joint Venture partner and Subcontractor/Supplier, as approved by the SBO Manager. Additions, deletions or modifications of the Joint Venture partner or Subcontractor/Supplier names, scopes of work, of dollar values of work to be performed requires an amendment to this agreement to be approved by the EDD Director or designee.

**Women Business Enterprises (WBEs)** - any legal entity, except a joint venture, that is organized to engage in for-profit transactions, that is certified for purposes of the SBEDA Ordinance as being a Small Business Enterprise and that is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and Controlled by one or more non-minority women Individuals that are lawfully residing in, or are citizens of, the United States or its territories, that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City and that meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein. Unless otherwise stated, the term "WBE" as used in this Agreement is not inclusive of MBEs.

#### D. SBEDA Program Compliance – General Provisions

As CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the terms of the CITY's SBEDA Ordinance, as amended, together with all requirements, guidelines, and procedures set forth in the CITY's SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual are in furtherance of the CITY's efforts at economic inclusion and, moreover, that such terms are part of CONTRACTOR's scope of work as referenced in the CITY's formal solicitation that formed the basis for contract award and subsequent execution of this Agreement, these SBEDA Ordinance requirements, guidelines and procedures are hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement, and are considered by the Parties to this Agreement to be material terms. CONTRACTOR voluntarily

agrees to fully comply with these SBEDA program terms as a condition for being awarded this contract by the CITY. Without limitation, CONTRACTOR further agrees to the following terms as part of its contract compliance responsibilities under the SBEDA Program:

1. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate fully with the Small Business Office and other CITY departments in their data collection and monitoring efforts regarding CONTRACTOR's utilization and payment of Subcontractors, S/M/WBE firms, and HUBZone firms, as applicable, for their performance of Commercially Useful Functions on this contract including, but not limited to, the timely submission of completed forms and/or documentation promulgated by SBO, through the Originating Department, pursuant to the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual, timely entry of data into monitoring systems, and ensuring the timely compliance of its Subcontractors with this term;
2. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate fully with any CITY or SBO investigation (and shall also respond truthfully and promptly to any CITY or SBO inquiry) regarding possible non-compliance with SBEDA requirements on the part of CONTRACTOR or its Subcontractors or suppliers;
3. CONTRACTOR shall permit the SBO, upon reasonable notice, to undertake inspections as necessary including, but not limited to, contract-related correspondence, records, documents, payroll records, daily logs, invoices, bills, cancelled checks, and work product, and to interview Subcontractors and workers to determine whether there has been a violation of the terms of this Agreement;
4. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the SBO, in writing on the Change to Utilization Plan form, through the Originating Department, of any proposed changes to CONTRACTOR's Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan for this contract, with an explanation of the necessity for such proposed changes, including documentation of Good Faith Efforts made by CONTRACTOR to replace the Subcontractor / Supplier in accordance with the applicable Affirmative Procurement Initiative. All proposed changes to the Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan including, but not limited to, proposed self-performance of work by CONTRACTOR of work previously designated for performance by Subcontractor or supplier, substitutions of new Subcontractors, terminations of previously designated Subcontractors, or reductions in the scope of work and value of work awarded to Subcontractors or suppliers, shall be subject to advanced written approval by the Originating Department and the SBO.
5. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Originating Department and SBO of any transfer or assignment of its contract with the CITY, as well as any transfer or change in its ownership or business structure.
6. CONTRACTOR shall retain all records of its Subcontractor payments for this contract for a minimum of four years or as required by state law, following the conclusion of this contract or, in the event of litigation concerning this contract, for a minimum of four years or as required by state law following the final determination of litigation, whichever is later.
7. In instances wherein the SBO determines that a Commercially Useful Function is not actually being performed by the applicable S/M/WBE or HUBZone firms listed in a CONTRACTOR's Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan, the CONTRACTOR shall not be given credit for the participation of its S/M/WBE or HUBZone subcontractor(s) or joint venture partner(s) toward attainment of S/M/WBE or HUBZone firm utilization goals, and the CONTRACTOR and its listed S/M/WBE firms or HUBZone firms may be subject to sanctions and penalties in accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance.
8. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the CITY will not execute a contract or issue a Notice to Proceed for this project until the CONTRACTOR and each of its Subcontractors for this project have registered and/or maintained active status in the CITY's Centralized Vendor Registration System, and CONTRACTOR has represented to CITY which primary commodity codes each registered Subcontractor will be performing under for this contract.

#### E. SBEDA Program Compliance – Affirmative Procurement Initiatives

The CITY has applied the following contract-specific Affirmative Procurement Initiative to this contract. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that the selected API requirement shall also be extended to any change order or subsequent contract modification and, absent SBO's granting of a waiver, that its full compliance with the following API terms and conditions are material to its satisfactory performance under this Agreement:

**SBE Prime Contract Program.** In accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance, Section III. D. 5. (d), this contract is being awarded pursuant to the SBE Prime Contract Program, and as such, CONTRACTOR affirms that if it is presently certified as an SBE, CONTRACTOR agrees not to subcontract more than 49% of the contract value to a non-SBE firm, and

**M/WBE Prime Contract Program.** In accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance, Section III. D. 6. (d), this contract is being awarded pursuant to the M/WBE Prime Contract Program and as such, CONTRACTOR affirms that if it is presently certified as an M/WBE (see *Minority/Women Business Enterprise* definition), CONTRACTOR agrees not to subcontract more than 49% of the contract value to a non-M/WBE firm.

#### F. Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy Compliance

As a condition of entering into this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that it has complied with throughout the course of this solicitation and contract award process, and will continue to comply with, the CITY's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under Section III. C. 1. of the SBEDA Ordinance. As part of such compliance, CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation or, on the basis of disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring or commercial treatment of Subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall the company retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. The company shall provide equal opportunity for Subcontractors, vendors and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that nothing contained in this clause shall prohibit or limit otherwise lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the CITY's Relevant Marketplace. The company understands and agrees that a material violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and may result in termination of this Agreement, disqualification of the company from participating in CITY contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party. CONTRACTOR's certification of its compliance with this Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as submitted to the CITY pursuant to the solicitation for this contract is hereby incorporated into the material terms of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate this clause into each of its Subcontractor and supplier agreements entered into pursuant to CITY contracts.

#### G. Prompt Payment

Upon execution of this contract by CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall be required to submit to CITY accurate progress payment information with each invoice regarding each of its Subcontractors, including HUBZone Subcontractors, to ensure that the CONTRACTOR's reported subcontract participation is accurate. CONTRACTOR shall pay its Subcontractors in compliance with Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code (the "Prompt Payment Act") within ten days of receipt of payment from CITY. In the event of CONTRACTOR's noncompliance with these prompt payment provisions, no final retainage on the Prime Contract shall be released to CONTRACTOR, and no new CITY contracts shall be issued to the CONTRACTOR until the CITY's audit of previous subcontract payments is complete and payments are verified to be in accordance with the specifications of the contract.

#### H. Violations, Sanctions and Penalties

In addition to the above terms, CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that it is a violation of the SBEDA Ordinance and a material breach of this Agreement to:

1. Fraudulently obtain, retain, or attempt to obtain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining, retaining, or attempting to obtain or retain Certification status as an SBE, MBE, WBE, M/WBE, HUBZone firm, Emerging M/WBE, or ESBE for purposes of benefitting from the SBEDA Ordinance;

2. Willfully falsify, conceal or cover up by a trick, scheme or device, a material fact or make any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or make use of any false writing or document, knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry pursuant to the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance;
3. Willfully obstruct, impede or attempt to obstruct or impede any authorized official or employee who is investigating the qualifications of a business entity which has requested Certification as an S/M/WBE or HUBZone firm;
4. Fraudulently obtain, attempt to obtain or aid another person fraudulently obtaining or attempting to obtain public monies to which the person is not entitled under the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance; and
5. Make false statements to any entity that any other entity is, or is not, certified as an S/M/WBE for purposes of the SBEDA Ordinance.

Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be subject to the provisions of Section III. E. 13. of the SBEDA Ordinance and any other penalties, sanctions and remedies available under law including, but not limited to:

1. Suspension of contract;
2. Withholding of funds;
3. Rescission of contract based upon a material breach of contract pertaining to S/M/WBE Program compliance;
4. Refusal to accept a response or proposal; and
5. Disqualification of CONTRACTOR or other business firm from eligibility for providing goods or services to the City for a period not to exceed two years (upon City Council approval).

**RFP EXHIBIT 2**

**INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

A) Prior to the commencement of any work under this Agreement, Respondent shall furnish copies of all required endorsements and completed Certificate(s) of Insurance to the City's Finance Department, which shall be clearly labeled "Sales and Use Tax Audit" in the Description of Operations block of the Certificate. The Certificate(s) shall be completed by an agent and signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The City will not accept a Memorandum of Insurance or Binder as proof of insurance. The certificate(s) must be signed by the Authorized Representative of the carrier, and list the agent's signature and phone number. The certificate shall be mailed, with copies of all applicable endorsements, directly from the insurer's authorized representative to the City. The City shall have no duty to pay or perform under this Agreement until such certificate and endorsements have been received and approved by the City's Finance Department. No officer or employee, other than the City's Risk Manager, shall have authority to waive this requirement.

B) The City reserves the right to review the insurance requirements of this Article during the effective period of this Agreement and any extension or renewal hereof and to modify insurance coverages and their limits when deemed necessary and prudent by City's Risk Manager based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, or circumstances surrounding this Agreement. In no instance will City allow modification whereby City may incur increased risk.

C) A Respondent's financial integrity is of interest to the City; therefore, subject to Respondent's right to maintain reasonable deductibles in such amounts as are approved by the City, Respondent shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement, and any extension hereof, at Respondent's sole expense, insurance coverage written on an occurrence basis, unless otherwise indicated, by companies authorized to do business in the State of Texas and with an A.M Best's rating of no less than A- (VII), in the following types and for an amount not less than the amount listed below:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>AMOUNTS</u>
1. Professional Liability (Claims-made basis) To be maintained and in effect for no less than two years subsequent to the completion of the professional service.	\$1,000,000 per claim, to pay on behalf of the insured all sums which the insured shall become legally obligated to pay as damages by reason of any act, malpractice, error, or omission in professional services.

D) Respondent agrees to require, by written contract, that all subcontractors providing goods or services hereunder obtain the same categories of insurance coverage required of Respondent herein, and provide a certificate of insurance and endorsement that names the Respondent and the CITY as additional insureds. Policy limits of the coverages carried by subcontractors will be determined as a business decision of Respondent. Respondent shall provide the CITY with said certificate and endorsement prior to the commencement of any work by the subcontractor. This provision may be modified by City's Risk Manager, without subsequent City Council approval, when deemed necessary and prudent, based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, or circumstances surrounding this agreement. Such modification may be enacted by letter signed by City's Risk Manager, which shall become a part of the contract for all purposes.

E) As they apply to the limits required by the City, the City shall be entitled, upon request and without expense, to receive copies of the policies, declaration page, and all required endorsements. Respondent shall be required to comply with any such requests and shall submit requested documents to City at the address provided below within 10 days. Respondent shall pay any costs incurred resulting from provision of said documents.

City of San Antonio  
Attn: Finance Department  
P.O. Box 839966  
San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966

F) Respondent agrees that with respect to the above required insurance, all insurance policies are to contain or be endorsed to contain the following provisions:

- Name the City, its officers, officials, employees, volunteers, and elected representatives as additional insureds by endorsement, as respects operations and activities of, or on behalf of, the named insured

performed under contract with the City, with the exception of the workers' compensation and professional liability policies;

- Provide for an endorsement that the "other insurance" clause shall not apply to the City of San Antonio where the City is an additional insured shown on the policy;
- Workers' compensation, employers' liability, general liability and automobile liability policies will provide a waiver of subrogation in favor of the City.
- Provide advance written notice directly to City of any suspension or non-renewal in coverage, and not less than ten (10) calendar days advance notice for nonpayment of premium.

G) Within five (5) calendar days of a suspension, cancellation or non-renewal of coverage, Respondent shall provide a replacement Certificate of Insurance and applicable endorsements to City. City shall have the option to suspend Respondent's performance should there be a lapse in coverage at any time during this contract. Failure to provide and to maintain the required insurance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.

H) In addition to any other remedies the City may have upon Respondent's failure to provide and maintain any insurance or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time herein required, the City shall have the right to order Respondent to stop work hereunder, and/or withhold any payment(s) which become due to Respondent hereunder until Respondent demonstrates compliance with the requirements hereof.

I) Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting in any way the extent to which Respondent may be held responsible for payments of damages to persons or property resulting from Respondent's or its subcontractors' performance of the work covered under this Agreement.

J) It is agreed that Respondent's insurance shall be deemed primary and non-contributory with respect to any insurance or self insurance carried by the City of San Antonio for liability arising out of operations under this Agreement.

K) It is understood and agreed that the insurance required is in addition to and separate from any other obligation contained in this Agreement and that no claim or action by or on behalf of the City shall be limited to insurance coverage provided..

L) Respondent and any Subcontractors are responsible for all damage to their own equipment and/or property.

### RFP EXHIBIT 3

#### INDEMNIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

If selected to provide the services described in this RFP, Respondent shall be required to comply with the indemnification requirements set forth below:

#### INDEMNIFICATION

**RESPONDENT covenants and agrees to FULLY INDEMNIFY, DEFEND and HOLD HARMLESS, the CITY and the elected officials, employees, officers, directors, volunteers and representatives of the CITY, individually and collectively, from and against any and all costs, claims, liens, damages, losses, expenses, fees, fines, penalties, proceedings, actions, demands, causes of action, liability and suits of any kind and nature, including but not limited to, personal or bodily injury, death and property damage, made upon the CITY directly or indirectly arising out of, resulting from or related to RESPONDENT'S activities under this Agreement, including any acts or omissions of RESPONDENT, any agent, officer, director, representative, employee, consultant or subcontractor of RESPONDENT, and their respective officers, agents employees, directors and representatives while in the exercise of the rights or performance of the duties under this Agreement. The indemnity provided for in this paragraph shall not apply to any liability resulting from the negligence of CITY, its officers or employees, in instances where such negligence causes personal injury, death, or property damage. IN THE EVENT RESPONDENT AND CITY ARE FOUND JOINTLY LIABLE BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, LIABILITY SHALL BE APPORTIONED COMPARATIVELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS, WITHOUT, HOWEVER, WAIVING ANY GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AVAILABLE TO THE CITY UNDER TEXAS LAW AND WITHOUT WAIVING ANY DEFENSES OF THE PARTIES UNDER TEXAS LAW.**

The provisions of this INDEMNITY are solely for the benefit of the parties hereto and not intended to create or grant any rights, contractual or otherwise, to any other person or entity. RESPONDENT shall advise the CITY in writing within 24 hours of any claim or demand against the CITY or RESPONDENT known to RESPONDENT related to or arising out of RESPONDENT's activities under this AGREEMENT and shall see to the investigation and defense of such claim or demand at RESPONDENT's cost. The CITY shall have the right, at its option and at its own expense, to participate in such defense without relieving RESPONDENT of any of its obligations under this paragraph.

Defense Counsel - CITY shall have the right to select or to approve defense counsel to be retained by RESPONDENT in fulfilling its obligation hereunder to defend and indemnify CITY, unless such right is expressly waived by CITY in writing. RESPONDENT shall retain CITY approved defense counsel within seven (7) business days of CITY'S written notice that CITY is invoking its right to indemnification under this Contract. If RESPONDENT fails to retain Counsel within such time period, CITY shall have the right to retain defense counsel on its own behalf, and RESPONDENT shall be liable for all costs incurred by CITY. CITY shall also have the right, at its option, to be represented by advisory council of its own selection and at its own expense, without waiving the foregoing.

Employee Litigation - In any and all claims against any party indemnified hereunder by any employee of RESPONDENT, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation herein provided shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for RESPONDENT or any subcontractor under worker's compensation or other employee benefit acts.

## **RFP EXHIBIT 4**

### **LOCAL PREFERENCE PROGRAM (LPP) ORDINANCE**

The 82<sup>nd</sup> Texas Legislature adopted a revision to the law that allowed the City of San Antonio ("City") to adopt a policy that would grant contracting preferences to local businesses for certain types of contracts. The City adopted such a policy, known as the Local Preference Program, by Ordinance No. 2013-03-21-0167, effective for solicitations issued after May 1, 2013.

This solicitation is subject to the Local Preference Program. For more information on the program, refer to the Local Preference Program Identification Form attached to this solicitation.

In order to receive consideration the Local Bidder must complete and return the attached Local Preference Identification Form.

**RFP EXHIBIT 5**

**VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PREFERENCE PROGRAM (VOSBPP) ORDINANCE**

Pursuant to Ordinance No. 2013-12-05-0864, effective for solicitations issued after January 15, 2014, all solicitations issued by the City are subject to tracking of Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB) participation.

For more information on the program, refer to the Veteran-Owned Small Business Preference Program Identification Form attached to this solicitation.

Respondent must complete and return the attached Veteran-Owned Small Business Preference Program Identification Form.

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**RFP ATTACHMENT A, PART ONE**

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1. Respondent Information:** Provide the following information regarding the Respondent.

Respondent Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(NOTE: Give exact legal name as it will appear on the contract, if awarded.)

Principal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Website address: \_\_\_\_\_

Year established: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide the number of years in business under present name: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number or Federal Employer Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

CRD Number (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Texas Comptroller's Taxpayer Number, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_  
(NOTE: This 11-digit number is sometimes referred to as the Comptroller's TIN or TID.)

DUNS NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Structure: Check the box that indicates the business structure of the Respondent.

Individual or Sole Proprietorship If checked, list Assumed Name, if any:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
 Partnership  
 Corporation If checked, check one:  For-Profit  Nonprofit  
Also, check one:  Domestic  Foreign  
 Other If checked, list business structure:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of Contract Signatory: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: This RFP solicits proposals to provide services under a contract which has been identified as "High Profile". Therefore, Respondent must provide the name of person that will sign the contract for the Respondent, if awarded.)

Provide any other names under which Respondent has operated within the last 10 years and length of time under for each:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Provide address of office from which this project would be managed:

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Revenue: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Employees: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Current Clients/Customers: \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly describe other lines of business that the company is directly or indirectly affiliated with:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

List Related Companies:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 2. Contact Information:** List the one person who the City may contact concerning your proposal or setting dates for meetings.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- 3.** Does respondent anticipate any mergers, transfer of organization ownership, management reorganization, or departure of key personnel within the next twelve (12) months?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

- 4.** Is Respondent authorized and/or licensed to do business in Texas?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If "Yes", list authorizations/licenses.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- 5.** Where is the Respondent's corporate headquarters located? \_\_\_\_\_

- 6. Local/County Operation:** Does the Respondent have an office located in San Antonio, Texas?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If "Yes", respond to a and b below:

- a. How long has the Respondent conducted business from its San Antonio office?

Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Office: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. State the number of full-time employees at the San Antonio office.

If "No", indicate if Respondent has an office located within Bexar County, Texas:

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If "Yes", respond to c and d below:

c. How long has the Respondent conducted business from its Bexar County office?

Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_

d. State the number of full-time employees at the Bexar County office. \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Debarment/Suspension Information:** Has the Respondent or any of its principals been debarred or suspended from contracting with any public entity?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", identify the public entity and the name and current phone number of a representative of the public entity familiar with the debarment or suspension, and state the reason for or circumstances surrounding the debarment or suspension, including but not limited to the period of time for such debarment or suspension.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**8. Surety Information:** Has the Respondent ever had a bond or surety canceled or forfeited?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the bonding company, date, amount of bond and reason for such cancellation or forfeiture.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**9. Bankruptcy Information:** Has the Respondent ever been declared bankrupt or filed for protection from creditors under state or federal proceedings?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the date, court, jurisdiction, cause number, amount of liabilities and amount of assets.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**10. Disciplinary Action:** Has the Respondent ever received any regulatory/disciplinary action, or any pending regulatory/disciplinary action, from any regulatory bodies or professional organizations? If "Yes", state the name of the regulatory body or professional organization, date and reason for disciplinary or impending disciplinary action.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**11. Previous Contracts:**

a. Has the Respondent ever failed to complete any contract awarded?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the organization contracted with, services contracted, date, contract amount and reason for failing to complete the contract.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

b. Has any officer or partner proposed for this assignment ever been an officer or partner of some other organization that failed to complete a contract?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the individual, organization contracted with, services contracted, date, contract amount and reason for failing to complete the contract.

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c. Has any officer or partner proposed for this assignment ever failed to complete a contract handled in his or her own name?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If "Yes", state the name of the individual, organization contracted with, services contracted, date, contract amount and reason for failing to complete the contract.

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## REFERENCES

Provide three (3) references, that Respondent has provided services to within the past three (3) years. The contact person named should be familiar with the day-to-day management of the contract and be willing to respond to questions regarding the type, level, and quality of service provided.

**Reference No. 1:**

Firm/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Type of Service(s) Provided: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference No. 2:**

Firm/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Type of Service(s) Provided: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference No. 3:**

Firm/Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Type of Service(s) Provided: \_\_\_\_\_

## **RFP ATTACHMENT A, PART TWO**

### **EXPERIENCE, BACKGROUND, QUALIFICATIONS**

Prepare and submit narrative responses to address the following items. If Respondent is proposing as a team or joint venture, provide the same information for each member of the team or joint venture.

1. Discuss your understanding of the scope of work being requested by the City of San Antonio under this solicitation.
2. Please describe your firm's experience performing the requested sales and use tax audit.
3. Describe your firm's familiarity with the City of San Antonio's sales and use tax base and the State of Texas' sales tax collection and remittance processes and procedures.
4. Please identify at least three past engagements of a similar scope to the City of San Antonio's RFP and identify the type and amount recovered. Describe any difficulties encountered in the performance of the engagements.
5. Provide a list and resume of personnel that will be assigned to this engagement. Describe the proposed individual's experience with sales and use tax audits. Describe each individual's background and training. Please include an organization chart.

## RFP ATTACHMENT A, PART THREE

### PROPOSED PLAN

Prepare and submit the following items:

1. Operating Plan - Describe the proposed plan and approach to conducting the audit including specific tasks to be completed and the timeline for completion of the tasks. Identify the services that the Respondent will perform directly and those that will be performed by sub-consultants/contractors. Demonstrate your ability to meet or exceed the requested service.
2. Staffing Plan - Describe staffing and/or sub-consultant plan to ensure adequate level of services can be provided throughout term of the contract. Identify proposed tasks and schedule.
3. Describe the performance measures that the Respondent intends to utilize to ensure that appropriate service levels are maintained throughout the duration of the contract. Describe the system used to track performance measure outcomes.
4. What, if any, measurable service deliverables or outcomes can be attributed to your services? How did you add value to the client? Examples include but are not limited to the amount of cost savings as a result of services provided, legislative or policy changes, organizational changes, or other measurable indicators of successful implementation of findings from your services.
5. Discuss the compensation methodology for the audit of the City of San Antonio's sales and use tax collection. Clearly outline and disclose how the compensation for this audit will be determined, calculated, and billed to the City of San Antonio. In addition, provide examples to describe in detail how the compensation will be determined, calculated, and billed including billing frequency response.
6. Describe the methodology for calculating future sales.
7. Provide samples of any reports that will be provided to the City of San Antonio.
8. Describe your firm's expectations and/or assumptions of the City's involvement or level of effort, including review, approval and other communication protocols necessary to successfully complete the services.
9. Provide a list of questions you would need answered and the data or other City resources you would need access to or to be provided by the City to successfully complete the services.
10. What makes your firm's approach to the services different or more effective than other firms providing the same services? Describe any other asset, expertise, experience, data or technology that provides your firm with a competitive edge or advantage that will provide a benefit to your clients. Include any lessons learned from prior engagements.
11. Explain how your firm will maintain taxpayer data confidentiality and ensure such data will only be used to benefit the City of San Antonio.
12. Additional Information - Provide any additional plans and/or relevant information about Respondent's approach to providing the required services. Provide a description of any particular area(s) of expertise you or your firm may possess that has not been included elsewhere in your response to this RFP.

**RFP ATTACHMENT B**

**COST/COMPENSATION PROPOSAL**

It is anticipated by the City of San Antonio that the compensation for this audit will be on a contingency fee basis as a percentage of actual revenue (sales taxes) recovered.

Compensation Category	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
% charged for actual sales tax revenue recovered					

Please indicate the number of years the Respondent desires to be compensated for recoveries of sales taxes that are back billed \_\_\_\_\_

**Optional Service:**

Compensation Category	Year 1
One-time charge for review of City sales for completeness and accuracy of sales tax collection	

**RFP ATTACHMENT C**  
**CONTRACTS DISCLOSURE FORM**

Contracts Disclosure Form may be downloaded at  
<https://www.sanantonio.gov/eforms/atty/ContractsDisclosureForm.pdf>

Instructions for completing the Contracts Disclosure form are listed below:

1. Download form and complete all fields. Note: All fields must be completed prior to submitting the form.
2. Click on the "Print" button and place the copy in proposal response as indicated in the Proposal Checklist.

**RFP ATTACHMENT D**

**LITIGATION DISCLOSURE FORM**

**Respond to each of the questions below by checking the appropriate box. Failure to fully and truthfully disclose the information required by this Litigation Disclosure form may result in the disqualification of your proposal from consideration or termination of the contract, once awarded.**

Have you or any member of your Firm or Team to be assigned to this engagement ever been indicted or convicted of a felony or misdemeanor greater than a Class C in the last five (5) years?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Have you or any member of your Firm or Team to be assigned to this engagement been terminated (for cause or otherwise) from any work being performed for the City of San Antonio or any other Federal, State or Local Government, or Private Entity?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Have you or any member of your Firm or Team to be assigned to this engagement been involved in any claim or litigation with the City of San Antonio or any other Federal, State or Local Government, or Private Entity during the last ten (10) years?

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**If you have answered "Yes" to any of the above questions, please indicate the name(s) of the person(s), the nature, and the status and/or outcome of the information, indictment, conviction, termination, claim or litigation, as applicable. Any such information should be provided on a separate page, attached to this form and submitted with your proposal.**

**RFP ATTACHMENT E**

**SBEDA FORM(S)**

Posted as separate documents.

**RFP ATTACHMENT F**

**LOCAL PREFERENCE PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION FORM**

Posted as separate documents.

**RFP ATTACHMENT G**

**VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS PREFERENCE PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION FORM**

Posted as separate documents.

**RFP ATTACHMENT H**

**SIGNATURE PAGE**

Respondent, and co-respondent, if any, must complete City's Certified Vendor Registration (CVR) Form prior to the due date for submission of proposals. The CVR Form may be accessed at: <http://www.sanantonio.gov/purchasing/>.

By submitting a proposal, whether electronically or by paper, Respondent represents that:

If Respondent is a corporation, Respondent will be required to provide a certified copy of the resolution evidencing authority to enter into the contract, if other than an officer will be signing the contract.

If awarded a contract in response to this RFP, Respondent will be able and willing to comply with the insurance and indemnification requirements set out in RFP Exhibits 2 & 3.

If awarded a contract in response to this RFP, Respondent will be able and willing to comply with all representations made by Respondent in Respondent's proposal and during Proposal process.

Respondent has fully and truthfully submitted a Litigation Disclosure form with the understanding that failure to disclose the required information may result in disqualification of proposal from consideration.

Respondent agrees to fully and truthfully submit the Respondent General Information form and understands that failure to fully disclose requested information may result in disqualification of proposal from consideration or termination of contract, once awarded.

To comply with the City's Ethics Code, particularly Section 2-61 that prohibits a person or entity seeking a City contract - or any other person acting on behalf of such a person or entity - from contacting City officials or their staff prior to the time such contract is posted as a City Council agenda item.

(S) he is authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the entity.

If submitting your proposal by paper, complete the following and sign on the signature line below. Failure to sign and submit this Signature Page will result in rejection of your proposal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Respondent Entity Name

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(NOTE: If proposal is submitted by Co-Respondents, an authorized signature from a representative of each Co-Respondent is required. Add additional signature blocks as required.)

Co-Respondent should answer any questions or provide any information directed specifically to Co-Respondent.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Co-Respondent Entity Name

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**RFP ATTACHMENT I**

**PROPOSAL CHECKLIST**

Use this checklist to ensure that all required documents have been included in the proposal and appear in the correct order.

Document	Initial to Indicate Document is Attached to Proposal
Table of Contents	
Executive Summary	
General Information and References RFP Attachment A, Part One	
Experience, Background & Qualifications RFP Attachment A, Part Two	
Proposed Plan RFP Attachment A, Part Three	
Cost/Compensation Proposal RFP Attachment B	
*Contracts Disclosure Form RFP Attachment C	
Litigation Disclosure Form RFP Attachment D	
*SBEDA Form and Associated Certificates, if applicable RFP Attachment E	
*Local Preference Program Identification Form RFP Attachment F	
*Veteran-Owned Small Business Identification Form RFP Attachment G	
Proof of Insurability (See RFP Exhibit 2) Insurance Provider's Letter Copy of Current Certificate of Insurance	
*Signature Page RFP Attachment H	
Proposal Checklist RFP Attachment I	
One (1) Original, seven (7) hard copies and one (1) CD of entire proposal in PDF format if submitting in hard copy.	

\*Documents marked with an asterisk on this checklist require a signature. Be sure they are signed prior to submittal of proposal.