

# Request for Qualifications



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RFQ # 17-002

General Engineering Services

April 2017

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**INFORMATION TO RESPONDENTS**

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS RFQ NO. 17-002  
GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

ISSUE DATE: SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2017

MAIL OR SPECIAL  
DELIVERY REPOSSES TO: CITY CLERK  
CITY OF KEY WEST  
1300 WHITE STREET  
KEY WEST, FL 33040

DELIVER RESPONSES TO: SAME AS ABOVE

RESPONSES MUST BE  
RECEIVED: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2017

NOT LATER THAN: 3:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME

SUE SNIDER, PURCHASING AGENT  
CITY OF KEY WEST

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**Enclosures**

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**PART 1**

**RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS**

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**INVITATION  
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS  
GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**

Sealed Responses for the City of Key West RFQ No. 17-002 General Engineering Services, addressed to the City of Key West, will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, 1300 White St., Key West Florida, 33040 until 3:00 pm on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 and then will be publicly opened and Respondents named. Any Responses received after the time and date specified will not be considered.

**Please submit one (1) original and (2) two flash drives with one single PDF file of the entire proposal package on each flash drive. Response packages are to be enclosed in sealed envelopes, clearly marked on the outside “GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES RFQ No. 17-002” with the due date, Respondent’s name, addressed, and delivered to the City Clerk at the address noted above.**

General Engineering Services may include but are not limited to planning services, design services, permitting assistance, bid and proposal development services, and services during construction.

Request for Qualification packages may be obtained from Demand Star by Onvia or City of Key West website  
<http://www.cityofkeywest-fl.gov/egov/apps/document/center.egov?view=item;id=5100>. Bid package access on Demand Star, please contact Onvia at [www.demandstar.com](http://www.demandstar.com) or call 1-800-711-1712.

The Respondent will be required to furnish documentation showing that he/she is in compliance with the licensing requirements of the State and the provisions of Chapter 66 section 87 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Key West. Compliance with these provisions is required before the Respondent can enter into the Agreement contained in the Request for Qualifications. Specifically, the Respondent shall demonstrate that he/she holds, as a minimum, the following licenses and certificates required by State Statute and local codes.

**RESPONSE MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE PRESCRIBED FORMS AND INCLUDE A COVER LETTER.**

**THE RESPONDENT MUST BE LICENSED IN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND SUBMIT PROOF OF SUCH WITH THE BID.**

All certificates of insurance shall be either executed by or countersigned by a licensed resident agent of the Surety or Insurance Company having his place of business in the State of Florida, and in all ways complying with the insurance laws of the State of Florida. Further, the said Surety or Insurance Company shall be duly licensed and qualified to do business in the State of Florida.

Before an Agreement will be awarded for Respondent providing General Engineering Services, the CITY will conduct such investigation as is necessary to determine the performance record and ability of Responders. Upon request, Respondents shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the CITY to evaluate Respondent qualifications.

For information concerning this Request for Qualifications, please contact Devon Steckly, Project Manager, Engineering Services only in writing and requests for information must be received at least ten (10) days prior to the date fixed for opening of responses to RFQ. The contact email address is [dsteckly@cityofkeywest-fl.gov](mailto:dsteckly@cityofkeywest-fl.gov). The City's "Cone of Silence" Ordinance 2-773 does not allow verbal communications.

As stated above at the time of the Response submittal, the Respondent must provide satisfactory documentation of State Licenses. The Respondent shall furnish documentation showing that he is in compliance with the licensing requirements of County, and City licenses as would be required within ten days of the award. The successful Respondent must also be able to satisfy the City Attorney as to such insurance coverage and legal requirements as may be demanded by the Response in question. The City may reject Responses for any of the following reasons: (1) for budgetary reasons, (2) if the Responder misstates or conceals a material fact in its Response, (3) if the Response does not strictly conform to the law or is non-responsive to the Response requirements, (4) if the Response is conditional, (5) if a change of circumstances occurs making the purpose of the Response unnecessary to the City, or (6) if such rejection is in the best interest of the City. The City may also waive any minor informalities or irregularities in any Response.

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**ADVERTISEMENT**  
**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**  
**GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**

NOTICE is hereby given to prospective proposers that the City of Key West (CITY) is seeking General Engineering Services: RFQ No 17-002. The Clerk of the City of Key West, Florida at 1300 White Street, Key West, Florida 33040 will receive responses to Request for Qualifications until 3:00 P.M. local time on Wednesday, April 19, 2017. Late Responses will not be considered. RFQ DOCUMENTS may be obtained from DemandStar by Onvia at [www.demandstar.com/supplier](http://www.demandstar.com/supplier) or calling toll-free 1-800-711-1712 or the City Website at <http://www.cityofkeywest-fl.gov/egov/apps/document/center.egov?view=item;id=5100>.

Respondents shall submit one (1) original response and 2 USB flash drives with each USB flash drive containing one PDF file of the full response. Response package shall be enclosed in two (2) sealed envelopes, one envelope within the other clearly marked on the outside: "RFQ No. 17-002 : General Engineering Services" with due date, Respondent's name, addressed and delivered to:

CITY CLERK  
CITY OF KEY WEST  
1300 WHITE STREET  
KEY WEST, FLORIDA 33040

## **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The City of Key West requires the services of a qualified firm(s) to provide General Engineering Services. These services may include but are not limited to planning services, design services, permitting assistance, bid and proposal development services, and services during construction. The City intends to retain one or more qualified firms to provide the services for a period of three years with an additional two-year option. Completion of the scope of services may extend beyond the agreement's three-year term, but no minimum amount of service or compensation will be assured to the retained firm(s). The selected consultant(s) will be required to abide by all applicable federal, state and local laws and ordinances.

Any proposal received after the response deadline will not be considered. Upon selection of the most qualified firm(s) and approval by the City commission, the City will negotiate a contract with the selected firm(s). If the selected firm(s) does not execute the contract with the City within sixty (60) days after award, the City reserves the right to award the contract to the next most qualified firm. A respondent may not withdraw their response before the expiration of sixty (60) days from the date of response opening. A respondent may withdraw their response after that date only if they provide written notification prior to the approval of selection by the City Commission. The City of Key West reserves the right to reject any or all of the Responses submitted.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

The City is in need of consultants for General Engineering Services. Respondents should clearly identify in their responses general engineering discipline(s) that they are able to offer the City of Key West. The City of Key West has historically utilized general engineering services for a wide-range of service areas and respondents must demonstrate expertise and relevant experience in at least one of the following disciplines:

- Civil Engineering Services
- Utility Engineering Services
- Solid Waste Engineering Services
- Coastal Engineering Services
- Structural Engineering Services

### **QUALIFICATIONS CRITERIA**

The qualification criteria applied to the selections of firms for further consideration are the following:

- Specialized experience and technical competence of the firm in the listed disciplines.
- Professional qualifications of staff personnel. The firm must have a registered Professional as required by the State of Florida in the discipline on staff and be certified to perform Engineering services within the State of Florida at the time of RFQ submission.
- Capacity of assigned and identified staff to accomplish work.
- Ability to perform the services expeditiously at the request of the CITY. Location and availability of technical support people and assigned Task Order manager to the CITY



within a reasonable timeframe will be a factor in overall evaluation.

- Ability to complete required services with in-house staff
- Other certifications including LEED and FDOT certified staff professionals.
- Past work experience.

### **SELECTION PROCESS\***

The following steps will be followed in the selection process:

1. City of Key West management and staff will review each response that is submitted and determine which ones are considered responsive to the RFQ.
2. The City staff tasked with the review of the responses to the RFQ will rank the responses in a publicly advertised meeting using the enclosed selection criteria matrix.
3. The ranking and selection of the firms will be presented to City Commission for approval.
4. Firms may be required to give a presentation to the City Commission at a meeting to be scheduled at a later date. Presentations shall not exceed 10-minutes or of such time as allowed by the Commission.
5. The City Commission reserves the right to accept the recommendation of the evaluation team or approve an alternative ranking and selection.
6. City Commission will authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract with the highest ranked firm or firms. If the City Manager is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with one or more of the highest ranked firms, the City Manager will terminate negotiations and then negotiate with one or more of the lower-ranked firms and so on in order of preference if needed.
7. If the City chooses to award to more than one firm, the City Manager will negotiate a contract with each selected firm. If the City Manager is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with a selected firm, the City Manager will terminate negotiations.

\* The City reserves the right to award to more than one firm.

**CITY STAFF SELECTION CRITERIA MATRIX**

Name: REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

Number: RFQ # 17-002

Firm Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

SELECTION CRITERIA	POINTS ALLOWED	POINTS EARNED
Specialized experience and technical competence of the firm in the listed disciplines.	40	
Professional qualifications of staff personnel/Capacity of assigned and identified staff to accomplish work.	20	
Past Work Experience	20	
Ability to perform the services expeditiously at the request of the CITY. Location and availability of technical support people and assigned project manager to the CITY	10	
Ability to complete required services with in-house staff	5	
Other certifications including LEED and FDOT certified staff professionals	5	
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>100</b>	

## **SCOPE OF WORK**

The City is in need of general engineering consultants of various disciplines. Respondents may submit responses offering services for any one of, or all of the various disciplines listed below. Respondents are required to clearly identify in their responses which discipline(s) they are proposing services. Only one response package shall be submitted which identifies any of, or all of the various disciplines listed under the Qualifications section. The scope of services may include, but is not limited to, the following tasks:

- A. Provide comprehensive full-scale engineering, design, surveying, environmental and regulatory permit preparation, preparing contract specifications, preparing bid and proposal documents and assisting the City with technical review and ranking of the same to attain qualified contractors for work, environmental assessments and remediation, construction administration and owner project representation services for **Civil Engineering** projects.
- B. Provide comprehensive full-scale engineering, design, surveying, preparing contract specifications, preparing bid and proposal documents and assisting the City with technical review and ranking of the same to attain qualified contractors for work, environmental assessments, construction administration and owner project representation services relating to operation, new construction, permit modification, construction improvements, rehabilitation and or retrofit of **City Utilities** including but not limited to storm water, sewer, electrical, communications, and water for both facilities and structures.
- C. Provide comprehensive full-scale engineering, design, surveying, permit preparation, preparing contract specifications, preparing bid and proposal documents and assisting the City with technical review and ranking of the same to attain qualified contractors for work, environmental assessments, construction administration and owner project representation services relating to operation, new construction, permit modification, construction improvements, rehabilitation and or retrofit of including but not limited to **Solid Waste Facilities**.
- D. Provide comprehensive full-scale engineering, design, surveying, permit preparation, preparing contract specifications, preparing bid and proposal documents and assisting the City with technical review and ranking of the same to attain qualified contractors for work, environmental assessments, construction administration and owner project representation services relating to operation, new construction, permit modification, construction improvements, rehabilitation and or retrofit of **Coastal Facilities** including but not limited to docks, marinas, seawalls, bridges, erosion control, beach design and beach re-nourishment.

## **SUBMISSIONS DETAILS**

Engineering firms should submit a complete qualifications package that includes:

- Cover letter
- Complete company profile
- Identification of firm member by name, job classification, and qualifications. Respondents shall also identify each proposed sub-consultant along with sub-consultant's type of professional services and identify sub-consultant(s) team members by name, job classification, and qualifications. City approval is a requirement of Respondent substituting or adding a sub-consultant after Agreement execution.
- Demonstration of key personnel expertise in the above-mentioned disciplines.
- Past five (5) years of specific relevant experience. The examples should include a project description, name of client, client's contact and telephone number, design services fee, project cost, and the name of contractor awarded project.
- Proposed management approach on any service rendered. A description of the firm's quality control procedures for small, medium, and large projects.
- Anti-Kickback Affidavit, Public Entity Crimes Certification, Equal Benefits for Domestic Partners Affidavit, Indemnification Form, and Cone of Silence Affidavit for any Consultant or Sub-consultant named in response.
- State of Florida professional services license.
- Responses should be limited to a total of 100 double sided pages.

### **Submit to:**

City Clerk  
City of Key West  
1300 White Street  
Key West, FL 33040

### **Date/Time:**

Wednesday, April 19, 2017  
3:00 PM

### **Identification of Responses:**

Responses shall be submitted in two (2) sealed envelopes, one within the other, each clearly marked on the outside: "**RFQ No. 17-002 General Engineering Services**", with due date, Respondent's name, addressed and delivered to:

CITY CLERK  
CITY OF KEY WEST  
1300 WHITE STREET  
KEY WEST, FLORIDA 33040

### **Number of Copies:**

Applicants shall submit one (1) original response and two 2 USB flash drives with each USB

flash drive containing one PDF file of the full response. All contents of a Respondent's submittal shall remain the property of the City.

**Response Preparation Costs:**

The costs of response preparation for both steps in the process are not reimbursable. Response preparation costs are the applicant's total responsibility.

**Authorized Signature:**

The initial response must contain the signature of a duly authorized officer or agent of the proposer's company empowered with the right to bind the respondent to the RFQ. The respondent must provide evidence of the authority of the officer or agent to bind the respondent.

**Property of the City:**

All responses and related materials provided to the City related to this RFQ will become the property of the City of Key West.

**License Requirements:**

At the time the response is submitted, the Respondent must show satisfactory documentation of state licenses. Please note that the selected Respondent(s) will also be required to obtain and maintain a City of Key West Business Tax Receipt for the duration of the work.

**Contacts:**

All requests for information should be only in writing and emailed to Devon Steckly, Project Manager at [dsteckly@cityofkeywest-fl.gov](mailto:dsteckly@cityofkeywest-fl.gov) and requests for information must be received at least ten (10) days prior to the date fixed for the opening of responses to the RFQ. Any and all such interpretations and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of written addendum to the RFQ. If City issues an addendum, the Respondent has sole responsibility to receive any such addendum or any interpretations shall not relieve such Respondent from any obligation under his response as submitted. All addenda so issued shall become a part of the Contract document.

**Insurance**

CONSULTANT is to secure, pay for, and file with the City of Key West, prior to commencing any work under the Contract, all certificates for workers’ compensation, public liability, and property damage liability insurance, and such other insurance coverages as may be required by specifications and addenda thereto, in at least the following minimum amounts with specification amounts to prevail if greater than minimum amounts indicated. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, the CONSULTANT shall provide the minimum limits of liability insurance coverage as follows:

Auto Liability	\$1,000,000	Combined Single Limit
General Liability	\$2,000,000	Aggregate (Per Project)
	\$2,000,000	Products Aggregate
	\$1,000,000	Any One Occurrence
	\$1,000,000	Personal Injury
	\$ 300,000	Fire Damage/Legal
Professional Liability	\$2,000,000	Per Claim / Aggregate

CONSULTANT shall furnish an original Certificate of Insurance indicating, and such policy providing coverage to, City of Key West named as an additional insured on all policies—excepting Professional Liability—on a PRIMARY and NON CONTRIBUTORY basis utilizing an ISO standard endorsement at least as broad as CG 2010 (11/85) or its equivalent, (combination of CG 20 10 07 04 and CG 20 37 07 04, providing coverage for completed operations, is acceptable) including a waiver of subrogation clause in favor of City of Key West on all policies. CONSULTANT will maintain the Professional Liability, General Liability, and Umbrella Liability insurance coverages summarized above with coverage continuing in full force including the additional insured endorsement until at least 3 years beyond completion and delivery of the work contracted herein.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, the CONSULTANT shall maintain complete workers’ compensation coverage for each and every employee, principal, officer, representative, or agent of the CONSULTANT who is performing any labor, services, or material under the Contract. Further, CONSULTANT shall additionally maintain the following minimum limits of coverage:

Bodily Injury Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Bodily Injury by Disease Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Bodily Injury by Disease Policy Limit	\$1,000,000

If the work is being done on or near a navigable waterway, CONSULTANT’s workers compensation policy shall be endorsed to provide USL&H Act (WC 00 01 06 A) and Jones Act (WC 00 02 01 A) coverage if specified by the City of Key West. CONSULTANT shall provide the City of Key West with a Certificate of Insurance verifying compliance with the workman’s

compensation coverage as set forth herein and shall provide as often as required by the City of Key West such certification which shall also show the insurance company, policy number, effective and expiration date, and the limits of workman's compensation coverage under each policy.

CONSULTANT's insurance policies shall be endorsed to give 30 days written notice to the City of Key West in the event of cancellation or material change, using form CG 02 24, or its equivalent.

Certificates of Insurance submitted to the City of Key West will not be accepted without copies of the endorsements being requested. This includes additional insured endorsements, cancellation/material change notice endorsements, and waivers of subrogation. Copies of USL&H Act and Jones Act endorsements will also be required if necessary. PLEASE ADVISE YOUR INSURANCE AGENT ACCORDINGLY.

CONSULTANT will comply with any and all safety regulations required by any agency or regulatory body including but not limited to OSHA. CONSULTANT will notify City of Key West immediately by telephone at (305) 809-3964 of any accident or injury to anyone that occurs on the jobsite and is related to any of the work being performed by the CONSULTANT.

It shall be the responsibility of the Consultant to ensure that all sub-consultants/subcontractors comply with the same insurance requirements as is required of Consultant.

In addition, it is understood if at any time any of the policies required by the City shall become unsatisfactory to the City as to form or substance, or if a company issuing any such policy shall become unsatisfactory to the City, the Consultant shall obtain a new policy, submit the same to the City for approval and submit a certificate of insurance as which may be required by the contract. It is understood that upon failure of the Consultant to furnish, deliver and maintain such insurance as required above, the contract at the election of the City may be declared suspended, discontinued or terminated. Further, failure of the Consultant to take out and/or maintain any required insurance shall not relieve the Consultant from any liability under the contract, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with the obligations of the Consultant concerning indemnification.

### **Indemnification**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the CONSULTANT expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Key West, their officers, directors, agents, and employees (herein called the "indemnitees") from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees and court costs, such legal expenses to include costs incurred in establishing the indemnification and other rights agreed to in this Paragraph, to persons or property, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the CONSULTANT, its Subcontractors or persons employed or utilized by them in the performance of the Contract. Claims by indemnitees for indemnification shall be limited to the amount of CONSULTANT's insurance or \$1 million per occurrence, whichever is greater. The parties acknowledge that the amount of the indemnity required hereunder bears a reasonable

commercial relationship to the Contract and it is part of the project specifications or the bid documents, if any.

The indemnification obligations under the Contract shall not be restricted in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the CONSULTANT under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefits acts, and shall extend to and include any actions brought by or in the name of any employee of the CONSULTANT or of any third party to whom CONSULTANT may subcontract a part or all of the Work. This indemnification shall continue beyond the date of completion of the work.



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**PART 2**

**FORMS AND AFFIDAVITS**

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**ANTI-KICKBACK AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF FLORIDA                    )  
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COUNTY OF MONROE                )

I, the undersigned hereby duly sworn, depose and say that no portion of the sum herein bid will be paid to any employees of the City of Key West as a commission, kickback, reward or gift, directly or indirectly by me or any member of my firm or by an officer of the corporation.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn and subscribed before me this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**SWORN STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 287.133(3)(a)  
FLORIDA STATUTES ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICE AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.**

1. This sworn statement is submitted with Bid, Bid or Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ for

2. This sworn statement is submitted by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of entity submitting sworn statement)

whose business address is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ and (if applicable) its Federal  
Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is \_\_\_\_\_ (If the entity has no FEIN,  
include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement.)

3. My name is \_\_\_\_\_ and my relationship to  
(Please print name of individual signing)

the entity named above is \_\_\_\_\_.

4. I understand that a "public entity crime" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(g), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including but not limited to, any Bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy, material misrepresentation.

5. I understand that "convicted" or "conviction" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, nonjury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.

6. I understand that an "affiliate" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes, means

1. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime: or

2. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of t entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term "affiliate" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The ownership by one person of shares constituting controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm's length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.

7. I understand that a "person" as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(8), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state or of the United States with the legal power to enter

into a binding contract and which Bids or applies to Bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term "person" includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, and agents who are active in management of an entity.

8. Based on information and belief, the statement, which I have marked below, is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies.)

\_\_\_ Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in management of the entity, nor any affiliate of the entity have been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

\_\_\_ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members, or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989, AND (Please indicate which additional statement applies.)

\_\_\_ There has been a proceeding concerning the conviction before a hearing of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer did not place the person or affiliate on the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order.)

\_\_\_ The person or affiliate was placed on the convicted vendor list. There has been a subsequent proceeding before a hearing officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer determined that it was in the public interest to remove the person or affiliate from the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order.)

\_\_\_ The person or affiliate has not been put on the convicted vendor list. (Please describe any action taken by or pending with the Department of General Services.)

(Signature)

(Date)

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONALLY APPEARED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority,

who, after first being sworn by me, affixed his/her signature in the

(Name of individual signing)

space provided above on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

My commission expires:  
NOTARY PUBLIC

**INDEMNIFICATION**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the CONSULTANT expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Key West, their officers, directors, agents, and employees (herein called the “indemnitees”) from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney’s fees and court costs, such legal expenses to include costs incurred in establishing the indemnification and other rights agreed to in this Paragraph, to persons or property, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the CONSULTANT, its Sub-consultants or persons employed or utilized by them in the performance of the Contract. Claims by indemnitees for indemnification shall be limited to the amount of CONSULTANT’s insurance or \$1 million per occurrence, whichever is greater. The parties acknowledge that the amount of the indemnity required hereunder bears a reasonable commercial relationship to the Contract and it is part of the project specifications or the bid documents, if any.

The indemnification obligations under the Contract shall not be restricted in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the CONSULTANT under workers’ compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefits acts, and shall extend to and include any actions brought by or in the name of any employee of the CONSULTANT or of any third party to whom CONSULTANT may subcontract a part or all of the Work. This indemnification shall continue beyond the date of completion of the work.

CONTRACTOR: \_\_\_\_\_

SEAL:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## City Ordinance Sec. 2-799

### Requirements for City Contractors to Provide Equal Benefits for Domestic Partners

(a) Definitions. For purposes of this section only, the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) **Benefits** means the following plan, program or policy provided or offered by a contractor to its employees as part of the employer's total compensation package: sick leave, bereavement leave, family medical leave, and health benefits.
- (2) **Bid** shall mean a competitive bid procedure established by the city through the issuance of an invitation to bid, request for proposals, request for qualifications, or request for letters of interest.
- (3) **Cash equivalent** means the amount of money paid to an employee with a domestic partner in lieu of providing benefits to the employee's domestic partner. The cash equivalent is equal to the employer's direct expense of providing benefits to an employee for his or her spouse.

The cash equivalents of the following benefits apply:

- a. For bereavement leave, cash payment for the number of days that would be allowed as paid time off for the death of a spouse. Cash payment would be in the form of the wages of the domestic partner employee for the number of days allowed.
  - b. For health benefits, the cost to the contractor of the contractor's share of the single monthly premiums that are being paid for the domestic partner employee, to be paid on a regular basis while the domestic partner employee maintains such insurance in force for himself or herself.
  - c. For family medical leave, cash payment for the number of days that would be allowed as time off for an employee to care for a spouse who has a serious health condition. Cash payment would be in the form of the wages of the domestic partner employee for the number of days allowed.
- (4) **Contract** means any written agreement, purchase order, standing order or similar instrument entered into pursuant to the award of a bid whereby the city is committed to expend or does expend funds in return for work, labor, professional services, consulting services, supplies, equipment, materials, construction, construction related services or any combination of the foregoing.
  - (5) **Contractor** means any person or persons, sole proprietorship, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other form of doing business, that is awarded a bid and enters into a covered contract with the city, and which maintains five (5) or more full-time employees.
  - (6) **Covered contract** means a contract between the city and a contractor awarded subsequent to the date when this section becomes effective valued at over twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000).

- (7) **Domestic partner** shall mean any two adults of the same or different sex, who have registered as domestic partners with a governmental body pursuant to state or local law authorizing such registration, or with an internal registry maintained by the employer of at least one of the domestic partners. A contractor may institute an internal registry to allow for the provision of equal benefits to employees with domestic partner who do not register their partnerships pursuant to a governmental body authorizing such registration, or who are located in a jurisdiction where no such governmental domestic partnership registry exists. A contractor that institutes such registry shall not impose criteria for registration that are more stringent than those required for domestic partnership registration by the City of Key West pursuant to Chapter 38, Article V of the Key West Code of Ordinances.
- (8) **Equal benefits** mean the equality of benefits between employees with spouses and employees with domestic partners, and/or between spouses of employees and domestic partners of employees.

(b) Equal benefits requirements.

- (1) Except where otherwise exempt or prohibited by law, a Contractor awarded a covered contract pursuant to a bid process shall provide benefits to domestic partners of its employees on the same basis as it provides benefits to employees' spouses.
- (2) All bid requests for covered contracts which are issued on or after the effective date of this section shall include the requirement to provide equal benefits in the procurement specifications in accordance with this section.
- (3) The city shall not enter into any covered contract unless the contractor certifies that such contractor does not discriminate in the provision of benefits between employees with domestic partners and employees with spouses and/or between the domestic partners and spouses of such employees.
- (4) Such certification shall be in writing and shall be signed by an authorized officer of the contractor and delivered, along with a description of the contractor's employee benefits plan, to the city's procurement director prior to entering into such covered contract.
- (5) The city manager or his/her designee shall reject a contractor's certification of compliance if he/she determines that such contractor discriminates in the provision of benefits or if the city manager or designee determines that the certification was created, or is being used for the purpose of evading the requirements of this section.
- (6) The contractor shall provide the city manager or his/her designee, access to its records for the purpose of audits and/or investigations to ascertain compliance with the provisions of this section, and upon request shall provide evidence that the contractor is in compliance with the provisions of this section upon each new bid, contract renewal, or when the city manager has received a complaint or has reason to believe the contractor may not be in compliance with the provisions of this section. This shall include but not be limited to providing the city manager or



his/her designee with certified copies of all of the contractor's records pertaining to its benefits policies and its employment policies and practices.

- (7) The contractor may not set up or use its contracting entity for the purpose of evading the requirements imposed by this section.
- (c) Mandatory contract provisions pertaining to equal benefits. Unless otherwise exempt, every covered contract shall contain language that obligates the contractor to comply with the applicable provisions of this section. The language shall include provisions for the following:
- (1) During the performance of the covered contract, the contractor certifies and represents that it will comply with this section.
  - (2) The failure of the contractor to comply with this section will be deemed to be a material breach of the covered contract.
  - (3) If the contractor fails to comply with this section, the city may terminate the covered contract and all monies due or to become due under the covered contract may be retained by the city. The city may also pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity for any breach.
  - (4) If the city manager or his designee determines that a contractor has set up or used its contracting entity for the purpose of evading the requirements of this section, the city may terminate the covered contract.
- (d) Enforcement. If the contractor fails to comply with the provisions of this section:
- (1) The failure to comply may be deemed to be a material breach of the covered contract; or
  - (2) The city may terminate the covered contract; or
  - (3) Monies due or to become due under the covered contract may be retained by the city until compliance is achieved; or
  - (4) The city may also pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity for any breach;
  - (5) Failure to comply with this section may also subject contractor to the procedures set forth in Division 5 of this article, entitled "Debarment of contractors from city work."
- (e) Exceptions and waivers.

The provisions of this section shall not apply where:

- (1) The contractor does not provide benefits to employees' spouses.
- (2) The contractor is a religious organization, association, society or any non-profit charitable or educational institution or organization operated, supervised or controlled by or in conjunction with a religious organization, association or society.
- (3) The contractor is a governmental entity.

- (4) The sale or lease of city property.
- (5) The provision of this section would violate grant requirement, the laws, rules or regulations of federal or state law (for example, The acquisition services procured pursuant to Chapter 287.055, Florida Statutes known as the "Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act").
- (6) Provided that the contractor does not discriminate in the provision of benefits, a contractor may also comply with this section by providing an employee with the cash equivalent of such benefits, if the city manager or his/her designee determines that either:
  - a. The contractor has made a reasonable yet unsuccessful effort to provide equal benefits. The contractor shall provide the city manager or his/her designee with sufficient proof of such inability to provide such benefit or benefits which shall include the measures taken to provide such benefits or benefits and the cash equivalent proposed, along with its certificate of compliance, as is required under this section.
- (7) The city commission waives compliance of this section in the best interest of the city, including but not limited to the following circumstances:
  - a. The covered contract is necessary to respond to an emergency.
  - b. Where only one bid response is received.
  - c. Where more than one bid response is received, but the bids demonstrate that none of the bidders can comply with the requirements of this section.
- (f) City's authority to cancel contract. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the city's authority to cancel or terminate a contract, deny or withdraw approval to perform a subcontract or provide supplies, issue a non-responsibility finding, issue a non-responsiveness finding, deny a person or entity prequalification, or otherwise deny a person or entity city business.
- (g) Timing of application. This section shall be applicable only to covered contracts awarded pursuant to bids which are after the date when this section becomes effective.



**City Ordinance Sec. 2-773. - Cone of silence.**

- (a) *Definitions.* For purposes of this section, reference to one gender shall include the other, use of the plural shall include the singular, and use of the singular shall include the plural. The following definitions apply unless the context in which the word or phrase is used requires a different definition:
- (1) *Competitive solicitation* means a formal process by the City of Key West relating to the acquisition of goods or services, which process is intended to provide an equal and open opportunity to qualified persons and entities to be selected to provide the goods or services. Competitive solicitation shall include request for proposals ("RFP"), request for qualifications ("RFQ"), request for letters of interest ("RFLI"), invitation to bid ("ITB") or any other advertised solicitation.
  - (2) *Cone of silence* means a period of time during which there is a prohibition on communication regarding a particular competitive solicitation.
  - (3) *Evaluation or selection committee* means a group of persons appointed or designated by the city to evaluate, rank, select, or make a recommendation regarding a vendor or the vendor's response to the competitive solicitation. A member of such a committee shall be deemed a city official for the purposes of subsection (c) below.
  - (4) *Vendor* means a person or entity that has entered into or that desires to enter into a contract with the City of Key West or that seeks an award from the city to provide goods, perform a service, render an opinion or advice, or make a recommendation related to a competitive solicitation for compensation or other consideration.
  - (5) *Vendor's representative* means an owner, individual, employee, partner, officer, or member of the board of directors of a vendor, or a consultant, lobbyist, or actual or potential subcontractor or sub-consultant who acts at the behest of a vendor in communicating regarding a competitive solicitation.
- (b) *Prohibited communications.* A cone of silence shall be in effect during the course of a competitive solicitation and prohibit:
- (1) Any communication regarding a particular competitive solicitation between a potential vendor or vendor's representative and the city's administrative staff including, but not limited to, the city manager and his or her staff;
  - (2) Any communication regarding a particular competitive solicitation between a potential vendor or vendor's representative and the mayor, city commissioners, or their respective staff;
  - (3) Any communication regarding a particular competitive solicitation between a potential vendor or vendor's representative and any member of a city evaluation and/or selection committee therefore; and
  - (4) Any communication regarding a particular competitive solicitation between the mayor, city commissioners, or their respective staff, and a member of a city evaluation and/or selection committee therefore.
- (c) *Permitted communications.* Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained herein shall prohibit:
- (1) Communication between members of the public who are not vendors or a vendor's representative and any city employee, official or member of the city commission;
  - (2) Communications in writing at any time with any city employee, official or member of the city commission, unless specifically prohibited by the applicable competitive solicitation.
    - (A) However, any written communication must be filed with the city clerk. Any city employee, official or member of the city commission receiving or making any written communication must immediately file it with the city clerk.
    - (B) The city clerk shall include all written communication as part of the agenda item when publishing information related to a particular competitive solicitation;

- (3) Oral communications at duly noticed pre-bid conferences;
- (4) Oral presentations before publically noticed evaluation and/or selection committees;
- (5) Contract discussions during any duly noticed public meeting;
- (6) Public presentations made to the city commission or advisory body thereof during any duly noticed public meeting;
- (7) Contract negotiations with city staff following the award of a competitive solicitation by the city commission; or
- (8) Purchases exempt from the competitive process pursuant to section 2-797 of these Code of Ordinances;

(d) *Procedure.*

- (1) The cone of silence shall be imposed upon each competitive solicitation at the time of public notice of such solicitation as provided by section 2-826 of this Code. Public notice of the cone of silence shall be included in the notice of the competitive solicitation. The city manager shall issue a written notice of the release of each competitive solicitation to the affected departments, with a copy thereof to each commission member, and shall include in any public solicitation for goods and services a statement disclosing the requirements of this ordinance.
- (2) The cone of silence shall terminate at the time the city commission or other authorized body makes final award or gives final approval of a contract, rejects all bids or responses to the competitive solicitation, or takes other action which ends the competitive solicitation.
- (3) Any city employee, official or member of the city commission that is approached concerning a competitive solicitation while the cone of silence is in effect shall notify such individual of the prohibitions contained in this section. While the cone of silence is in effect, any city employee, official or member of the city commission who is the recipient of any oral communication by a potential vendor or vendor's representative in violation of this section shall create a written record of the event. The record shall indicate the date of such communication, the persons with whom such communication occurred, and a general summation of the communication.

(e) *Violations/penalties and procedures.*

- (1) A sworn complaint alleging a violation of this ordinance may be filed with the city attorney's office. In each such instance, an initial investigation shall be performed to determine the existence of a violation. If a violation is found to exist, the penalties and process shall be as provided in section 1-15 of this Code.
- (2) In addition to the penalties described herein and otherwise provided by law, a violation of this ordinance shall render the competitive solicitation void at the discretion of the city commission.
- (3) Any person who violates a provision of this section shall be prohibited from serving on a City of Key West advisory board, evaluation and/or selection committee.
- (4) In addition to any other penalty provided by law, violation of any provision of this ordinance by a City of Key West employee shall subject said employee to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal.
- (5) If a vendor is determined to have violated the provisions of this section on two more occasions it shall constitute evidence under City Code section 2-834 that the vendor is not properly qualified to carry out the obligations or to complete the work contemplated by any new competitive solicitation. The city's purchasing agent shall also commence any available debarment from city work proceeding that may be available upon a finding of two or more violations by a vendor of this section.

(Ord. No. 13-11, § 1, 6-18-2013)

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**PART 3**

**DRAFT AGREEMENT**

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**THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENT IS A  
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# **AGREEMENT**

**between**

**CITY OF KEY WEST**

**and**

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**for**

**GENERAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**

**KEY WEST, FLORIDA**



This is an Agreement between: CITY OF KEY WEST, its successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as "CITY," and \_\_\_\_\_, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, its successors and assigns, hereinafter referred to as "CONSULTANT".

WITNESSETH, in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions, promises, covenants and payments hereinafter set forth, CITY and CONSULTANT agree as follows:

## **ARTICLE 1**

### **DEFINITIONS AND IDENTIFICATIONS**

For the purposes of this Agreement and the various covenants, conditions, terms and provisions which follow, the definitions and identifications set forth below are assumed to be true and correct and are agreed upon by the parties.

- 1.1. Agreement:** This document, Articles 1 through 7, inclusive. Other terms and conditions are included in the CITY's RFQ 17-002 General Engineering Services, CONSULTANT's Response to RFQ dated \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, exhibits, Task Orders, and supplemental documents that are by this provision expressly incorporated herein by reference.
- 1.2. Commissioners:** Members of the City Commission with all legislative powers of the CITY vested therein.
- 1.3. CONSULTANT:** The engineering firm selected to perform the services pursuant to this Agreement.
- 1.4. Contract Administrator:** The ranking managerial employee of the CITY or some other employee expressly designated as Contract Administrator by the City Manager, who is the representative of the CITY. In the administration of this Agreement, as contrasted with matters of policy, all parties may rely upon instructions or determinations made by the Contract Administrator; provided, however, that such instructions and determinations do not change the Scope of Services.
- 1.5. Contractor:** The person, firm, corporation or other entity that enters into an agreement with CITY to perform the construction work for the Task Order.
- 1.6. CITY:** City of Key West.
- 1.7. Task Order:** A detailed description of a particular service or services to be performed by CONSULTANT under this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 2**

### **PREAMBLE**

In order to establish the background, context and frame of reference for this Agreement and generally to express the objectives and intentions of the respective parties hereto, the following statements, representations and explanations shall be accepted as predicates for the undertakings and commitments included within the provisions which follow and may be relied upon by the parties as essential elements of the mutual considerations upon which this Agreement is based.

- 2.1. The CONSULTANT is not entitled to receive, and the CITY is not obligated to pay, any fees or expenses in excess of the amount budgeted for Task Orders authorized under this Agreement in each fiscal year (October 1-September 30) by CITY. The budgeted amount may only be modified per City Ordinance(s).
- 2.2. The CITY has met the requirements of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, as set forth in Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, and has selected CONSULTANT to perform the services hereunder based on the Request for Qualifications 17-002 incorporated by reference and made a part hereof and the Response to the Request for Qualifications from Consultant dated \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, incorporated by reference and made part of.
- 2.3. Negotiations pertaining to the services to be performed by CONSULTANT were undertaken between CONSULTANT and staff selected by the Commission, and this Agreement incorporates the results of such negotiations.

## **ARTICLE 3**

### **SCOPE OF SERVICES AND STANDARD OF CARE**

- 3.1. CONSULTANT's services may include but are not limited to the following in regard to the Agreement:
  - 3.1.1. Civil Engineering Services
  - 3.1.2. Utility Engineering Services
  - 3.1.3. Solid Waste Engineering Services
  - 3.1.4. Coastal Engineering Services
  - 3.1.5. Structural Engineering Services
- 3.2. CONSULTANT's services shall include comprehensive full-scale engineering, design, surveying, permit preparation, preparing contract specifications, preparing bid and proposal documents and assisting the City with technical review and ranking of the same to attain qualified contractors for work, environmental assessments, construction

administration and owner project representation services relating to operation, new construction, permit modification, construction improvements, rehabilitation and or retrofits, and any other lawful professional Engineering services that the CONSULTANT is qualified to provide and that the CITY authorizes the CONSULTANT to undertake in connection with this Agreement. CONSULTANT shall provide all necessary, incidental and related activities and services as required.

**3.3.** CONSULTANT and CITY acknowledge that the Scope of Services does not delineate every detail and minor work task required to be performed by CONSULTANT to complete any particular task order. If, during the course of the performance of the services included in this Agreement, CONSULTANT determines that work should be performed to complete the Task Order which is, in the CONSULTANT's opinion, outside the level of effort originally anticipated, whether or not the Scope of Services identifies the work items, CONSULTANT shall notify Contract Administrator in writing in a timely manner before proceeding with the work. If CONSULTANT proceeds with such work without notifying the Contract Administrator, the work shall be deemed to be within the original level of effort, whether or not specifically addressed in the Scope of Services. Notice to Contract Administrator does not constitute authorization or approval by CITY to perform the work. Performance of work by CONSULTANT outside the originally anticipated level of effort without prior written CITY approval or modification of Task Order is at CONSULTANT's sole risk.

**3.4.** The specific services to be provided by the CONSULTANT and the compensation for such services shall be as mutually agreed to in separate Task Orders to this AGREEMENT. Each Task Order when fully executed shall become a supplement to and a part of this AGREEMENT.

3.4.1. Each Task Order shall be supported by appropriate cost and pricing data and such other documentation as required by the CITY.

3.4.2. Task Orders shall be numbered consecutively as specified by CITY. Each Task Order shall include a description of the scope of services and specified deliverables, time of completion, total estimated costs of services, and method of compensation. Additional information shall be provided to the CITY if required. Amended Task Orders shall include substantially the same information and be submitted to the CITY for approval.

3.4.3. The CITY may make or approve changes within the general Scope of Services in any Task Order. If such changes affect the CONSULTANT's cost of or time required for performance of the services, an equitable adjustment shall be made through an amendment to the Task Order.

3.4.4. A Task Order may be terminated at any time, with or without cause, by the CITY upon written notice to CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT shall perform no further work upon receipt of this notice unless specifically authorized by the City Manager of the City of Key West. On termination, the CONSULTANT shall be paid for all authorized services performed up to the termination date plus, if terminated for the convenience of the CITY, reasonable expenses incurred during the close-out of the Task Order. The CITY shall not pay for anticipatory profits. The termination of this Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 7.2, hereof, shall constitute the termination of any and

all outstanding Task Orders.

- 3.4.5. The CONSULTANT shall begin services under any Task Order when authorized by a Purchase Order issued by the CITY and delivered to CONSULTANT.
- 3.5. The CITY and CONSULTANT may negotiate additional scopes of services, compensation, time of performance and other related matters for each Task Order as allowed by this Agreement. If CITY and CONSULTANT cannot contractually agree, CITY shall have the right to immediately terminate negotiations at no cost to CITY and procure services from another source.
- 3.6. CONSULTANT shall perform the professional services under this Agreement at the level customary for competent and prudent professionals in CONSULTANT'S field performing such services at the time and place where the services are provided. In the event CONSULTANT does not comply with this standard, and omissions or errors are made by CONSULTANT, CONSULTANT will correct such work that contains errors or omissions and reimburse CITY through compensation for damages.
- 3.7. CONSULTANT is required to perform the Task Orders consistent with current applicable Federal, State and City laws, codes and regulations that pertain to the Task Order. In all Task Orders, where changes to any laws, codes or regulations affecting the Task Order have a Task Ordered effective date or are anticipated to be effective at a future date, or if knowledge of anticipated changes is available to CONSULTANT or any sub-consultant, CONSULTANT shall present options for their use or implementation.
- 3.8. Construction Responsibility - Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement, CONSULTANT shall not have control or charge of and shall not be responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or for safety measures, precautions and programs including enforcement of Federal and State safety requirements, in connection with construction work performed by CITY's construction contractors.
- 3.9. Estimates - Since CONSULTANT has no control over local conditions, the cost of labor, materials, equipment or services furnished by others, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, CONSULTANT does not guarantee the accuracy of any opinions of probable construction cost as compared to construction contractor's bids or the actual cost to the CITY.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

##### **TERM OF AGREEMENT; TIME FOR PERFORMANCE; CONTRACTOR DAMAGES:**

The term of this Agreement shall be for a period of three (3) years from the effective date of the Agreement with the option of one (1) two (2) year renewal. The Agreement will be in effect upon execution by both parties. The Agreement may be renewed at the discretion of the CITY.

- 4.1. CONSULTANT shall perform the services described in each Task Order within the time periods specified. Each such time period shall commence from the date of the purchase

order issued for such services.

- 4.2. CONSULTANT must receive written approval from the Contract Administrator prior to beginning the performance of services in any subsequent Task Order. Prior to granting approval for CONSULTANT to proceed to a subsequent Task Order, the Contract Administrator may, at his or her sole option, require CONSULTANT to submit any deliverables/documents for the Contract Administrator's review.
- 4.3. In the event CONSULTANT is unable to complete the above services because of delays resulting from untimely review by CITY or other governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the Task Order, and such delays are not the fault of CONSULTANT, or because of delays which were caused by factors outside the control of CONSULTANT, CITY shall grant a reasonable extension of time for completion of the services and shall provide reasonable compensation, if appropriate. It shall be the responsibility of CONSULTANT to notify CITY within 10 days in writing whenever a delay in approval by a governmental agency, including CITY, is anticipated or experienced, and to inform the Contract Administrator of all facts and details related to the delay.
- 4.4. In the event the Contractor fails to substantially complete the Task Order on or before the substantial completion date specified in its agreement with CITY or if Contractor is granted an extension of time beyond said substantial completion date, and CONSULTANT's services are extended beyond the substantial completion date, through no fault of CONSULTANT, CONSULTANT shall be compensated in accordance with Article 5 for all services rendered by CONSULTANT beyond the substantial completion date.
- 4.5. In the event Contractor fails to substantially complete the Task Order on or before the substantial completion date specified in its agreement with CITY, and the failure to substantially complete is caused in whole or in part by a negligent act, error or omission of CONSULTANT, then CONSULTANT shall pay to CITY its proportional share of any claim or damages to Contractor or CITY arising out of the delay. This provision shall not affect the rights and obligations of either party as set forth in Paragraph 7.8, INDEMNIFICATION OF CITY.

## **ARTICLE 5**

### **COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT**

#### **5.1. AMOUNT AND METHOD OF COMPENSATION**

The types of compensation methods, which shall be used to pay for the CONSULTANT's services, are limited to the following:

- 5.1.1. Lump sum payment/Not-to-Exceed, which includes compensation for all the

CONSULTANT'S salaries, general overhead costs, direct expenses, and profit.

- 5.1.1.1. If the TASK ORDER timing deviates from the assumed schedule for causes beyond CONSULTANT's control, CONSULTANT and/or the CITY reserves the right to request renegotiation of those portions of the lump sum affected by the time change. During construction contract administration, if tasked, it is agreed by both parties that whether construction is completed earlier or later, that a proportional part of the compensation will be adjusted and either given to CONSULTANT for additional work or deleted from the amount owed CONSULTANT for less time required.
  - 5.1.1.2. In the event of a change of scope, CITY shall authorize in writing an appropriate decrease or increase in compensation.
  - 5.1.1.3. Monthly invoicing will be based on an estimate of the percent of work completed at the end of the preceding month.
  - 5.1.1.4. The CONSULTANT shall submit wage rates and other actual unit costs supporting the compensation. The CONSULTANT shall submit a Truth in Negotiation Certificate stating that all data supporting the compensation is accurate, complete, and current at the time of contracting.
- 5.1.2. Cost Reimbursable-Per Diem (Time and Expenses)
- 5.1.2.1. Per diem rates are those hourly or daily rates charged for work performed on the TASK ORDER by CONSULTANT's employees of the indicated classifications and include all salaries, overheads, and profit, but do not include allowances for Direct Expenses. These rates are subject to annual adjustments based on the Consumer Price Index Urban U.S. City Average All Items U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics.
  - 5.1.2.2. Hourly rates for the first year of the contract (CONSULTANT AND Sub-consultants): See attached Exhibit A
  - 5.1.2.3. CONSULTANT and Sub-consultants allowed annual wage adjustment on the Agreement effective anniversary dates shall not exceed the Data Resource Institute (DRI) forecast of wage and price escalation (the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics [BLS] Employment Cost Index [ECI] for Private Industry)
  - 5.1.2.4. A budgetary amount will be established for each Task Order. This budgetary amount shall not be exceeded unless prior written approval is provided by the CITY. CONSULTANT shall make reasonable efforts to complete the work within the budget and will keep CITY informed of progress toward that end so that the budget or work effort can be adjusted if found necessary.
  - 5.1.2.5. CONSULTANT is not obligated to incur costs beyond the indicated budgets, as may be adjusted, nor is CITY obligated to pay CONSULTANT beyond these limits.
  - 5.1.2.6. When any budget has been increased, CONSULTANT's excess costs expended prior to such increase will be allowable to the same extent as if

such costs had been incurred after the approved increase.

## **5.2. REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES**

- 5.2.1.1. Direct non-salary expenses, entitled Reimbursable Expenses, directly attributable to the Task Order shall be charged at actual cost, and shall be limited to the following:
  - 5.2.1.2. Identifiable transportation expenses in connection with the Task Order, subject to the limitations of Section 112.061, Florida Statutes. There shall be no mileage reimbursement for travel within the City of Key West. Transportation expenses to locations outside the City area or from locations outside the City will not be reimbursed unless specifically pre-authorized in writing by the Contract Administrator.
  - 5.2.1.3. Identifiable per diem, meals and lodgings, taxi fares, automobile rental, and miscellaneous travel-connected expenses for CONSULTANT's personnel subject to the limitations of Section 112.061 Florida Statutes. Meals for class C travel inside the City of Key West will not be reimbursed. Lodging will be reimbursed only for room rates equivalent to Holiday Inn, Hampton Inn, or Best Western located within the City of Key West city limits.
  - 5.2.1.4. Identifiable communication expenses approved by Contract Administrator, long distance telephone, courier and express mail utilized to render the services required by this Agreement.
  - 5.2.1.5. Cost of printing, reproduction or photography that is required by or of CONSULTANT to deliver services set forth in this Agreement. Unit costs must be specified on the Task Order.
  - 5.2.1.6. Identifiable testing costs approved by Contract Administrator. Unit costs must be specified on the Task Order.
  - 5.2.1.7. All permit fees paid to regulatory agencies for approvals directly attributable to the Task Order. These permit fees do not include those permits required for the Contractor.
- 5.2.2. It is acknowledged and agreed to by CONSULTANT that the dollar limitation set forth in Paragraphs 5.2.1.1 through 5.2.1.7 is a limitation upon, and describes the maximum extent of, CITY's obligation to reimburse CONSULTANT for direct, non-salary expenses. If CITY or Contract Administrator requests CONSULTANT to incur expenses not contemplated in the amount for Reimbursable Expenses, CONSULTANT shall notify Contract Administrator in writing before incurring such expenses. Any such expenses shall be reviewed and approved by CITY prior to incurring such expenses.
- 5.2.3. All sub-consultants' hourly rates shall be billed in the actual amount paid by CONSULTANT. These amounts shall not increase each fiscal year to the CITY by more than the Consumer Price Index Urban U.S. City Average All Items U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics. Sub-consultant Reimbursable Expenses are limited to the items in Paragraphs 5.2.1.1 through 5.2.1.7 described above when the sub-consultant's agreement provides for reimbursable expenses.

### **5.3. METHOD OF BILLING**

#### **5.3.1. Lump Sum Compensation**

CONSULTANT shall submit billings that are identified by the specific Task Order number if applicable on a monthly basis in a timely manner. These billings shall identify the nature of the work performed and the estimated percent of work accomplished. The statement shall show a summary of fees with accrual of the total and credits for portions paid previously. When requested, CONSULTANT shall provide backup for past and current invoices that record hours, personnel, and expense costs on a task basis, so that total hours and costs by task may be determined.

#### **5.3.2. Cost Reimbursable-Per Diem (Time and Expenses) Compensation**

CONSULTANT shall submit billings that are identified by the specific Task Order number on a monthly basis in a timely manner for all personnel hours and reimbursable expenses attributable to the Task Order. These billings shall identify the nature of the work performed, the total hours of work performed and the employee category and name of the individuals performing same. Billings shall itemize and summarize reimbursable expenses by category and identify same as to the personnel incurring the expense and the nature of the work with which such expense was associated. Where prior written approval by Contract Administrator is required for reimbursable expenses, a copy of the approval shall accompany the billing for such reimbursable. The statement shall show a summary of salary costs and reimbursable expenses with accrual of the total and credits for portions paid previously. External reimbursable expenses and sub-consultant fees must be documented by copies of invoices or receipts that describe the nature of the expenses and contain a Task Order number or other identifier that clearly indicates the expense is identifiable to the Task Order. Subsequent addition of the identifier to the invoice or receipt by the CONSULTANT is not acceptable except for meals and travel expenses. Appropriate CONSULTANT's cost accounting forms with a summary of charges must document internal expenses by category. When requested, CONSULTANT shall provide backup for past and current invoices that records hours and rates by employee category, reimbursable expenses by category, and subcontractor fees on a task basis, so that total hours and costs by task may be determined.

5.3.3. If requested, CONSULTANT shall provide copies of past paid invoices to any subcontractor or sub-consultant prior to receiving payment. CITY reserves the right to pay any subcontractor or sub-consultant, if CONSULTANT has not paid them timely and the services of the subcontractor or sub-consultant are necessary to complete the TASK ORDER or any Task Order.

### **5.4. METHOD OF PAYMENT**

5.4.1. CITY shall pay CONSULTANT within forty-five (45) calendar days from receipt of CONSULTANT's proper invoice with documentation as provided above.

5.4.2. In the event CONSULTANT has utilized a Sub-consultant in order to perform the



Task Order, CONSULTANT will be required to provide documentation that Sub-consultant and Sub-consultants of Sub-consultants have been paid prior to payment being made to CONSULTANT.

5.4.3. Payment will be made to CONSULTANT at:

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

**ARTICLE 6**

**CITY 'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 6.1. CITY shall assist CONSULTANT by placing at CONSULTANT's disposal all information CITY has available pertinent to the Task Order including previous reports and any other data relative to design or construction of the Task Order.
- 6.2. CITY shall arrange for access to, and make all provisions for, CONSULTANT to enter upon public and private property as required for CONSULTANT to perform its services.
- 6.3. CITY shall review the CONSULTANT's itemized deliverables/documents identified in the Task Orders and respond in writing with any comment within the time set forth in the Task Order or within a reasonable time.
- 6.4. CITY shall give prompt written notice to CONSULTANT whenever CITY observes or otherwise becomes aware of any development that affects the scope or timing of CONSULTANT's services or any defect in the work of any Contractor.

**ARTICLE 7**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**7.1. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS**

All finished or unfinished documents, data, data matrices and calculations generated and used to evaluate and compute the construction or material requirements for the Task Order, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs and reports prepared or provided by CONSULTANT in connection with this Agreement, whether in hard copy or electronic form, shall become the property of CITY, whether the Task Order for which they are made is completed or not. If applicable, CITY may withhold any

payments then due to CONSULTANT until CONSULTANT complies with the provisions of this Article. CONSULTANT is not responsible for damages caused by the unauthorized re-use by others of any of the materials for another Task Order.

## **7.2. TERMINATION**

- 7.2.1. This Agreement may be terminated with or without cause by CITY at any time.
- 7.2.2. Notice of termination shall be provided in accordance with paragraph 7.12 NOTICES of this Agreement.
- 7.2.3. In the event this Agreement is terminated, CONSULTANT shall be paid for any services performed to the date the Agreement is terminated. Compensation shall be withheld until all documents specified in Section 7.1 of this Agreement are provided to the CITY. Upon being notified of CITY's election to terminate, CONSULTANT shall refrain from performing further services or incurring additional expenses under the terms of this Agreement. Under no circumstances shall CITY make payment of profit for services that have not been performed.

## **7.3. AUDIT RIGHT AND RETENTION OF RECORDS**

- 7.3.1. CITY shall have the right to audit the books, records, and accounts of CONSULTANT that are related to any Task Order. CONSULTANT shall keep such books, records, and accounts as may be necessary in order to record complete and correct entries related to the Task Order.
- 7.3.2. CONSULTANT shall preserve and make available, at reasonable times for examination and audit by CITY, all financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and any other documents pertinent to this Agreement for the required retention period of the Florida Public Records Act (Chapter 119, Fla. Stat.), if applicable, or, if the Florida Public Records Act is not applicable, for a minimum period of three (3) years after termination of this Agreement. If any audit has been initiated and audit findings have not been resolved at the end of the retention period or three (3) years, whichever is longer, the books, records, and accounts shall be retained until resolution of the audit findings. If the Florida Public Records Act is determined by CITY to be applicable to CONSULTANT's records, CONSULTANT shall comply with all requirements thereof; however, CONSULTANT shall violate no confidentiality or non-disclosure requirement of either federal or state law. Any incomplete or incorrect entry in such books, records, and accounts shall be a basis for CITY's disallowance and recovery of any payment upon such entry.

## **7.4. NONDISCRIMINATION, EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY, AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, AND EQUAL BENEFITS FOR DOMESTIC PARTNERS**

- 7.4.1. CONSULTANT shall not unlawfully discriminate against any person in its

operations and activities in its use or expenditure of the funds or any portion of the funds provided by this Agreement and shall affirmatively comply with all applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in the course of providing any services funded in whole or in part by CITY, including Titles I and II of the ADA (regarding nondiscrimination on the basis of disability), and all applicable regulations, guidelines, and standards.

7.4.2. CONSULTANT's decisions regarding the delivery of services under this Agreement shall be made without regard to or consideration of race, age, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, marital status, physical or mental disability, political affiliation, or any other factor that can not be lawfully or appropriately used as a basis for service delivery. CONSULTANT shall comply with Title I of the Americans with Disabilities Act regarding nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in employment and further shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, age, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, gender identity or expression, marital status, political affiliation, or physical or mental disability. Such actions shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff, termination, rates of pay, other forms of compensation, terms and conditions of employment, training (including apprenticeship), and accessibility.

7.4.3. Consultant shall comply with City Ordinance Sec. 2-799 Requirements for City Contractors to Provide Equal Benefits for Domestic Partners

## **7.5. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES ACT**

7.5.1. CONSULTANT represents that the execution of this Agreement shall not violate the Public Entity Crimes Act (Section 287.133, Florida Statutes), which essentially provides that a person or affiliate who is a contractor, consultant or other provider and who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a Public Entity Crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to CITY, may not submit a bid on a contract with CITY for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to CITY, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with CITY, and may not transact any business with CITY in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for category two purchases for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list. Violation of this section shall result in termination of this Agreement and recovery of all monies paid hereto, and may result in being barred from CITY's competitive procurement activities.

7.5.2. In addition to the foregoing, CONSULTANT further represents that there has been no determination, based on an audit, that it or any sub-consultant, has committed an act defined by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, as a "public entity crime" and that it has not been formally charged with committing an act defined as a "public entity crime" regardless of the amount of money involved or whether CONSULTANT has been

placed on the convicted vendor list.

7.5.3. CONSULTANT shall promptly notify CITY if it or any subcontractor or sub-consultant is formally charged with an act defined as a “public entity crime” or has been placed on the convicted vendor list.

## 7.6. SUB-CONSULTANTS

CONSULTANT may use the sub-consultants identified in the proposal that was a material part of the selection of CONSULTANT to provide the services under this Agreement. The CITY reserves the right to accept the use of a sub-consultant or to reject the selection of a particular sub-consultant and to inspect all facilities of any sub-consultants in order to make determination as to the capability of the sub-consultant to perform properly under this Contract. The CITY’s acceptance of a sub-consultant shall not be unreasonably withheld. CONSULTANT shall obtain written approval of Contract Administrator prior to changing or adding to the list of sub-consultants. The list of sub-consultants submitted and currently approved is as follows:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_

Hourly rates for such said Sub-consultants are as on attached Exhibit A.

## 7.7. ASSIGNMENT AND PERFORMANCE

7.7.1. Neither this Agreement nor any interest herein shall be assigned, transferred, or encumbered by either party and CONSULTANT shall not subcontract any portion of the work required by this Agreement except as authorized pursuant to Section 7.6.

7.7.2. CONSULTANT represents that all persons delivering the services required by this Agreement have the knowledge and skills, either by training, experience, education, or a combination thereof, to adequately and competently perform the duties, obligations, and services set forth in the Scope of Services and to provide and perform such services to CITY’s satisfaction for the agreed compensation.

7.7.3. CONSULTANT shall perform its duties, obligations, and services under this Agreement in a skillful and respectable manner. The quality of CONSULTANT’s performance and all interim and final product(s) provided to or on behalf of CITY shall be in accordance with the standard of care set forth in Paragraph 3.6.

7.7.4. CONSULTANT shall not change or replace overall project manager identified in the CONSULTANT’s response to the RFQ without the Contract Administrator’s prior written approval.

**7.8. INDEMNIFICATION OF CITY**

7.8.1. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the CONSULTANT expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Key West, their officers, directors, agents, and employees (herein called the “indemnities”) from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney’s fees and court costs, such legal expenses to include costs incurred in establishing the indemnification and other rights agreed to in this Paragraph, to persons or property, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the CONSULTANT, its Subcontractors or persons employed or utilized by them in the performance of the Contract. Claims by indemnities for indemnification shall be limited to the amount of CONSULTANT’s insurance or \$1 million per occurrence, whichever is greater. The parties acknowledge that the amount of the indemnity required hereunder bears a reasonable commercial relationship to the Contract and it is part of the project specifications or the bid documents, if any.

7.8.2. The indemnification obligations under the Contract shall not be restricted in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the CONSULTANT under workers’ compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefits acts, and shall extend to and include any actions brought by or in the name of any employee of the CONSULTANT or of any third party to whom CONSULTANT may subcontract a part or all of the Work. This indemnification shall continue beyond the date of completion of the Work.

**7.9. INSURANCE**

7.9.1. CONSULTANT is to secure, pay for, and file with the City of Key West, prior to commencing any work under the Contract, all certificates for workers’ compensation, public liability, and property damage liability insurance, and such other insurance coverages as may be required by specifications and addenda thereto, in at least the following minimum amounts with specification amounts to prevail if greater than minimum amounts indicated. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, the CONSULTANT shall provide the minimum limits of liability insurance coverage as follows:

Auto Liability	\$1,000,000	Combined Single Limit
General Liability	\$2,000,000	Aggregate (Per Project)
	\$2,000,000	Products Aggregate
	\$1,000,000	Any One Occurrence
	\$1,000,000	Personal Injury
	\$ 300,000	Fire Damage/Legal
Professional Liability	\$2,000,000	Per Claim / Aggregate

7.9.2. CONSULTANT shall furnish an original Certificate of Insurance indicating, and such policy providing coverage to, City of Key West named as an additional insured on all policies— excepting Professional Liability—on a PRIMARY and NON CONTRIBUTORY basis utilizing an ISO standard endorsement at least as broad as CG 2010 (11/85) or its equivalent, (combination of CG 20 10 07 04 and CG 20 37 07

04, providing coverage for completed operations, is acceptable) including a waiver of subrogation clause in favor of City of Key West on all policies. CONSULTANT will maintain the Professional Liability, General Liability, and Umbrella Liability insurance coverages summarized above with coverage continuing in full force including the additional insured endorsement until at least 3 years beyond completion and delivery of the work contracted herein.

7.9.3. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Contract, the CONSULTANT shall maintain complete workers compensation coverage for each and every employee, principal, officer, representative, or agent of the CONSULTANT who is performing any labor, services, or material under the Contract. Further, CONSULTANT shall additionally maintain the following minimum limits of coverage:

Bodily Injury Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Bodily Injury by Disease Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Bodily Injury by Disease Policy Limit	\$1,000,000

7.9.4. If the work is being done on or near a navigable waterway, CONSULTANT's workers compensation policy shall be endorsed to provide USL&H Act (WC 00 01 06 A) and Jones Act (WC 00 02 01 A) coverage if specified by the City of Key West. CONSULTANT shall provide the City of Key West with a Certificate of Insurance verifying compliance with the workers compensation coverage as set forth herein and shall provide as often as required by the City of Key West such certification which shall also show the insurance company, policy number, effective and expiration date, and the limits of workers compensation coverage under each policy.

7.9.5. CONSULTANT's insurance policies shall be endorsed to give 30 days written notice to the City of Key West in the event of cancellation or material change, using form CG 02 24, or its equivalent.

7.9.6. Certificates of Insurance submitted to the City of Key West will not be accepted without copies of the endorsements being requested. This includes additional insured endorsements, cancellation/material change notice endorsements, and waivers of subrogation. Copies of USL&H Act and Jones Act endorsements will also be required if necessary. PLEASE ADVISE YOUR INSURANCE AGENT ACCORDINGLY.

7.9.7. CONSULTANT will comply with any and all safety regulations required by any agency or regulatory body including but not limited to OSHA. CONSULTANT will notify City of Key West immediately by telephone at (305) 809-3964 any accident or injury to anyone that occurs on the jobsite and is related to any of the work being performed by the CONSULTANT.

7.9.8. It shall be the responsibility of the Consultant to ensure that all sub-consultants/subcontractors comply with the same insurance requirements as is required of Consultant.

7.9.9. In addition, it is understood if at any time any of the policies required by the City shall become unsatisfactory to the City as to form or substance, or if a company issuing any such

policy shall become unsatisfactory to the City, the Consultant shall obtain a new policy, submit the same to the City for approval and submit a certificate of insurance as which may be required by the contract. It is understood that upon failure of the Consultant to furnish, deliver and maintain such insurance as required above, the contract at the election of the City may be declared suspended, discontinued or terminated. Further, failure of the Consultant to take out and/or maintain any required insurance shall not relieve the Consultant from any liability under the contract, nor shall the insurance requirements be construed to conflict with the obligations of the Consultant concerning indemnification.

#### **7.10. REPRESENTATIVE OF CITY AND CONSULTANT**

7.10.1. The parties recognize that questions in the day-to-day conduct of the Task Order will arise. The Contract Administrator, upon CONSULTANT's request, shall advise CONSULTANT in writing of one (1) or more CITY employees to whom all communications pertaining to the day-to-day conduct of the Task Order shall be addressed.

7.10.2. CONSULTANT shall inform the Contract Administrator in writing of CONSULTANT's representative to whom matters involving the conduct of the Task Order shall be addressed.

#### **7.11. ALL PRIOR AGREEMENTS SUPERSEDED**

7.11.1. This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements or understandings applicable to the matters contained herein; and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document and the exhibits attached. Accordingly, the parties agree that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements whether oral or written.

7.11.2. It is further agreed that no modification, amendment or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document executed with the same formality and of equal dignity herewith.

#### **7.12. NOTICES**

Whenever either party desires to give notice unto the other, such notice must be in writing, sent by certified United States mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the party for whom it is intended at the place last specified; and the place for giving of notice shall remain such until it shall have been changed by written notice in compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the present, the parties designate the following as the respective places for giving of notice:

FOR CITY OF KEY WEST:

City of Key West  
1300 White Street  
Key West, FL 33040

FOR CONSULTANT:

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

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

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

**7.13. TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE**

Signature of this Agreement by CONSULTANT shall act as the execution of a truth-in negotiation certificate stating that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation of this Agreement are accurate, complete, and current at the time of contracting. The original contract price for any Task Order and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums, by which CITY determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such contract adjustments shall be made within one (1) year following the end of this Agreement.

**7.14. INTERPRETATION**

The language of this Agreement has been agreed to by both parties to express their mutual intent and no rule of strict construction shall be applied against either party hereto. The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement. All personal pronouns used in this Agreement shall include the other gender, and the singular shall include the plural, and vice versa, unless the context otherwise requires. Terms such as "herein," "hereof," "hereunder," and "hereinafter" refer to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular sentence or paragraph where they appear, unless the context otherwise requires. Whenever reference is made to a Paragraph or Article of this Agreement, such reference is to the Paragraph or Article as a whole, including all of the subsections of such Paragraph, unless the reference is made to a particular subsection or subparagraph of such Paragraph or Article.

**7.15. CONSULTANT'S STAFF**

7.15.1. CONSULTANT shall provide the key staff identified in their proposal for Task Order as long as such key staffs are in CONSULTANT's employment.

7.15.2. CONSULTANT shall obtain prior written approval of Contract Administrator to



change key staff. CONSULTANT shall provide Contract Administrator with such information as necessary to determine the suitability of proposed new key staff. Contract Administrator shall be reasonable in evaluating key staff qualifications.

7.15.3. If Contract Administrator desires to request removal of any of CONSULTANT's staff, Contract Administrator shall first meet with CONSULTANT and provide reasonable justification for said removal.

7.15.4. The CITY reserves the right to approve the members of the Consulting Team and the roles they will undertake in the assignment. The CITY's acceptance of a team member shall not be unreasonably withheld.

7.15.5. Each assignment issued under this Agreement by the CITY to the Consultant, the Consultant will at the CITY's request, disclose the role, qualifications and hourly rate of each individual working on the assignment.

7.15.6. The CITY reserves the right to require replacement of any of the members of the Consulting Team. Any proposed addition or change of members of the Consulting Team initiated by the Consultant must obtain the CITY Representative's prior written approval.

7.15.7. In the event of the death, incapacity or termination of employment of any member of the Consulting Team before Completion of the Services, the Consultant shall at its own expense and as soon as reasonably practicable arrange to substitute or replace the individual member concerned.

7.15.8. The Consultant shall ensure that the substitute or replacement is no less qualified in terms of relevant experience and qualifications than the outgoing individual and is available at the relevant time to act as such replacement or substitute. The Consultant shall without delay forward curriculum vitae of the proposed substitute or replacement to the CITY. The deployment of such substitute or replacement shall be subject to the CITY's consent.

7.15.9. The Consultant shall solely be responsible for all direct, indirect and consequential costs or losses that may arise from the substitution or replacement of members of the Consulting Team.

## **7.16. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

CONSULTANT is an independent contractor under this Agreement. Services provided by CONSULTANT shall be subject to the supervision of CONSULTANT. In providing the services, CONSULTANT or its agents shall not be acting and shall not be deemed as acting as officers, employees, or agents of the CITY, nor shall they accrue any of the rights or benefits of a CITY employee. The parties expressly acknowledge that it is not their intent to create any rights or obligations in any third person or entity under this Agreement.

## **7.17. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

Neither CONSULTANT nor CITY intend directly or substantially to benefit a third party by this Agreement. Therefore, the parties agree that there are no third party beneficiaries to this Agreement and that no third party shall be entitled to assert a claim against either of them based upon this Agreement. No subcontractor or sub-consultant, whether named or unnamed, shall be a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

## **7.18. CONFLICTS**

7.18.1. Neither CONSULTANT nor its employees shall have or hold any continuing or frequently recurring employment or contractual relationship that is substantially antagonistic or incompatible with CONSULTANT's loyal and conscientious exercise of judgment related to its performance under this Agreement.

7.18.2. CONSULTANT agrees that none of its officers or employees shall, during the term of this Agreement, serve as an expert witness against CITY in any legal or administrative proceeding in which he or she is not a party, unless compelled by court process, nor shall such persons give sworn testimony or issue a report or writing, as an expression of his or her expert opinion, which is adverse or prejudicial to the interests of CITY or in connection with any such pending or threatened legal or administrative proceeding. The limitations of this section shall not preclude such persons from representing themselves in any action or in any administrative or legal proceeding.

7.18.3. In the event CONSULTANT is permitted to use sub-consultants to perform any services required by this Agreement, CONSULTANT agrees to prohibit such sub-consultants from having any conflicts as within the meaning of this section, and shall so notify them in writing.

## **7.19. CONTINGENCY FEE**

CONSULTANT warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for CONSULTANT, to solicit or secure this Agreement and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for CONSULTANT, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. For a breach or violation of this provision, CITY shall have the right to terminate this Agreement without liability at its discretion, or to deduct from the Agreement price or otherwise recover the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift, or consideration.

## **7.20. WAIVER OF BREACH AND MATERIALITY**

7.20.1. Failure by CITY to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of such provision or modification of this Agreement. A waiver of any breach

of a provision of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach and shall not be construed to be a modification of the terms of this Agreement.

7.20.2. CITY and CONSULTANT agree that each requirement, duty, and obligation set forth herein is substantial and important to the formation of this Agreement and, therefore, is a material term hereof.

#### **7.21. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

CONSULTANT shall comply with federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules, and regulations in performing its duties, responsibilities, and obligations related to this Agreement applicable at the time the scope of services was drafted for this agreement. In addition, at the time each Task Order is executed, any revisions to applicable federal state, and local laws, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations shall apply.

#### **7.22. SEVERABILITY**

In the event this Agreement or a portion of this Agreement is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall continue to be effective unless CITY or CONSULTANT elects to terminate this Agreement.

#### **7.23. JOINT PREPARATION**

Preparation of this Agreement has been a joint effort of CITY and CONSULTANT and the resulting document shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than any other.

#### **7.24. PRIORITY OF PROVISIONS**

If there is a conflict or inconsistency between any term, statement, requirement, or provision of any exhibit attached hereto, any document or events referred to herein, or any document incorporated into this Agreement by reference and a term, statement, requirement, or provision of this Agreement, the term, statement, requirement, or provision contained in Articles 1 through 7 of this Agreement shall prevail and be given effect.

#### **7.25. APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE**

The laws of the State of Florida govern the validity of this Agreement, its interpretation and performance, and any claims related to it. The venue for mediation, arbitration or any other legal proceeding shall be Monroe County, Florida.

#### **7.26. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE**

The attached exhibits are incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement:

Exhibit A – CONSULTANT/Sub-consultants' Hourly Rates

**7.27. COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in three (3) counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the respective dates under each signature.

By: CITY OF KEY WEST

By: CONSULTANT

\_\_\_\_\_  
James Scholl, City Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name and Title)

\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

Attest:

Attest:

Cheryl Smith, City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name and Title)

\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

**Exhibit A**  
**Hourly Fee Schedule**

**Company Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Position Title**

**Hourly Rate**