
PART 1

BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for the City of Key West ITB #24-002 Smathers Beach Pavilions, addressed to the City of Key West, will be received at the Office of the City Clerk, 1300 White Street., Key West Florida, 33040 until 3:30 p.m. on **January 4, 2024** and then will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after the time and date specified will not be considered.

Please submit one (1) original, and two (2) flash drives each with one single PDF file of the sections entitled “Bidding Requirements” and “Contract Forms”. The bid package is to be enclosed in a sealed envelope, clearly marked on the outside “ITB # 24-002 Smathers Beach Pavilions addressed and delivered to the City Clerk at the address noted above.

The proposed project consists of providing all labor, equipment, and materials to remove and replace seven (7) pavilions on Smathers Beach. A detailed description of the scope of work (SOW) is included in the Contract Documents.

Drawings and Specifications may be obtained from Demand Star by Onvia or City of Key West. Please contact Demand Star at www.demandstar.com or call 1-800-711-1712 or www.cityofkeywest-fl.gov

Pre-bid meeting: There will be no pre-bid meeting. Please submit questions to eaugst@cityofkeywest-fl.gov prior to December 20, 2024.

EACH BID MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE PRESCRIBED FORM AND ACCOMPANIED BY BID SECURITY AS PRESCRIBED IN THE INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS, PAYABLE TO THE CITY OF KEY WEST, FLORIDA, IN AN AMOUNT NOT LESS THAN FIVE (5) PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT BID.

THE BIDDER MUST BE A LICENSED CONTRACTOR BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND SUBMIT PROOF OF SUCH WITH THE BID.

The successful Bidder shall furnish documentation showing that he 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; within 10 days following the Notice of Award and must demonstrate that he holds at a minimum, the following licenses & certificates:

- A. City of Key West Business Tax License Receipt
- B. A valid Certificate of Competency issued by the Chief Building Official of Key West, Florida.

All bid bonds, insurance contracts, and 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 a Contract will be awarded for the work contemplated herein, the CITY will conduct such investigation as is necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent low Bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this Contract. Upon request, the Bidder shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the CITY to evaluate the Bidder's qualifications.

Any request for information concerning this project must be made in writing, per City of Key West Ordinance Section 2-773, Cone of Silence, to Eric Augst, Senior Construction Manager, at eaugst@cityofkeywest-fl.gov. The deadline for requests is one week before bid opening.

As stated above at the time of the bid submittal the Bidder must provide satisfactory documentation of State Licenses. The Bidder 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 Bidder must also be able to satisfy the CITY Attorney as to such insurance coverage and legal requirements as may be demanded by the Bid in question. The CITY may reject bids for any and/or all of the following reasons: (1) for budgetary reasons, (2) if the bidder misstates or conceals a material fact in its bid, (3) if the bid does not strictly conform to the law or is non-responsive to the bid requirements, (4) if the bid is conditional, or (5) if a change of circumstances occurs making the purpose of the bid unnecessary to the CITY. The CITY may also waive any minor formalities or irregularities in any bid, (6) if such rejection is in the best interest of the CITY.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

A. FORMAT

The Contract Documents are divided into parts, divisions, and sections for convenient organization and reference. Generally, there has been no attempt to divide the sections into work performed by the various building trades, work by separate subcontractors, or work required for separate facilities in the project.

B. DOCUMENT INTERPRETATION

The separate sections contained within these Contract Documents are intended to be mutually cooperative and to provide all details reasonably required for the execution of the proposed work.

Should there be any doubt as to the meaning or intent of said Contract Documents, the Bidder should request of the ENGINEER, in writing (at least ten (10) calendar days prior to bid opening) an interpretation thereof. Any interpretation or change in said Contract Documents will be made only in writing in the form of Addenda to the documents which will be available to all registered holders of Contract Documents via Demand star. Bidders shall submit with their Bids, or indicate receipt of, all Addenda. The CITY will not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretations of said Documents.

2. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

A general description of the work to be done is contained in the Invitation to Bid. The scope is specified in applicable parts of these Contract Documents.

3. QUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS

The prospective Bidders must meet the statutorily prescribed requirements before award of Contract by the CITY. Bidders must hold or obtain all licenses and/or certificates as required by the State and Local Statutes to bid and perform the work specified herein.

4. BIDDER'S UNDERSTANDING

Each Bidder must inform himself of the conditions relating to the execution of the work, and it is assumed that he will inspect the site and make himself thoroughly familiar with all the Contract Documents. Failure to do so will not relieve the successful Bidder of his obligation to enter a Contract and complete the contemplated work in strict accordance with the Contract Documents. It shall be the Bidder's obligation to verify for himself and to his complete satisfaction all information concerning site and subsurface conditions.

The CITY will make available to prospective Bidders upon request and at the office of the ENGINEER, prior to bid opening, any information that he may have as to subsurface conditions and surface topography at the worksite.

Each Bidder shall inform himself of, and the Bidder awarded a Contract shall comply with, federal, state, and local laws, statutes, and ordinances relative to the execution of the work. This requirement includes, but is not limited to, applicable regulations concerning minimum wage rates, nondiscrimination in the employment of labor, protection of public and employee safety and health, environmental protection, the protection of natural resources, fire protection, burning and non-burning requirements, permits, fees, and similar subjects.

5. TYPE OF BID

A. LUMP SUM

The BID for the work is to be submitted on a lump sum basis. Lump sum prices shall be submitted for all items of work set forth in the bid. All items required to complete the work specified but not included in the bid shall be considered incidental to those set forth in the bid.

The Bidder shall submit a Schedule of Values with the BID. It shall be broken down by trade/type of work and include the cost of all LABOR & MATERIALS for use as a basis for payment. A 5% allowance should be included among the line items.

6. PREPARATION OF BIDS

A. GENERAL

All blank spaces in the BID form must be filled in, as required, preferably in BLUE ink. All price information shall be shown in both words and figures where required. No changes shall be made in the phraseology of the forms. Written amounts shall govern in case of discrepancy between the amounts stated in writing and the amounts stated in figures. In case of discrepancy between unit prices and extended totals, unit prices shall prevail.

Any BID shall be deemed informal which contains omissions, erasures, alterations, or additions of any kind, or prices uncalled for, or in which any of the prices are obviously unbalanced, or which in any manner shall fail to conform to the conditions of the published Invitation to Bid.

Only one BID from any individual, firm, partnership, or corporation, under the same or different names, will be considered. Should it appear to the CITY that any Bidder is interested in more than one Bid for work contemplated; all Bids in which such Bidder is interested will be rejected.

B. SIGNATURE

The Bidder shall sign his BID in the blank space provided, therefore. If Bidder is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be set forth above, together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign Contracts on behalf of the corporation. If Bidder is a partnership, the true name of the firm shall be set forth above, together with

the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign Contracts on behalf of the partnership. If signature is by an agent, other than an officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, a notarized power-of-attorney must be on file with the CITY prior to opening of Bids or submitted with the Bid, otherwise the Bid will be regarded as not properly authorized.

C. SPECIAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

The Bidder's attention is brought to the hiring practices and licenses and permits of the City of Key West. These are defined in the addition to Article 39, ORDINANCES, PERMITS, AND LICENSES, as set forth in the Supplementary Conditions.

The Bidder shall submit with his Bid his experience record showing his experience and expertise in the specified work. Such experience record shall provide at least five current or recent projects (within the past 5 years) of similar work, within the State Florida and preferably Monroe County. For each project the following information shall be provided:

1. Description and location of work.
2. Contract amount.
3. Dates work was performed.
4. Owner and name of Owner's contact person and phone number.
6. Designer and name of Designer's contact person and phone number.

The bidder shall submit with his bid a list of items to be performed by his own labor and that performed by subcontractors or others.

D. ATTACHMENTS

Bidder shall complete and submit the following forms with his bid:

Anti-Kickback Affidavit
Non-Collusion Affidavit
Public Entity Crimes Form
Indemnification Form
City of Key West Business License Tax Receipt
Local Vendors Form
Domestic Partnership Affidavit
Cone of Silence Affidavit
Vendor Certification Regarding Scrutinized Companies Lists
Bidders' Checklist

E. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES FORM

Pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 287.133, Laws of Florida, pertaining to the sworn statement on Public Entity Crimes and the Convicted Vendor List, all Bidders shall submit a signed and notarized statement with their Bid on the form provided herein.

7. STATE AND LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES

Unless the Supplementary Conditions contains a statement that the CITY is exempt from state sales tax on materials incorporated into the work due to the qualification of the work under this Contract, the Contractor, as required by the laws and statutes of the state and its political subdivisions, shall pay all state and local sales and use taxes. Prices quoted in the Bid shall include all nonexempt sales and use taxes, unless provision is made in the Bid form to separately itemize the tax.

8. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

All BIDS must be submitted not later than the time prescribed, at the place, and in the manner set forth in the Invitation to Bid. BIDS must be made on the BID forms provided herewith, **submit one (1) ORIGINAL and two (2) FLASH DRIVES each containing a single PDF file of the entire bid package. File name shall include company name.**

Each BID must be submitted in a sealed envelope, so marked as to indicate the Bidder's name and its contents (Smathers Beach Pavilions ITB #24-002) without being opened and addressed in conformance with the instructions in the Invitation to Bid.

9. MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

Prior to the time and date designated for receipt of BIDS, any BID submitted may be withdrawn by notice to the party receiving BIDS at the place designated for receipt of BIDS. Such notice shall be in writing over the signature of the Bidder or by telegram. If by telegram, written confirmation over the signature of the Bidder shall be mailed and postmarked on or before the date and time set for receipt of BID. No BID may be withdrawn after the time scheduled for opening of BIDS, unless the time specified in paragraph AWARD OF CONTRACT of these Instructions to Bidders shall have elapsed.

10. BID SECURITY

BIDS must be accompanied by cash, a certified check, or cashier's check drawn on a bank in good standing, or a bid bond issued by a Surety authorized to issue such bonds in the state where the work is located, in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the Bid submitted. This bid security shall be given as a guarantee that the Bidder will not withdraw his BID for a period of ninety (90) days after bid opening, and that if awarded the Contract, the successful Bidder will execute the attached Contract and furnish properly executed Performance and Payment Bonds, each in the full amount of the Contract price within the time specified. Agent and Surety phone numbers must be provided.

The Attorney-in-Fact who executes this bond on behalf of the Surety must attach a notarized copy of his power-of-attorney as evidence of his authority to bind the Surety on the date of execution of the bond. Where State Statute requires, certification by a resident agent shall also be provided.

If the Bidder elects to furnish a Bid Bond, he shall use the Bid Bond form bound herewith, or one conforming substantially thereto in form and content.

11. RETURN OF BID SECURITY

Within 15 days after the award of the Contract, the CITY will return the bid securities to all Bidders whose BIDS are not to be further considered in awarding the Contract. Retained bid securities will be held until the Contract has been finally executed, after which all bid securities, other than Bidders' bonds and any guarantees, which have been forfeited, will be returned to the respective Bidders whose Bids they accompanied.

12. AWARD OF CONTRACT

Within 90 calendar days after the opening of Bids, the CITY will accept one of the Bids or will act in accordance with the following paragraphs. The acceptance of the Bid will be by written notice of award, mailed to the office designated in the Bid, or delivered to the Bidder's representative. In the event of failure of the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder to sign the Contract, provide additional documents, insurance certificate(s) and evidence of holding required licenses and certificates, the Owner may award the Contract to the next lowest responsive, responsible Bidder. Such award, if made, will be made within 120 days after the opening of Bids.

The CITY reserves the right to accept or reject any or all Bids, and to waive any informalities and irregularities in said Bids.

13. BASIS OF AWARD

The award will be made by the Owner on the basis of the BID from the lowest, responsive, responsible BIDDER which, in the Owner's sole and absolute judgment will best serve the interest of the Owner.

14. EXECUTION OF CONTRACT

The successful Bidder shall, within 10 working days after receiving Notice of Award, sign and deliver to the CITY an original Contract and two (2) copies in the form hereto attached, together with the insurance certificate as required in the Contract Documents and evidence of holding required licenses and certificates. Within 10 working days after receiving the signed Contract from the successful Bidder, the City's authorized agent will sign the Contract. Signature by both parties constitutes execution of the Contract.

16. FAILURE TO EXECUTE CONTRACT AND FURNISH BID BOND

The Bidder who has a Contract awarded to him and who fails to promptly and properly execute the Contract shall forfeit the bid security that accompanied his bid, and the bid security shall be retained as liquidated damages by the CITY, and it is agreed that this said sum is a fair estimate of the amount of damages the CITY will sustain in case the Bidder fails to enter into a Contract. Bid security deposited in the form of cash, a certified check, or cashier's check shall be subject to the same requirement as a Bid Bond.

17. TIME OF COMPLETION

The time of completion of the work to be performed under this Contract is the essence of the Contract. Delays and extensions of time may be allowed in accordance with the provisions stated in the General Conditions.

When the Contractor receives a Notice to Proceed, he shall commence work as soon as possible and shall complete all work within the number of calendar days stipulated in this Bid.

The term of this contract will not exceed **180** calendar days.

NOTE TO BIDDER: Use preferably BLUE ink for completing this BID form.

PROPOSAL FORM

To: The City of Key West
Address: 1300 White Street, Key West, Florida 33040
Project Title: **Smathers Beach Pavilions**
ITB# 24-002

Bidder's contact person for additional information on this BID:

Company Name: Design Center Inc
Contact Name & Telephone #: Andrew George / Brad Hager / Leslee Spade / (o)305-735-4042
Andrew (c) 239-810-2942 / Brad(c) 828.406.1935
Email Address: andrew@designcenterfl.com / brad@designcenterfl.com/ leslee@designcenterfl.com

BIDDER'S DECLARATION AND UNDERSTANDING

The undersigned, hereinafter called the Bidder, declares that the only persons or parties interested in this Bid are those named herein, that this Bid is, in all respects, fair and without fraud, that it is made without collusion with any official of the Owner, and that the Bid is made without any connection or collusion with any person submitting another Bid on this Contract.

The Bidder further declares that he has carefully examined the Contract Documents for the construction of the project, that he has personally inspected the site, that he has satisfied himself as to the quantities involved, including materials and equipment, and conditions of work involved, including the fact that the description of the quantities of work and materials, as included herein, is brief and is intended only to indicate the general nature of the work and to identify the said quantities with the detailed requirements of the Contract Documents, and that this Bid is made according to the provisions and under the terms of the Contract Documents, which Documents are hereby made a part of this Bid.

CONTRACT EXECUTION

The Bidder agrees that if this Bid is accepted, he will, within 10 days, not including Sundays and legal holidays, after Notice of Award, sign the Contract in the form annexed hereto, and will at that time, deliver to the Owner evidence of holding required licenses and certificates, and will, to the extent of his Bid, furnish all machinery, tools, apparatus, and other means of construction and do the work and furnish all the materials necessary to complete all work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents.

CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

Bidder agrees to furnish the Owner, before commencing the work under this Contract, the certificates of insurance as specified in these Documents.

START OF CONSTRUCTION AND CONTRACT COMPLETION TIME

The Bidder further agrees to begin work within 10 calendar days after the date of the Notice to proceed and to complete the project, in all respects within 180 calendar days after the date of the Notice to Proceed.

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

In the event the Bidder is awarded the Contract and shall fail to complete the work within the time limit or extended time limit agreed upon, as more particularly set forth in the Contract Documents, liquidated damages shall be paid to the Owner at the rate of \$1,000.00 per day for all work awarded until the work has been satisfactorily completed as provided by the Contract Documents.

ADDENDA

The Bidder hereby acknowledges that he has received Addenda No's. n/a, _____,

_____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____,
(Bidder shall insert No. of each Addendum received) and agrees that all addenda issued are hereby made part of the Contract Documents, and the Bidder further agrees that his Bid(s) includes all impacts resulting from said addenda.

SALES AND USE TAXES

The Bidder agrees that all federal, state, and local sales and use taxes are included in the stated bid prices for the work.

LUMP SUM

The Bidder further proposes to accept as full payment for the work proposed herein the amounts computed under the provisions of the Contract Documents and based on the following lump sum amounts. The Bidder agrees that the lump sum represent a true measure of the labor and materials required to perform the work, including all allowances for overhead and profit for each type and unit of work called for in these Contract Documents.

Smathers Beach Pavilions:

LUMP SUM REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SEVEN PAVILIONS ON SMATHERS BEACH.

\$ 274,700.00

In Words:

Two hundred seventy four thousand seven hundred Dollars & zero Cents

Payment for materials & equipment authorized by the Owner in a written Change Order but not listed in the Schedule of Values will be provided at suppliers' invoice plus 15 %.

List items to be performed by CONTRACTOR's own forces and the estimated total cost of these items. (Use additional sheets if necessary.)

<u>Demo, Removal and disposal of debris</u>	<u>\$40,000</u>
<u>Installation of framing & hardware</u>	<u>\$184,700</u>
<u>Staining of materials</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>
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SUBCONTRACTORS

The Bidder further proposes that the following subcontracting firms or businesses will be awarded subcontracts for the following portions of the work if the Bidder is awarded the Contract:

Sunshine Quality Roofing

Name _____
5409 Overseas Hwy #104, Marathon, FL 33050
Street City State Zip

Name _____
Street City State Zip

Name _____
Street City State Zip

Name _____
Street City State Zip

SURETY

United States Fire Insurance Company whose address is
305 Madison Avenue, Morristown, NJ 07960
Street City State Zip

BIDDER

The name of the Bidder submitting this Bid is

Design Center Inc doing business at
6677 Overseas Highway Marathon Florida 33050
Street City State Zip

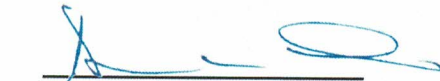
which is the address to which all communications concerned with this Bid and with the Contract shall be sent.

The names of the principal officers of the corporation submitting this Bid, or of the partnership, or of all persons interested in this Bid as principals are as follows:

Andrew George
Pavel Bacallao
Yadira Blanco

If Sole Proprietor or Partnership

IN WITNESS hereto the undersigned has set his (its) hand this 28th day of December 2023.



Signature of Bidder

President, Design Center Inc.
Title

If Corporation

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned corporation has caused this instrument to be executed and its seal affixed by its duly authorized officers this 27th day of December 2023.

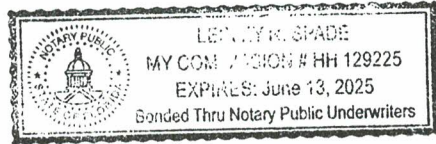
(SEAL)

Design Center Inc.
Name of Corporation
Andrew N. George

By President

Title

Attest



Sworn and subscribed before this 27th day of December, 2023

NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida, at Large

My Commission Expires: June 13th, 2025

L. Spade - Notary Public

EXPERIENCE OF BIDDER

The Bidder states that he is an experienced CONTRACTOR and has completed similar projects within the last 5 years.

(List similar projects, with types, names of OWNERS, construction costs, ENGINEERS, and references with phone numbers. Use additional sheets if necessary.

Rebuild Florida: 6.375 million 36 modular homes Site development, & Foundation construction for Install of modular structure by Southern Structures. Utility connections & necessary Items for occupancy and 4 C.B.S SFR Sub under G.C. Ducky Johnson as primary Will Campbell engineer - Garrett Tillman., (832) 849-9630

Florida Keys Marathon International Airport -225k Monroe County - Terminal Building Rehabilitation and Security Site Lighting Rehabilitation - Svilena Valcheva/ Cece Airport Executive Administrator 3491 S. Roosevelt Blvd. Key West, FL 33040 Phone: 305.809.5203

Monroe County School District – Will Campbell engineer
Big Pine Academy 379,688.40 Marathon HS Culinary 141,000.00 Key West HS Renovation 259,924.60

Total Monroe County School District 780,613.00
Contacts: Jeff Barrow (305) 360-1424 Douglas Pryor (305) 407-6251 Joseph Scarpelli (862) 210-0740

Royal Furniture: 1,801,016.00; Construction and site development of a 15,000 SQ foot commercial building. Will Campbell Engineer - Ryan Elwell, (305) 481-1791

La Brista Association – Spalling maintenance - 758,724.43 Will Campbell engineer - Marty Bombenger LA BRISA ASSOCIATION, INC 1901 South Roosevelt Boulevard Key West, FL 33040 Office Phone: (305) 294-1901

Cay Condominiums - 561,333.52 Spalling maintenance– Will Campbell engineer
Contact: Stan Friend (315) 251-4555

FLORIDA BID BOND

BOND NO. Bid Bond

AMOUNT: \$ Five Percent of Amount Bid

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that Design Center, Inc.

hereinafter called the PRINCIPAL, and United States Fire Insurance Company

a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Delaware

having its principal place of business at 305 MADISON AVENUE, MORRISTOWN, NJ 07960

_____ in the State of New Jersey

and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, as SURETY, are held and firmly bound unto

City of Key West

hereinafter called the OBLIGEE, in the sum of Five Percent of Amount Bid
DOLLARS (\$ 5% of Amount Bid) for the payment for which we bind ourselves,
our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these
present.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND IS SUCH THAT:

WHEREAS, the PRINCIPAL is herewith submitting his or its Bid for
ITB # 24-002/ SMATHERS BEACH PAVILIONS said Bid, by reference thereto, being
hereby made a part hereof.

WHEREAS, the PRINCIPAL contemplates submitting or has submitted a bid to the OBLIGEE for

the furnishing of all labor, materials (except those to be specifically furnished by the CITY), equipment, machinery, tools, apparatus, means of transportation for, and the performance of the work covered in the Bid and the Contract Documents, entitled:

ITB # 24-002 / SMATHERS BEACH PAVILIONS

WHEREAS, it was a condition precedent to the submission of said bid that a cashier's check, certified check, or bid bond in the amount of five (5) percent of the base bid be submitted with said bid as a guarantee that the Bidder would, if awarded the Contract, enter into a written Contract with the CITY for the performance of said Contract, within 10 working days after written notice having been given of the award of the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, the conditions of this obligation are such that if the PRINCIPAL within 10 consecutive calendar days after written notice of such acceptance, enters into a written Contract with the OBLIGEE and furnishes the Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100 percent of the base bid, satisfactory to the CITY, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise the sum herein stated shall be due and payable to the OBLIGEE and the Surety herein agrees to pay said sum immediately upon demand of the OBLIGEE in good and lawful money of the United States of America, as liquidated damages for failure thereof of said PRINCIPAL.

Signed and sealed this 4th day of January, 2024

PRINCIPAL

Design Center, Inc.

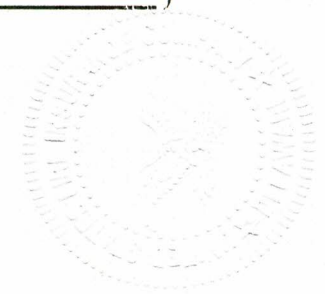
[Signature]
By _____

STATE OF Florida)
: SS
COUNTY OF Monroe)

United States Fire Insurance Company

SURETY

[Signature]
By Jarrett Merlucci
Attorney-in-Fact



POWER OF ATTORNEY
UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
PRINCIPAL OFFICE - MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That United States Fire Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the state of Delaware, has made, constituted and appointed, and does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

*Ian A. Nipper, David Russell Hoover, Joseph Penichet Nielson,
Charles David Nielson, Charles Jackson Nielson, Shawn Alan Burton, Jarrett Merlucci*

each, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred in its name, place and stead, to execute, acknowledge and deliver: Any and all bonds and undertakings of surety and other documents that the ordinary course of surety business may require, and to bind United States Fire Insurance Company thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bonds or undertakings had been duly executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of United States Fire Insurance Company at its principal office, in amounts or penalties: **Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000).**

This Power of Attorney limits the act of those named therein to the bonds and undertakings specifically named therein, and they have no authority to bind United States Fire Insurance Company except in the manner and to the extent therein stated.

This Power of Attorney is granted pursuant to Article IV of the By-Laws of United States Fire Insurance Company as now in full force and effect, and consistent with Article III thereof, which Articles provide, in pertinent part:

Article IV, Execution of Instruments - Except as the Board of Directors may authorize by resolution, the Chairman of the Board, President, any Vice-President, any Assistant Vice President, the Secretary, or any Assistant Secretary shall have power on behalf of the Corporation:

(a) to execute, affix the corporate seal manually or by facsimile to, acknowledge, verify and deliver any contracts, obligations, instruments and documents whatsoever in connection with its business including, without limiting the foregoing, any bonds, guarantees, undertakings, recognizances, powers of attorney or revocations of any powers of attorney, stipulations, policies of insurance, deeds, leases, mortgages, releases, satisfactions and agency agreements;

(b) to appoint, in writing, one or more persons for any or all of the purposes mentioned in the preceding paragraph (a), including affixing the seal of the Corporation.

Article III, Officers, Section 3.11, Facsimile Signatures. The signature of any officer authorized by the Corporation to sign any bonds, guarantees, undertakings, recognizances, stipulations, powers of attorney or revocations of any powers of attorney and policies of insurance issued by the Corporation may be printed, facsimile, lithographed or otherwise produced. In addition, if and as authorized by the Board of Directors, dividend warrants or checks, or other numerous instruments similar to one another in form, may be signed by the facsimile signature or signatures, lithographed or otherwise produced, of such officer or officers of the Corporation as from time to time may be authorized to sign such instruments on behalf of the Corporation. The Corporation may continue to use for the purposes herein stated the facsimile signature of any person or persons who shall have been such officer or officers of the Corporation, notwithstanding the fact that he may have ceased to be such at the time when such instruments shall be issued.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, United States Fire Insurance Company has caused these presents to be signed and attested by its appropriate officer and its corporate seal hereunto affixed this 28th day of September, 2021.

UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY



Matthew E. Lubin, President

State of New Jersey }
County of Morris }

On this 28th day of September, 2021, before me, a Notary public of the State of New Jersey, came the above named officer of United States Fire Insurance Company, to me personally known to be the individual and officer described herein, and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing instrument and affixed the seal of United States Fire Insurance Company thereto by the authority of his office.



Melissa H D'Alessio
Melissa H. D'Alessio (Notary Public)

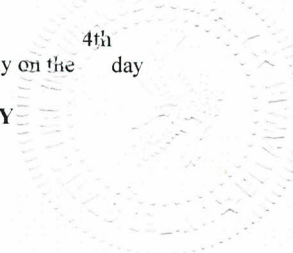
I, the undersigned officer of United States Fire Insurance Company, a Delaware corporation, do hereby certify that the original Power of Attorney of which the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy is still in force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of United States Fire Insurance Company on the 4th day of January 20 24

UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY



Michael C. Fay, Senior Vice President



NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF Florida)
COUNTY OF Monroe) : SS

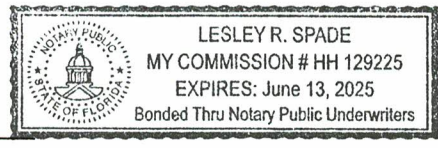
I, the undersigned hereby declares that the only persons or parties interested in this Proposal are those named herein, that this Proposal is, in all respects, fair and without fraud, that it is made without collusion with any official of the Owner, and that the Proposal is made without any connection or collusion with any person submitting another Proposal on this Contract.

By: [Signature]

Sworn and subscribed before me this
27th day of December, 2023.

[Signature]
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires: June 13, 2025



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 OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1. This sworn statement is submitted with Bid or Bid for Smathers Beach Pavilions
ITB-ITB 24-002-0-2024/EA

2. This sworn statement is submitted by Design Center Inc
(Name of entity submitting sworn statement)

whose business address is 6677 Overseas Highway, Marathon, Fl. 33050

and (if applicable) its Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) is 47-4303280

(If the entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement N/A)

3. My name is Andrew George
(Please print name of individual signing)

and my relationship to the entity named above is President, Design Center Inc.

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 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

- a. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime; or
 - b. An entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the 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 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).

X 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, AND (Please indicate which additional statement applies.)

N/A 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.)

N/A 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.)

N/A 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)

12-27-2023
(Date)

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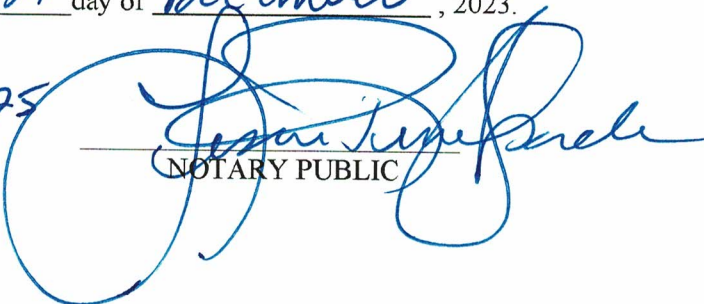
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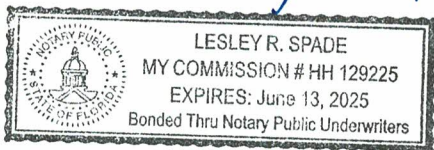
PERSONALLY, APPEARED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority,

Andrew N. George who, after first being sworn by me, affixed his/her
(Name of individual signing)

Signature in the space provided above on this 27 day of December, 2023.

My commission expires: June 13, 2025

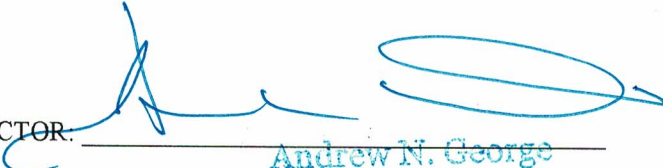

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INDEMNIFICATION

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the CONTRACTOR 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 CONTRACTOR, 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 CONTRACTOR'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.

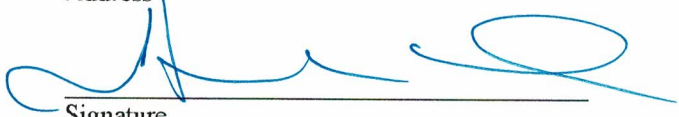
The indemnification obligations under the Contract shall not be restricted in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the CONTRACTOR under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefits acts, and shall extend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

CONTRACTOR:  _____
Andrew N. George

SEAL:



6677 Overseas Hwy. Marathon, Fl. 33050
Address

 _____
Signature

Andrew N. George

Print Name

President

Title

DATE: 12-27-2023

LOCAL VENDOR CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO CKW ORDINANCE 09-22 SECTION 2-798

The undersigned, as a duly authorized representative of the vendor listed herein, certifies to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, that the vendor meets the definition of a "Local Business." For purposes of this section, "local business" shall mean a business which:

- a. Principal address as registered with the FL Department of State located within 30 miles of the boundaries of the city, listed with the chief licensing official as having a business tax receipt with its principal address within 30 miles of the boundaries of the city for at least one year immediately prior to the issuance of the solicitation.
- b. Maintains a workforce of at least 50 percent of its employees from the city or within 30 miles of its boundaries.
- c. Having paid all current license taxes and any other fees due the city at least 24 hours prior to the publication of the call for bids or request for Bids.
 - Not a local vendor pursuant to Ordinance 09-22 Section 2-798
 - Qualifies as a local vendor pursuant to Ordinance 09-22 Section 2-798

If you qualify, please complete the following in support of the self-certification & submit copies of your County and City business licenses. Failure to provide the information requested will result in denial of certification as a local business.

Business Name Design Center Inc Phone: 305.735.4042

Current Local Address: 6677 Overseas Hwy. Marathon P. 32052 Fax: 866.788-8219
 (P.O Box numbers may not be used to establish status)

Length of time at this address: 10 years

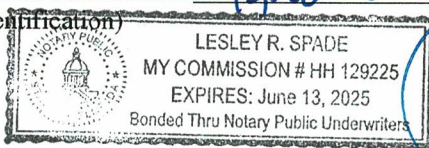
[Signature] Date: 12-27-2023
 Signature of Authorized Representative

STATE OF Florida COUNTY OF Monroe

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 27th day of December, 2023.

By Andrew George, of Design Center Inc.
 (Name of officer or agent, title of officer or agent) (Name of corporation acknowledging)

or has produced identification known as identification
 (Type of identification)



[Signature]
 Signature of Notary

Return Completed form with Supporting documents to:
 City of Key West Purchasing

Lesley R. Spade
 Print, Type or Stamp Name of Notary
Design Director
 Title or Rank

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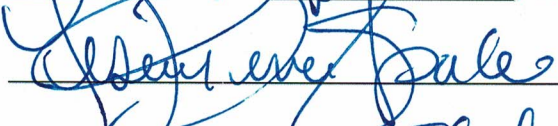
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I the undersigned hereby duly sworn depose and say that all owner(s), partners, officers, directors, employees and agents representing the firm of Design Center Inc have read and understand the limitations and procedures regarding communications concerning City of Key West issued competitive solicitations pursuant to City of Key West Ordinance Section 2-773 Cone of Silence.

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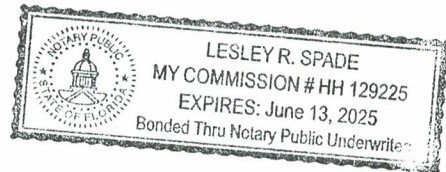
Sworn and subscribed before me this

28th Day of December, 2023.



NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires June 13th, 2025

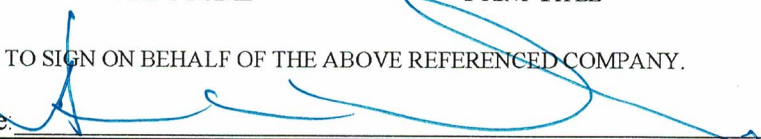


VENDOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING
SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES LISTS

Respondent Vendor Name: Design Center Inc
Vendor FEIN: 47-4303280
Vendor's Authorized Representative Name and Title: Andrew George, President
Address: 6677 Overseas Hwy
City: Marathon State: fl Zip: 33050
Phone Number: 305.735.4042
Email Address: andrew@designcenterfl.com / Brad@designcenterfl.com

SECTION 287.135(2)(A), FLORIDA STATUTES, PROHIBITS A COMPANY FROM BIDDING ON, SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL FOR, OR ENTERING INTO OR RENEWING A CONTRACT FOR GOODS OR SERVICES OF ANY AMOUNT IF, AT THE TIME OF CONTRACTING OR RENEWAL, THE COMPANY IS ON THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES THAT BOYCOTT ISRAEL LIST, CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 215.4725, FLORIDA STATUTES, OR IS ENGAGED IN A BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL. SECTION 287.135(2)(B), FLORIDA STATUTES, FURTHER PROHIBITS A COMPANY FROM BIDDING ON, SUBMITTING A PROPOSAL FOR, OR ENTERING INTO OR RENEWING A CONTRACT FOR GOODS OR SERVICES OVER ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) IF, AT THE TIME OF CONTRACTING OR RENEWAL, THE COMPANY IS ON EITHER THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN SUDAN LIST OR THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN THE IRAN PETROLEUM ENERGY SECTOR LIST, BOTH CREATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 215.473, FLORIDA STATUTES, OR THE COMPANY IS ENGAGED IN BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN CUBA OR SYRIA.

AS THE PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT, I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE COMPANY IDENTIFIED ABOVE IN THE SECTION ENTITLED "RESPONDENT VENDOR NAME" IS NOT LISTED ON EITHER THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES THAT BOYCOTT ISRAEL LIST, SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN SUDAN LIST OR THE SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES WITH ACTIVITIES IN THE IRAN PETROLEUM ENERGY SECTOR LIST I UNDERSTAND THAT PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.135, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE SUBMISSION OF A FALSE CERTIFICATION MAY SUBJECT SUCH COMPANY TO CIVIL PENALTIES, ATTORNEY'S FEES, AND/OR COSTS AND TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT AT THE OPTION OF THE AWARDING GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY.

CERTIFIED BY: Andrew George President, Design Center Inc
PRINT NAME *PRINT TITLE*
WHO IS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE ABOVE REFERENCED COMPANY.
Authorized Signature: 

BIDDER'S CHECKLIST

(Note: The purpose of this checklist is to serve as a reminder of major items to be addressed in submitting a bid and is not intended to be all inclusive. It does not alleviate the Bidder from the responsibility of becoming familiar with all aspects of the Contract Documents and proper completion and submission of his bid.)

1. All Contract Documents thoroughly read and understood. [X]
2. All blank spaces in Bid filled in, using blue ink. [X]
3. Total and unit prices added correctly and attached Schedule of Values [X]
4. Addenda acknowledged. [X]
5. Subcontractors are named as indicated in the Bid. [X]
6. Experience record included. [X]
7. Bid signed by authorized officer and notarized. [X]
8. Bid Bond completed and executed, including power-of-attorney dated the same date as Bid Bond. [X]
9. Bidder familiar with federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations affecting performance of the work. [X]
10. Bidder, if successful, able to obtain and/or demonstrate possession of required licenses and certificates within (10) ten calendar days after receiving a Notice of Award. [X]
11. BID submitted intact with the volume entitled "Bidding Requirements" and "Contract Forms", 1 original, and 2 flash drives as stated in the invitation to bid. [X]
12. Bid Documents submitted in sealed envelope and addressed and labeled in conformance with the instructions in the Invitation to Bid. [X]

PART 2

CONTRACT FORMS

CONTRACT

This Contract, made and entered into this 28th day of Dec. 2023,

by and between the CITY OF KEY WEST, hereinafter called the "Owner", and _____

Design Center Inc

hereinafter called the "Contractor".

WITNESSETH:

The Contractor, in consideration of the sum to be paid him by the Owner and of the covenants and agreements herein contained, hereby agrees at his own proper cost and expense to do all the work and furnish all the materials, tools, labor, and all appliances, machinery, and appurtenances for ITB # 24-002 Smathers Beach Pavilions Key West, Florida to the extent of the Bid made by the Contractor, dated the 28th day of December 2023, all in full compliance with the Contract Documents referred to herein.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, including the signed copy of the BID, BID BOND, CONTRACT FORM, SUMMARY OF WORK, SPECIFICATIONS, DRAWINGS, GENERAL & SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT.

In consideration of the performance of the work as set forth in these Contract Documents, the Owner agrees to pay to the Contractor the amount bid in the Bid as adjusted in accordance with the Contract Documents, or as otherwise herein provided, and to make such payments in the manner and at the times provided in the Contract Documents.

The Contractor agrees to complete the work within 180 days and to accept as full payment hereunder the amounts computed as determined by the Contract Documents and based on the said BID.

The Contractor agrees to remedy all defects appearing in the work or developing in the materials furnished and the workmanship performed under this Contract during the warranty period after the date of final acceptance of the work by the Owner, and further agrees to indemnify and save the Owner harmless from any costs encountered in remedying such defects.

It is agreed that the Contract, based upon the BID, shall be fully complete within the stated number of consecutive calendar days from the date the Notice to Proceed is issued.

In the event the Contractor fails to complete the work within the time limit or extended time limit agreed upon, as more particularly set forth in the Contract Documents, liquidated damages shall be paid at a rate of \$1,000.00 per day. Sundays and legal holidays shall be included in determining days in default.

This contract will automatically expire upon completion of the project. Contractors warranty obligations remain in effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the parties hereto, each herewith subscribe the same this

_____ Day of _____, A.D., 2023.

CITY OF KEY WEST

By Attest
City Manager
Title

CONTRACTOR

By Attest
President Andrew N. George
Title