



June 22, 2020

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC
RFP #202010**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ON-CALL MATERIALS AND
CONSTRUCTION RELATED TESTING SERVICES**

The City of Winchester will accept proposals until 2:00 p.m. local time on July 21, 2020, in the office of the Finance Department - Purchasing Division, 15 North Cameron Street, 4th Floor - Rouss City Hall, Winchester, VA 22601. This RFP is for professional on-call materials and construction related testing services to the City of Winchester for various capital improvement projects. The Contract will be administered by the Department of Public Services.

Copies of this Request for Proposal may downloaded: <http://www.winchesterva.gov/purchasing/itbrfp> or obtained upon request from the Office of the Finance Department-Purchasing Agent, telephone (540) 667-1815 ext. 1477.

Offerors should carefully examine the specifications and fully inform themselves as to all conditions and matters, which would in any way affect the equipment/materials/service of cost thereof. Should an offeror find discrepancies in or omissions from the specification or request for proposal, he/she should notify the Purchasing Agent and obtain clarification prior to submitting the proposal. Only questions answered by formal Addenda will be binding; oral and other interpretations or classifications will be without legal effect.

The right is reserved, as the interest of the City may require, to revise or amend the specifications prior to the date set for opening proposal; the opening date may be postponed if deemed necessary by the City's Purchasing Agent. Such revisions and amendments, if any, will be announced by written Addenda to the specifications. ***In addition, the City reserves the right to accept or reject any proposals, in whole or in part, and to waive any informality.***

Five (5) copies of the proposal and an electronic copy on a thumb drive in .pdf format are to be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing the Offerors company name, mailing address, the RFP name, the RFP number, the date and the time due mailed or delivered to:

City of Winchester
Finance Department - Purchasing Division
15 North Cameron Street, 1st Floor - Rouss City Hall
Winchester, Virginia 22601

BY: Michael Marzullo
Purchasing Agent

**CITY OF WINCHESTER
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
15 N. Cameron Street
Winchester, VA 22601**

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A. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

INTRODUCTION:

The City, founded in 1744, is the oldest Virginia City west of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Located at the northern entrance to the Shenandoah Valley, the City is the medical, commercial governmental and financial center for the surrounding area, and is the county seat of Frederick County.

The City encompasses 9.3 square miles and is located at the crossroads of U.S. Highways 11, 17, 50, 522, Interstate 81 and State Route 7. Interstate 66, terminating 11 miles south of the City at Interstate 81, provides a third transportation artery to Washington, D.C., 72 miles to the southeast. The City's population is currently estimated at slightly above 28,000.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this solicitation is to select at least one firm to provide on-call materials and construction related testing services to the City of Winchester for various capital improvement projects. The types of construction projects will include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Water treatment plant and dam rehabilitation improvements
2. Wastewater treatment plant improvements
3. Water distribution system improvements
4. Sanitary sewer collection system improvements
5. Sanitary sewer lift station improvements
6. Storm drainage system improvements
7. Roadway improvements
8. Traffic related improvements
9. Building improvements

The Contract will be administered by the Department of Public Services. The Scope of Services is provided in Section B.

This Request for Proposal (RFP), plus the resulting agreement, shall be consistent with, and governed by the Act, the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA).

PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE:

None scheduled.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

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| 1. RFP Distribution | June 22, 2020 |
| 2. Proposal Submissions Due | July 21, 2020 at 2:00 P.M. local time |
| 3. Award of Contract | August 2020 |

CONTRACT TERM

The contract term shall be five (5) years from date of award. This five (5) year period shall be referred to as the Term. The City reserves the right to cancel and terminate this Contract, without penalty, upon ten (10) days written notice to contractor.

The parties understand and agree that the City, at its sole option, may renew this Contract for two (2) additional two-year contract terms. If the City exercises its option to renew, the Contract Term shall begin from the date of the expiration of the current Contract, or previous renewal, or the date that the City notifies the FIRM that the option to renew is being exercised, whichever occurs first.

B. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The following provides a list of the types of anticipated testing and related services, but it is not all inclusive.

1. Sitework
 - a. Subgrade
 - b. Compacted fill & backfill
 - c. Miscellaneous pavement construction
2. Foundations
 - a. Spread Footings
3. Concrete
 - a. Cast in Place
4. Structural Steel
5. Lab Testing
 - a. Concrete Lab Testing
 - b. Soil Lab Testing

C. SELECTION PROCEDURE

Written Submission of Firm's Experience and Qualifications; and in general, the selection of a firm will be conducted by the following process:

1. Statements of firms' experience and qualifications shall be submitted in the form defined under Submittal Requirements (Section D).
2. A Selection Committee, composed of City Staff, will evaluate and rank all firms.
3. Firms will be evaluated and ranked in accordance with the Evaluation Criteria (Section E).

D. SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

1. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- a. RFP Response: In order to be considered for selection, offerors must submit a complete response to this RFP. Five (5) copies of the proposal and one (1) original electronic copy in .pdf format on a thumb drive are to be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing the company name, mailing address, the RFP name, the RFP number, the date and the time due mailed or delivered to: City of Winchester, Finance Department - Purchasing Division, 15 North Cameron Street, 4th Floor-Rouss City Hall, Winchester, Virginia 22601. No other distribution of the proposal shall be made by the offeror.
- b. Late Proposals: It is the responsibility of the firm to insure the Purchasing Agent receives the submittal by the proposal due date and time. Late Proposals will be returned to offeror unopened, if the container is properly identified with the firm's return address.

2. PROPOSAL PREPARATION:

- a. Proposals shall be signed by an authorized representative of the offeror. All information requested should be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in the Purchasing Agent requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal. Proposals which are substantially incomplete or lack key information may be rejected by the Purchasing Agent. Mandatory requirements are

those required by law or regulation or are such that they cannot be waived and are not subject to negotiation.

- b. Proposals shall be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content. Avoid excessive content and unrelated work samples.
 - c. Proposals should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. Each paragraph in the proposal should reference the paragraph number of the corresponding section of the RFP. It is also helpful to cite the paragraph number, sub-letter, and repeat the text of the requirement as it appears in the RFP. If a response covers more than one page, the paragraph number and sub-letter should be repeated at the top of the next page. The proposal should contain a table of contents which cross references the RFP requirements. Information which the offeror desires to present that does not fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material. Proposals that are not organized in this manner risk elimination from consideration if the evaluators are unable to find where the RFP requirements are specifically addressed.
 - d. Each copy of the proposal should be bound or contained in a single volume where practical. All documentation submitted with the proposal should be contained in that single volume.
 - e. Limit your Proposal to a maximum of **twenty (20) total pages**. Twenty pages shall include: **ALL** exhibits, resumes, letters, attachments, and enclosures. Dividers are allowed and will not count towards your twenty pages.
 - f. Ownership of all data, materials and documentation originated and prepared for the City pursuant to the RFP shall belong exclusively to the City and be subjected to public inspection in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror shall not be subject to the public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the offeror must invoke the protections of §2.24342F of the Code of Virginia, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secrets or proprietary information. The classification of an entire proposal document, line item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable and will result in rejection of the proposal.
3. **SUBMITTAL CONTENT:** Written proposals shall contain the following information presented in the following order:
- a. List the materials and construction related testing services that the firm has expertise in, and the three most relevant contracts or projects where testing services provided by the firm within the last three years. Include short descriptions, project dates, client name and contact person, address and phone number, and whether your firm was the prime contractor or a sub-contractor.
 - b. Provide a detailed breakout of hourly rates and other costs for the services provided.
 - c. Summary qualifications of key individuals (and office location for each) to be assigned to the work. A Project Manager must be assigned. Full resumes may be attached, but count towards the twenty page maximum. Resumes must exhibit qualifications and experience

of the individual in the type of work to be conducted with emphasis on projects similar in nature to those expected.

- d. Describe the methodology and procedures that will be implemented for testing services listed in Section B. Scope and Services. Identify who will be responsible for the quality assurance program and how the program works within the firm. Provide specific examples of the firm’s experience in meeting deadlines and completing the work within budget.
- e. Outline your firm’s knowledge and understanding of the City of Winchester’s procedures, operations, and infrastructure.
- f. Outline your firm’s knowledge and understanding of Federal/VDOT procedures on applicable projects.
- g. Verify that required insurance coverage is available (*insurance certificates need not be submitted until the award stage*).

E. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Each member of the Selection Committee will individually evaluate each firm on the basis of the following criteria. A composite ranking will then be developed that ranks the firms from first to last.

Criteria	Maximum Possible Score
Experience and qualifications of Project Manager assigned	25
Experience and qualifications of the firm	25
Familiarity and knowledge of the City’s procedures, operations, and infrastructure	15
Familiarity and knowledge of VDOT/Federal procedures	15
Cost of services	10
Overall quality and completeness of proposal	10
Maximum Possible Score	100

Compensation: Offeror will not be compensated for the cost of proposal preparation whether or not an award is consummated.

Investigations: The Selection Committee may make such reasonable investigations, as it deems proper and necessary to determine the ability of the firm to perform the work. The Selection Committee and/or its representative(s) reserves the right to inspect the firm’s physical premises prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the firm’s capabilities.

F. QUESTIONS

Questions regarding this solicitation must be submitted in writing at least five (5) days prior to the proposal due date. The City will issue a written addendum to any inquiries that alter the scope of the proposal. All other contacts with City personnel concerning this solicitation are discouraged. Submit inquiries via e-mail to:

Perry Eisenach
Public Services Director
City of Winchester
15 N. Cameron St
Winchester, VA 22601
perry.eisenach@winchesterva.gov

G. CITY OF WINCHESTER REQUIRED GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. APPLICABLE LAWS AND COURTS
- B. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION
- C. ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING
- D. IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986
- E. DEBARMENT STATUS
- F. ANTITRUST
- G. MANDATORY USE OF CITY FORM AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS
- H. CLARIFICATION OF TERMS
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- X. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS
- Y. LICENSES AND PERMITS
- Z. TERMINATION
- AZ. HOLD HARMLESS INDEMNIFICATION
- BZ. CONFIDENTIALITY OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION
- CZ. BID PRICE CURRENCY

These General Terms and Conditions are required for all sealed and unsealed written or verbal solicitations issued by the City of Winchester for procurements that are subject to the Winchester City Code unless changed, deleted or revised by the City Attorney.

- A. **APPLICABLE LAWS AND COURTS:** This solicitation and any resulting contract shall be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any dispute arising from the performance or non-performance of this Agreement shall be resolved or otherwise litigated in the Circuit Court for the City of Winchester, Virginia or the Fourth Circuit Federal District Court in Harrisonburg, Virginia. The agency and the contractor are encouraged to resolve any issues in controversy arising from the award of the contract or any contractual dispute following the Winchester City Code, Chapter 21-61. The contractor shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.
- B. **ANTI-DISCRIMINATION:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify to the City of Winchester that they will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, as well as the Virginia Fair Employment Contracting Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, the Virginians With Disabilities Act, the Americans With Disabilities Act and § 2.2-4311 of the *Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA)*. If the award is made to a faith-based organization, the organization shall not discriminate against any recipient of goods, services, or disbursements made pursuant to the contract on the basis of the recipient's religion, religious belief, refusal to participate in a religious practice, or on the basis of race, age, color, gender or national origin and shall be subject to the same rules as other organizations that contract with public bodies to account for the use of the funds provided; however, if the faith-based organization segregates public funds into separate accounts, only the accounts and programs funded with public funds shall be subject to audit by the public body. (*Code of Virginia*, § 2.2-4343.1E).

In every contract over \$10,000 the provisions in 1. and 2. below apply:

1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
 - a. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - b. The contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, will state that such contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - c. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting these requirements.
 2. The contractor will include the provisions of 1. above in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- C. **ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify that their (bids/proposals) are made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other (bidder/offeror), supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their (bid/proposal), and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value was exchanged.
- D. **IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify that they do not and will not during the performance of this contract employ illegal alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- E. **DEBARMENT STATUS:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), (bidders/offerors) certify that they are not currently debarred by the Federal Government, Commonwealth of Virginia, or by any City, Town or County from submitting bids or proposals on contracts for the type of goods and/or services covered by this solicitation, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently so debarred.
- F. **ANTITRUST:** By entering into a contract, the contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the City of Winchester all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by the City of Winchester under said contract.
- G. **MANDATORY USE OF CITY FORM AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS:** Failure to submit a bid/proposal on the official City form provided for that purpose may be a cause for rejection of the bid/proposal. Modification of or additions to the General Terms and Conditions of the solicitation may be cause for rejection of the bid/proposal; however, the City of Winchester reserves the right to decide, on a case by case basis, in its sole discretion, whether to reject such a bid/proposal.
- H. **CLARIFICATION OF TERMS:** If any prospective (bidder/offeror) has questions about the specifications or other solicitation documents, the prospective (bidder/offeror) should contact the buyer whose name appears on the face of the solicitation no later than five working days before the due date. Any revisions to the solicitation will be made only by addendum issued by the Purchasing Agent, or designee.
- I. **PAYMENT:**
1. **To Prime Contractor:**
 - a. Invoices for items ordered, delivered and accepted shall be submitted by the contractor directly to the payment address shown on the purchase order/contract. All invoices shall show the state contract number and/or purchase order number; social security number (for individual contractors) or the federal employer identification number (for proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations).

- b. Any payment terms requiring payment in less than 30 days will be regarded as requiring payment 30 days after invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than 30 days, however.
- c. All goods or services provided under this contract or purchase order, that are to be paid for with public funds, shall be billed by the contractor at the contract price, regardless of which department is being billed.
- d. The following shall be deemed to be the date of payment: the date of postmark in all cases where payment is made by mail.
- e. **Unreasonable Charges.** Under certain emergency procurements and for most time and material purchases, final job costs cannot be accurately determined at the time orders are placed. In such cases, contractors should be put on notice that final payment in full is contingent on a determination of reasonableness with respect to all invoiced charges. Charges which appear to be unreasonable will be researched and challenged, and that portion of the invoice held in abeyance until a settlement can be reached. Upon determining that invoiced charges are not reasonable, the City of Winchester shall promptly notify the contractor, in writing, as to those charges which it considers unreasonable and the basis for the determination. A contractor may not institute legal action unless a settlement cannot be reached within thirty (30) days of notification. The provisions of this section do not relieve an agency of its prompt payment obligations with respect to those charges which are not in dispute (*Code of Virginia*, § 2.2-4363).

2. **To Subcontractors:**

- a. A contractor awarded a contract under this solicitation is hereby obligated:
 - (1) To pay the subcontractor(s) within seven (7) days of the contractor's receipt of payment from the City of Winchester for the proportionate share of the payment received for work performed by the subcontractor(s) under the contract; or
 - (2) To notify the agency and the subcontractor(s), in writing, of the contractor's intention to withhold payment and the reason.
- b. The contractor is obligated to pay the subcontractor(s) interest at the rate of one percent per month (unless otherwise provided under the terms of the contract) on all amounts owed by the contractor that remain unpaid seven (7) days following receipt of payment from the City of Winchester, except for amounts withheld as stated in (2) above. The date of mailing of any payment by U. S. Mail is deemed to be payment to the addressee. These provisions apply to each sub-tier contractor performing under the primary contract. A contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor may not be construed to be an obligation of the City of Winchester.

J. PRECEDENCE OF TERMS: The following General Terms and Conditions APPLICABLE LAWS AND COURTS, ANTI-DISCRIMINATION, ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING, IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986, DEBARMENT STATUS, ANTITRUST, MANDATORY USE OF CITY FORM AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS, CLARIFICATION OF TERMS, PAYMENT shall apply in all instances. In the event there is a conflict between any of the other General Terms and Conditions and any Special Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, the Special Terms and Conditions shall apply and take precedence. The City's procurement, Contractor's response and written negotiation summary shall form part of the Contract. In the case of conflicts, discrepancies, errors or omissions among the City's procurement, the Contractor's response, written negotiation summary and the main body of the Contract, the documents and amendments to them shall take precedence and govern in the following order:

1. Contract
2. Negotiation Summary
3. City's Procurement Document(s)
4. Contractor's Response
5. Other Documents

K. QUALIFICATIONS OF (BIDDERS/OFFERORS): The City of Winchester may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the (bidder/offeror) to perform the services/furnish the goods and the (bidder/offeror) shall furnish to the City of Winchester all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. The City of Winchester reserves the right to inspect (bidder's/offeror's) physical facilities prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the (bidder's/offeror's) capabilities. The City of Winchester further reserves the right to reject any (bid/proposal) if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such (bidder/offeror) fails to satisfy the City of Winchester that such (bidder/offeror) is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to provide the services and/or furnish the goods contemplated therein.

L. **TESTING AND INSPECTION:** The City of Winchester reserves the right to conduct any test/inspection it may deem advisable to assure goods and services conform to the specifications.

M. **ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT:** A contract shall not be assignable by the contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of the City of Winchester.

N. **SEVERABILITY OF CONTRACT:** In the event that any provision shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Agreement but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding and in full force and effect.

O. **CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT:**

1. A public contract may include provisions for modification of the contract during performance, but no fixed-price contract may be increased by more than twenty-five percent of the amount of the contract or ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), whichever is greater, without the advance written approval of the City Council. In no event may the amount of any contract, without adequate consideration, be increased for any purpose, including, but not limited to, relief of an offeror from the consequences of an error in its bid or offer (Winchester City Code 21-44).

2. Changes can be made to the contract in any of the following ways:

a. The parties may agree in writing to modify the scope of the contract. An increase or decrease in the price of the contract resulting from such modification shall be agreed to by the parties as a part of their written agreement to modify the scope of the contract.

b. The City of Winchester may order changes within the general scope of the contract at any time by written notice to the contractor. Changes within the scope of the contract include, but are not limited to, things such as services to be performed, the method of packing or shipment, and the place of delivery or installation. The contractor shall comply with the notice upon receipt. The contractor shall be compensated for any additional costs incurred as the result of such order and shall give the City of Winchester a credit for any savings. Said compensation shall be determined by one of the following methods:

1. By mutual agreement between the parties in writing; or

2. By agreeing upon a unit price or using a unit price set forth in the contract, if the work to be done can be expressed in units, and the contractor accounts for the number of units of work performed, subject to the City of Winchester's right to audit the contractor's records and/or to determine the correct number of units independently; or

3. By ordering the contractor to proceed with the work and keep a record of all costs incurred and savings realized. A markup for overhead and profit may be allowed if provided by the contract. The same markup shall be used for determining a decrease in price as the result of savings realized. The contractor shall present the City of Winchester with all vouchers and records of expenses incurred and savings realized. The City of Winchester shall have the right to audit the records of the contractor as it deems necessary to determine costs or savings. Any claim for an adjustment in price under this provision must be asserted by written notice to the City of Winchester within thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of the written order from the City of Winchester. If the parties fail to agree on an amount of adjustment, the question of an increase or decrease in the contract price or time for performance shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures for resolving disputes provided by the Disputes Clause of this contract or, if there is none, in accordance with the dispute provisions of the City of Winchester Code. Neither the existence of a claim nor a dispute resolution process, litigation or any other provision of this contract shall excuse the contractor from promptly complying with the changes ordered by the City of Winchester or with the performance of the contract generally.

P. **DEFAULT:** In case of failure to deliver goods or services in accordance with the contract terms and conditions, the City of Winchester, after due oral or written notice, may procure them from other sources and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting additional purchase and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which the City of Winchester may have.

Q. **TAXES:** Sales to the City of Winchester are normally exempt from State sales tax. State sales and use tax certificates of exemption, Form ST-12, will be issued upon request.

R. **USE OF BRAND NAMES:** Unless otherwise provided in this solicitation, the name of a certain brand, make or manufacturer does not restrict (bidders/offerors) to the specific brand, make or manufacturer named, but conveys the general style, type, character, and quality of the article desired. Any article which the public body, in its sole discretion, determines to be the equal of that specified, considering quality, workmanship, economy of operation, and suitability for the purpose intended, shall be accepted. The (bidder/offeror) is responsible to clearly and specifically identify the product being offered and to provide sufficient descriptive literature, catalog cuts and technical detail to enable the City of Winchester to determine if the product offered meets the requirements of the solicitation. This is required even if offering the exact brand, make or manufacturer specified. Normally in competitive sealed bidding only the information furnished with the bid will be considered in the evaluation. Failure to furnish adequate data for evaluation purposes may result in declaring a bid nonresponsive. Unless the (bidder/offeror) clearly indicates in its (bid/proposal) that the product offered is an equal product, such (bid/proposal) will be considered to offer the brand name product referenced in the solicitation.

S. **TRANSPORTATION AND PACKAGING:** By submitting their (bids/proposals), all (bidders/offerors) certify and warrant that the price offered for FOB destination includes only the actual freight rate costs at the lowest and best rate and is based upon the actual weight of the goods to be shipped. Except as otherwise specified herein, standard commercial packaging, packing and shipping containers shall be used. All shipping containers shall be legibly marked or labeled on the outside with purchase order number, commodity description, and quantity.

T. **INSURANCE:** By signing and submitting a bid or proposal under this solicitation, the bidder or offeror certifies that if awarded the contract, it will have the following insurance coverage at the time the contract is awarded. For construction contracts, if any subcontractors are involved, the subcontractor will have workers' compensation insurance in accordance with §§ 2.2-4332 and 65.2-800 et seq. of the *Code of Virginia*. The bidder or offeror further certifies that the contractor and any subcontractors will maintain these insurance coverages during the entire term of the contract and that all insurance coverage will be provided by insurance companies authorized to sell insurance in Virginia by the Virginia State Corporation Commission.

MINIMUM INSURANCE COVERAGES AND LIMITS REQUIRED FOR MOST CONTRACTS:

1. Workers' Compensation - Statutory requirements and benefits. Coverage is compulsory for employers of three or more employees, to include the employer. Contractors who fail to notify the City of Winchester of increases in the number of employees that change their workers' compensation requirements under the *Code of Virginia* during the course of the contract shall be in noncompliance with the contract. The insurer must have an A.M. Best rating of A- or better.

2. Employer's Liability - \$100,000.

3. Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Commercial General Liability is to include bodily injury and property damage, personal injury and advertising injury, products and completed operations coverage. The City of Winchester must be named as an additional insured and so endorsed on the policy by the insurer. A notation on the certificate of insurance is not sufficient.

4. Automobile Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence. (Only used if motor vehicle is to be used in the contract.)

NOTE: In addition, various Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions coverages are required when soliciting those services as follows:

Profession/Service Limits

Accounting: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate

Architecture: \$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$6,000,000 aggregate

Asbestos Design, Inspection or Abatement Contractors: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate

Health Care Practitioner (to include Dentists, Licensed Dental Hygienists, Optometrists, Registered or Licensed Practical Nurses, Pharmacists, Physicians, Podiatrists, Chiropractors, Physical Therapists, Physical

Therapist Assistants, Clinical Psychologists,
Clinical Social Workers, Professional Counselors,
Hospitals, or Health Maintenance Organizations.): \$1,925,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate

(Limits increase each July 1 through fiscal year 2008, as follows:
July 1, 2008 - \$2,000,000. This complies with §8.01-581.15 of the *Code of Virginia*.

Insurance/Risk Management: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$3,000,000 aggregate
Landscape/Architecture: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$1,000,000 aggregate
Legal: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$5,000,000 aggregate
Professional Engineer: \$2,000,000 per occurrence, \$6,000,000 aggregate
Surveying: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$1,000,000 aggregate

U. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD:** Upon the award or the announcement of the decision to award a contract over \$50,000, as a result of this solicitation, the Purchasing Agent will publicly post such notice on the City of Winchester's web site (www.winchesterva.gov/purchasing) for a minimum of 10 days.

V. **DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:** During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor that the contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. For the purposes of this section, "*drug-free workplace*" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a contractor, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

W. **NONDISCRIMINATION OF CONTRACTORS:** A bidder, offeror, or contractor shall not be discriminated against in the solicitation or award of this contract because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, faith-based organizational status, any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment or because the bidder or offeror employs ex-offenders unless the state agency, department or institution has made a written determination that employing ex-offenders on the specific contract is not in its best interest. If the award of this contract is made to a faith-based organization and an individual, who applies for or receives goods, services, or disbursements provided pursuant to this contract objects to the religious character of the faith-based organization from which the individual receives or would receive the goods, services, or disbursements, the public body shall offer the individual, within a reasonable period of time after the date of his objection, access to equivalent goods, services, or disbursements from an alternative provider.

X. **AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS:** In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract for any City fiscal year, following the City's current year, the Contract shall terminate automatically as of the last day for which funds were appropriated without the City providing written notice to the Contractor prior to the date of termination. The City shall not consider termination of the Contract pursuant to this section default. Upon such termination, the City shall be released from any obligation to make future payments and shall not be liable for cancellation or termination charges.

Y. **LICENSES AND PERMITS:** Contractors will be responsible for all licenses and permits, if required. Any person, firm, or corporation responding to the City's procurement which is required to have a current and valid City of Winchester business license and, in fact, does not, will not be considered a "responsive bidder" as such term is defined by the Code of Virginia §2.2-4301, as amended. Any bid received from such an entity may be rejected, at the City's sole option, for that reason alone. In addition, the successful bidder or offeror will be required to produce affirmative evidence, satisfactory to the Purchasing Agent, or designee that it has such a license, or is not required to have such a license, prior to approval and execution of any contract to perform the work herein described.

Z TERMINATION:

- a. Termination for Convenience: The City of Winchester may terminate a contract, in whole or in part, whenever the City OF Winchester determines that such termination is in the best interest of the City of Winchester, without showing cause, upon giving ten (10) days written notice to the vendor.
- b. Termination for Default: When the vendor has not performed or has unsatisfactorily performed the contract, the City of Winchester may terminate the contract for default. Upon termination for default, payment may be withheld at the discretion of the City of Winchester. The Vendor will be paid for work satisfactorily performed prior to termination.

AZ **HOLD HARMLESS:** Bids/Proposal shall provide that during the term of the contract, including warranty period, for the successful bidder/offeror indemnifying, defending, and holding harmless the City, its officers, employees, agent and representatives thereof from all suits, actions, claims of any kind (including claims for attorney's fees) brought on account of any personal injuries, damages, or violation of rights sustained by any person or property in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding contract work, or on account of any act or omission by the contractor or his employees, or from any claims or amounts arising from violation of any law, bylaw, ordinance, regulation or decree. The vendor agrees that this clause shall include claims involving infringement of patent or copyrights.

BZ. **CONFIDENTIALITY OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION:** The contractor assures that information and data obtained as to personal facts and circumstances related to patients or clients will be collected and held confidential, during and following the term of this agreement, and will not be divulged without the individual's and the agency's written consent and only in accordance with federal law or the Code of Virginia. Contractors who utilize, access, or store personally identifiable information as part of the performance of a contract are required to safeguard this information and immediately notify the agency of any breach or suspected breach in the security of such information. Contractors shall allow the City to both participate in the investigation of incidents and exercise control over decisions regarding external reporting. Contractors and their employees working on this project may be required to sign a confidentiality statement.

CZ. **BID PRICE CURRENCY:** Prices are to be stated in US dollars unless otherwise specified in the solicitation.

H. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

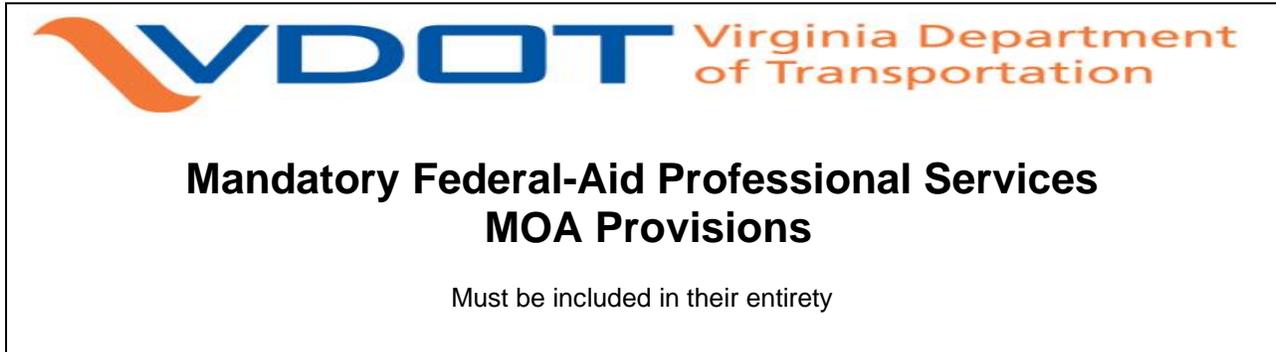
- a. **AWARD:** The City shall engage in individual discussions with one or more offerors deemed fully qualified, responsible and suitable on the basis of initial responses and with emphasis on professional competence, to provide the required services. Repetitive informal interviews shall be permissible. Such offerors shall be encouraged to elaborate on their qualifications and performance data or staff expertise pertinent to the proposed project. Proprietary information from competing offerors shall not be disclosed to the public or to competitors. At the conclusion of the informal interviews, on the basis of evaluation factors published in the Request for Proposals and all information developed in the selection process to this point, the City shall select, in the order of preference, one or more offerors whose professional qualifications and proposed services are deemed most meritorious. The City reserves the right to make multiple awards as a result of this solicitation. Should the City determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one offeror is fully qualified, or that one offeror is clearly more highly qualified and suitable than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that offeror. The Selection Committee shall recommend the appropriate firms to the City Manager for award.
- b. **AUDIT:** The contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for three (3) years after final payment, or until audited by the City of Winchester, whichever is sooner. The City, its authorized agents, and/or City auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
- c. **RENEWAL OF CONTRACT:** This contract may be renewed by the City of Winchester for two (2) successive two (2) periods under the terms and conditions of the original contract except as stated in i. and ii. below. Price increases may be negotiated only at the time of renewal. Written notice of the City of Winchester's intention to renew shall be given approximately 90 days prior to the expiration date of each contract period.
 - i. If the City of Winchester elects to exercise the option to renew the contract for an additional one-year period, the contract price(s) for the additional one year shall not exceed the contract price(s) of the original contract increased/decreased by more than the percentage increase/decrease of the Services category of the CPI-W section of the Consumer Price Index of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the latest twelve months for which statistics are available.
 - ii. If during any subsequent renewal periods, the City of Winchester elects to exercise the option to renew the contract, the contract price(s) for the subsequent renewal period shall not exceed the contract price(s) of the previous renewal period increased/decreased by more than the percentage increase/decrease of the Services category of the CPI-W section of the Consumer Price Index of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the latest twelve months for which statistics are available.
- d. **COOPERATIVE PROCUREMENT:** Any successful Bidder/Offeror, may at his sole discretion, allow any public body, locality, authority, agency, and school board of the Commonwealth to participate in the Bid/Proposal for the purpose of combining requirements to increase efficiency or reduce administrative expenses.
- e. **ADVERTISING:** In the event a contract is awarded for supplies, equipment, or services resulting from this bid/proposal, no indication of such sales or services to the City of Winchester will be used in product literature or advertising. The contractor shall not state in any of its advertising or product literature that the City of Winchester or any agency or institution of the Commonwealth has purchased or uses its products or services.
- f. **BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD:** Any proposal in response to this solicitation shall be valid for (60) days. At the end of the (60) days the proposal may be withdrawn at the written request of the bidder. If the bid is not withdrawn at that time it remains in effect until an award is made or the solicitation is canceled.

- g. **PRIME CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES:** The contractor shall be responsible for completely supervising and directing the work under this contract and all subcontractors that he may utilize, using his best skill and attention. Subcontractors who perform work under this contract shall be responsible to the prime contractor. The contractor agrees that he is as fully responsible for the acts and omissions of his subcontractors and of persons employed by them as he is for the acts and omissions of his own employees.

- h. **SUBCONTRACTS:** No portion of the work shall be subcontracted without prior written consent of the Purchasing Agent or designee. In the event that the contractor desires to subcontract some part of the work specified herein, the contractor shall furnish the Purchasing Agent, or designee the names, qualifications and experience of their proposed subcontractors. The contractor shall, however, remain fully liable and responsible for the work to be done by its subcontractor(s) and shall assure compliance with all requirements of the contract.

- i. **OWNERSHIP OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY:** All copyright and patent rights to all papers, reports, forms, materials, creations, or inventions created or developed in the performance of this contract shall become the sole property of the City of Winchester. On request, the contractor shall promptly provide an acknowledgment or assignment in a tangible form satisfactory to the City to evidence the City's sole ownership of specifically identified intellectual property created or developed in the performance of the contract.

I. FEDERAL AND VDOT PROVISIONS



NOTE: For projects where federal funds are utilized, the following provisions shall apply.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS:

The Consultant shall keep fully informed of all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations, and all orders and decrees of bodies or tribunals having any jurisdiction or authority, which in any manner affect those engaged or employed on this Agreement, or which in any way affect the conduct of the services provided by the Consultant. It shall at all times observe and comply with, and shall cause its agents, subcontractors and employees to observe and comply with, all such laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, and decrees; and shall protect and indemnify the City of Winchester and its employees and appointees against any claim or liability arising from or based on the violation of any such law, ordinance, regulation, order, or decree, whether by itself or its agents, subcontractors or employees. If any discrepancy or inconsistency is discovered between this Agreement and any such law, ordinance, regulation, order, or decree, the Consultant shall immediately report the same to the Department in writing.

2. VIRGINIA PROHIBITED EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION:

The Consultant, its agents, employees, assigns or successors, and any person, firm, or agency of whatever nature with whom it may contract or make an agreement, shall comply with the provisions of the Section 2.2-4311 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended. During the performance of this Agreement, the Consultant agrees as follows:

- a. The Consultant will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the

Consultant. The Consultant agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

- b. The Consultant, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Consultant, will state that the Consultant is an equal opportunity employer.
- c. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.

The Consultant will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs "a", "b" and "c" in every subcontract or purchase order of over ten thousand dollars, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

3. NON-DISCRIMINATION PROVISION: The Consultant agrees to abide by the provisions of Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000e), which prohibits discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment, or any applicant or recipient of services, on the basis of race, religion, color, sex or national origin; and further agrees to abide by Executive Order No. 11246 entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375 and as supplemented in the Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Part 60), which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age. Section 49 CFR 21 is incorporated by reference in all contracts and subcontracts funded in whole or in part with federal funds. The Consultant shall comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and with the provisions of the Virginians with Disabilities Act, Sections 51.5-40 through 51.5-46 of the Code of

Virginia (1950), as amended, the terms of which are incorporated herein by reference.

In the event of the Consultant's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this Agreement, the City of Winchester shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including but not limited to:

- a. withholding of payments to the Consultant under this Agreement until the Consultant complies; and/or
- b. cancellation, termination or suspension of this Agreement, in whole or in part.

4. TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964:

During the performance of this Agreement, the Consultant, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (herein referred to as "the Consultant"), agrees as follows:

- a. **Compliance with Regulations:** The Consultant will comply with the Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation relative to nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation (Title 49), Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement.
- b. **Nondiscrimination:** The Consultant, with regard to the services provided by it after award and prior to completion of this Agreement, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age or handicap in the selection and retention of subconsultants, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The Consultant will not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the services cover a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- c. **Solicitations for Subconsultants:** In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Consultant for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Consultant of the Consultant's obligations under this Agreement.
- d. **Information and Reports:** The Consultant will provide all information and reports required by the Regulations, or orders and instructions issued pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Department or the

Federal Highway Administration to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of the Consultant is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Consultant shall so certify to the Department, or the Federal Highway Administration as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information. Consultants and subconsultants with 15 or more employees will submit an updated Title VI Evaluation Report (EEO-D2) annually as long as the consultant or subconsultant is performing in accordance with this Agreement.

- e. **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of the Consultant's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this Agreement, the Department shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including but not limited to:
 - 1) withholding of payments to the Consultant under this Agreement until the Consultant complies, and/or
 - 2) cancellation, termination or suspension of this Agreement, in whole or in part.
- f. **Incorporation of Provisions:** The Consultant will include the provisions of paragraphs "a" through "f" in every subcontract of \$10,000 or more, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, order or instructions issued pursuant thereto. The Consultant will take such action with respect to any subcontractor or procurement as the City of Winchester or the Federal Highway Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, in the event the Consultant becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Consultant may request the City of Winchester to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the City of Winchester and, in addition, the Consultant may request VDOT and the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the Commonwealth and United States.

5. CERTIFICATION REGARDING NON-SEGREGATED FACILITIES: By the execution of this Agreement, the Consultant certifies that it does not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does

not permit its employees to perform their services at any location, under its control, where segregated facilities are maintained. It certifies further that it will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control, where segregated facilities are maintained. The Consultant further certifies that no employee will be denied access to adequate facilities on the basis of sex or disability. As used in this certification, the term "segregated facilities" means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms and washrooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, age or handicap, because of habit, local custom or otherwise. It agrees that, except where it has obtained identical certification from proposed subcontractors and material suppliers for specific time periods, it will obtain identical certification from proposed subcontractors or material suppliers prior to the award of subcontracts or the consummation of material supply agreements exceeding ten thousand dollars, and that it will retain such certifications in its files.

6. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS

ENTERPRISES/SMALL, WOMAN AND MINORITY BUSINESS: The Consultant, its agents, employees, assigns, or successors, and any person, firm or agency of whatever nature with whom it may contract or make an agreement, shall comply with the provisions of 49 CFR Part 26, as amended, which is hereby made part of this Agreement by reference. The Consultant shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26, as amended, to ensure that DBE firms have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform contracts and subcontracts under this Agreement. Subpart E of 49 CFR 26, Section 26.13 requires each contract signed with a contractor (and each subcontract the prime contractor signs with a subcontractor) must include the following assurance:

The contractor, sub recipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.

If a DBE goal has been established for this project, further, the Consultant agrees to provide the City of Winchester with the dollar amount contracted and name of each subcontractor which identifies itself as a

DBE. Include the following wording on contract with DBE Goals: **The DBE goal for this Contract is ___%.**

7. VDOT is also required to capture DBE and SWaM payment information on all professional services contracts. Therefore, the prime consultant will be required to complete the DBE and SWaM Payment Compliance Report, C-63 form on a quarterly basis.

In the event of the Consultant's noncompliance with the DBE/SWaM participation for the services indicated in Expression of Interest in response to the RFP, Attachment D, Scope of Work and Fee Proposal of this Agreement, the City of Winchester shall impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including but not limited to:

- a. Withholding of payments to the Consultant under this Agreement until the Consultant complies, and/or
- b. Cancellation, termination or suspension of this Agreement, in whole or in part.

8. **TDD/TTY EQUIPMENT FOR THE DEAF:** When seeking public participation through the maintenance of a toll free hot line number and/or publishing project-related materials, the Consultant agrees to ensure that all citizens have equally effective communication. The Consultant agrees to provide or identify a telecommunications device for the deaf/teletypewriter (TDD/TTY) or acceptable means of telephone access for individuals with impaired speech or hearing. The Consultant will provide notice of a TDD/TTY number whenever a standard telephone number is provided.

9. **IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986:** By signing this Agreement, the Consultant certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of this Agreement violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits employment of illegal aliens.

10. **OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS:** The Consultant shall not require any individual employed in the performance of this Agreement to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to health or safety as determined under the Occupational Safety and Health Standards promulgated by the United States Secretary of Labor. This provision shall be made a condition of any subcontract entered into pursuant to this Agreement.

In addition, the Consultant shall abide by the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Standards adopted under Section 40.1-22 of the Code of Virginia (1950),

as amended, and will fulfill the duties imposed under Section 40.1-51.1 of the Code of Virginia. Any violation of the aforementioned requirements or duties which is brought to the attention of the Consultant by any person shall be immediately abated.

11. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT:

By the execution of this Agreement, the Consultant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

- a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
- b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; and have not been convicted of any violations of federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
- c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (b) of this certification; and
- d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

12. CORRECTION OF ERRORS: The Consultant shall check for accuracy any reports, and the design, drafting and details of final plans prior to submission. The Consultant will be required, without additional compensation, to correct any errors, including but not limited to omissions, discrepancies and ambiguities, in any services performed in fulfillment of the obligations of this Agreement, and shall also reimburse the City Engineer for any costs incurred. Acceptance of the plans or reports by the City of Winchester shall not relieve the Consultant of the responsibility of subsequent correction of errors.

13. PAYMENT TO SUBCONTRACTORS: In accordance with Article 4 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (Sections 2.2-4342 through 2.2-4356 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended), the Consultant shall make payment to all subcontractors

within seven (7) days after receipt of payment from the City of Winchester, or shall notify the City of Winchester and subcontractor in writing of the intention to withhold all or a part of the amount due along with the reason for nonpayment.

In the event payment is not made as noted, the Consultant shall pay interest at the rate of one percent per month to the subcontractor, unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, on all amounts that remain unpaid after seven (7) days except for the amounts withheld according to this Agreement.

The City of Winchester does not require retainage to be withheld by the Consultant on any subcontracts. If the Consultant elects to withhold retainage on subcontracts, prompt payment of the retainage shall be made to the subcontractors within the later of 60 days after the final billing is received by the Consultant from the subcontractor or the satisfactory acceptance of the services by the Department. The City of Winchester will notify the Consultant and the subcontractor in writing when the services have been satisfactorily accepted. If the retainage is not promptly paid, the Consultant shall notify the Department and the subcontractor in writing as to the reasons for not making payment.

These same requirements shall be included in each subcontractor agreement and shall be applicable to each lower-tier subcontractor.

14. COMPLIANCE WITH LOBBYING

RESTRICTIONS: By signing this Agreement, the Consultant certifies that:

- a. Since promulgation of the federal requirements implementing Section 319 of PL 101-121, no federal appropriated funds have been paid and none will be paid, by or on behalf of the Consultant, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
- b. If any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in

connection with this federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Consultant shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and

- c. The Consultant shall require that the language of this certification be included in all subcontracts at all tiers, and that all subcontractors shall certify and disclose accordingly.

15. RECORDS: The Consultant and subcontractors shall retain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other evidence supporting the costs incurred, for three (3) years after payment of the final estimate or final audit, whichever is later. Such evidence shall be made available at the Consultant's offices at all reasonable times and will be subject to audit and inspection by the City of Winchester, VDOT or any authorized representatives of the Federal Government.

Evidence of costs incurred by a subcontractor shall be made available at its office at all reasonable times during the contract period between the Consultant and the subcontractor and for three years after written acceptance by the Consultant, for audit and inspection by the City of Winchester, VDOT or any authorized representatives of the Federal Government. It shall be the Consultant's responsibility to notify the City of Winchester, in writing, of the completion of that subcontractor's portion of the services so that the records of the subcontractor can be audited within the three-year retention period. Failure to do so may result in the Consultant's liability for any costs not supported by the proper documentation for the subcontractor's phase of the services. Final payment for the subcontractor's phase of the services will be made after total costs are determined by the final audit of the subcontractor.

16. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: During the performance of this contract, the Consultant agrees to:

- a. Provide a drug-free workplace for the consultant's employees
- b. Post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the consultant's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition

- c. State in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the consultant that the consultant maintains a drug-free workplace
- d. Include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purpose of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a consultant, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

J. CONTRACT #202010

THIS CONTRACT WAS MADE AND ENTERED INTO THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2020, BY AND BETWEEN _____, F.I.N. OR S.S. NUMBER _____ (“CONTRACTOR”), AND THE **CITY OF WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA**, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA (“CITY”).

WHEREAS, THE CITY HAS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 202010 (RFP #”202010”), DATED JUNE 2020, TO PROVIDE MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION RELATED TESTING SERVICES FOR AN ON-CALL CONTRACT TO THE CITY OF WINCHSTER FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED AND REQUESTED IN THE RFP, AND;

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR HAS SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL IN RESPONSE TO THE RFP DATED 2020, SIGNED BY _____ WHICH STATES QUALIFICATIONS, SERVICES AND NEGOTIATED PRICING ASSIGNED TO THE CITY.

NOW, THEREFORE, FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS HEREIN CONTAINED, THE PARTIES COVENANT AND AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE THE CITY THE SERVICES OUTLINED IN RFP #202010, WHICH IS INCORPORATED IN ITS ENTIRETY HEREIN BY REFERENCE. THE CITY SHALL PAY THE CONTRACTOR THE ASSIGNED HOURLY OR OTHER ESTABLISHED RATES. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FORWARD AN INVOICE FOR SUCH WORK TO THE PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR REQUESTING SERVICES ON OR ABOUT THE FIRST DAY OF EACH MONTH DURING THE TERM OF THIS CONTRACT. THE CITY SHALL PAY SUCH INVOICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROMPT PAYMENT ACT PROVISIONS OF THE VIRGINIA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT ACT, WHICH ARE INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.
2. THE TERM OF THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS FROM DATE OF AWARD. THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL AND TERMINATE THIS CONTRACT, WITHOUT PENALTY, UPON TEN (10) DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO CONTRACTOR. THE PARTIES UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THE CITY, AT ITS SOLE OPTION, MAY RENEW THIS CONTRACT FOR TWO (2) ADDITIONAL TWO (2) YEAR PERIODS.
3. **APPLICABLE LAW AND VENUE:** THE PARTIES AGREE THAT THIS CONTRACT FOR SERVICES SHALL BE CONSTRUED UNDER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA. ANY DISPUTE ARISING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OR NON-PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE RESOLVED OR OTHERWISE LITIGATED IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY OF WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA OR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT IN HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA.

4. IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS FOUND TO BE ILLEGAL, INVALID OR UNENFORCEABLE, THAT SHALL NOT AFFECT THE VALIDITY OR ENFORCEABILITY OF ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS AGREEMENT.

5. THE CONTRACTOR HAS, AT THE TIME OF ITS EXECUTION OF THIS CONTRACT, PROVIDED THE CITY WITH A CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE SHOWING THAT IT HAS CURRENTLY IN FORCE ALL OF THE INSURANCE REQUIRED BY RFP #202010. CONTRACTOR COVENANTS THAT SUCH CERTIFICATE SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT THROUGHOUT THE TERM OF THIS CONTRACT, AND THAT IT WILL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE CITY IN THE EVENT, SUCH INSURANCE IS NO LONGER IN EFFECT FOR WHATEVER REASON.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE PARTIES HAVE SIGNED THIS INSTRUMENT ON THE DATE INDICATED BELOW, WITH ONE (1) FULLY SIGNED ORIGINAL DELIVERED TO CONTRACTOR AND ONE (1) FULLY SIGNED ORIGINAL DELIVERED TO THE CITY.

CONTRACTOR:

CITY OF WINCHESTER:

BY: _____

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