

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS RFQu 25-0572 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING SERVICES

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RESPONSE DEADLINE: February 21, 2025, 2:00 pm

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1. Introduction

1.1. Summary

The City of Phoenix invites sealed offers for Contractors to provide a broad range of Professional Development Consultation, Professional Facilitation, Training, Motivational Speaking, Management Coaching and related services for various City of Phoenix departments on an as-needed basis, for a five-year contract commencing on or about March 1, 2025, in accordance with the specifications and provisions contained herein or the "Effective Date" which is upon award by City Council, conditioned upon signature and recording by the City Clerk's department, as required by the Phoenix City Code, whichever is later.

This solicitation is available through Arizona Relay Service 7-1-1. Please call TTY 800-367-8939 for assistance.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement will terminate upon the earliest occurrence: by reaching the end of the term including any extensions exercised, or termination pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement.

1.2. Contact Information

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Department:

Finance Central Procurement

1.3. Timeline

Schedule of Events

The City reserves the right to change dates, times, and locations, as necessary. All times are local Phoenix time. The City does not always hold a Pre-Offer Conference or Site Visit.

To request a reasonable accommodation or alternative format for any public meeting, please contact the Procurement Officer (Margie Vasquez) at (602) 262-7794/Voice or 711/TTY, or Margie.Vasquez@phoenix.gov, no later than two (2) weeks prior to the meeting.

| Solicitation Issue Date | January 23, 2025 |
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| Pre-Offer Conference (Non-Mandatory) | January 31, 2025, 1:00pm WebEx Meeting |
| | Pre-Offer Meeting Link |
| Written Inquiries Due Date | February 7, 2025, 2:00pm |
| Question Response Deadline | February 13, 2025, 5:00pm |
| Offer Due Date | February 21, 2025, 2:00pm |

2. Instructions

2.1. City's Vendor Self-Registration and Notification

Vendors must be registered in the City's procurePHX Self-Registration System at https://www.phoenix.gov/procure to respond to solicitations and access procurement information. The City may, at its sole discretion, reject any offer from an Offeror who has not registered.

2.2. Preparation of Offer

All forms provided in Submittal Section must be completed and submitted with the Offer. The signed and completed Conflict of Interest and Transparency form must be included or your Offer may be deemed non-responsive.

It is permissible to copy Submittal forms if necessary. Erasures, interlineations, or other modifications of the Offer must be initialed in original ink by the authorized person signing the Offer. No offer will be altered, amended or withdrawn after the specified offer due date and time. The City is not responsible for Offeror's errors or omissions.

All time periods stated as a number of days will be calendar days.

It is the responsibility of all Offerors to examine the entire solicitation and seek clarification of any requirement that may not be clear and to check all responses for accuracy before submitting an offer. Negligence in preparing an offer confers no right of withdrawal after due date and time. Offerors are strongly encouraged to:

- A. Consider applicable laws and/or economic conditions that may affect cost, progress, performance, or furnishing of the products or services.
- B. Study and carefully correlate Offeror's knowledge and observations with the solicitation and other related data.
- C. Promptly notify the City of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Offeror has discovered in or between the solicitation and other related documents.
- D. The City does not reimburse the cost of developing, presenting or providing any response to this solicitation. Offers submitted for consideration should be prepared simply and economically, providing adequate information in a straightforward and concise manner. The Offeror is responsible for all costs incurred in responding to this solicitation. All materials and documents submitted in response to this solicitation become the property of the City and will not be returned.

2.3. Fixed Offer Price Period

Note: This solicitation does not require pricing. Pricing shall be provided for each specific project scope of work request issued by the City.

2.4. Obtaining a Copy of the Solicitation and Addenda

Interested Offerors may download the complete solicitation and addenda from https://solicitations.phoenix.gov/. Any interested Offerors without internet access may obtain this solicitation by calling the Procurement Officer or picking up a copy during regular business hours at the City of Phoenix, Finance Department, Central Procurement Division, 251 W Washington Street, 8th Floor, Phoenix, AZ. It is the Offeror's responsibility to check the website, read the entire solicitation, and verify all required information is submitted with their Offer.

2.5. Exceptions

Offeror must not take any exceptions to any terms, conditions or material requirements of this solicitation. Offers submitted with exceptions may be deemed non-responsive and disqualified from further consideration in the City's sole discretion. Offerors must conform to all the requirements specified in the solicitation. The City encourages Offerors to send inquiries to the Procurement Officer rather than including exceptions in their Offer.

2.6. Inquiries

All questions that arise relating to this solicitation should be directed via email to the Procurement Officer and must be received by the due date indicated in the Schedule of Events. The City will not consider questions received after the deadline.

No informal contact initiated by Offerors on the proposed service will be allowed with members of City's staff from date of distribution of this solicitation until after city council awards the contract. All questions concerning or issues related to this solicitation must be presented in writing.

The Procurement Officer will answer written inquiries in an addendum and publish any addendums on the Procurement Website.

2.7. Addenda

The City of Phoenix will not be responsible for any oral instructions made by any employees or officers of the City of Phoenix regarding this solicitation. Any changes will be in the form of an addendum. The Offeror must acknowledge receipt of any/all addenda by signing and returning the document with the Offer submittal.

2.8. Business in Arizona

The City will not enter contracts with Offerors (or any company(ies)) not granted authority to transact business, or not in good standing, in the state of Arizona by the Arizona Corporation Commission, unless the Offeror asserts a statutory exception prior to entering a contract with the City.

2.9. Licenses

If required by law for the operation of the business or work related to this Offer, Offeror must possess all valid certifications and/or licenses as required by federal, state or local laws at the time of submittal.

2.10. Certifications

By signature in the Offer section of the Offer and Acceptance page(s), Offeror certifies:

- The submission of the Offer did not involve collusion or other anti-competitive practices.
- The Offeror must not discriminate against any employee, or applicant for employment in violation of Federal or State Law.
- The Offeror has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant in connection with the submitted Offer.

2.11. Submission of Offer

Offers must be in possession of the Department on or prior to the exact time and date indicated in the Schedule of Events. Late offers will not be considered. The prevailing clock will be the City Department's clock.

Offers must be submitted electronically by email to Procurement@phoenix.gov and the following information should be noted in the email:

- A. Offeror's Name
- B. Offeror's Address (as shown on the Certification Page)
- C. Solicitation Number
- D. Solicitation Title
- E. Offer Opening Date
- F. Due to file size limitations for electronic transmission (for sending or receiving), Offers sent by email may need to be sent in parts with multiple emails. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to ensure that the Offer (including all parts if sent in multiple emails) is timely and to confirm that there are no technical reasons that any offer submitted electronically may be delayed. The date and time on the email(s) as received/stamped by the City's inbox will provide proof of submission and verification whether the Offer was received on or prior to the exact time and date indicated in the Schedule of Events.
- G. Any original documents (such as bonds, guaranties, powers of attorney), if required by the solicitation, must be separately delivered to and received by the City on or prior to the exact time and date indicated in the Schedule of Events, with a clear indication of the Offer for which it is attributed.

2.12. Withdrawal of Offer

At any time prior to the solicitation due date and time, an Offeror (or designated representative) may withdraw the Offer by submitting a request in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative. If Offeror withdraws the Offer electronically by email to the Procurement Officer, the request to withdraw must be in the form of a letter attached to the email that includes either

an image of the duly authorized representative's signature or an electronic signature from a verifiable source, such as Adobe Sign, DocuSign or a similar verifiable software program.

2.13. Offer Results

Offers will be opened on the offer due date, time and location indicated in the Schedule of Events, at which time the name of each Offeror, and the prices may be read. Offers and other information received in response to the solicitation will be shown only to authorized City personnel having a legitimate interest in them or persons assisting the City in the evaluation. Offers are not available for public inspection until after the City has posted the award recommendation on the City's website.

The City will post a preliminary offer tabulation on the City's website, https://solicitations.phoenix.gov/Awards within five business days of the offer opening. The City will post the information on the preliminary tabulation as it was read during the offer opening. The City makes no guarantee as to the accuracy of any information on the preliminary tabulation. Once the City has evaluated the offers, the City will post an award recommendation on the website. By signing and submitting its Offer, each Offeror agrees that this posting of the award recommendation to the City's website effectively serves as the Offeror's receipt of that notice of award recommendation. The City has no obligation to provide any further notification to unsuccessful Offerors.

2.14. Special Requirements

In order for an RFQu response to be considered, the Offeror shall comply with Phoenix City Code, 1969, Chapter 18, Article V, as amended, Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements. Any questions in regard to these requirements shall be directed to the Equal Opportunity Department, (602) 262-6790.

2.15. Qualification Criteria

Statement of Qualifications shall relate specifically to the following items, listed in general order of importance, for evaluation and selection purposes:

The Evaluation Criteria are detailed in Section 4. Evaluation Process.

Minimum Qualification

A. Offeror must have been in business at least five (5) consecutive years providing related services as listed in this solicitation, within the last seven (7) years.

B. Offeror must have at least five (5) years' experience providing Professional Development Consultation, Professional Facilitation, Training, Motivational Speaking, Management Coaching and/or related services for private and/or public entities.

2.16. Content of Response

The Offerors' response shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements listed in 9. Submittals section.

2.17. Evaluation and Selection

After evaluating all submissions, the City may ask some or all the firms that submitted a response to participate in interviews. Upon completion of the evaluation process, the City may assign a detailed scope of work to the selected candidate and negotiate fees for services.

RFQu responses should be concise, well-organized per the requested information, clearly written and limited to no more than 50 pages including resumes. The review process places considerable emphasis on the responsiveness of the RFQu response to the requirements outlined above. RFQu responses that are not written specifically in response to this request cannot receive serious consideration.

All RFQu responses will be evaluated based on the criteria listed above in the Qualifications Section of this RFQu.

The firms under consideration for this RFQu, will be evaluated in accordance with the solicitation by an Evaluation Committee and/or the Procurement Officer. The City reserves the right to request supplemental information that the Evaluation Committee deems necessary to make a selection. The Committee may be supplemented by outside professionals or professionals from other City departments who can provide additional expertise.

2.18. Agreement

The City will require the selected Offeror to participate in negotiations and to submit such cost, technical or other revisions of the submittals as may result from negotiations. The City shall draft all final contracts and documents that result from this RFQu.

The language contained in this RFQu and the Offeror's statement of qualifications will form the basis of any resulting Contract. However, this RFQu does not commit the City to enter a Contract, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a submittal to this request or in subsequent negotiations, or to procure a contract for the project(s).

2.19. Solicitation Transparency Policy

Commencing on the date and time a solicitation is published, potential or actual Offerors or respondents (including their representatives) shall only discuss matters associated with the solicitation with the Mayor, any members of City Council, the City Manager, any Deputy City Manager, or any department director directly associated with the solicitation (including in each case their assigned staff, except for the designated Procurement Officer) at a public meeting, posted under Arizona Statutes, until the resulting contract(s) are awarded to all offers or responses are rejected and the solicitation is cancelled without any announcement by the Procurement Officer of the City's intent to reissue the same or similar solicitation.

As long as the solicitation is not discussed, Offerors may continue to conduct business with the City and discuss business that is unrelated to the solicitation with the City staff. Offerors may not discuss the solicitation with any City employees or evaluation panel members.

Offerors may discuss their proposal or the solicitation with the Mayor or one or more members of the Phoenix City Council, provided such meetings are scheduled through the Procurement Officer, and are posted as open meetings with the City Clerk at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meetings. The City Clerk will be responsible for posting the meetings. The posted

notice shall identify the participants and the subject matter, as well as invite the public to participate.

With respect to the selection of the successful Offerors, the City Manager and/or City Manager's Office will continue the past practice of exerting no undue influence on the process. In all solicitations of bids and proposals, any direction on the selection from the City Manager and/or City Manager's Office and Department Head (or representative) to the proposal review panel or selecting authority must be provided in writing to all prospective Offerors.

This policy is intended to create a level playing field for all Offerors, assure that contracts are awarded in public, and protect the integrity of the selection process. OFFERORS THAT VIOLATE THIS POLICY SHALL BE DISQUALIFIED. After official Notice is received by the City for disqualification, the Offeror may follow the Protest process, unless the Solicitation is cancelled without notice of intent to re-issue.

"To discuss" means any contact by the Offeror, regardless of whether the City responds to the contact. Offerors that violate this policy will be disqualified until the resulting contract(s) are awarded, or all offers or responses are rejected and the solicitation is cancelled without any announcement by the Procurement Officer of the City's intent to reissue the same or a similar solicitation. The City interprets the policy as continuing through a cancellation of a solicitation until Council award of the contract, as long as the City cancels with a statement that the City will rebid the solicitation.

2.20. Protest Process

Offeror may protest the contents of a solicitation no later than seven days before the solicitation deadline when the protest is based on an apparent alleged mistake, impropriety or defect in the solicitation. Protests filed regarding the solicitation may be addressed by an amendment to the solicitation or denied by the City. If denied, the opening and award will proceed unless the City determines that it is in the City's best interests to set new deadlines, amend the solicitation, cancel or re-bid.

Therefore, unless otherwise notified by a formal amendment, the Protester must adhere to all solicitation dates and deadlines, including timely filing of an offer, regardless of filing a protest.

Offeror may protest an adverse determination issued by the City regarding responsibility and responsiveness, within seven days of the date the Offeror was notified of the adverse determination.

Offeror may protest an award recommendation if the Offeror can establish that it had a substantial chance of being awarded the contract and will be harmed by the recommended award. The City will post recommendations on the City's website to award the contract(s) to an Offeror(s). Offeror must submit award protests within seven days after the posting of the award recommendation, with exceptions only for good cause shown, within the City's full and final discretion.

All protests will be in writing, filed with the Procurement Officer identified in the solicitation and include the following:

• Identification of the solicitation number;

- The name, address and telephone number of the protester;
- A detailed statement describing the legal and factual grounds for the protest, including copies of relevant documents;
- The form of relief requested; and
- The signature of the protester or its authorized representative.

The Procurement Officer will render a written decision within a reasonable period after the protest is filed. The City will not request City Council authorization to award the contract until the protest process is complete. All protests and appeals must be submitted in accordance with the City's Procurement Code, (Phoenix City Code, Ch. 43) and any protests or appeals not submitted within the time requirements will not be considered. Protests must be filed with the Procurement Officer.

2.21. Public Record

All Offers submitted in response to this solicitation will become the property of the City and become a matter of public record available for review pursuant to Arizona State law. If an Offeror believes that a specific section of its Offer response is confidential, the Offeror will isolate the pages marked confidential in a specific and clearly labeled section of its Offer response. An Offeror may request specific information contained within its Offer is treated by the Procurement Officer as confidential provided the Offeror clearly labels the information "confidential." To the extent necessary for the evaluation process, information marked as "confidential" will not be treated as confidential. Once the procurement file becomes available for public inspection, the Procurement Officer will not make any information identified by the Offerors as "confidential" available to the public unless necessary to support the evaluation process or if specifically requested in accordance with applicable public records law. When a public records request for such information is received, the Procurement Officer will notify the Offeror in writing of any request to view any portion of its Offer marked "confidential." The Offeror will have the time set forth in the notice to obtain a court order enjoining such disclosure. If the Offeror does not provide the Procurement Officer with a court order enjoining release of the information during the designated time, the Procurement Officer will make the information requested available for inspection.

2.22. Late Offers

Late Offers must be rejected, except for good cause. If a late Offer is submitted, the Department will document the date and time of the submittal of the late Offer, keep the Offer and notify the Offeror that its Offer was disqualified for being a late Offer.

2.23. Right to Disqualify

The City reserves the right to disqualify any Offeror who fails to provide information or data requested or who provides materially inaccurate or misleading information or data. The City further reserves the right to disqualify any Offeror on the basis of any real or apparent conflict of interest that is disclosed by the Offer submitted or any other data or information available to the City. This disqualification is at the sole discretion of the City. By submission of a solicitation response, the Offeror waives any right to object now or at any future time, before any agency or body including, but not limited to, the City Council of the City or any court as to the exercise by

the City of such right to disqualify or as to any disqualification by reason of real or apparent conflict of interest determined by the City. The City reserves the right to replace the disqualified Offeror.

2.24. Contract Award

The City reserves the right to multiple award.

2.25. Determining Responsiveness and Responsibility

Offers will be reviewed for documentation of any required minimum qualifications, and completeness and compliance with the solicitation requirements. The City reserves sole discretion to determine responsiveness and responsibility.

Responsiveness: Nonresponsive Offers will not be considered in the evaluation process. The solicitation states criteria that determine responsiveness, and the solicitation includes terms and conditions that if included or excluded from Offers will render an Offer nonresponsive.

Responsibility: To obtain true economy, the City must conduct solicitations to minimize the possibility of a subsequent default by the Offeror, late deliveries, or other unsatisfactory performance that may result in additional administrative costs. It is important that the Offeror be a responsible Offeror. Responsibility includes the Offeror's integrity, skill, capacity, experience, and facilities for conducting the work to be performed.

2.26. Discussions with Offerors in the Competitive Range

The City will notify each Offeror whose Offer is in the Competitive Range or made the 'short list' and provide in writing any questions or requests for clarification to the Offeror. Each Offeror so notified may be interviewed by the City and asked to discuss answers to written or oral questions or provide clarifications to any facet of its Offer. The Offerors in the competitive range may be required to provide a demonstration of their product.

Demonstrations - Offerors in the competitive range may be invited to construct a hands-on sample or presentation of their solution at the City of Phoenix. In addition, each finalist may prepare and deliver a presentation of their proposed solution based on the script developed by the evaluation panel. The City may also require a hands-on lab demonstration designed specifically for the evaluation panel. The results of the surveys will be tabulated and delivered to the evaluation team for the final review and solution selection session(s).

If an Offer in the Competitive Range contains conditions, exceptions, reservations or understandings to or about any Contract or Solicitation Scope requirement, the City may discuss or negotiate the conditions, exceptions, reservations or understandings during these meetings. But the City in its sole discretion may reject any and all conditions, exceptions, reservations and understandings, and the City may instruct any Offeror to remove the conditions, exceptions, reservations or understandings. If the Offeror fails to do so, the City may determine the Offer is nonresponsive, and the City may revoke its determination that the Offer is in the Competitive Range.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the City will not provide any information, financial or otherwise, to any Offeror about other Offers received in response to this solicitation. During discussions with Offerors in the Competitive Range, the City will not give Offerors specific prices

or specific financial requirements that Offerors must meet to qualify for further consideration. The City may state that proposed prices are too high with respect to the marketplace or otherwise unacceptable. Offerors will not be told of their relative rankings before Contract award.

2.27. Best and Final Offers (BAFO)

A BAFO is an option available for negotiations. Each Offeror in the Competitive Range, which is determined in the City's sole discretion, may be afforded the opportunity to amend its Offer and make one BAFO.

If an Offeror's BAFO modifies its initial Offer, the modifications must be identified in the BAFO. The City will evaluate BAFOs based on the same requirements and criteria applicable to initial Offers. The City will adjust appropriately the initial scores for criteria that have been affected by offer modifications made by a BAFO. Based on the criteria defined in the solicitation as weighted, the City will then perform final scoring and prepare final rankings.

The Evaluation Panel will recommend the Offer that is the best value and most advantageous to the City based on the evaluation criteria.

The City reserves the right to make an award to an Offeror whose Offer is the highest rated, best value, and most advantageous to the City based on the evaluation criteria, without conducting written or oral discussions with any Offeror, without negotiations, and without soliciting BAFOs.

3. Scope of Work

3.1. INTRODUCTION

The City of Phoenix is seeking Contractors to provide Professional Development Consultation, Professional Facilitation, Training, Motivational Speaking, and/or Management Coaching, and related services for various City of Phoenix Departments, on an as-needed basis.

The City will establish a Qualified Vendors List (QVL) for Professional Development and related consulting services with firms or individuals with demonstrated experience in providing these types of services.

3.2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Phoenix is the largest municipality in the state of Arizona, serving more than 1.6 million residents. Its workforce of over 14,000 employees provides a variety of services to meet residents' needs. Information about the City is available online at www.phoenix.gov.

The City anticipates the need various types of Professional Development and related consultation services. The awarded contract(s) will be made available to all City departments. Departments using the contract(s) will be required to provide background information as part of the scope of services requested, as well as pertinent information needed for each individual project request.

3.3. PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS

Request for Quotes

When a specific need for services is determined by a City Department, a select number of vendors from the QVL list will be solicited for a written proposal/quote based on the services offered.

Selection will be based on the lowest priced written response (ie proposal/quote), or the most responsive responsible response most advantageous to the City based on the criteria identified per project. Following the evaluation of the written responses, the City will notify the selected individual or firm.

Department Projects

The requesting Department may identify some or all of the following for each project:

- A. Background Information
- B. Detailed Scope of work/services
- C. Relevant criteria per project
- D. Staff requirements and availability (ie specialized experience, licenses and/or certifications)
- E. Task(s)
- F. Deliverables and Deliverables(s) acceptance criteria
- G. Milestones

- H. Project schedule / timelines
- I. Reporting requirements (if applicable)
- J. Special requirements (work location, qualifications, etc.)
- K. Request for Project Cost with detailed breakdown
- L. Evaluation Criteria, if the Department will not award a project based on the lowest priced proposal, the selection criteria will be identified in the City's request.

Additional Considerations

Multiple projects may be assigned to multiple firms and/or individuals simultaneously.

The requesting City department reserves the right to contact additional Contractor's from the QVL if a response is not received by the deadline indicated in the City's request.

Acceptance Criteria

Services shall be deemed acceptable when work meets the requirements of the scope of work, quality of services as determined by staff, and completion of all asks within mutually agreed-upon deadlines and provide necessary revisions to the work identified above within mutually set deadlines.

3.4. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The City seeks Professional Development and related consultation services from firms or individuals, to work collaboratively with City staff. For all services, the scope of work includes working closely with City staff and independently, effective communications with City staff regarding specification and expectations of projects and understanding of tight deadlines and revisions by the City.

The City wishes to identify qualified vendors to provide services in one or more of the following areas on an as-needed basis:

- A. **Community Engagement,** such as activities that help City Departments engage the community include credible and transparent reporting, town hall meetings and collaborative decision making.
- B. **Leadership Development,** such as activities that improve the skills, abilities and confidence of leaders.
- C. **Organizational Development,** such as activities that assist in developing an organization's capacity to be effective and efficient in its mission work and to sustain the organization.

The engagement formats may include, but are not limited to: community meetings, workshops, focus groups, informational sessions, seminars, departmental meetings and work sessions, and community engagements. These engagements may involve City departments, staff and the community. Solutions could range from turn-key learning solutions to highly customized interventions.

Activities may include facilitating meetings, focus groups, and work sessions; design and facilitation of developmental curricula; key note or motivational speaking; or coaching and

executive coaching. These activities may occur face to face, virtually, or through other electronic venues.

The duration of engagement can range from a minimum of one hour to full day, and multiple day sessions. Areas of interest may include but are not limited to:

- Accountability
- Behavioral assessments
- Change management
- Communication
- Competency development
- Conducting needs assessments
- Conflict management
- Continuous improvement
- Culture management
- Emotional intelligence
- Executive coaching
- Influence
- Innovation
- Leadership
- Managerial courage
- Motivation and inspiration
- Performance
- Personality assessments
- Presentation skills
- Project Management
- Respect and Inclusion
- Risk tolerance
- Self-awareness
- Strategy
- Team development and dynamics
- Trust

3.5. CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall:

- A. Have dedicated team members who have prior experience working with large organizations, preferably within the public sector.
- B. Have the capacity and availability to meet the needs of the specific focus area within 30-days of City's request, or as otherwise identified in the individual project's scope of work.
- C. Be well acquainted with evidence-based design and delivery of training and development programs. The services provided will deliver critical competencies and skill sets in a variety of formats and delivery methods that will satisfy group or individual training and development needs.

D. In order to fulfill the types of scopes of works examples listed above, Contractors must have all personnel necessary to complete all potential tasks. Contractors must be able to work independently without any City equipment or support.

3.6. CONSULTATION SERVICES AND DELIVERABLES

A. Contractor must provide consultative services on training/facilitating topics identified in this solicitation and on other topics as requested to assist with the continued improvement of established City of Phoenix training programs and the development of new training programs. Consultation will identify and address full compliance with the topic(s) in question and provide clear, detailed recommendation on the best means to address said topic(s) through effective training.

<u>Course Development:</u> Contractor shall provide services which are either Structured or Customized.

<u>Structured Services:</u> Contractor must design and/or deliver standard industry accepted effective curricula, materials, delivery methods of delivery which have already been developed, tested and successfully provided (e.g. Off-the-shelf), with little or no revision in order to meet the requirements of the City. The structured services shall use adult learning best-practices that fully addresses the topic(s), adheres to City of Phoenix values, policies, procedures and engages students and assesses learner comprehension of the material. Proposed solutions must align with established curriculum and developed content must remain current over time to reflect changes in the City or the outside environment.

<u>Customized Services:</u> Contractor's curricula, materials, delivery methods and/or proposed solutions are developed for the specific requirements of the City.

Deliverables:

- Training objectives with detailed outline listing specific components of each objective.
- Lesson plans that clearly define how each objective will be met.
- Student materials aligned to the objectives and lesson plans.
- Any instructional aids.
- An objective, quantifiable method for assessment of student comprehension.
- A method for collecting and reporting student evaluation of training.

3.7. FACILITATION

Contractor will be responsible to guide participants to an overall solution by modeling best practices of facilitator traits. These traits will include but are not limited to being solution focused, adaptable to diverse groups, patient, effective in redirecting behavior, and effective in questioning and listening skills. The facilitator will be non-judgmental and not committed to predisposed outcomes.

3.8. TRAINING DELIVERY METHODS

<u>E-Learning</u> - The transfer of skills and knowledge through the use of technology that enables an individual to learn anytime and anywhere. E-learning applications and processes include Webbased learning, webinars, virtual education opportunities and digital collaboration. Content is delivered via virtual reality, internet, audio, video or other specified methods.

Offsite Classroom – In person instruction session at Contractor's location or chosen facility.

<u>Onsite Classroom</u> – In person instruction session at a City facility or chosen facility or training location.

<u>Train-the-Trainer</u> – Knowledge transfer and skills needed by a prospective trainer to provide a specified type of learning curriculum and experience.

<u>Virtual Instructor Led Training (VILT)</u> – Training delivered by an instructor to a group of participants via an online communication platform. VILT is synchronous, collaborative and happens in real-time.

3.9. SUBCONTRACTING

Contractor may use a subcontractor for any of the services offered. Contractor shall remain primarily responsible for the acts and omissions of any such subcontractor(s) and shall retain any such liability and responsibility under this Contract, as if such subcontracted services were performed by the Contractor.

3.10. CANCELLATION OF SERVICES BY THE CITY

Services may be cancelled by the City. The City must notify the Contractor's project manager or designee in writing, within a minimum of fifteen (15) calendar days, prior to the date of the event and/or service, otherwise the City may be obligated to pay a percentage of the total professional services fees as follows:

- Notice of 1 − 5 calendar days − 100% of project fees will be paid by the City.
- Notice of 6 15 calendar days 50% of project fees will be paid by the City.
- Notice of 16 calendar days or more the City is not required to pay any fees.

3.11. CANCELLATION OF SERVICES BY THE CONTRACTOR

Services may be cancelled by the Contractor. The City must notify the City's project manager or designee in writing, within a minimum of fifteen (15) calendar days, prior to the date of the event and/or service.

It is at the City's sole discretion to allow the Contractor to reschedule the services or to obtain the services from a different contractor from the QVL list.

4. Evaluation Process

Evaluation Criteria

| No. | Evaluation Criteria | Scoring Method |
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| 1. | Business History Offeror must have been in business at least five (5) consecutive years providing related services as listed in this solicitation, within the last seven (7) years. | Pass / Fail |
| 2. | Years of Experience Offeror must have at least five (5) years' experience providing Professional Development Consultation, Professional Facilitation, Training, Motivational Speaking, Management Coaching and/or related services for private and/or public entities. | Pass / Fail |
| 4. | Capability Offerors must be able to fully provide the services as defined in Section V - Scope of Work. | Pass / Fail |

5. Standard Terms and Conditions

5.1. Definition of Key Words Used in the Solicitation

Shall, Will, Must: Indicates a mandatory requirement. Failure to meet these mandatory requirements may result in the rejection of Offer as non-responsive.

Should: Indicates something that is recommended but not mandatory. If the Offeror fails to provide recommended information, the City may, at its sole option, ask the Offeror to provide the information or evaluate the Offer without the information.

May: Indicates something that is not mandatory but permissible.

For purposes of this solicitation, the following definitions will apply:

"A.R.S." Arizona Revised Statute

"Buyer" or "Procurement Officer" City of Phoenix staff person responsible for the solicitation. The City employee or employees who have specifically been designated to act as a contact person or persons to the Contractor, and responsible for monitoring and overseeing the Contractor's performance under this contract.

"City" The City of Phoenix

"Contractor" The individual, partnership, or corporation who, as a result of the competitive process, is awarded a contract by the City of Phoenix.

"Contract" or "Agreement" The legal agreement executed between the City of Phoenix, AZ and the Contractor.

"Days" Means calendar days unless otherwise specified.

"Chief Procurement Officer" The contracting authority for the City of Phoenix, AZ, authorized to sign contracts and amendments thereto on behalf of the City of Phoenix, AZ.

"Employer" Any individual or type of organization that transacts business in this state, that has a license issued by an agency in this state and employs one or more employees in this state. Employer includes this state, any political subdivision of this state and self-employed persons. In the case of an independent contractor, employer means the independent contractor and does not mean the person or organization that uses contract labor. (A.R.S. 23-211).

"Offer" Means a response from a Supplier, Contractor, or Service Provider to a solicitation request that, if awarded, binds the Supplier, Contractor, or Service Provider to perform in accordance with the contract. Same as bid, proposal, quotation or tender.

"Offeror" Any Vendor, Seller or Supplier submitting a competitive offer in response to a solicitation from the City. Same as Bidder or Proposer.

"Solicitation" Means an Invitation for Bid (IFB), Request for Proposal (RFP), Request for Quotations (RFQ), Request for Qualifications (RFQu) and request for sealed Offers, or any other type of formal procurement which the City makes public through advertising, mailings, or some other method of communication. It is the process by which the City seeks information, proposals, Offers, or quotes from suppliers.

5.2. Contract Interpretation

- A. **Applicable Law:** This Contract will be governed by the law of the State of Arizona, and suits pertaining to this Contract will be brought only in Federal or State courts in Maricopa County, State of Arizona.
- B. **Contract Order of Precedence:** In the event of a conflict in the provisions of the Contract, as accepted by the City and as they may be amended, the following will prevail in the order set forth below:
 - 1. Federal terms and conditions, if any
 - 2. Special terms and conditions
 - 3. Standard terms and conditions
 - 4. Amendments
 - 5. Statement or scope of work
 - 6. Specifications
 - 7. Attachments
 - 8. Exhibits
 - 9. Instructions to Contractors
 - 10. Other documents referenced or included in the Solicitation
- C. Organization Employment Disclaimer: The Agreement resulting hereunder is not intended to constitute, create, give rise to or otherwise recognize a joint venture agreement or relationship, partnership or formal business organization of any kind, and the rights and obligations of the parties will be only those expressly set forth in the agreement. The parties agree that no persons supplied by the Contractor in the performance of Contractor's obligations under the agreement are considered to be City's employees and that no rights of City civil service, retirement or personnel rules accrue to such persons. The Contractor will have total responsibility for all salaries, wage bonuses, retirement, withholdings, workmen's compensation, occupational disease compensation, unemployment compensation, other employee benefits and all taxes and premiums appurtenant thereto concerning such persons, and will save and hold the City harmless with respect thereto.
- D. **Severability:** The provisions of this Contract are severable to the extent that any provision or application held to be invalid will not affect any other provision or application of the contract which may remain in effect without the invalid provision or application.

[&]quot;Suppliers" Firms, entities or individuals furnishing goods or services to the City.

[&]quot;Vendor or Seller" A seller of goods or services.

- E. **Non-Waiver of Liability:** The City of Phoenix as a public entity supported by tax monies, in execution of its public trust, cannot agree to waive any lawful or legitimate right to recover monies lawfully due it. Therefore, any Contractor agrees that it will not insist upon or demand any statement whereby the City agrees to limit in advance or waive any right the City might have to recover actual lawful damages in any court of law under applicable Arizona law.
- F. **Parol Evidence:** This Agreement is intended by the parties as a final expression of their agreement and is intended also as a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of this agreement. No course of prior dealings between the parties and no usage in the trade will be relevant to supplement or explain any term used in this Contract. Acceptance or acquiescence in a course of performance rendered under this contract will not be relevant to determine the meaning of this Contract even though the accepting or acquiescing party has knowledge of the nature of the performance and opportunity to object.

5.3. Contract Administration and Operation

- A. **Records:** All books, accounts, reports, files and other records relating to the contract will be subject at all reasonable times to inspection and audit by the City for five years after completion of the contract. Such records will be produced at a City of Phoenix office as designated by the City. Confidentiality will be maintained, and City will not violate any proprietary or other confidentiality agreements Contractor has in place.
- B. Discrimination Prohibited: Contractor agrees to abide by the provisions of the Phoenix City Code Chapter 18, Article V as amended. Any Contractor, in performing under this contract, will not discriminate against any worker, employee or applicant, or any member of the public, because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age or disability nor otherwise commit an unfair employment practice. The supplier and/or lessee will take action to ensure that applicants are employed, and employees are dealt with during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, age or disability and adhere to a policy to pay equal compensation to men and women who perform jobs that require substantially equal skill, effort and responsibility, and that are performed within the same establishment under similar working conditions. Such action will include but not be limited to the following: Employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training; including apprenticeship. The supplier further agrees that this clause will be incorporated in all subcontracts with all labor organizations furnishing skilled, unskilled and union labor, or who may perform any such labor or services in connection with this contract. Contractor further agrees that this clause will be incorporated in all subcontracts, job-contractor agreements or subleases of this agreement entered into by supplier/lessee.
- C. Equal Employment Opportunity and Pay: In order to do business with the City, Contractor must comply with Phoenix City Code, 1969, Chapter 18, Article V, as

amended, Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements. Contractor will direct any questions in regard to these requirements to the Equal Opportunity Department, (602) 262-6790.

- 1. For a Contractor with <u>35 employees or fewer:</u> Contractor in performing under this Agreement shall not discriminate against any worker, employee or applicant, or any member of the public, because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability, nor otherwise commit an unfair employment practice. The Contractor will ensure that applicants are employed, and employees are dealt with during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability. Such action shall include but not be limited to the following: employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training; including apprenticeship. The Contractor further agrees that this clause will be incorporated in all subcontracts related to this Agreement that involve furnishing skilled, unskilled and union labor, or who may perform any such labor or services in connection with this Agreement. Contractor further agrees that this clause will be incorporated in all subcontracts, Contractor agreements or subleases of this agreement entered into by supplier/lessee.
- 2. For a Contractor with more than 35 employees: Contractor in performing under this Agreement shall not discriminate against any worker, employee or applicant, or any member of the public, because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability, nor otherwise commit an unfair employment practice. The Contractor will ensure that applicants are employed, and employees are dealt with during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability, and shall adhere to a policy to pay equal compensation to men and women who perform jobs that require substantially equal skill, effort, and responsibility, and that are performed within the same establishment under similar working conditions. Such action shall include but not be limited to the following: employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training; including apprenticeship. The Contractor further agrees that this clause will be incorporated in all subcontracts with all labor organizations furnishing skilled, unskilled and union labor, or who may perform any such labor or services in connection with this contract. Contractor further agrees that this clause will be incorporated in all subcontracts, job-Contractor agreements or subleases of this Agreement entered into by supplier/lessee. The Contractor further agrees not to discriminate against any worker, employee or applicant, or any member of the public, because of sexual orientation or gender identity or expression and shall ensure that applicants are employed, and employees are dealt with during employment without regard to their sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

- 3. **Documentation:** Suppliers and lessees may be required to provide additional documentation to the Equal Opportunity Department affirming that a nondiscriminatory policy is being utilized.
- 4. Monitoring: The Equal Opportunity Department shall monitor the employment policies and practices of suppliers and lessees subject to this article as deemed necessary. The Equal Opportunity Department is authorized to conduct on-site compliance reviews of selected firms, which may include an audit of personnel and payroll records, if necessary.
- D. **Legal Worker Requirements:** The City of Phoenix is prohibited by A.R.S. § 41-4401 from awarding a contract to any Contractor who fails, or whose subcontractors fail, to comply with A.R.S. § 23-214(A). Therefore, Contractor agrees that:
 - Contractor and each subcontractor it uses warrants their compliance with all federal immigration laws and regulations that relate to their employees and their compliance with A.R.S. § 23-214, subsection A.
 - 2. A breach of a warranty under paragraph 1 will be deemed a material breach of the contract that is subject to penalties up to and including termination of the contract.
 - The City of Phoenix retains the legal right to inspect the papers of any Contractor or subcontractor employee who works on the contract to ensure that the Contractor or subcontractor is complying with the warranty under paragraph 1.
- E. **Health, Environmental, and Safety Requirements:** The Contractor's products, services and facilities will be in full compliance with all applicable Federal, State and local health, environmental and safety laws, regulations, standards, codes and ordinances, regardless of whether or not they are referred to by the City. At the request of City representatives, the Contractor will provide the City:
 - 1. Environmental, safety and health regulatory compliance documents (written safety programs, training records, permits, etc.) applicable to services provided by the Contractor in this contract.
 - 2. A list of all federal, state, or local (EPA, OSHA, Maricopa County, etc.) citations or notice of violations issued against their firm or their subcontractors including dates, reasons, dispositions and resolutions.
 - 3. The City will have the right, but not the obligation to inspect the facilities, transportation vehicles or vessels, containers and disposal facilities provided by the Contractor or subcontractor. The City will also have the right to inspect operations conducted by the Contractor or subcontractor in the performance of this agreement. The City further reserves the right to make unannounced inspections of the Contractor's facilities (during normal business hours).
- F. **Compliance with Laws:** Contractor agrees to fully observe and comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, regulations, standards, codes and ordinances

when performing under this Contract regardless of whether they are being referred to by the City. Contractor agrees to permit City inspection of Contractor's business records, including personnel records to verify any such compliance. Because the contractor will be acting as an independent contractor, the City assumes no responsibility for the Contractor's acts.

- G. Lawful Presence Requirement: Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 1-501 and -502, the City of Phoenix is prohibited from awarding a contract to any natural person who cannot establish that he or she is lawfully present in the United States. In order to establish lawful presence, this person must produce qualifying identification and sign a City-provided affidavit affirming that the identification provided is genuine. This requirement will be imposed at the time of contract award. In the event the prevailing responder is unable to satisfy this requirement, the City will offer the award to the next-highest scoring responder. The law does not apply to fictitious entities such as corporations, partnerships and limited liability companies.
- H. Continuation During Disputes: Contractor agrees that notwithstanding the existence of any dispute between the parties, insofar as is possible, under the terms of the contract, the Contractor will continue to perform the obligations required of Contractor during the continuation of any such dispute unless enjoined or prohibited by an Arizona Court of competent jurisdiction.
- Emergency Purchases: The City reserves the right to purchase from other sources
 those items which are required on an emergency basis and cannot be supplied
 immediately from stock by the Contractor.

5.4. Costs and Payments

- A. General: Any prompt payment terms offered must be clearly noted by the Contractor on all invoices submitted to the City for the payment of goods or services received. The City will make every effort to process payment for the purchase of material or services within thirty to forty-five calendar days after receipt of a correct invoice, unless a good faith dispute exists to any obligation to pay all or a portion of the account. Payment terms are specified in the Offer.
- B. **Payment Deduction Offset Provision:** Contractor acknowledges that the City Charter requires that no payment be made to any Contractor as long as there is an outstanding obligation due to the City. Contractor agrees that any obligation it owes to the City will be offset against any payment due to the Contractor from the City.
- C. Late Submission of Claim by Contractor: The City will not honor any invoices or claims which are tendered one year after the last item of the account accrued.
- D. **Discounts:** If applicable, payment discounts will be computed from the date of receiving acceptable products, materials and/or services or correct invoice, whichever is later to the date payment is mailed.

- E. **No Advance Payments:** Advance payments are not authorized. Payment will be made only for actual services or commodities that have been received, unless addressed specifically in the Scope of work for subscription services.
- F. Fund Appropriation Contingency: The Contractor recognizes that any agreement entered into will commence upon the day first provided and continue in full force and effect until termination in accordance with its provisions. The Contractor and the City herein recognize that the continuation of any contract after the close of any given fiscal year of the City, which ends on June 30th of each year, will be subject to the approval of the budget of the City providing for or covering such contract item as an expenditure therein. The City does not represent that said budget item will be actually adopted, said determination being the determination of the City Council at the time of the adoption of the budget.
- G. **Maximum Prices:** The City will not be invoiced at prices higher than those stated in any contract resulting from this Offer. Contractor certifies, by signing this Offer that the prices offered are no higher than the lowest price the Contractor charges other buyers for similar quantities under similar conditions, as applicable and shown by quotes for like services and goods. Contractor further agrees that any reductions in the price of the goods or services covered by this Offer and occurring after award will apply to the undelivered balance. The Contractor will promptly notify the City of such price reductions.
- H. **F.O.B. Point:** All prices are to be quoted F.O.B. destination, unless specified elsewhere in this solicitation.

5.5. Contract Changes

- A. **Contract Amendments:** Contracts will be modified only by a written contract amendment signed by persons duly authorized to enter into contracts on behalf of the Contractor. No verbal agreement or conversation with any officer, agent, or employee of the City either before or after execution of the contract, will affect or modify any of the terms or obligations contained or to be contained in the contract. Any such verbal agreements or conversation shall be considered as unofficial information and in no way binding upon the City or the Contractor. All agreements shall be in writing and contract changes shall be by written amendment signed by both parties.
- B. **Assignment Delegation:** No right or interest in this contract nor monies due hereunder will be assigned in whole or in part without written permission of the City, and no delegation of any duty of Contractor will be made without prior written permission of the City, which may be withheld for good cause. Any assignment or delegation made in violation of this section will be void.
- C. Non-Exclusive Contract: Any contract resulting from this solicitation will be awarded with the understanding and agreement that it is for the sole convenience of the City. The

City reserves the right to obtain like goods or services from another source when necessary.

5.6. Risk of Loss and Liability

- A. **Title and Risk of Loss:** The title and risk of loss of material or service will not pass to the City until the City actually receives the material or service at the point of delivery; and such loss, injury, or destruction will not release seller from any obligation hereunder.
- B. **Acceptance:** All material or service is subject to final inspection and acceptance by the City. Material or service failing to conform to the specifications of this contract will be held at Contractor's risk and may be returned to the Contractor. If so returned, all costs are the responsibility of the Contractor. Noncompliance will conform to the cancellation clause set forth in this document.
- C. Force Majeure: Except for payment of sums due, neither party will be liable to the other nor deemed in default under this contract if and to the extent that such party's performance of this contract is prevented by reason of force majeure. The term "force majeure" means an occurrence that is beyond the control of the party affected and occurs without its fault or negligence. Force majeure will not include late performance by a subcontractor unless the delay arises out of a force majeure occurrence in accordance with this force majeure term and condition. If either party is delayed at any time in the progress of the work by force majeure, the delayed party will notify the other party in writing of such delay, as soon as is practical, of the commencement thereof and will specify the causes of such delay in such notice. Such notice will be hand-delivered or mailed certified-return receipt and will make a specific reference to this provision, thereby invoking its provisions. The delayed party will cause such delay to cease as soon as practicable and will notify the other party in writing when it has done so. The time of completion will be extended by contract modification for a period of time equal to the time that results or effects of such delay prevent the delayed party from performing in accordance with this contract.
- D. Loss of Materials: The City does not assume any responsibility, at any time, for the protection of or for loss of materials, from the time that the contract operations have commenced until the final acceptance of the work by the City.
- E. Contract Performance: Contractor will furnish all necessary labor, tools, equipment, and supplies to perform the required services at the City facilities designated, unless otherwise specifically addressed in the scope, or elsewhere in this Agreement. The City's authorized representative will decide all questions which may arise as to the quality and acceptability of any work performed under the contract. If, in the opinion of the City's authorized representative, performance becomes unsatisfactory, the City will notify the Contractor. The Contractor will have 30 days from that time to correct any specific instances of unsatisfactory performance, unless a different amount of time is specified in the agreement. In the event the unsatisfactory performance is not corrected within the time specified, the City will have the immediate right to complete the work to

its satisfaction and will deduct the cost to cover from any balances due or to become due the Contractor. Repeated incidences of unsatisfactory performance may result in cancellation of the agreement for default.

F. Damage to City Property: Contractor will perform all work so that no damage to the building or grounds results. Contractor will repair any damage caused to the satisfaction of the City at no cost to the City. Contractor will take care to avoid damage to adjacent finished materials that are to remain. If finished materials are damaged, Contractor will repair and finish to match existing material as approved by the City at Contractor's expense.

5.7. City's Contractual Rights

Whenever one party to this contract in good faith has reason to question the other party's intent to perform, the former party may demand that the other party give a written assurance of this intent to perform. In the event that a demand is made and no written assurance is given within five days, the demanding party may treat this failure as an anticipatory repudiation of this contract.

- A. **Non-Exclusive Remedies:** The rights and remedies of the City under this Contract are non-exclusive.
- B. **Default in One Installment to Constitute Breach:** Each installment or lot of the agreement is dependent on every other installment or lot and a delivery of nonconforming goods or a default of any nature under one installment or lot will impair the value of the whole agreement and constitutes a total breach of the agreement as a whole.
- C. **On Time Delivery:** Because the City is providing services which involve health, safety and welfare of the general public, delivery time is of the essence. Delivery must be made in accordance with the delivery schedule promised by the Contractor.
- D. Default: In case of default by the Contractor, the City may, by written notice, cancel this contract and repurchase from another source and may recover the excess costs by (1) deduction from an unpaid balance due; (2) collection against the Solicitation and/or Performance Bond, or (3) a combination of the aforementioned remedies or other remedies as provided by law.
- E. Covenant Against Contingent Fees: Seller warrants that no person or selling agent has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employers or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the seller for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the City will have the right to annul the contract without liability or in its discretion to deduct from the contract price a consideration, or otherwise recover the full amount of such commission, brokerage or contingent fee.

- F. **Cost Justification:** In the event only one response is received, the City may require that the Contractor submit a cost proposal in sufficient detail for the City to perform a cost/price analysis to determine if the Offer price is fair and reasonable.
- G. Work Product, Equipment, and Materials: All work product, equipment, or materials created or purchased under this contract belongs to the City and must be delivered to the City at City's request upon termination of this contract. Contractor agrees to assign to City all rights and interests Contractor may have in materials prepared under this contract that are "works for hire" within the meaning of the copyright laws of the United States, including any right to derivative use of the material.

5.8. Contract Termination

A. Gratuities: The City may, by written notice to the Contractor, cancel this contract if it is found that gratuities, in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise, were offered or given by the Contractor or any agent or representative of the Contractor, to any officer or employee of the City making any determinations with respect to the performing of such contract. In the event this contract is canceled by the City pursuant to this provision, the City will be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover or withhold from the Contractor the amount of the gratuity.

B. Conditions and Causes for Termination:

- 1. This contract may be terminated at any time by mutual written consent, or by the City, with or without cause, upon giving thirty-day written notice to Contractor. The City at its convenience, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part. If this contract is terminated, the City will be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered and accepted material received by the City before the effective date of termination. Title to all materials, work-in-process and completed but undeliverable goods, will pass to the City after costs are claimed and allowed. The Seller will submit detailed cost claims in an acceptable manner and will permit the City to examine such books and records as may be necessary in order to verify the reasonableness of any claims.
- 2. The City reserves the right to cancel the whole or any part of this contract due to failure of Contractor to carry out any term, promise, or condition of the contract. The City will issue a written notice of default to Contractor for acting or failing to act as in any of the following:
 - In the opinion of the City, Contractor provides personnel who do not meet the requirements of the contract;
 - In the opinion of the City, Contractor fails to perform adequately the stipulations, conditions or services/specifications required in this contract;
 - In the opinion of the City, Contractor attempts to impose on the City personnel or materials, products or workmanship, which is of an unacceptable quality;

- Contractor fails to furnish the required service and/or product within the time stipulated in the contract;
- In the opinion of the City, Contractor fails to make progress in the performance of the requirements of the contract and/or gives the City a positive indication that Contractor will not or cannot perform to the requirements of the contract.
- C. Contract Cancellation: All parties acknowledge that this contract is subject to cancellation by the City of Phoenix pursuant to the provision of Section 38-511, Arizona Revised Statutes.

5.9. Notice

All notices, consents, approvals, and other communications ("Notice") between the City and Contractor that are required to be given under this Contract shall be in writing and given by (1) personal delivery, (2) email with return receipt requested (read receipt), (3) facsimile transmittal with delivery confirmation, (4) prepaid delivery to any commercial air courier or express delivery service, or (5) registered or certified mail, postage prepaid and return receipt requested, through the United States Postal Service.

Notices to the City shall be sent to: City of Phoenix Finance Department, Procurement Division Procurement@phoenix.gov.

Notice to Contractor shall be sent to the person at the mailing address, email address, or fax number listed by Contractor in its Offer in Submittal Forms - Offer Page.

5.10. Integration

This Agreement constitutes and embodies the full and complete understanding and agreement of the parties hereto and supersedes all prior understandings, agreements, discussions, proposals, bids, negotiations, communications, and correspondence, whether oral or written. No representation, promise, inducement or statement of intention has been made by any party hereto which is not embodied in this Agreement, and no party will be bound by or liable for any statement of intention not so set forth.

5.11. State and Local Transaction Privilege Taxes

In accordance with applicable state and local law, transaction privilege taxes may be applicable to this transaction. The state and local transaction privilege (sales) tax burden and legal liability to remit taxes are on the Contractor that is conducting business in Arizona and the City of Phoenix. Any failure by the Contractor to collect applicable taxes from the City will not relieve the Contractor from its obligation to remit taxes. It is the responsibility of the prospective bidder to determine any applicable taxes. The City will look at the price or offer submitted and will not deduct, add or alter pricing based on speculation or application of any taxes, nor will the City provide advice or guidance. If you have questions regarding your tax liability, please seek advice from a tax professional prior to submitting your Offer. You may also find information at https://www.phoenix.gov/finance/plt or https://www.phoenix.gov/finance/plt or https://www.azdor.gov/Business. Once your Offer is submitted, the Offer is valid for the time specified in this Solicitation, regardless of mistake or omission of tax liability. If the City finds over payment of a project due to tax consideration that was not due, the Contractor will be liable to the City for that amount, and by contracting with the

City, the Contractor agrees to remit any overpayments back to the City for miscalculations on taxes included in an offer price.

5.12. Tax Indemnification

Contractor will pay all federal, state and local taxes applicable to its operation and any persons employed by the Contractor, and require the same of all subcontractors. Contractor will hold the City harmless from any responsibility for taxes, damages and interest, if applicable, contributions required under federal, and/or state and local laws and regulations and any other costs including transaction privilege taxes, unemployment compensation insurance, Social Security and Worker's Compensation, and require the same of all subcontractors.

5.13. Tax Responsibility Qualification

Contractor may be required to establish, to the satisfaction of City, that any and all fees and taxes due to the City or the State of Arizona for any License or Transaction Privilege taxes, Use Taxes or similar excise taxes, are currently paid (except for matters under legal protest). Contractor agrees to a waiver of the confidentiality provisions contained in the City Finance Code and any similar confidentiality provisions contained in Arizona statutes relative to State Transaction Privilege Taxes or Use Taxes. Contractor agrees to provide written authorization to the City Finance Department and to the Arizona State Department of Revenue to release tax information relative to Arizona Transaction Privilege Taxes or Arizona Use Taxes in order to assist the Department in evaluating Contractor's qualifications for and compliance with contract for duration of the term of contract.

5.14. No Israel Boycott

If this Contract is valued at \$100,000 or more and requires Contractor (a company engaging in for-profit activity and having ten or more full-time employees) to acquire or dispose of services, supplies, information technology, or construction, then Contractor must certify and agree that it does not and will not boycott goods or services from Israel, pursuant to Title 35, Chapter 2, Article 9 of the Arizona Revised Statutes. Provided that these statutory requirements are applicable, Contractor by entering this Contract now certifies that it is not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of the Contract to not engage in, a boycott of goods or services from Israel.

5.15. No Forced Labor of Ethnic Uyghurs

If this Contract requires Contractor (a company engaging in for-profit activity and having ten or more full-time employees) to acquire or dispose of services, supplies, information technology, goods, or construction, then pursuant to Title 35, Chapter 2, Article 10 of the Arizona Revised Statutes Contractor must certify and agree that it and any contractors, subcontractors, or suppliers it utilizes do not and will not use the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China or any goods or services produced by such forced labor. Provided these statutory requirements are applicable, Contractor, by entering this Contract, now certifies it is not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of the Contract to not engage in, (a) the use of forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China; (b) the use of any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China; or (c) the use of any contractors, subcontractors, or suppliers that use the forced labor or

any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China.

5.16. Advertising

Except as required by law, Contractor shall not publish, release, disclose or announce to any member of the public, press, official body, or any other third party any information or documents concerning this Agreement or any part thereof without the prior written consent of the City. The name of any City site on which services are performed by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement shall not be used in any advertising or other promotional context by Contractor without the prior written consent of the City.

5.17. Strict Performance

Failure of either party to insist upon the strict performance of any item or condition of the contract or to exercise or delay the exercise of any right or remedy provided in the contract, or by law, or the acceptance of materials or services, obligations imposed by this contract, or by law, will not be deemed a waiver of any right of either party to insist upon the strict performance of the contract.

5.18. Authorized Changes

The City reserves the right at any time to make changes in any one or more of the following: (a) specifications; (b) methods of shipment or packing; (c) place of delivery; (d) time of delivery; and/or (e) quantities. If the change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of or the time required for performance, an equitable adjustment may be made in the price or delivery schedule, or both. Any claim for adjustment will be deemed waived unless asserted in writing within sixty days from the receipt of the change. Price increases or extensions of delivery time will not be binding on the City unless evidenced in writing and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer prior to the institution of the change.

6. Special Terms and Conditions

6.1. Term of Contract

The term of this Contract will commence on or about March 1, 2025 and will continue for a period of five (5) years thereafter.

6.2. Method of Ordering

Contractor shall deliver items and/or services only upon receipt of a written purchase order. All Contractor invoices must include the City of Phoenix purchase order number.

6.3. Method of Invoicing

Invoice must be emailed in .pdf format to invoices@phoenix.gov and must include the following:

- City purchase order number or shopping cart number
- Items listed individually by the written description and part number
- Unit price, extended and totaled
- Quantity ordered, back ordered, and shipped
- Applicable tax
- Invoice number and date
- Delivery address
- Payment terms
- FOB terms
- · Remit to address

6.4. Method of Payment

Payment to be made from Contractor's invoice and a copy of the signed delivery/service ticket submitted to cover items received and accepted during the billing period.

6.5. Partial Payments

Partial payments are authorized on individual purchase orders. Payment will be made for actual goods and services received and accepted by the City.

6.6. Supplier Profile Changes

It is the responsibility of the Contractor to promptly update their profile in procurePHX at https://www.phoenix.gov/procure. If Contractor's legal identify has changed, the Procurement Officer must be notified immediately. Failure to do so may result in non-payment of invoices and contract termination.

6.7. Suspensions of Work

The City reserves the right to suspend work wholly or in part if deemed necessary for the best interest of the City. This suspension will be without compensation to the Contractor, other than to adjust the contract completion/delivery requirements.

6.8. Post Award Conference

A post-award conference will be held prior to commencement of any work on the project. The purpose of this conference is to discuss critical elements of the work schedule and operational problems and procedures.

6.9. Performance Interference

Contractor shall notify the City's authorized Department representative immediately of any occurrence and/or condition that interferes with the full performance of the contract and confirm it in writing within 24 hours.

6.10. Cooperative Agreement

In addition to the City and with approval of the Contractor, this contract may be extended for use by other municipalities and government agencies in the State of Arizona.

6.11. Exclusive Possession

All services, information, computer program elements, reports, and other deliverables which may be created under this contract are the sole property of the City of Phoenix and will not be used by the Contractor or any other person except with prior written permission by the City.

6.12. Licenses and Permits

Contractor will keep current Federal, State, and local licenses and permits required for the operation of the business conducted by the Contractor as applicable to this contract.

6.13. Background Screening

Contractor agrees that all Contractor and subcontractors' workers (collectively "Contract Worker(s))" pursuant to this Agreement will be subject to background and security checks and screening (collectively "Background Screening") at Contractor's sole cost and expense, unless otherwise provided for in the scope of work. Contractor's background screening will comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations. Contractor further agrees that the background screening is necessary to preserve and protect the public health, safety and welfare. The City requires a completed Contract Worker Badge/Key/Intrusion Detection Responsibilities Agreement for each Contract Worker who requires a badge or key.

6.14. Background Screening Risk Level

The City has established two levels of risk: Standard and Maximum risk. If the scope of work changes, the City may amend the level of risk, which could require the Contractor to incur additional contract costs to obtain background screens or badges.

6.15. Terms of This Section Applicable to all Contractor's Contracts and Subcontracts

Contractor will include Contract Worker background screening in all contracts and subcontracts for services furnished under this agreement.

6.16. Materiality of Background Screening Requirements; Indemnity

The background screening requirements are material to City's entry into this agreement and any breach of these provisions will be deemed a material breach of this contract. In addition to the indemnity provisions set forth in this agreement, Contractor will defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City for all claims arising out of this background screening section including, but not limited to, the disqualifications of a Contract Worker by Contractor. The background screening requirements are the minimum requirements for the Agreement. The City in no way warrants that these minimum requirements are sufficient to protect Contractor from any liabilities that may arise out of the Contractor's services under this Agreement or Contractor's failure to comply with this section. Therefore, Contractor and its Contract Workers will take any reasonable, prudent and necessary measures to preserve and protect public health, safety and welfare when providing services under this Agreement.

6.17. Continuing Duty; Audit

Contractor's obligations and requirements will continue throughout the entire term of this Agreement. Contractor will maintain all records and documents related to all background screenings and the City reserves the right to audit Contractor's records.

6.18. Variances and Exemptions

Contract Workers who fall under the following areas may be considered exempt from this policy:

- Federal Homeland Defense Bureau.
- Transportation Security Administration.
- Federal Aviation Administration.
- Department of Public Safety (DPS) Administration presenting a current Level One Department of Public Safety fingerprint card.
- Arizona or other State Bars.
- Other background checks performed within the last three to five years may be approved if they fit all required criteria herein, at the City's discretion.

6.19. Background Screening – Standard Risk

- A. **Determined Risk Level:** The current risk level and background screening required is STANDARD RISK LEVEL
- B. **Standard Risk Level:** A standard risk background screening will be performed when the Contract Worker's work assignment will:
 - 1. require a badge or key for access to City facilities; or

- 2. allow any access to sensitive, confidential records, personal identifying information or restricted City information; or
- 3. allow unescorted access to City facilities during normal and non-business hours.
- C. Requirements: The background screening for this standard risk level will include a background check for real identity/legal name and will include felony and misdemeanor records from any county in the United States, the state of Arizona, plus any other jurisdiction where the Contractor worker has lived at any time in the preceding seven years from the Contract Worker's proposed date of hire.
- D. Contractor Certification; City Approval of Background Screening: Unless otherwise provided for in the Scope, Contractor will be responsible for:
 - 1. determining whether Contract Worker(s) are disqualified from performing work for the City for standard risk level background checks; and,
 - 2. for reviewing the results of the background check every five years; and,
 - 3. to engage in whatever due diligence is necessary to make the decision on whether to disqualify a Contract Worker; and,
 - 4. Submitting the list of qualified Contract Workers to the contracting department.
 - For sole proprietors, the Contractor must comply with the background check for himself and any business partners, or members or employees who will assist on the contract and for whom the requirements of the Agreement apply.
 - 6. By executing this agreement, Contractor certifies and warrants that Contractor has read the background screening requirements and criteria in this section, and that all background screening information furnished to the City is accurate and current. Also, by executing this agreement, Contractor further certifies and warrants that Contractor has satisfied all background screening requirements for the standard risk background screening, and verified legal worker status, as required.

7. Defense and Indemnification

7.1. Professional Services

Consultant ("Indemnitor") must defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Phoenix and its officers, officials (elected or appointed), agents, and employees ("Indemnitee") from and against any and all claims, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, or expenses (including but not limited to court costs, attorney fees, expert fees, and costs of claim processing, investigation and litigation) of any nature or kind whatsoever ("Losses") caused, or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by the wrongful, negligent or willful acts, or errors or omissions of Indemnitor or any of its owners, officers, directors, members, managers, agents, employees or subcontractors ("Indemnitor's Agents") arising out of or in connection with this Contract. This defense and indemnity obligation includes holding Indemnitee harmless for any Losses or other amount arising out of or recovered under any state's Workers' Compensation Law or arising out of the failure of Indemnitor or Indemnitor's Agents to conform to any federal, state or local law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation or court decree. Indemnitor's duty to defend Indemnitee accrues immediately at the time a claim is threatened or a claim is made against Indemnitee, whichever is first. Indemnitor's duty to defend exists regardless of whether Indemnitor is ultimately found liable. Indemnitor must indemnify Indemnitee from and against any and all Losses, except where it is proven that those Losses are solely as a result of Indemnitee's own negligent or willful acts or omissions. Indemnitor will be responsible for primary loss investigation, defense and judgment costs where this indemnification applies. In consideration of the award of this Contract, Indemnitor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against Indemnitee for losses arising from or related to any work performed by Indemnitor or Indemnitor's Agents for the City of Phoenix. The obligations of Indemnitor under this provision survive the termination or expiration of this Contract.

8. Insurance Requirements

8.1. Consultant's Insurance

Consultant and subconsultants must procure insurance against claims that may arise from or relate to performance of the work hereunder by Consultant and its agents, representatives, employees and subconsultants. Consultant and subconsultants must maintain that insurance until all their obligations have been discharged, including any warranty periods under this Contract.

The City in no way warrants that the limits stated in this section are sufficient to protect the Consultant from liabilities that might arise out of the performance of the work under this Contract by the Consultant, its agents, representatives, employees, or subconsultants and Consultant may purchase additional insurance as they determined necessary.

8.2. Scope and Limits of Insurance

Consultant must provide coverage with limits of liability not less than those stated below. An excess liability policy or umbrella liability policy may be used to meet the liability limits provided that (1) the coverage is written on a "following form" basis, and (2) all terms under each line of coverage below are met.

8.3. Commercial General Liability – Occurrence Form

General Aggregate \$2,000,000 Products – Completed Operations Aggregate \$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence \$1,000,000

- The policy must name the City of Phoenix as an additional insured with respect to liability for bodily injury, property damage and personal and advertising injury with respect to premises, ongoing operations, products and completed operations and liability assumed under an insured contract arising out of the activities performed by, or on behalf of the Consultant related to this Contract.
- There shall be no endorsement or modification which limits the scope of coverage or the policy limits available to the City of Phoenix as an additional insured.
- City of Phoenix is an additional insured to the full limits of liability purchased by the Consultant.
- The Consultant's insurance coverage must be primary and non-contributory with respect to any insurance or self-insurance carried by the City.

8.4. Automobile Liability

Bodily Injury and Property Damage coverage for any owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles used in the performance of this Contract.

Combined Single Limit (CSL) \$1,000,000

- The policy must be endorsed to include the City of Phoenix as an additional insured with respect to liability arising out of the activities performed by, or on behalf of the Consultant, relating to this Contract.
- City of Phoenix is an additional insured to the full limits of liability purchased by the Consultant.
- The Consultant's insurance coverage must be primary and non-contributory with respect to any insurance or self-insurance carried by the City.

8.5. Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability

Workers' Compensation Statutory Employers' Liability Each Accident \$100,000 Disease – Each Employee \$100,000 Disease – Policy Limit \$500,000

- Policy must contain a waiver of subrogation against the City of Phoenix.
- This requirement does not apply when a consultant or subconsultant is exempt under A.R.S. §23-902(E), AND when such consultant or subconsultant executes the appropriate sole proprietor waiver form.

8.6. Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions Liability)

Each Claim \$1,000,000 Annual Aggregate \$1,000,000

- The policy must cover liability arising from the failure to meet the professional standards required or expected in the delivery of those services as defined in the Scope of Services of this Contract.
- Consultant warrants that any retroactive date under the policy must precede the
 effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be
 maintained, or an extended reporting period will be exercised for a period of two (2)
 years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

8.7. Notice of Cancellation

For each insurance policy required by the insurance provisions of this Contract, the Consultant must provide to the City, within 5 business days of receipt, a notice if a policy is suspended, voided or cancelled for any reason. Such notice must be mailed, emailed, or hand delivered to City of Phoenix Finance Department, Procurement Division, 251 W Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85003 OR procurement@phoenix.gov.

8.8. Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers duly licensed or authorized to do business in the state of Arizona and with an "A.M. Best" rating of not less than B+ VI. The City in no way warrants that

the required minimum insurer rating is sufficient to protect the Consultant from potential insurer insolvency.

8.9. Verification of Coverage

Consultant must furnish the City with certificates of insurance (ACORD form or equivalent approved by the City) as required by this Contract. The certificates for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf.

All certificates and any required endorsements are to be received and approved by the City before work commences. Each insurance policy required by this Contract must be in effect at or prior to commencement of work under this Contract and remain in effect for the duration of the project. Failure to maintain the insurance policies as required by this Contract or to provide evidence of renewal is a material breach of contract.

All certificates required by this Contract must be sent directly to City of Phoenix Finance Department, Procurement Division, 251 W Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85003 OR procurement@phoenix.gov. The City project/contract number and project description must be noted on the certificate of insurance. The City reserves the right to review complete copies of all insurance policies required by this Contract at any time. **DO NOT SEND CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE TO THE CITY'S RISK MANAGEMENT DIVISION**.

8.10. Subconsultants

Consultant's certificates shall include all subconsultants as additional insureds under its policies **OR** Consultant shall be responsible for ensuring and verifying that all subconsultants have valid and collectable insurance. At any time throughout the life of the contract, the City of Phoenix reserves the right to require proof from the Consultant that its subconsultants have insurance coverage. All subconsultants providing services included under this Contract's Scope of Services are subject to the insurance coverages identified above and must include the City of Phoenix as an additional insured. In certain circumstances, the Consultant may, on behalf of its subconsultants, waive a specific type of coverage or limit of liability where appropriate to the type of work being performed under the subcontract. Consultant assumes liability for all subconsultants with respect to this Contract.

8.11. Approval

Any modification or variation from the insurance coverages and conditions in this Contract must be documented by an executed contract amendment.

9. Submittals

9.1. Copies

Please submit one electronic copy of the Submittal Section and all other required documentation. Please do not lock the electronic copy with password protection so that the City may incorporate the successful Offer into the awarded contract.

Please submit only the Submittal Section, do not submit a copy of the entire solicitation document. This Offer will remain in effect for a period of 180 calendar days from the opening date, and is irrevocable unless it is in the City's best interest to release offer(s).

9.2. Solicitation Response Check List

Use this check list as a tool to review your submission to ensure that all required documents and forms are included.

Offers must be in possession of the Department on or prior to the exact time and date indicated in the Schedule of Events. Late offers will not be considered. Electronic submission is preferred. Due to file size limitations for electronic transmission, offers sent by email may need to be sent in parts with multiple emails. It is the responsibility of the Offeror to ensure that the offer is received timely and that there are no technical reasons for delay. Please refer to the Instructions Section for complete information regarding the submission of offers.

The written offer should be:

- Typewritten for ease of evaluation
- Signed by an authorized representative of the Offeror
- Submitted with contact information for the individual(s) authorized to negotiate with the City.
- The entire submission shall not exceed a total of 50 pages.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

In accordance with the Administrative Regulation, 3.10, Competitive Sealed Proposal awards shall be made to the responsible Offeror(s) whose proposal is determined in writing to be the most advantageous to the City based upon the evaluation criteria. The City reserves the right to multiple awards.

Please refer to solicitation section 4. Evaluation Process for additional details regarding the Evaluation Criteria and process.

Please provide a response to all sections identified in each section below. Include completed responses to all of the required attachments and provide any additional documentation as requested by the City or additional information as deemed appropriate by the Offeror which demonstrates compliance.

DO NOT password protect any files or provide links for the City to download any portion(s) of the submittals. The City will ONLY consider the information contained within the Offeror's submission.

<u>Failure to provide the information requested may result in the Offer being deemed as non-responsive.</u>

For ease of evaluation, the City is requesting that Offerors' responses be submitted in the order indicated below and must contain the following:

SECTION 1 – TITLE PAGE

The Title page should include the solicitation number and title, name and address of the Offeror(s), and the date of the proposal.

SECTION 2 – COVER LETTER

Offeror Introduction Overview (PDF)

The cover letter shall provide a brief overview of the firm's history. Describe your organization, including such information as when it was organized and when it began operations. Provide "an overview" of the services offered in your proposal.

- A. Provide a single main contact name, title, address, phone number, and email address for all matters related to this solicitation.
- B. Provide the contact name, title, address, phone number and email address for the primary contact who will have day-to-day responsibilities for working with the City.
- C. Provide the address of your firm's office that will provide Services to the City of Phoenix.

SECTION 3 – TABLE OF CONTENTS

The Table of Contents shall include references for all sections and sub-sections within the Offer. Please include the corresponding page numbers.

SECTION 4 – FIRM'S EXPERIENCE AND QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifications, Business History, Years of Experience and Capability

Provide the required documentation to demonstrate the firm's compliance to the requirements outlined in this section. Evaluation of the firm's Business History and Years of Experience, will be based on the Offeror's demonstrated qualifications and experience.

Qualifications

Demonstrate how Offeror complies with all of the requirements as listed in solicitation Section II, paragraph 2.15 Qualification Criteria. Provide a narrative and/or supporting documentation to demonstrate compliance of all items. <u>Failure to demonstrate compliance to these items will</u> deem your offer as non-responsive.

- 1. Have been in operation for a minimum of five (5) consecutive years' providing the Services as set forth in the Scope of Work, within the last seven (7) years.
- 2. Have a minimum of five (5) consecutive years' experience providing all of the Services as listed in this Solicitation for private and public entities comparable in size to the City of Phoenix.

Business History

- A. Indicate what year your firm was founded and describe the services performed. Are the same services being performed today? If not, please explain.
- B. The Offeror must provide a narrative that clearly demonstrates the number of years your firm has been providing the services that are being proposed by your firm.
- C. The narrative must clearly demonstrate compliance and the experience providing Professional Development Consultation, Professional Facilitation, Training, Motivational Speaking, Management Coaching and/or related services for private and/or public entities.
- D. Indicate if you propose to use subcontractors. If so, indicate the services which will be subcontracted.

Key Staff Qualifications

- A. Describe your firm's resources available for this project. Offerors must demonstrate that key staff have the knowledge, resources, skill, capacity and ability to provide Professional Development and related consulting services, and all other services as required in the solicitation.
- B. <u>Organizational Chart:</u> Provide an Organizational chart that shows the structure of your firm. Include the names of the team(s) who will be working on the City's account. Please identify key personnel by name and title.
- C. <u>Resumes:</u> Provide a one-page resume for each proposed key personnel (includes all positions identified in the Organizational chart) which will be providing Services covered in the scope of this Solicitation. Resumes shall reflect relevant experience and qualifications for the Services as outlined. For each Key Personnel identified, provide the following:
 - Name
 - Title and overview of primary responsibilities
 - Length of employment with the company
 - Professional Experience
 - Certifications (certifications relevant to the proposed key position, including type of certification)

Capability

- A. Provide a detailed narrative response to describe your ability to comply with the City's requirements identified in solicitation Section 3. Scope of Work.
- B. Provide overview of the offered services.
- Indicate if your firm has the capacity to begin services at the beginning of March 2025, if needed.
- D. Describe your firm's ability to accept service requests for a small projects and large projects.
- E. Complete the Excel Services Matrix. This attachment provides a listing of services regularly provided by your firm.
- F. References: The References information shall be included in the solicitation Submittal Section, References form. The City reserves the right to contact these references and discuss the client's level of satisfaction with the Offeror and it's services.

SECTION 5 – CITY FORMS (Submittals)

Provide the completed City issued Submittal forms. All forms must be completed in it's entirety and returned with the Offer.

SECTION 6 – ADDENDA (PDF)

Provide the signed Addenda with the Offeror. The Offeror must acknowledge receipt of any/all addenda by signing and returning with the offer. Failure to return signed Addenda may deem your Offer as non-responsive. See solicitation section 2.7.

SECTION 7 – CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENTS

This section only applies if the Offeror identifies some of the Offeror's information as Confidential and/or Proprietary. All documents which the Offeror identifies as Confidential and/or Proprietary should be included in this section.

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APPENDIX 1 – Frequently Asked Questions (with Answers)

| No. | Question | Answer |
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| 1. | Will the City use internal facilitation capabilities for the programs that are subject to this solicitation? | The City will determine at the time services are needed, if the services can be provided in-house or if we would leverage from the selected qualified vendor's list resulting from this solicitation. |
| 2. | Will the City be using any set-asides for this solicitation | No. There are no set-asides for services resulting from this solicitation. |
| 3. | Am I required to submit pricing with my offer? | No. Contract awards will be based solely on demonstrated Experience, Qualifications, and Capacity. Pricing will be required with each specific City's |
| 4. | Is there an incumbent providing any of the requested or similar services? | yes. While the City has had many contractors performing these services over the past five (5) years, this solicitation is new and is meant to provide a wide variety of services for use by all City Departments. This solicitation will result in multiple awards to ensure coverage for all services needed by the City. |
| 5. | If you are already on the City's Qualified Vendor List (QVL), do we need to submit an offer to this solicitation? | Yes. All services under the existing agreement expire January 2025. All offerors must submit an offer to be considered for an award. All responsive offers will be placed on the resulting Qualified Vendors List (QVL). Note: This contract is for Professional Development and Training Services and is separate from any other contracts(s) vendors may already have with one or more City Departments. |
| 6. | Will there be a specific person City staff member designated, such as an Executive or Senior Manager from the City? | The resulting contracts will be collaboratively managed by Finance Procurement and Human Resources. Each project will have specific requirements and a designated contact. |
| 7. | Am I required to be registered with the Arizona Corporation Commission to submit an offer? | No. However, this is a requirement prior to entering into a contract with the City. The City will not enter contracts with Offerors (or any company(ies)) not granted authority to transact business, or not in good standing, in the state of Arizona by the Arizona Corporation Commission, unless the Offeror asserts a statutory exception. |

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| 8. | Am I required to submit proof of insurance with my offer? | No. Proof of insurance is only required if your firm is selected for a contract award. a. If awarded a contract, you must submit proof of insurance in compliance with <u>ALL</u> of the Coverage Types and Limits listed in the solicitation. b. Sole proprietors are not required to submit proof of Worker's Compensation, but are required to comply with all other coverages. conducting business in Arizona and the City of Phoenix. c. Automobile coverage is required. This may apply to in-person trainings or other services |
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| 9. | Am I required to pay taxes? | requirement for all Offerors. Generally, services are not taxable. However, the tax burden and legal liability to remit taxes are on the Contractor that is conducting business in Arizona and the City of Phoenix. The City will not provide tax advice or guidance. The following links may provide additional information: https://www.phoenix.gov/finance/plt or https://www.azdor.gov/Business . |



OFFER

(please complete, sign, and return with the submittal)

| · · | ned hereby offers and agrees to furnish the material, conditions, specifications, and addenda issued as |
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| Arizona Sales Tax No. Use Tax License No. for Out-of-State Arizona Corporation Commission File No. | |
| provide its federal taxpayer identification num the City of Phoenix for the purposes of reporti by the City of Phoenix under the awarded con | nmended for contract award, Offeror agrees to ber or as applicable its social security number to ing to appropriate taxing authorities, monies paid attract. If the Offeror provides its social security with appropriate state and federal officials. This 6041A. |
| Enter City's Registration System ID Numb Located at City's eProcurement website (see - INSTRUCTIONS - CITY'S REGISTRATION | e SECTION 2 |
| Offeror has read, understands, and will fully a attachments and any referenced documents. independently developed without consultation | Offeror certifies that the prices offered were |
| Authorized Signature | Date |
| Print Name and Title (President, Manager, Member) | Offeror Legal Name and Company Type (LLC, Inc., Sole Proprietor) |
| Street Address: City, State, Zip Code: Telephone Number: Email Address: | |



COSTS AND PAYMENTS

(please complete and return with the submittal)

PAYMENT TERMS & OPTIONS: Vendors must choose an option, if a box is not checked, the City will default to 0% - net 45 days: Contractor offers a prompt payment discount of either _____% - 30 days or 0% – 45 days - to apply after receipt of invoice or final acceptance of the products (invoice approval), whichever date is later, starts the 30 days. If no prompt payment discount is offered, the default is 0%, net 45 days; effective after receipt of invoice or final acceptance of the products, whichever is later. Payment terms offering a discount will not be considered in the price evaluation of your offer. Contractor may be paid immediately upon invoice approval, if enrollment is made to the Single Use Account (SUA) Program, administered by the City's servicing bank ("Bank"). By checking this box, the vendor accepts transaction costs charged by their merchant bank and agrees not to transfer to the City those extra charges. The City will not pay an increase in our services for the SUA charges; if an audit uncovers an upcharge for the SUA charges the vendor will owe the City all costs. The vendor may opt-out of the SUA program once, but then may not rejoin during the same contract term. For more information about the SUA program or to enroll, send email to mailbox.sua@phoenix.gov.



CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

(please sign and return with the submittal)

The prospective participant (Contractor for a federally funded project) certifies, by submission of this solicitation and certification, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. Where the prospective participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such participant shall attach an explanation to this solicitation.

THE PARTICIPANT (Contractor for a federally funded project), CERTIFIES OR AFFIRMS THE TRUTHFULNESS AND ACCURACY OF THE CONTENTS OF THE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED ON OR WITH THIS CERTIFICATION AND UNDERSTANDS THAT THE PROVISIONS OF 31 U.S.C. 3801 ET SEQ. ARE APPLICABLE THERETO.

| Authorized Official Name | Signature | |
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| Title of Authorized Official | Date | |



CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND TRANSPARENCY FORM

(please complete, sign, and return with the submittal)

| This form must be signed and submitted to the City and all questions must be answered (or N/A) or your Offer may be considered non-responsive. | |
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| 1. | Name of person submitting this disclosure form. |
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| 2. | Contract Information |
| So | licitation # or Name: |
| 3. | Name of individual(s) or entity(ies) seeking a contract with the City (i.e. parties to the Contract) |
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| 4. | List any individuals(s) or entity(ies) that are owners, partners, parent, sublessees, joint venture, or subsidiaries of the individual or entity listed in Question 3. Please include all Board members, executive committee members and officers for each entry. If not applicable, indicate N/A. |
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| 5. | List any individuals or entities that will be subcontractors on this contract or indicate N/A. |
| | □ Subcontractors may be retained, but not known as of the time of this submission. □ List of subcontracts, including the name of the owner(s) and business name: |
| 6. | List any attorney, lobbyist, or consultant retained by any individuals listed in Questions 3, 4, or 5 |
| | to assist in the proposal or seeking the resulting contract. If none, indicate N/A. |
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7. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest:

A. City Code Section 43-34

Are you aware of any fact(s) with regard to this solicitation or resulting contract that would raise a "conflict of interest" issue under City Code Section 43-34?

"An elected City official or a City employee shall not represent any person or business for compensation before the City regarding any part of a procurement, including any resulting contract, if during the time the elected official is or was in office or the employee is or was employed by the City such elected official or employee played a material or significant role in the development of the solicitation, any other part of the procurement, or the contract award."

| I am not aware of any conflict(s) of interest under City Code Section 43-34. |
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| I am aware of the following potential or actual conflict(s) of interest: |

B. ARS Sections 38-501 et. Seq. & City Charter Chapter 11

State law and the Phoenix City Charter and Code prohibit public officers or employees, their close relatives, and any businesses they, or their relatives, own from (1) representing before the City any person or business for compensation, (2) doing business with the City by any means other than through a formal procurement, and (3) doing business with the City without disclosing that the person has an interest in the contract. This prohibition extends to subcontracts on City contracts and also applies to parent, subsidiary, or partner businesses owned by a public officer or employee. See A.R.S. Sections 38-501 through 38-511, for more information (City Charter, Chapter 11, applies the state conflict-of-interest law to City employees).

Please note that any contract in place at the time a person becomes a public officer or employee may remain in effect. But the contract may not be amended, extended, modified, or changed in any manner during the officer's or employee's city service without following city administrative regulations.

Are you aware of any fact(s) with regard to this contract that would raise a "conflict of interest" issue under A.R.S. Sections 38-501 through 38-511 (See Arizona Revised Statutes regarding conflict of interest at www.azleg.gov).

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| I am not aware of any conflict(s |) of interest under Arizona Revised Statutes Sections |
| 38-501 through 38-511. | |
| I am aware of the following con- | flict(s) of interest: |
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| 8. Acknowled | Igements |
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| A.Solicitation Transparency Policy – No Contact with City Officials or Staff During Evaluation | |
| person | stand that a person or entity who seeks or applies for a city contract, or any other acting on behalf of that person or entity, is prohibited from contacting city officials and ees regarding the contract after a solicitation has been posted. |
| meeting accorda out in C | o-contact" provision only concludes when the contract is awarded at a City Council g. If contact is required with City official or employees, the contact will take place in ance with procedures by the City. Violation of this prohibited contacts provision, set city Code Sections 2-190.4 and 43-36, by respondents, or their agents, will lead to lification. |
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| B. Fraud Preve | ntion and Reporting Policy |
| serious | owledge that the City has a fraud prevention and reporting policy and takes fraud sly. I will report fraud, suspicion of fraud, or any other inappropriate action to: one no. 602-261-8999 or 602-534-5500 (TDD); or aud.integrity.line@phoenix.gov . |
| The purpose of the fraud policy is to maintain the City's high ethical standards. The policy includes a way for our business partners to report wrongdoing or bad behavior. Suspected fraud should be reported immediately to the Phoenix Integrity Line. The City has adopted a zero-tolerance policy regarding fraud. | |
| | OATH |
| I affirm that the statements contained in this form, including any attachments, to the best of my knowledge and belief are true, correct, and complete. Should any of the answers to the above questions change during the course of the contract, particularly as it relates to any changes in ownership, applicant agrees to update this form with the new information within 30 days of such changes. Failure to do so may be deemed a breach of contract. | |
| PRINT NAME | TITLE |
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| SIGNATURE | DATE |
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| COMPANY (C | ORPORATION, LLC, ETC.) NAME and DBA |