



**REQUEST FOR SEALED BIDS  
PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT  
FOR THE CITY OF STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA  
(PUR 24-020)**

## Contents

<b>BIDDER'S CHECKLIST</b> .....	<b>2</b>
<b>1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION</b> .....	<b>3</b>
<b>1.1 REQUEST FOR SEALED BID</b> .....	<b>3</b>
<b>1.2 INVITATION TO SUBMIT A BID</b> .....	<b>3</b>
<b>1.3 LOCAL BUSINESS PREFERENCE</b> .....	<b>3</b>
<b>1.4 LOCAL EMPLOYMENT—PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTORS</b> .....	<b>4</b>
<b>1.5 CONSEQUENCE OF SUBMISSION OF BID</b> .....	<b>4</b>
<b>1.6 EXAMINATION OF BID MATERIALS</b> .....	<b>4</b>
<b>1.7 ADDENDA AND INTERPRETATION</b> .....	<b>4</b>
<b>1.8 DISQUALIFICATION</b> .....	<b>5</b>
<b>1.9 BID REJECTED</b> .....	<b>5</b>
<b>1.10 CONDITIONS TO BE ACCEPTED IF ANY WORK IS SUBCONTRACTED</b> .	<b>6</b>
<b>1.11 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS</b> .....	<b>6</b>
<b>1.12 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS</b> .....	<b>6</b>
<b>1.13 HOLD HARMLESS</b> .....	<b>7</b>
<b>1.14 APPLICABLE LAW</b> .....	<b>7</b>
<b>1.15 METHOD OF PAYMENT</b> .....	<b>7</b>
<b>1.16 NOTICE TO OUT-OF-STATE VENDOR</b> .....	<b>7</b>
<b>1.17 TERM</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>1.18 COMPETITIVE PRICING</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>1.19 FUNDING</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>1.20 UNCONDITIONAL TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>1.21 AUDITING OF CHARGES &amp; SERVICES</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>1.22 BID SECURITY</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>1.23 CONTRACT BONDS</b> .....	<b>8</b>
<b>1.24 AWARD</b> .....	<b>9</b>
<b>1.25 CHANGES</b> .....	<b>9</b>
<b>1.26 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES</b> .....	<b>9</b>
<b>1.27 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES</b> .....	<b>10</b>
<b>1.28 PRODUCT OWNERSHIP</b> .....	<b>10</b>
<b>1.29 CONFIDENTIALITY</b> .....	<b>10</b>
<b>1.30 JOB WALK</b> .....	<b>10</b>

1.31	PREVAILING WAGES & CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR REGISGRATION .....	10
	REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS.....	10
1.32	CONTRACTOR’S SAFETY RESPONSIBILITY.....	11
2.0	BACKGROUND/GENERAL NATURE OF SERVICE .....	13
2.1	SCOPE OF SERVICES .....	13
2.2	CITY RESPONSIBILITIES.....	13
.2.3	PRICING REQUIREMENTS .....	13
A.	Pricing Mechanism .....	14
2.4	DELIVERY AND SERVICE LOCATIONS.....	14
2.5	INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE AT DESTINATION .....	14
2.6	ESTIMATED ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS (NO GUARANTEE).....	14
2.7	GUARANTEE .....	15
2.8	SAFETY STANDARDS .....	15
2.9	STORAGE CONDITION .....	15
2.10	INVOICE.....	15
	BID DOCUMENTS .....	17
	BIDDER’S AGREEMENT .....	20
	NON-COLLUSION .....	21
	REFERENCE FORM.....	22
	Exhibit B:.....	1

## NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids are invited by the City of Stockton, California for specifications for **PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WTER TREATMENT PLANT (PUR 24-020)** in strict accordance with the specifications.

The City of Stockton hereby invites bids for furnishing PROPANE to the Delta Water Treatment Plant as required for a period of five (5) years. This is a five (5) year contract subject to annual appropriations approved by the City of Stockton.

The bid specifications and forms can be obtained from the City of Stockton's website at [www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid](http://www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid) and must be delivered to the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 425 North El Dorado Street, Stockton, California, up to but not later than **2:00 p.m., on Thursday, FEBRUARY 8, 2024.**

A mandatory job walk will be held on January 17, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. promptly at DWTP: 11373 N LOWER SACRAMENTO RD. Interested bidders arriving at 9:01 a.m. or later will not be admitted. Failure to attend will result in your bid being rejected.

The City reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids received.

### **Information on Bid Process/Clarification/Technical Data**

Josh Mireles, Procurement Division  
(209) 937-8357  
e-mail: [stocktonbids@stocktonca.gov](mailto:stocktonbids@stocktonca.gov)

DISCLAIMER: The City does not assume any liability or responsibility for errors/omissions in any document transmitted electronically.

Dated: 1/04/2024

ELIZA GARZA  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON

## BIDDER'S CHECKLIST

Did You:

- \*  Complete the following bid documents (FROM THIS PACKET ONLY SUBMIT PAGES **17 to 22**, along with any illustrations/brochures):
  - \*  Sign and notarize by jurat certificate the "Non-Collusion Affidavit" form. An "All-Purpose Acknowledgment" form will not be sufficient.
  - \*  Complete and sign the "Bid to be Submitted" form.
  - \*  Sign the "Bidder's Agreement" form. **Include (with bid) name and e-mail address for City contact, if different from signatory.**
  - \*  Recheck your math on each item extension and total column. Do not superimpose numerals on your bid forms. If erasures or interlineations appear on your bid form, they must be initialed by the person preparing the bid.
  - \*  Include your **\$0.00** bidder's security, bidder's bond, certified or cashier's check. **NOTE:** As information, the City will **NOT** accept company or personal checks for bid security.
  - \*  Include self-addressed, unstamped envelope (#10, 4- 1/8 x 9- 1/2) with bidder's security. **Please DO NOT seal your security, bidder's bond, certified or cashier's check in this envelope.** It is for returning the security to the bidder AFTER project award.
- \*  Submit one (1) ORIGINAL of all bid documents. Additionally, submit one (1) flash drive with an electronic version of the bid documents.
- \*  Review all clarifications/questions/answers on the City's website at [www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid](http://www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid)
- \*  Deliver sealed bid to City Hall, City Clerk's Office (1st floor), 425 North El Dorado Street, Stockton, CA 95202, before **FEBRUARY 8, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.** Sealed bid shall be marked "Bid" and indicate project name, number, and bid opening date. **Please note that some overnight delivery services do not deliver directly to the City Clerk's Office. This could result in the bid arriving in the City Clerk's Office after the bid opening deadline and therefore not being accepted. NOTE: The Stockton City Clerk's office is closed from 12 noon to 1 p.m. for lunch.**
  - A) **PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT**
  - B) **(PUR 24-020)**
  - C) **FEBRUARY 8, 2024**

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Information on Bid Process/Clarification/Technical Data
Josh Mireles, Procurement Specialist (209) 937-8357 e-mail: <a href="mailto:stocktonbids@stocktonca.gov">stocktonbids@stocktonca.gov</a>

\*If not completed as required, your bid may be voided.

\***DISCLAIMER:** The City does not assume any liability or responsibility for errors/omissions in any document transmitted electronically.

\*THIS FORM IS FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY AND DOES NOT NEED TO BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR BID.

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

**1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION**

**1.1 REQUEST FOR SEALED BID**

The purpose of this sealed bid is to request bidders to present their qualifications and capabilities to provide PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT (PUR 24-020) for the City of Stockton.

**1.2 INVITATION TO SUBMIT A BID**

Bids shall be submitted no later than **2:00 p.m., on Thursday, FEBRUARY 8, 2024**, in the office of:

CITY CLERK  
CITY OF STOCKTON  
425 NORTH EL DORADO STREET  
STOCKTON, CA 95202-1997

The bid should be firmly sealed in an envelope which shall be clearly marked on the outside, "PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT for the City of Stockton (PUR 24-020)." Additionally, submit one (1) flash drive with an electronic version of the bid documents. Any bid received after the due date and time indicated will not be accepted and will be deemed rejected and returned, unopened, to the bidder.

**1.3 LOCAL BUSINESS PREFERENCE**

**Stockton Municipal Code Section 3.68.090 reads as follows:**

Preference shall be given to the purchase of supplies, materials, equipment, and contractual services from local merchants, quality and price being equal. Local merchants who have a physical business location within the boundaries of San Joaquin County, and who have applied for and paid a business license tax and registration fee pursuant to Stockton Municipal Code Title 5, Chapter 5.08, License Taxes, shall be granted two (2) percent bid preference. Local merchants who have a physical business location within the boundaries of the City of Stockton, and who have applied for and paid a business license tax and registration fee pursuant to Stockton Municipal Code Title 5, Chapter 5.08, License Taxes, shall be granted five (5) percent bid preference. This section is intended to provide preference in the award of certain City contracts in order to encourage businesses to move into and expand within the City. (Ord. 2014-03-18-1601 C.S. § 1; prior code § 3-106.1)

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

**1.4 LOCAL EMPLOYMENT—PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTORS**

Bidders must comply with City of Stockton Municipal Code (SMC) Section 3.68.095, Ordinance No. 011-09 adopted Sept. 1, 2009, effective Oct. 1, 2009.

**1.5 CONSEQUENCE OF SUBMISSION OF BID**

- A. The City shall not be obligated to respond to any bid submitted nor be legally bound in any manner by the submission of a bid.
- B. Acceptance by the City of a bid obligates the bidder to enter into a contract with the City.
- C. A contract shall not be binding or valid against the City unless or until it is executed by the City and the bidder.
- D. Statistical information contained in these documents is for informational purposes only. The City shall not be responsible for the accuracy of said data. City reserves the right to increase or decrease the project scope.

**1.6 EXAMINATION OF BID MATERIALS**

The submission of a bid shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the bidder that it has investigated all aspects of the bid, that it is aware of the applicable facts pertaining to the bid process and its procedures and requirements, and that it has read and understands the bid. No request for modification of the provisions of the bid shall be considered after its submission on the grounds the bidder was not fully informed as to any fact or condition. Statistical information which may be contained in the bid or any addendum thereto is for informational purposes only. The City disclaims any responsibility for this information which may subsequently be determined to be incomplete or inaccurate.

**1.7 ADDENDA AND INTERPRETATION**

The City will not be responsible for, nor be bound by, any oral instructions, interpretations, or explanations issued by the City or its representatives. Any request for clarifications/questions/answers of a bid shall be made in writing/e-mail and deliverable to:

CITY OF STOCKTON  
ATTN: JOSH MIRELES  
PROCUREMENT DIVISION  
425 NORTH EL DORADO STREET  
STOCKTON, CA 95202-1997  
[stocktonbids@stocktonca.gov](mailto:stocktonbids@stocktonca.gov)



CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

Such request for clarification shall be delivered to the City by **2:00PM, January 25, 2024**. Any City response to a request for clarifications/questions/answers will be posted on the City's website at [www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid](http://www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid) by **February 1, 2024**, and will become a part of the bid. The bidder should await responses to inquires prior to submitting a bid.

**1.8 DISQUALIFICATION**

Any of the following may be considered cause to disqualify a bidder without further consideration:

- A. Evidence of collusion among bidders;
- B. Any attempt to improperly influence any member of the evaluation panel;
- C. Any attempt to communicate in any manner with a City of Stockton elected official during the bid process will, and shall be, just cause for disqualification/rejection of bidder's bid submittal and considered non-responsive.
- D. A bidder's default in any operation of a contract which resulted in termination of that contract; and/or
- E. Existence of any lawsuit, unresolved contractual claim, or dispute between bidder and the City.
- F. No person, firm, or corporation shall be allowed to make or file or be interested in more than one bid for the same supplies, services, or both; provided, however, that subcontract bids to the principal bidders are excluded from the requirements of this section: Section 3.68.120 of the Municipal Code.

**1.9 BID REJECTED**

A bid shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with the provisions of these bid instructions and specifications. Any alteration, omission, addition, variance, or limitation of, from, or to a bid may be sufficient grounds for rejection of the bid. The City has the right to waive any defects in a bid if the City chooses to do so. The City may not accept a bid if:

- A. Any of the bid forms are left blank or are materially altered;
- B. Any document or item necessary for the proper evaluation of the bid is incomplete, improperly executed, indefinite, ambiguous, or missing.



**1.10 CONDITIONS TO BE ACCEPTED IF ANY WORK IS SUBCONTRACTED**

- A. The bidder assumes full responsibility, including insurance and bonding requirements, for the quality and quantity of all work performed.
- B. If bidder's supplier(s) and/or subcontractor's involvement requires the use of a licensed, patented, or proprietary process, the vendor of the process is responsible for assuring that the subcontractor, supplier, and/or operator have been properly authorized to use the process or for providing another process which is comparable to that which is required prior to submission of a bid.

**1.11 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

Any professional certifications or licenses that may be required will be the sole cost and responsibility of the successful bidder.

**A City of Stockton Business license may be required for this project. Please contact the City of Stockton Business License Division at (209) 937-8313.**

**1.12 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Bidder, at Bidder's sole cost and expense and for the full term of the resultant contract or any extension thereof, shall obtain and maintain at least all of the insurance requirements listed in attached Exhibit 1 (or Exhibit B of the sample contract).

All coverage shall be provided by a carrier authorized to transact business in California and shall be primary. All policies, endorsements, and certificates shall be subject to approval by the Risk Manager of the City to Stockton as to form and content. These requirements are subject to amendment or waiver if so approved in writing by the Risk Manager.

Maintenance of proper insurance coverage is a material element of this contract, and failure to maintain or renew coverage or to provide evidence of renewal may be treated as a material breach of contract.

**The Bidder shall assert that these insurance requirements will be met as part of their proposal response. *Failure to comply with these insurance requirements may result in a proposal being deemed unresponsive.* Bidder shall satisfy these insurance requirements concurrently with the signing of the contract prior to commencement of work. *It is strongly suggested that insurance requirements be reviewed with Bidder's broker to ensure any additional costs are included in the proposal pricing component.***

**Any questions pertaining to insurance requirements, please contact City of Stockton Risk Services at (209) 937-5037.**

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

**1.13 HOLD HARMLESS**

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall hold harmless, defend and indemnify City of Stockton and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, expense, costs (including without limitation costs and fees of litigation) of every nature arising out of or in connection with Contractor's performance of work hereunder or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in the agreement, except such loss or damage which was caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the City of Stockton. This obligation is independent of, and shall not in any way be limited by, the minimum Insurance obligations contained in this agreement. These obligations shall survive the completion or termination of this agreement.

**1.14 APPLICABLE LAW**

Applicable law shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Venue shall be proper in the Superior Court of the State of California, county of San Joaquin, Stockton Branch, or, for actions brought in Federal Court, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California, Sacramento Division.

Deliverables must conform with all applicable federal, state, and local laws. Such conformity includes compliance with federal sanctions, and Contractor certifies that it has not and will not engage in prohibited transactions with sanctioned persons or entities.

**1.15 METHOD OF PAYMENT**

Payment will be made within thirty (30) days after invoices are received and accepted by the City. Invoices are to be rendered monthly.

**1.16 NOTICE TO OUT-OF-STATE VENDOR**

The City of Stockton will pay all applicable sales/use tax directly to the State of California for this purchase.

It is the policy of the City of Stockton to pay all applicable California sales/use tax directly to the State Board of Equalization (BOE) pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code 7051.3. The City of Stockton will self-accrue all sales/use tax on purchases made from out-of-state vendors.

Sales and use tax on purchases made by the City of Stockton from all companies located outside California and whose products are shipped from out of state will be remitted to the BOE directly by the City under permit number **SR KHE 28-**

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

**051174 DP. Please do not include sales/use tax on the invoice that you submit to the City of Stockton.**

Questions regarding the City of Stockton's payment of sales/use tax can be directed to the City of Stockton's Procurement Division at (209) 937-8357.

**1.17 TERM**

The City plans to establish a five (5) year contract.

**1.18 COMPETITIVE PRICING**

Bidder warrants and agrees that each of the charges, economic or product terms or warranties granted pursuant to this Contract are comparable to or better than the equivalent charge, economic or product term or warranty being offered to any similarly situated commercial or other government customer of bidder. If bidder enters into any arrangements with another customer of bidder to provide product under more favorable charges, economic or product terms or warranties, bidder shall immediately notify CITY of such change and this Contract shall be deemed amended to incorporate the most favorable charges, economic or product terms or warranties.

**1.19 FUNDING**

Any contract which results from this bid will terminate without penalty at the end of the fiscal year in the event funds are not appropriated for the next fiscal year. If funds are appropriated for a portion of the fiscal year, this contract will terminate without penalty, at the end of the term for which funds are appropriated.

**1.20 UNCONDITIONAL TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

The City may terminate the resultant contract for convenience by providing a sixty (60) calendar day advance notice unless otherwise stated in writing.

**1.21 AUDITING OF CHARGES & SERVICES**

The City reserves the right to periodically audit all charges and services made by the bidder to the City for services provided under the contract. Upon request, the bidder agrees to furnish the City with necessary information and assistance.

**1.22 BID SECURITY**

Bid Security Does not apply to this project.

**1.23 CONTRACT BONDS**

Contract bonds does not apply to this project.

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

**1.24 AWARD**

Upon conclusion of the bid process, a contract may be awarded for PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT for the City of Stockton.

The City reserves the right to make an award on any item, quantity of any item, group of items, or in the aggregate to that/those bidder(s) whose bid(s) is/are most responsive to the needs of the City. Further, the City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or alternate bids, or waive any informality in the bid as is in the City's best interest.

Consideration will be given in comparing bids and awarding a contract, not only to the dollar amount of the bids, but also to:

- Kind
- Suitability
- Warranties
- Trade-in
- Buy-back agreement
- Salvage value
- Standardization
- Delivery time
- Any other criteria as best suits the City of Stockton
- Compatibility resulting in the lowest ultimate cost; Best value to the City

**1.25 CHANGES**

The City's Representative has the authority to review and recommend or reject change orders and cost proposals submitted by the bidder or as recommended by the bidder's project manager, pursuant to the adopted City of Stockton Standard Specifications.

**1.26 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES**

If mutually agreeable to all parties, the use of any resultant contract/purchase order may be extended to other political subdivisions, municipalities, or tax supported agencies.

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

Such participating governmental bodies shall make purchases in their own name, make payment directly to successful bidder and be liable directly to the successful bidder, holding the City of Stockton harmless.

**1.27 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

Liquidated damages in the amount of zero (\$0.00) dollars per day will be assessed per each working day over the allotted for this project.

**1.28 PRODUCT OWNERSHIP**

Any documents, products or systems resulting from the contract will be the property of the City of Stockton.

**1.29 CONFIDENTIALITY**

If bidder believes that portions of a bid constitute trade secrets or confidential commercial, financial, geological, or geophysical data, then the bidder must so specify by, at a minimum, stamping in bold red letters the term "**CONFIDENTIAL**" on that part of the bid which the bidder believes to be protected from disclosure. The bidder must submit in writing specific detailed reasons, including any relevant legal authority, stating why the bidder believes the material to be confidential or a trade secret. Vague and general claims as to confidentiality will not be accepted. The City will be the sole judge as to whether a claim is general and/or vague in nature. All offers and parts of offers that are not marked as confidential may be automatically considered public information after the contract is awarded. **The bidder is hereby put on notice that the City may consider all or parts of the offer public information under applicable law even though marked confidential.**

**1.30 JOB WALK**

A mandatory job walk will be held on, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17 2024 at 9:00 a.m. promptly at DWTP: 11373 N LOWER SACRAMENTO RD. Interested bidders arriving at 9:01 a.m. or later will not be admitted.

**1.31 PREVAILING WAGES & CONTRACTOR/SUBCONTRACTOR REGISTRATION REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

Prevailing wage rates are required for this project according to State and Federal Labor laws. Prevailing wage rates can be found by logging on to <http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/DPreWageDetermination.htm>.

Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.1(a): A Contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

contract for public work, as defined in this chapter, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered Contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the Contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded.

No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project (submitted on or after March 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].

No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project (awarded on or after April 1, 2015) unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.

Department of Industrial Relations- Contractor Registration information and web link: <http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html>

In compliance with Senate Bill 854 and the California Labor Code, all Bidders shall include with their Bid proof of registration from the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) that includes the contractor's Legal Name, Registration Number, License Type/Number, Registration Date and Expiration Date, for every contractor and subcontractor, regardless of tier.

This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Contractors must submit their certified payroll records directly to the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement Compliance Monitoring Unit, as well as the City of Stockton.

### **1.32 CONTRACTOR'S SAFETY RESPONSIBILITY**

The scope of work for this project has been reviewed for special risks or hidden dangers that may be present to employees of the bidder or any subcontractor. The bidder is required to identify, notify employees, and implement special precautions to prevent injuries to employees. Additionally, the bidder is required to identify its skill, experience, and equipment in dealing with the types of risk to employees.

### **1.31 PROTEST POLICY**

Protest and Appeal Procedures. In order to maintain fairness and impartiality, the City of Stockton has established a solicitation protest policy and procedure.

#### **A. Protest Procedure**

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

1. All protests must be in writing and stated as a formal protest.
2. A casual inquiry, complaint, or a statement of intent to protest that does not provide the facts and issues and does not comply with the content requirements or deadlines, will not be considered or acted upon as a protest.
3. The protest must contain a complete statement of the basis for the protest and must include all relevant supporting documentation.
4. The solicitation process and procedures, including evaluation criteria, shall not be proper grounds for protest. Concerns related to the solicitation process and procedures, including evaluation criteria, should be raised and addressed, if at all, prior to the bid/proposal due date and time to allow adjustments before evaluation of the solicitation.
5. Protests must be filed with the City's Chief Financial Officer, or designee, at the address listed in the Solicitation Protest FAQ sheet and Procurement Procedure Manual, not later than five (5) days after the date the City mails the Letter of Intent to Award.
6. Deliveries of the protest by hand, mail, email or fax are acceptable.
7. The City is not responsible for lost or misplaced protests, or to assure the protest is received within the protest deadlines.
8. The party challenging the award decision to bear the burden of proof of material error to justify invalidation of the proposed award.

B. Protest Review

1. The Chief Financial Officer or designee shall respond in writing at least generally to each material issue raised in the protest.
2. The Chief Financial Officer's, or designee 's, administrative decision may be appealed in writing to the City Manager no later than (5) business days after the date the Chief Financial Officer's, or designee's, the decision is mailed to the protesting party.
3. The City Manager shall review and decide the appeal based on the grounds and documentation set forth in the original protest to the Chief Financial Officer, or designee.
4. Each party shall bear its own costs and expenses involved in the protest and appeal process, including any subsequent litigation.
5. The City Manager's administrative decision is final. After the City Manager issues the final administrative decision, the time in which judicial review of the decision must be sought shall be governed by California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094 or as such section may be amended from time to time.
6. If the protested procurement involves state or federal funds, the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, shall give notice to the interested party that he or she has the right to appeal to the appropriate agency, which shall be identified by name and address. An appeal hereunder



CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

shall be filed with the appropriate agency within five (5) working days of the dispatch of rejection notices to the interested party(ies).

7. The City may require the protesting party to submit a City Council approved non-refundable protest fee to cover the administrative cost of processing the protest.

[The remainder of the page is intentionally left blank.]

## **2.0 BACKGROUND/GENERAL NATURE OF SERVICE**

The City of Stockton hereby invites bids for furnishing PROPANE to the Delta Water Treatment Plant as required for a period of five (5) years. This is a five (5) year contract subject to annual appropriations approved by the City of Stockton

## **2.1 SCOPE OF SERVICES**

|

CONTRACTOR shall provide propane. Terms and conditions hereinafter specified:

- A. Supply a 1000-Gal Tank
- B. Supply a 500-Gallon Tank
- C. Initial leak test and system test
- D. Fuel transfer if needed from competitor tank to new tanks
- E. Must deliver propane within 5 business days from request to refuel tanks
- F. Approximate amount of propane to be consumed per year is 9,000 gallons. City does not guarantee a minimum.

City reserves the right to conduct all inspections as it deems appropriate.

## **2.2 CITY RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. City will provide access to City maps, conceptual drawings, records, studies, plans and other documents relating to the project.
2. City will provide the code building inspection and any special inspection required

## **2.3 PRICING REQUIREMENTS**

Prices are to be FOB Destination, delivered to the City of Stockton's Delta Water Supply Project Water Treatment Plant at the address indicated below in Section 2.4. Freight and/or delivery charges are not to be added on any shipments/deliveries made against the purchase order.

List and describe all applicable fees. Fees not listed in bid sheet will not be authorized for payment on any invoices throughout the term of the contract.

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

A. Pricing Mechanism

Bidders are asked to bid on a per gallon mark-up amount that will be added to the Unbranded Average for Stockton. This mark-up amount is to be firm for the duration of the 5-year period. Vendors must consider any price increases that may occur throughout the term, as no change orders will be authorized to increase the vendor's per gallon mark-up amount.

**2.4 DELIVERY AND SERVICE LOCATIONS**

Price quoted shall include all delivery and unloading charges, FOB Destination:

**DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT  
11373 N. LOWER SACRAMENTO ROAD  
LODI, CA 95242**

No handling fees, offloading charges, or processing charges may be applied in addition to the freight charge.

It will be the responsibility of the bidder to provide adequate assistance and/or equipment necessary to load and unload their products at the delivery site. No fee or additional charge will be accepted for split loads or multiple deliveries. Deliveries of propane shall be made within one week (5 business days) of notification (excluding weekends and holidays) of the time of order. However, in cases of critical need, shorter delivery times, including possible weekend and holiday deliveries may be required. Delivery is to be between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M., Monday through Friday. The vendor with the particular plant destination shall pre-arrange any variance from these days and hours.

**2.5 INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE AT DESTINATION**

Final inspection and acceptance shall be at destination. Although source inspection by the City is not anticipated, the City reserves the right to conduct such inspection as it deems appropriate.

**2.6 ESTIMATED ANNUAL REQUIREMENTS (NO GUARANTEE)**

The Vendor agrees to furnish all quantities ordered by the City during the contract period.

The City agrees to place orders with the Vendor for all its requirements for those items awarded except as followed:

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

- A. Quantities of items needed under conditions of emergency or public exigency if unable to arrange delivery from contracted Vendor.
- B. Quantities of items where Federal funds are involved and other action are warranted for Federal regulatory compliance purposes.

**2.7 GUARANTEE**

By submitting a bid, bidder guarantees that the product they propose to furnish is of the highest quality and will meet the intent of the specifications free from defects in material and workmanship. The City shall have the right to reject any product, which does not conform to such guarantee, and return same, at Vendors' expense, for correction or replacement.

**2.8 SAFETY STANDARDS**

Unless otherwise stipulated in the bid, all manufactured items or fabricated assemblies must comply with applicable requirements of Occupational Safety and Health Act and any standards there under.

If any of the ingredients of the product bid is a Carcinogen as shown on the most current list prepared by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), bidder must separately identify such ingredients as a Carcinogen. Bidder is advised that the product will not be accepted unless (1) the product may be used safely and (2) no acceptable Non-Carcinogen Substitute is available.

**2.9 STORAGE CONDITION**

Unless otherwise stipulated in the bid, all manufactured items or fabricated assemblies must comply with applicable requirements of Occupational Safety and Health Act and any standards there under.

**2.10 INVOICE**

The following information must be provided on the invoice for each delivered shipment.

- A. Order date, time and person placing order
- B. Delivery date and time
- C. Gallons delivered
- D. Price of Propane

CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS

- E. Total charge for delivery
- F. Purchase Order Number

**A copy of the weekly unbranded average for Stockton printout must be included with each invoice.**

Invoices are to be mailed to:

Delta Water Supply Project  
City of Stockton  
Attn: Program Manager III, Water Resources  
11373 North Lower Sacramento Road  
Lodi, CA 95242

# BID DOCUMENTS

- A) PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT
- B) PUR 24-020
- C) February 8, 2024

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

**BID TO BE SUBMITTED**

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Amount</u>
5	Annual Lease 500 Gallon Tank	\$ _____ /year	\$ _____
5	Annual Lease 1000 Gallon Tank	\$ _____ /year	\$ _____
45,000	Refinery Cost of Propane (BPN) *Please use Market Base (BPN) TARGA - San Francisco rate in the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Fuel Posting for the date of January 17, 2024. This will be used to compare bids equally. The price will be the same for each bidder.	\$ _____ /gallon	\$ _____
45,000	Margin Cost of Propane	\$ _____ /gallon	\$ _____
75	SPTF and Fuel Surcharge (Delivery Cost)	\$ _____ /delivery	\$ _____
1	Removal of Competitor & Install of New Tank	\$ _____ /install	\$ _____
		Subtotal	\$ _____
		Sales Tax (7.75%)	\$ _____
		GRAND TOTAL	\$ _____

Complete delivery will be made within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from award of bid.

Any questions regarding specifications should be directed to Danny Trejo, Water Resources Division at telephone (209) 937-8782.

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRM

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS

---

SIGNED BY

---

TITLE OR AGENCY

---

DATE

( )

---

TELEPHONE



**BIDDER'S AGREEMENT**

In submitting this bid, as herein described, the bidder agrees that:

1. They have carefully examined the specifications and all other provisions of this form and understand the meaning, intent, and requirements of same.
2. They have reviewed and understand all clarifications/questions/answers on the City's website at [www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid](http://www.stocktonca.gov/adminbid)
3. They will enter into written contract and furnish the item(s)/service(s) in the time specified in strict conformity with the specifications and conditions contained therein for the price quoted by the bidder on this bid.
4. The proposed price is inclusive of all freight and handling charges and includes delivery to the City of Stockton, Municipal Service Center, or if specified, to the alternate point of delivery shown in the specifications.
5. They have signed and notarized the attached Non-Collusion Affidavit form whether individual, corporate or partnership. Must be "A Jurat" notarization.

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRM

\_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNED BY

\_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE OR AGENCY

\_\_\_\_\_  
E-MAIL ADDRESS

**NOTE:** Bids are invalid which are unsigned, or not accompanied by **\$0.00** bid deposit or a bidder's bond. If erasures or interlineations appear on your bid form, they must be initialed by the person preparing the bid. Bids shall be mailed or delivered to:

**OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK  
FIRST FLOOR, CITY HALL  
425 NORTH EL DORADO STREET  
STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA 95202-1997**

On or before **2:00 p.m. THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024**, and publicly opened immediately thereafter in the City Council Chambers.

**SPECIAL NOTE: U.P.S. OR OTHER SPECIAL HANDLING SERVICES DO NOT DELIVER DIRECTLY TO THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE. BIDDERS ARE ADVISED THAT IF A SPECIAL HANDLING SERVICE IS USED, BIDS MAY NOT REACH THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE IN TIME FOR BID OPENING AND WILL BE REJECTED AND RETURNED TO BIDDER.**

**NON-COLLUSION  
AFFIDAVIT FOR INDIVIDUAL BIDDER**

**No. 1**  
**STATE OF CALIFORNIA,** \_\_\_\_\_ )ss.  
**County of** \_\_\_\_\_ )  
**(insert)**

\_\_\_\_\_ being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That on behalf of any person not named herein; that said Bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with, or induced or solicited any other bid or person, firm or corporation to put in a sham bid, or that such other person, firm or corporation shall or should refrain from bidding; and has not in any manner sought by collusion to secure to themselves any advantage over or against the City, or any person interested in said improvement, or over any other Bidder.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature Individual Bidder)

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Seal \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**No. 2** **AFFIDAVIT FOR CORPORATION BIDDER**

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA,** \_\_\_\_\_ )ss.  
**County of** \_\_\_\_\_ )  
**(insert)**

\_\_\_\_\_ being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That they are the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ a corporation, which corporation is the party making the foregoing bid, that such bid is genuine and not sham or collusive, or made in the interest or behalf of any person not named herein; that said Bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with, or induced or solicited any other bid or person, firm or corporation to put in a sham bid, or that such other person, firm or corporation shall or should refrain from bidding; and has not in any manner sought by collusion to secure to themselves any advantage over or against the City, or any person interested in said improvement, or over any other Bidder.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature Corporation Bidder)

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Seal \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**No. 3** **AFFIDAVIT FOR FIRM, ASSOCIATION, OR CO-PARTNERSHIP**

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA,** \_\_\_\_\_ )ss.  
**County of** \_\_\_\_\_ )  
**(insert)**

\_\_\_\_\_,  
each being first duly sworn, depose and say: That they are a member of the firm, association or co-partnership,  
designated as \_\_\_\_\_ who is the party making the foregoing bid; that the other partner, or partners, are \_\_\_\_\_ that such bid is genuine and not sham or collusive, or made in the interest or behalf of any person not named herein; that said Bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with, or induced or solicited any other bid or person, firm or corporation shall or should refrain from proposing; and has not in any manner sought by collusion to secure to themselves any advantage over or against the City, or any person interested in said improvement, or over any other Bidder.

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

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

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_  
by \_\_\_\_\_, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) who appeared before me.

Seal \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY OF STOCKTON  
INVITATION FOR BID PUR 24-020  
PROPANE FOR THE DELTA WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

**AGENCY REFERENCE FORM**

Supply Three (3) References of Government Agencies and/or Firms for whom Bidder has provided similar Services during the last three (3) years:

**LIST OF REFERENCES**

<b>1. Agency or Firm Name:</b>	
Business Address:	
Contact Person:	
Telephone:	
Email Address:	
Description of Service:	
Dates(S) When Service Provided	
<b>2. Agency or Firm Name:</b>	
Business Address:	
Contact Person:	
Telephone:	
Email Address:	
Description of Service	
Dates(S) When Service Provided	
<b>3. Agency or Firm Name:</b>	
Business Address:	
Contact Person:	
Telephone:	
Description Of Service	
Dates(S) When Service Provided	

Signature and acknowledgment by signing below, I certify that I am authorized by the company named above to respond to this request.

Company/Firm Name			
Address		Zip:	
Contact Name			
Email		Phone	
Fax		Signature	

**Exhibit B:**  
**Insurance Requirements**

(On Call Collection of Waste Streams Propane & Refrigerant)

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder and the results of that work by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

**MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMIT OF INSURANCE**

Coverage shall be at least as broad as:

1. **Commercial General Liability (CGL):** Insurance Services Office Form CG 00 01 covering CGL on an "occurrence" basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than **\$2,000,000** per occurrence. If a general aggregate limit applies, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to this project/location (ISO CG 25 03 or 25 04) or the general aggregate limit shall be twice the required occurrence limit.
2. **Automobile Liability:** ISO Form Number CA 00 01 covering any auto (Code 1), or if Contractor has no owned autos, hired, (Code 8) and non-owned autos (Code 9), with limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
3. **Workers' Compensation:** as required by the State of California, with Statutory Limits, and Employer's Liability Insurance with limit of no less than **\$1,000,000** per accident for bodily injury or disease. *(Not required if contractor provides written verification it has no employees)*
4. **Contractors Pollution Liability** applicable to the work being performed, with a limit no less than **\$1,000,000** per claim or occurrence and **\$1,000,000** aggregate per policy period of one year.

If the Contractor maintains broader coverage and/or higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City of Stockton requires and shall be entitled to the broader coverage and/or the higher limits maintained by the contractor. Any available insurance proceeds in excess of the specified minimum limits of insurance and coverage shall be available to the City of Stockton.

**Other Insurance Provisions**

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:

***Additional Insured Status***

The City of Stockton, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds on the CGL policy with respect to liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations. General liability coverage can be provided in the form of an endorsement to the Contractor's insurance (at least as broad as ISO Form CG 20 10 11 85 or if not available, through the addition of **both** CG 20 10, CG 20 26, CG 20 33, or CG 20 38; **and** CG 20 37 if a later edition is used). Additional insured Name of Organization shall read "City of Stockton, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers." Policy shall cover City of Stockton, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers for all locations work is done under this contract.

***Primary Coverage***

For any claims related to this contract, the **Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary and non-contributory** and at least as broad as ISO CG 20 01 04 13 as respects the City of Stockton, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City of Stockton, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it. This requirement shall also apply to any Excess or Umbrella liability policies. The City of Stockton does not accept endorsements limiting the Contractor's insurance coverage to the sole negligence of the Named Insured.

***Umbrella or Excess Policy***

The Contractor may use Umbrella or Excess Policies to provide the liability limits as required in this agreement. This form of insurance will be acceptable provided that all of the Primary and Umbrella or Excess Policies shall provide all of the insurance coverages herein required, including, but not limited to, primary and non-contributory, additional insured, Self-Insured Retentions (SIRs), indemnity, and defense requirements. The Umbrella or Excess policies shall be provided on a true "following form" or broader coverage basis, with coverage at least as broad as provided on the underlying Commercial General Liability insurance. No insurance policies maintained by the Additional Insureds, whether primary or excess, and which also apply to a loss covered hereunder, shall be called upon to contribute to a loss until the Contractor's primary and excess liability policies are exhausted.

***Notice of Cancellation***

Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be canceled, except with notice to the City of Stockton.

***Waiver of Subrogation***

Contractor hereby grants to City of Stockton a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the City of Stockton by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation, but this

provision applies regardless of whether or not the City of Stockton has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

### ***Self-Insured Retentions***

Self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the City of Stockton. The City of Stockton may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention. The policy language shall provide, or be endorsed to provide, that the self-insured retention may be satisfied by either the named insured or City of Stockton. The CGL and any policies, including Excess liability policies, may not be subject to a self-insured retention (SIR) or deductible that exceeds \$25,000 unless approved in writing by City of Stockton. Any and all deductibles and SIRs shall be the sole responsibility of Contractor or subcontractor who procured such insurance and shall not apply to the Indemnified Additional Insured Parties. City of Stockton may deduct from any amounts otherwise due Contractor to fund the SIR/deductible. Policies shall NOT contain any self-insured retention (SIR) provision that limits the satisfaction of the SIR to the Named. The policy must also provide that Defense costs, including the Allocated Loss Adjustment Expenses, will satisfy the SIR or deductible. City of Stockton reserves the right to obtain a copy of any policies and endorsements for verification.

### ***Acceptability of Insurers***

Insurance is to be placed with insurers authorized to conduct business in the state with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII, unless otherwise acceptable to the City of Stockton.

### ***Verification of Coverage***

Contractor shall furnish the City of Stockton with original certificates and amendatory endorsements or copies of the applicable policy language effecting coverage required by this clause **and a copy of the Declarations and Endorsements Pages of the CGL and any Excess policies listing all policy endorsements**. All certificates and endorsements and copies of the Declarations & Endorsements pages are to be received and approved by the City of Stockton before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The City of Stockton reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements required by these specifications, at any time. City of Stockton reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

REV 2022-06-07

***Special Risks or Circumstances***

City of Stockton reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

***Certificate Holder Address***

The address for mailing certificates, endorsements and notices shall be:

City of Stockton  
Its Officers, Officials, Employees, and Volunteers  
400 E Main St, 3rd Floor – HR  
Stockton, CA 95202



# EXHIBIT B - SAMPLE CONTRACT

CITY OF STOCKTON  
STANDARD AGREEMENT

Agreement Number:

1. This Agreement is entered into between the City of Stockton ("City") and ("Contractor") to provide as set forth in Exhibit A to this Agreement.

2. The term of this Agreement is as follows, unless amended as described in Exhibit A and Exhibit C section 8:  
Commences on: \_\_\_\_\_ Terminates on: \_\_\_\_\_

3. The maximum not to exceed amount to be paid to Contractor for the term of this Agreement, including if authorized, reimbursement of expenses, is: \$

4. The complete Agreement consists of all the following Agreement documents which by reference are incorporated and made a part of this Agreement. The parties agree to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

- (a) Exhibit A – Statement of Work
- (b) Exhibit B – Insurance
- (c) Exhibit C – General Terms & Conditions
- (d) Exhibit D – Professional Services Special Terms & Conditions
- (e) Exhibit E – Compensation Schedule
- (f) Exhibit F – Timeline
- (g) Exhibit G - Special Funding Terms & Conditions CARES (If applicable check box) YES

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized parties have executed this Agreement.**

**CONTRACTOR**

Contractor's Name (if other than an individual, state whether a corporation, partnership, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name and Title of Person Signing \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY OF STOCKTON**

Harry Black, City Manager \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

Eliza R. Garza CMC, City Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Lori Asuncion, City Attorney

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT A**  
**STATEMENT OF WORK**

**1. Project Objectives**

1.1 (Type the Project objectives)

**2. Project Scope**

2.1 (Type the Project Scope in detail including location of Work, resources, equipment and facilities needed.)

**3. Specifications**

3.1 (If applicable and the project has specifications, insert the specifications into this section.)

**4. Major Deliverables**

4.1 (Type the major deliverables in detail)

**5. Tasks That Support the Deliverables**

5.1 (In detail, describe the Tasks that support the deliverables and which party will complete them.)

**6. Internal and External Standards and Guidelines**

6.1 (If applicable and the project has internal and/or external standards or guidelines, insert them into this section.)

**7. Criteria of Acceptance for Deliverables**

7.1 (Type criteria used to determine whether deliverables are acceptable, how they will be accepted, and who will accept them.)

**8. Notices**

Pursuant to Exhibit C – General Terms and Conditions, Paragraph 15 – Notices, the mailing address for all required notices is as follows:

**Contractor:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**City:** City of Stockton  
Attn: City Manager

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

425 N. El Dorado Street  
Stockton, CA 95202

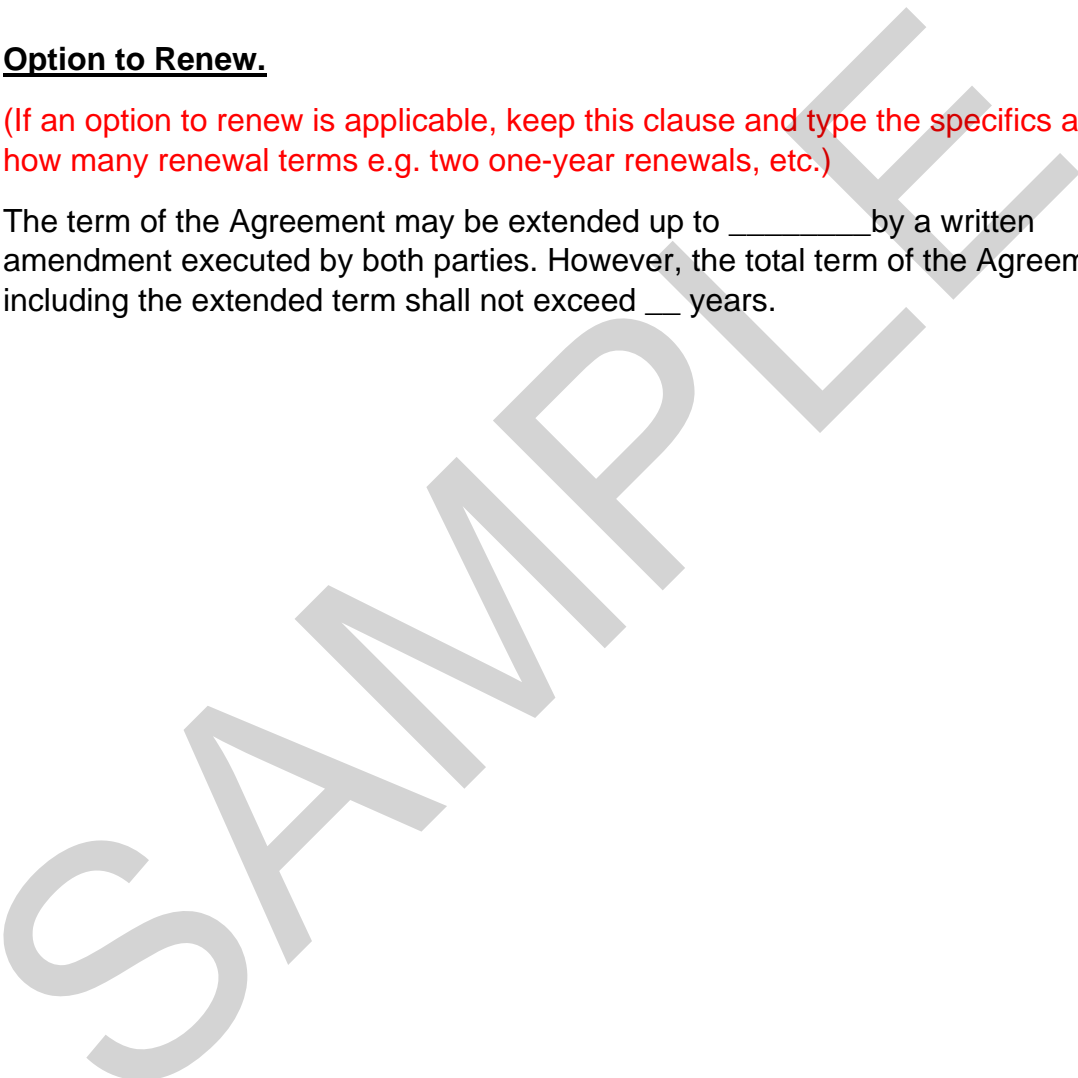
**9. Key Personnel**

(If applicable, type the name and contact information Key Personnel working on the Project.)

**10. Option to Renew.**

(If an option to renew is applicable, keep this clause and type the specifics as to how many renewal terms e.g. two one-year renewals, etc.)

The term of the Agreement may be extended up to \_\_\_\_\_ by a written amendment executed by both parties. However, the total term of the Agreement including the extended term shall not exceed \_\_ years.



**EXHIBIT B  
INSURANCE**

**(RESERVED FOR CITY'S INSURANCE PROVISIONS APPROVED BY RISK)**

SAMPLE

## EXHIBIT C

### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **Goods, Equipment and Services.** Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, Contractor shall provide to City the services described in Exhibit A of the Agreement. Contractor shall provide said services at the time, place and in the manner specified in Exhibit A of the Agreement.

2. **City Assistance, Facilities, Equipment and Clerical Support.** Except as set forth in Exhibit A, Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, furnish and maintain all facilities and equipment that may be required for furnishing services pursuant to this Agreement. If applicable, City shall furnish to Contractor only the facilities and equipment listed in Exhibit A to the Agreement.

3. **Compensation.** City shall pay Contractor for services rendered pursuant to this Agreement as described more particularly in Exhibit A and Exhibit E to the Agreement.

3.1 Invoices submitted by Contractor to City must contain a brief description of work performed, time spent and City reference number. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of Contractor's invoice, City will review invoice, and if acceptable make payment on approved invoice.

3.2 Upon completion of work and acceptance by City, Contractor shall have sixty (60) days in which to submit final invoicing for payment. An extension may be granted by City upon receiving a written request thirty (30) days in advance of said time limitation. The City shall have no obligation or liability to pay any invoice for work performed which the Contractor fails or neglects to submit within sixty (60) days, or any extension thereof granted by the City, after the work is accepted by the City.

4. **Sufficiency of Contractor's Work.** All Contractor services, work, and deliverables shall be performed in a good and workmanlike manner with due diligence in accordance with the degree of skill normally exercised by similar contractors supplying services and work of a similar nature, and in conformance with applicable laws, codes and professional standards. Contractor's work shall be adequate and sufficient to meet the purposes of this Agreement.

5. **Ownership of Work.** All reports, work product, all other documents completed or partially completed by Contractor or its approved subcontractors, in performance of this Agreement, and if applicable, drawings, designs, and plan review comments shall become the property of the City. Any and all copyrightable subject matter in all materials is hereby assigned to the City and the Contractor and its approved subcontractors agree

to execute any additional documents that may be necessary to evidence such assignment. All materials shall be delivered to the City upon completion or termination of the work under this Agreement. If any materials are lost, damaged or destroyed before final delivery to the City, the Contractor shall replace them at its own expense. Contractor and its approved subcontractors shall keep materials confidential. Materials shall not be used for purposes other than performance of services under this Agreement and shall not be disclosed to anyone not connected with these services, unless the City provides prior written consent.

**6. Timeliness.** Time is of the essence in this Agreement. Further, Contractor acknowledges that the failure of Contractor to comply with the time limits described in Exhibit A and Exhibit F may result in economic or other losses to the City.

**7. Changes.** Both parties to this Agreement understand that it may become desirable or necessary during the term of this Agreement for City to modify the scope of services provided for under this Agreement. Any material extension or change in the scope of work shall be discussed with City and the change and cost shall be memorialized in a written amendment to the original contract prior to the performance of the additional work. Until the amendment is so executed, City will not be responsible to pay any charges Contractor may incur in performing such additional services, and Contractor shall not be required to perform any such additional services.

**8. Amendment.** No variation of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless an amendment is made in writing and signed by both parties.

**9. Contractor's Status.**

9.1 In performing the obligations set forth in this Agreement, Contractor shall have the status of an independent contractor and Contractor shall not be considered to be an employee of the City for any purpose. All persons working for or under the direction of Contractor are its agents and employees and are not agents or employees of City. Contractor by virtue of this Agreement, has no authority to bind or incur any obligation on behalf of City. Except as expressly provided in Exhibit A, Contractor has no authority or responsibility to exercise any rights or power vested in the City. No agent, officer or employee of the City is to be considered an employee of the Contractor. It is understood by both Contractor and City that this Agreement shall not be construed or considered under any circumstances to create an employer-employee relationship or a joint venture.

9.2 Contractor shall determine the method, details and means of performing the work and services to be provided by Contractor under this Agreement. Contractor shall be responsible to City only for the requirements and results specified in this Agreement and, except as expressly provided in this Agreement, shall not be subjected to City's

control with respect to the physical action or activities of Contractor in fulfillment of this Agreement. Contractor has control over the manner and means of performing the services under this Agreement. If necessary, Contractor has the responsibility for employing other persons or firms to assist Contractor in fulfilling the terms and obligations under this Agreement.

9.3 If in the performance of this Agreement any third persons are employed by Contractor, such persons shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision and control of Contractor. All terms of employment including hours, wages, working conditions, discipline, hiring and discharging or any other term of employment or requirements of law shall be determined by the Contractor.

9.4 It is further understood and agreed that Contractor must issue W-2 forms or other forms as required by law for income and employment tax purposes for all of Contractor's assigned personnel under the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

## **10. Subcontractor.**

10.1 Subcontractors shall not be recognized as having any direct or contractual relationship with City. Contractor shall be responsible for the work of subcontractors, which shall be subject to the provisions of this Agreement. Subcontractors will be provided with a copy of the Agreement and be bound by its terms. Contractor is responsible to City for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and persons directly or indirectly employed by them.

10.2 If in the performance of this Agreement any third persons are employed by Contractor, such persons shall be entirely and exclusively under the direction, supervision and control of Contractor. All terms of employment including hours, wages working conditions, discipline, hiring, and discharging or any other term of employment or requirement of law shall be determined by Contractor.

10.3 It is further understood and agreed that Contractor must issue W-2 forms or other forms as required by law for income and employment tax purposes for all of Contractor's personnel.

## **11. Termination.**

11.1 Termination for Convenience of City. The City may terminate this Agreement at any time by mailing a notice in writing to Contractor. The Agreement shall then be deemed terminated, and no further work shall be performed by Contractor. If the Agreement is so terminated, the Contractor shall be paid for the work actually completed at the time the notice of termination is received.



11.2 Should either party default in the performance of this Agreement or materially breach any of its provisions, the other party, at that party's option, may terminate this Agreement by giving written notification to the other party.

11.3 Funding- Non-Appropriation. It is mutually understood between the Parties that payment to the Contractor for performance shall be dependent upon the availability of appropriations by the City Council for the purposes of this Agreement. No legal liability on the part of the City for any payment may arise under this Agreement until funds are made available and until the Contractor has received funding availability, which will be confirmed in writing. If funding for any fiscal year is reduced or deleted, or if the City loses funding for any reason, the City, in its sole discretion, shall have the option to either (a) cause this Agreement to be canceled or terminated pursuant to applicable provisions of the Agreement; or (b) offer to amend the Agreement to reflect the reduced funding for this Agreement.

12. Non-Assignability. The Contractor shall not assign, sublet, or transfer this Agreement or any interest or obligation in the Agreement without the prior written consent of the City, and then only upon such terms and conditions as City may set forth in writing. Contractor shall be solely responsible for reimbursing subcontractors.

13. Indemnity and Hold Harmless. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall hold harmless, defend at its own expense, and indemnify the City of Stockton, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, against any and all liability, claims, losses, damages, or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising from all acts or omissions of contractor or its officers, agents, or employees in rendering services under this contract; excluding, however, such liability, claims, losses, damages, or expenses arising from the City of Stockton's sole negligence or willful acts. The duty to defend and the duty to indemnify are separate and distinct obligations. The indemnification obligations of this section shall survive the termination of this agreement.

14. Insurance. During the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain in full force and effect at its own cost and expense the insurance coverage as set forth in the attached Exhibit B to this Agreement and shall otherwise comply with the other provisions of Exhibit B to this Agreement.

15. Notices. All notices herein required shall be in writing and shall be sent by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, addressed in Exhibit A to this Agreement.

16. Conformance to Applicable Laws. Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and Municipal laws, rules, and ordinances. Contractor shall not discriminate in the employment of persons or in the provision of services under this Agreement on the basis of any legally protected classification, including race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex or religion of such person.

**17. Licenses, Certifications and Permits.** Prior to the City's execution of this Agreement and prior to the Contractor's engaging in any operation or activity set forth in this Agreement, Contractor shall obtain a City of Stockton business license, which must be kept in effect during the term of this Agreement. Contractor covenants that it has obtained all certificates, licenses, permits and the like required to perform the services under this Agreement. Such licenses, certificates and permits shall be maintained in full force and effect during the term of this Agreement.

**18. Records and Audits.** Contractor shall maintain all records regarding this Agreement and the services performed for a period of three (3) years from the date that final payment is made. At any time during normal business hours, the records shall be made available to the City to inspect and audit. To the extent Contractor renders services on a time and materials basis, Contractor shall maintain complete and accurate accounting records, in a form prescribed by City or, if not prescribed by City, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, such records to include, but not be limited to, payroll records, attendance cards, time sheets, and job summaries.

**19. Confidentiality.** Contractor shall exercise reasonable precautions to prevent the unauthorized disclosure and use of City reports, information or conclusions.

**20. Conflicts of Interest.** Contractor covenants that other than this Agreement, Contractor has no financial interest with any official, employee or other representative of the City. Contractor and its principals do not have any financial interest in real property, sources of income or investment that would be affected in any manner of degree by the performance of Contractor's services under this Agreement. If such an interest arises, Contractor shall immediately notify the City.

**21. Waiver.** In the event either City or Contractor at any time waive any breach of this Agreement by the other, such waiver shall not constitute a waiver of any other or succeeding breach of this Agreement, whether of the same or of any other covenant, condition or obligation. No payment, partial payment, acceptance, or partial acceptance by City shall operate as a waiver on the part of City of any of its rights under this Agreement.

**22. Governing Law.** California law shall govern any legal action pursuant to this Agreement with venue for all claims in the Superior Court of the County of San Joaquin, Stockton Branch or, where applicable, in the Federal District Court of California, Eastern District, Sacramento Division.

**23. No Personal Liability.** No official or employee of City shall be personally liable to Contractor in the event of any default or breach by the City or for any amount due Contractor.

**24. Severability.** If any portion of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction or if it is found in contravention of any federal, state or city statute, ordinance or regulation the remaining provisions of this Agreement or the application thereof shall not be invalidated thereby and shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that the provisions of this Agreement are severable.

**25. Non-Discrimination.** During the performance of this Agreement, Contractor and its officers, employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors shall not unlawfully discriminate in violation of any federal, state, or local law, rule or regulation against any employee, applicant for employment or person receiving services under this Agreement because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, physical or mental disability, medical condition (including genetic characteristics), marital status, age, political affiliation, gender identity, gender expression, sex or sexual orientation, family and medical care leave, pregnancy leave, or disability leave. Contractor and its officers, employees, agents, representative or subcontractors shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations related to non-discrimination and equal opportunity, including without limitation the City's nondiscrimination policy; the Fair Employment and Housing Act (Government Code sections 12990 (et seq.); California Labor Code sections 1101, 1102 and 1102.1; the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352), as amended; and all applicable regulations promulgated in the California Code of Regulation or Code of Federal Regulations. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 requires that "no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance." (42 USC Section 2000d). <http://www.dol.gov/oasam/regs/statutes/titlevi.htm>. The City requires compliance with the requirements of Title VI in all of its programs and activities regardless of funding source.

**26. Force Majeure.** Neither party shall be responsible for delays or failures in performance resulting from acts of God, acts of civil or military authority, terrorism, fire, flood, strikes, war, epidemics, pandemics, shortage of power or other acts or causes reasonably beyond the control of that party. The party experiencing the force majeure event agrees to give the other party notice promptly following the occurrence of a force majeure event, and to use diligent efforts to re-commence performance as promptly as commercially practicable.

**27. Taxes and Charges.** Contractor shall be responsible for payment of all taxes, fees, contributions or charges applicable to the conduct of the Contractor's business.

**28. Cumulative Rights.** Any specific right or remedy provided in this Agreement will not be exclusive but will be cumulative of all other rights and remedies to which may be legally entitled.

29. **Advice of Attorney.** Each party warrants and represents that in executing this Agreement, it has received independent legal advice from its attorneys or the opportunity to seek such advice.

30. **Heading Not Controlling.** Headings used in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not be considered in construing this Agreement.

31. **Entire Agreement, Integration, and Modification.**

31.1 This Agreement represents the entire integrated agreement between Contractor and the City; supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral between the parties and may be amended only by a written Amendment signed by the Contractor and City Manager.

31.2 All Exhibits to this Agreement and this Agreement are intended to be construed as a single document.

32. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original. All counterparts shall be construed together and shall constitute one agreement.

33. **Authority.** The individual(s) executing this Agreement represent and warrant that they have the legal capacity and authority to do so on behalf of their respective legal entities.

## EXHIBIT D

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **Definitions.** The following words and phrases have the following meanings for purposes of this Agreement:

1.1 "Services" means, collectively, the services, duties and responsibilities described in Exhibit A of this Agreement and any and all work necessary to complete them or carry them out fully and to the standard of performance required in this Agreement.

1.2 "Deliverable" means quantifiable goods or services that will be provided upon completion of a project. A deliverable is any tangible material, work or thing delivered by one party to the other, including associated technical documentation. A deliverable can be tangible or intangible parts of the development process, and often are specified functions or characteristics of the project.

2. **General.** The following terms and conditions are applicable for the Professional Services only. The special conditions shall be read in conjunction with the Standard Agreement, General Terms and Conditions ("GTC") Exhibit C, and all other Exhibits identified in the Standard Agreement.

2.1 Where any portion of the GTC is in conflict to or at variance with any provisions of the Special Conditions of the Agreement, then unless a different intention stated, the provision(s) of the Special Conditions of the Agreement shall be deemed to override the provision(s) of GTC only to the extent that such conflict or variations in the Special Conditions of the Agreement are not possible of being reconciled with the provisions of the GTC.

2.2 In the case of modification of a part or provision of the GTC, the unaltered part or provision, or both shall remain in effect. The Special Conditions shall relate to a particular project and be peculiar to that project but shall not weaken the character or intent of the GTC.

3. **Time for Performance.**

3.1 Contractor shall perform the services according to the schedule contained in Exhibit F.

3.2 Timeliness of Performance i) Contractor shall provide the Services, and Deliverables within the term and within the time limits required under this Agreement, pursuant to the provisions of Exhibit A and Exhibit F. ii) Neither Contractor nor Contractor's agents, employees nor subcontractors are entitled to any damages from the City, nor is any party entitled to be reimbursed by the City, for damages, charges or other

losses or expenses incurred by Contractor by reason of delays or hindrances in the performance of the Services, whether or not caused by the City.

#### **4. Standard of Performance**

In addition to Exhibit C, Section 4 and 17, Contractor agrees as follows:

4.1 Contractor's Services shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and principles and in a manner consistent with the level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of Contractor's profession currently practicing under similar conditions. Contractor shall comply with the profession's standard of performance, applicable laws, regulations, and industry standards. By delivery of completed work, Contractor certifies that the work conforms to the requirements of this Agreement and all applicable federal, state and local laws. If Contractor is retained to perform services requiring a license, certification, registration or other similar requirement under California law, Contractor shall maintain that license, certification, registration or other similar requirement throughout the term of this Agreement.

4.2 Contractor acknowledges that it is entrusted with or has access to valuable and confidential information and records of the City and with respect to that information, Contractor agrees to be held to the standard of care of a fiduciary. Contractor shall assure that all services that require the exercise of professional skills or judgment are accomplished by professionals qualified and competent in the applicable discipline and appropriately licensed, if required by law. Contractor must provide copies of any such licenses. Contractor remains responsible for the professional and technical accuracy of all Services or Deliverables furnished, whether by Contractor or its subcontractors or others on its behalf. All Deliverables must be prepared in a form and content satisfactory to the Using Agency and delivered in a timely manner consistent with the requirements of this Agreement.

4.3 If Contractor fails to comply with the foregoing standards, Contractor must perform again, at its own expense, all Services required to be re-performed as a direct or indirect result of that failure. Any review, approval, acceptance or payment for any of the Services by the City does not relieve Contractor of its responsibility for the professional skill and care and technical accuracy of its Services and Deliverables. This provision in no way limits the City's rights against Contractor either under this Agreement, at law or in equity.

#### **5. Compensation**

5.1 In addition to Section 3 Compensation in Exhibit C – GTC, the Contractor shall be compensated for the services provided under this Agreement as follows:

5.1.1 Contractor shall be compensated for services rendered and accepted under this Agreement and shall be paid monthly, in arrears on a not to exceed

basis, based upon the rates set forth in Exhibit E attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement. Contractor may vary the compensation for each task in Exhibit E provided that the total project compensation listed in Exhibit E and the Standard Agreement is not exceeded.

## **6. Personnel**

6.1 None of the work or services covered by this Agreement shall be subcontracted without the prior written approval of the City. Any work or services subcontracted hereunder shall be specified by written agreement and shall be subject to each provision of this Agreement. Contractor shall provide subcontractor a copy of this fully executed Agreement.

6.2 Contractor agrees to assign only competent personnel according to the reasonable and customary standards of training and experience in the relevant field to perform services under this Agreement. Failure to assign such competent personnel shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement. The payment made to Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall be the full and complete compensation to which Contractor and Contractor's officers, employees, agents, and subcontractors are entitled for performance of any work under this Agreement. Neither Contractor nor Contractor's officers or employees are entitled to any salary or wages, or retirement, health, leave or other fringe benefits applicable to employees of the City. The City will not make any federal or state tax withholdings on behalf of Contractor. The City shall not be required to pay any workers' compensation insurance on behalf of Contractor. Contractor shall pay, when and as due, any and all taxes incurred as a result of Contractor's compensation hereunder, including estimated taxes, and shall provide City with proof of such payments upon request.

6.3 Key Personnel: Because of the special skills required to satisfy the requirements of this Agreement, Contractor shall not reassign or replace key personnel without the written consent of the City, which consent the City will not unreasonably withhold. "key personnel" means those job titles and the persons assigned to those positions in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. The City may at any time in writing notify Contractor that the City will no longer accept performance of Services under this Agreement by one or more Key Personnel listed. Upon that notice Contractor shall immediately suspend the services of the key person or persons and must replace him or them in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. A list of key personnel is found in Exhibit A, Scope of Services.

## **7. Reports and Information**

Contractor shall at such times and in such forms as the City may require furnish the City such periodic reports as it may request pertaining to the work or services undertaken pursuant to this Agreement, the costs and obligations incurred or to be incurred in connection therewith, and any other matters are covered by this Agreement as specified in Exhibit A and Exhibit E.

## **8. Findings Confidential**

All of the reports, information, data, et cetera, prepared or assembled by the Contractor under this Agreement are confidential and the Contractor agrees that they shall not be made available to any individual or organization without the prior written approval of the City. Contractor shall not be required under the provisions of this paragraph to keep confidential any data or information which is or becomes publicly available, is required by applicable law or by proper legal or governmental authority, is already rightfully in the Contractor's possession without obligation of confidentiality, is independently developed by Contractor outside the scope of this Agreement or is rightfully obtained from third parties. Contractor shall give City prompt notice of any such legal or governmental demand and reasonably cooperate with City in any effort to seek a protective order or otherwise to contest such required disclosure.

## **9. Copyright**

No materials, including but not limited to reports, maps, or documents produced as a result of this Agreement, in whole or in part, shall be available to Contractor for copyright purposes. Any such materials produced as a result of this Agreement that might be subject to copyright shall be the property of the City and all such rights shall belong to the City, and the City shall be sole and exclusive entity who may exercise such rights.

## **10. Deliverables**

Contractor shall prepare or provide to the City various Deliverables. "Deliverables" include work product, such as written reviews, recommendations, reports and analyses, produced by Contractor for the City. The City may reject Deliverables that do not include relevant information or data, or do not include all documents or other materials specified in this Agreement or reasonably necessary for the purpose for which the City made this Agreement or for which the City intends to use the Deliverables. If the City determines that Contractor has failed to comply with the foregoing standards, it has 30 days from the discovery to notify Contractor of its failure. If Contractor does not correct the failure, or if it is possible to do so, within 30 days after receipt of notice from the City specifying the failure, then the City, by written notice, may treat the failure as a default of this Agreement. Partial or incomplete Deliverables may be accepted for review only when required for a specific and well-defined purpose and when consented to in advance by the City. Such Deliverables will not be considered as satisfying the requirements of this Agreement and partial or incomplete Deliverables in no way relieve Contractor of its commitments under this Agreement.



## EXHIBIT F

### TIMELINE

1. Consultant shall complete the requested services identified in Exhibit A as follows:

1.1 **TIMELINE FOR COMPLETION OF WORK**

1.1.1 (insert deliverable title) (insert duration i.e. 1 week)

1.1.2 (insert deliverable title) (insert duration i.e. 1 day)

1.1.3 (insert deliverable title) (insert duration i.e. 3 weeks)

SAMPLE

**Exhibit G**  
**CARES Act**  
**Special Funding Terms and Conditions**

The City has entered into this Agreement using funds governed by the Coronavirus Relief Fund. The funding available is governed under section 601(d) of the Social Security Act, as added by section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act"). The CARES Act established the Coronavirus Relieve Fund (the "Fund"). Under the CARES Act, the Fund is to be used for payments for specified uses to certain local governments.

The following terms and conditions are applicable for the funds governed by the CARES ACT only. These special conditions shall be read in conjunction with the Standard Agreement, General Terms and Conditions ("GTC") Exhibit C, and all other Exhibits identified in the Standard Agreement.

Where any portion of the GTC is in conflict to or at variance with any provisions of the CARES Act Special Funding Terms and Conditions of the Agreement, then unless a different intention stated, the provision(s) of the CARES Act Special Funding Terms and Conditions of the Agreement shall be deemed to override the provision(s) of GTC only to the extent that such conflict or variations in the CARES Act Special Funding Terms and Conditions of the Agreement are not possible of being reconciled with the provisions of the GTC.

In the case of modification of a part or provision of the GTC, the unaltered part or provision, or both shall remain in effect. The CARES Act Special Funding Terms and Conditions shall relate to a particular project and be peculiar to that project but shall not weaken the character or intent of the GTC. In consideration of the mutual promises contained in this Agreement, the City and Contractor agree as follows:

1. SURVIVAL OF PROMISES. All promises, requirements, terms, conditions, provisions, representations, guarantees, and warranties contained herein shall survive the Agreement expiration or termination date unless specifically provided otherwise herein, or unless superseded by applicable federal or state statutes of limitation.
2. SEPARATE ACCOUNTING. Contractor shall establish a separate account for all funds specified in this Agreement and shall use the funds to purchase necessary supplies, defray travel, and will employ the necessary personnel to perform the Work specified in this Agreement. Contractor shall also establish and maintain, if applicable, such accounting and documentation of matching expenditures of the Contractor to satisfy the requirements of the project.
3. AUDIT. The City, and any other appropriate government agencies authorized by law, or their duly authorized representatives shall, until five (5) years after final payment under this Agreement, have access to any of the Contractor's records related to this Agreement, at the Contractor's regular place of business, for the purpose of conducting audits. The period of access for records relating to a) appeals under a dispute, b) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Agreement, or c) costs and expenses of this Agreement to which exception has been taken shall continue until such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions are disposed of.
4. AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS. The Contractor shall use or expend the funds provided by this Agreement only for the purposes for which they were appropriated. Further, the funds provided by the City shall be used by the Contractor only for the purpose and activities specified in the Agreement, including associated attachments and exhibits which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein.
5. COMPLIANCE WITH COST PRINCIPLES AND RELATED REGULATIONS. The Contractor shall not be reimbursed for expenditures under this Agreement that do not comply with the CARES Act and Related Regulations that are incorporated.

6. PUBLICATIONS. The Contractor shall be free to publish results of the Work provided that the terms of the project are met and the review copies of materials intended for publication are submitted to the City's project Director at least 15 days prior to publication.
7. DELAYS. Contractor shall notify the City promptly of any expected delay in performance of services. However, Contractor shall not be liable for delays in performance beyond reasonable control.

SAMPLE