



# **CITY OF SUFFOLK**

## **PURCHASING DIVISION**

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# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

**TITLE: Kimberly Bridge Feasibility Study**

**ACCEPTANCE DATE:** Prior to 5:00 p.m. – August 29, 2012 “Eastern Standard Time”

**RFP NUMBER:** 2013-00009

**ACCEPTANCE PLACE:** Department of Finance  
Purchasing Division, Room 105  
441 Market Street  
Suffolk, Virginia 23434

**BID OPENING LOCATION:** Purchasing Division Conference Room  
441 Market Street, Room 105

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This document can be downloaded from our web site: [www.suffolkva.us/bids/index.jsp](http://www.suffolkva.us/bids/index.jsp)

Issue Date: August 7, 2012

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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

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Prepared by Cindy Norfleet, CPPB, Senior Buyer

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## **1.0 PURPOSE**

The intent of this Request for Proposal is to obtain the services of a qualified professional engineering firm to provide a feasibility study for improvements to Kimberly Bridge and adjacent property. The bridge is located on Main Street near the Hilton Garden Inn. It is anticipated that the feasibility study would be used to seek funding opportunities for actual design and construction.

## **2.0 BACKGROUND**

The Kimberly Bridge provides for vehicular and pedestrian access across the Nansemond River in the heart of the Suffolk Commercial Business District. Main Street routinely experiences flooding conditions at the bridge during heavy storm events and often during high tide. The City is interested in investigating improvements to the bridge and storm drain system to eliminate flooding in this location. It is anticipated that a number of options will be considered that include raising the bridge and the possible relocation of existing businesses, including businesses with potential site contamination issues, as well as issues associated with relocating/realigning existing utilities adjacent to and on the bridge structure.

The City is also interested in investigating opportunities to include stormwater or environmental features in the project that may address existing pollutant loading to the Nansemond River and would contribute to the improvement of the overall health of the river.

## **3.0 COMPETITION INTENDED**

It is the City's intent that this Request for Proposal (RFP) permits competition. It shall be the offeror's responsibility to advise the Purchasing Agent in writing if any language requirement, specification, etc., or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this RFP to a single source. Such notification must be received by the Purchasing Agent not later than five (5) days prior to the date set for acceptance of proposals.

## **4.0 SCOPE OF WORK**

### **4.1 General Requirements**

Although the final terms and tasks of the contract will be subject to negotiation, it is anticipated that the following basic elements will compose the services to be performed:

- a. Wetland surveys and delineations
- b. Environmental site assessments
- c. Topographic and boundary surveys
- d. Preparing conceptual designs for raising bridge elevation
- e. Preparing conceptual maintenance of traffic plans for construction project

- f. Preparing conceptual designs for addressing existing stormwater discharge
- g. Preparing conceptual designs for stormwater management and pollutant removal features
- h. Preparing conceptual plans for demolition and relocation of existing businesses including those with underground storage tanks, fueling systems
- i. Preparing conceptual plans for reuse of surrounding properties
- j. Assistance with grant application submittals
- k. Preparing cost estimates for land acquisition, utility relocations, and construction
- l. Preparing an economic development analysis
- m. Preparing bid documents and assisting with pre-bid conferences, etc. as needed

#### 4.2 Schedule

Study will be completed by the contractor within six (6) months of Notice to Proceed.

### **5.0 CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS**

Any offeror wishing to submit a proposal and be considered for this solicitation shall have experience in bridge replacement/reconstruction projects, stormwater facility construction projects, utility relocation projects, and land redevelopment.

### **6.0 INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING PROPOSALS**

#### 6.1 Submission of Proposals

Read the entire solicitation before submitting a proposal. Failure to read any part of this RFP shall not relieve any offeror from his or her contractual obligations. Be sure proposal container is completely and properly identified. The face of the container shall indicate the RFP number, time and date of acceptance, and the title of the RFP. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure the proposal is received prior to the acceptance time. The "official" time of acceptance shall be "date stamped" upon receipt of the bid package in the Purchasing Division office. Proposals may either be mailed to: P.O. Box 1858, Suffolk, Virginia 23439 or hand delivered to 441 Market Street, Room 105, Suffolk, Virginia 23434.

## 6.2 Questions and Inquiries

Questions and inquiries, both verbal and written, will be accepted from any and all firms. Inquires pertaining to Request for Proposals must give RFP number, title and acceptance date. Material questions will be answered in writing and will be distributed to all firms who receive the RFP provided, that all questions are received five (5) days prior to opening date.

The Senior Buyer, Cindy Norfleet, is the designated authorized spokesperson for the City of Suffolk with respect to this RFP. Accordingly all questions and/or comments should be directed to the Buyer's attention. The respondents to this RFP shall not contact, either directly or indirectly, any other employee or agent of the City regarding this RFP. This prohibition shall also extend to the Suffolk City Council and other elected City officials. Any such unauthorized contact may disqualify the offeror from the procurement.

## 6.3 Addendum and Supplement to Request

If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this request or if additional data are necessary to enable an exact interpretation of provisions of this request, an addendum will be issued. It is the responsibility of the offeror to ensure that he has received all addendums prior to submitting a proposal. All addenda can be downloaded from [www.suffolk.va.us](http://www.suffolk.va.us).

## 6.4 Firm Pricing for City Acceptance

Proposal pricing must be firm for City acceptance for 120 days from proposal receipt date.

## 6.5 Proprietary Information

Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror in connection with this solicitation shall not be subject to disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the offeror must invoke the protections of this section prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials, and must clearly identify the data or other materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. Offerors shall not mark sections of their proposal as proprietary if they are to be part of the award of the contract and are of a "Material" nature. Any propriety information must be listed on the attached "Proprietary/confidential Information Identification" form and submitted with the proposal.

## 6.6 Authority to Bind Firm in Contract

Proposals MUST give full firm name and address of offeror. Failure to manually sign proposal may disqualify it. Person signing proposal should show TITLE or AUTHORITY TO BIND HIS FIRM IN A CONTRACT. Firm name and authorized signature must appear on proposal in the space provided on the pricing page.

## 6.7 Preparation and Submission of Proposals

- a. All proposals shall be signed in ink by the individual or authorized principals of the firm.
- b. All attachments to the Request for Proposal requiring executing by the firm are to be returned with the proposals.
- c. Proposals are to be returned in a sealed container. The face of the container shall indicate the RFP number, time and date of public acceptance, and the title of the proposal.
- d. It is the Offeror's responsibility that the proposals are received by the Purchasing Division BEFORE the hour specified on the opening date. Requests for extensions of this time and date will not be granted.

Firms mailing their proposals shall allow for normal mail time to ensure receipt of their proposals by the Purchasing Division prior to the time and date fixed for acceptance of the proposals. Proposals or unsolicited amendments to proposals received by the City after the acceptance date will not be considered. Proposals will be publicly accepted and logged in at the time and date specified above.

- e. Each firm shall submit **one (1) original and four (4) copies** of their proposal to the City's Purchasing Division as indicated on the cover sheet of this Request for Proposal. The original proposal shall be clearly marked.

One electronic original copy shall be included in the proposal package.

A redacted original and electronic copy shall also be included in the proposal package. All information marked proprietary shall be removed from the original and electronic redacted copies.

## 6.8 Withdrawal of Proposals

- a. All proposals submitted shall be valid for a minimum period of one hundred twenty (120) calendar days following the date established for acceptance.
- b. Proposals may be withdrawn on written request from the offeror at the address shown in the solicitation prior to the time of acceptance.
- c. Negligence on the part of the offeror in preparing the proposal confers no right of withdrawal after the time fixed for the acceptance of the proposals.

#### 6.9 Registering of Corporation

Any corporation transacting business in Virginia shall secure a certificate of authority, as required by Section 13.1-757 of the Code of Virginia, from the State Corporation Commission (SCC), PO Box 1197, Richmond, VA. The SCC may be reached at (804) 371-9733.

#### 6.10 Late Proposals

LATE proposals will be returned to offeror UNOPENED, if RFP number, acceptance date and offeror's return address is shown on the container. It is the offeror's responsibility to insure arrival prior to the acceptance time for the RFP.

#### 6.11 Rights of the City

The City reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any proposal, waive informalities and award the contract to best serve the interest of the City.

#### 6.12 Deviations from Scope of Services

If there is any deviation from that prescribed in the scope of services, the appropriate line in the scope of services shall be ruled out and the substitution clearly indicated. The City reserves the right to determine the responsiveness of any deviation.

#### 6.13 Miscellaneous Requirements

- a. The City will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by a firm in preparing and submitting a proposal. All proposals shall provide a straightforward, concise delineation of the firm's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of this request. Emphasis should be on completeness and clarity of content.
- b. Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to make an oral presentation of their proposal. The Purchasing Division will schedule the time and location for this presentation.
- c. The contents of the proposal submitted by the successful offeror and this RFP will become part of any contract awarded as a result of the Scope of Services contained herein. The successful firm will be expected to sign a contract with the City.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals received by reason of this request, or to negotiate separately in any manner necessary to serve the best interests of the City.

6.14 Announcement of Award

A Notice of Award will be posted on the City's web site [www.suffolkva.us](http://www.suffolkva.us) and on the bulletin board located in the Purchasing Division, Room 105, 441 Market Street, Suffolk, Virginia.

6.15 Protest

Offerors may refer to Sections 2.2-4357 through 2.2-4364 of the Code of Virginia to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process.

6.16 Inclement Weather/Closure Of City Hall

If City Hall is closed for business at the time scheduled for bid opening, for whatever reason, sealed bids will be accepted and opened on the next scheduled business day, at the originally scheduled time.

6.17 Use of Contract by Other Public Bodies

Bidders are advised that the resultant contract may be extended, with the authorization of the Bidder, to other public bodies, or public agencies or institutions of the United States to permit their use of the contract at the same prices and/or discounts and terms and conditions of the resulting contract. If any other public body decides to use the final contract, the Contractor shall deal directly with the public body concerning the placement of orders, issuance of the purchase orders, contractual disputes, invoicing and payment. The City of Suffolk acts only as the "Contracting Agent" for these public bodies. Failure to extend a contract to a public body will have no effect on consideration of your bid.

It is the Contractor's responsibility to notify the public body(s) of the availability of the contract(s).

Other public bodies desiring to use the contract shall make their own legal determination as to whether the use of this contract is consistent with their laws, regulations and other policies.

Each public body has the option of executing a separate contract with the Contractor(s). Public bodies may add terms and conditions required by statute, ordinances, and regulations, to the extent that they do not conflict with the contract terms and conditions. If, when preparing such a contract, the general terms and conditions of a public body are unacceptable to the Contractor, the Contractor may withdraw its extension of the award to that public body.

The City of Suffolk shall not be held liable for any costs or damages incurred by another public body as a result of any award extended to that public body by the Contractor.



#### 6.18 Taxes in Arrears

No bid or proposal will be accepted from or Contract awarded to any person, firm or corporation that is in arrears, or is in default to the City upon any debt or contract, or that is a defaulter as surety or otherwise upon any obligation to the City.

### 7.0 **SPECIFIC PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS**

Proposals should be as thorough and detailed as necessary to allow the City of Suffolk to properly evaluate the offeror's capabilities to provide the required services. Offerors are required to submit the following items in the format provided as a complete proposal.

The City reserves the right to request clarification of information submitted and to request additional information if deemed necessary.

#### 7.1 Signature Sheet and Cover Letter

The offeror shall complete and submit the Signature Sheet (included in the proposal) and submit it with a brief cover letter. The cover letter should summarize key elements of the proposal. An individual authorized to bind the Contractor must sign the letter and Signature Sheet, as well. The letter must stipulate that the proposal price(s) will be valid for a period of at least 120 days. Indicate the address and telephone number of the Contractor's office.

#### 7.2 Qualifications of Consultant or Firm

The offeror shall provide, as a minimum, the following information:

##### a. Management Skills and Technical Expertise

- A list of projects completed within the past three (3) years that best illustrate capabilities, including description, scope, and project cost.
- Information on delivery of projects on time and within budget. Provide execution time (contract/actual); construction costs (estimated/actual); and any problems encountered and solutions required to resolve these problems.
- Client's contact information
- Awards and letters of commendation received

##### b. Credentials of Project Team

- Identification of Project Manager
- Staffing plan

- Project Manager’s portfolio of related projects
- Project Manager’s resume
- Resumes of key project staff members, including experience with City of Suffolk projects

7.3 Approach to Task

- a. Provide a summary of a maximum of five (5) projects related specifically to feasibility studies for similar projects. Include key designated personnel and owner contact information.
- b. Provide a typical operational plan for this study which demonstrates the offeror’s capabilities, effectiveness and efficiencies for the offeror’s proposed scope of services. Narrative shall include:
  - Overview of proposed procedures
  - Level of detail proposed for reporting format
  - Utilization of resources, including manpower, controls and schedules to insure that all work will be performed in the most cost effective and timely manner

7.4 Capability of Timely Response

Provide the following information:

- a. Proximity of offeror’s office to the City’s Municipal Center, 441 Market Street, Suffolk, Virginia 23434.
- b. Acknowledgement and understanding of required response time for completion of the work.

7.5 Overall Quality and Completeness of the Submitted Proposal

In addition to experience, knowledge, and capabilities of the offeror, proposals will be reviewed and evaluated for:

- Completeness
- Attention to detail
- Clarity
- Organization
- Appearance

**8.0 EVALUATION AND AWARD CRITERIA**

The City’s Evaluation Committee shall review each proposal and verify the claims and credentials of each offeror. Selection will be made for each proposal on the basis of the criteria listed below. Each criteria will be rated from 1 to 50 with 1 being poorest and 50 being the best. Weights to each rating will be applied as indicated below.

- A. Credentials and experience of professional level and support group. Must be able to demonstrate experience regarding the requested services. (Weight: 3)
- B. Relevant experience of project team (Weight: 2.5)
- C. Quality of prior work, including timeliness and cost control (Weight: 2)
- D. Approach to task/operational plan, to include appropriateness of proposed schedule (Weight: 2)
- E. Overall quality and completeness of proposal (Weight: .5)

Once each member of the Evaluation Committee has independently read and rated each proposal and completed a proposal evaluation matrix form, a composite preliminary rating will be developed which indicates the group's collective ranking of the highest rated proposals in a descending order. The preliminary rating will be used to select the firms for further consideration—the short-list. At this point, the Evaluation Committee will conduct interviews and/or discussions with the top ranked firms (usually the top three to five depending upon the number of proposals received).

If an offeror is selected for interview, that offeror may be required to submit to the City, during their scheduled interview, their non-bonding fee/rate schedule.

After the interviews, the Evaluation Committee will finalize the rankings. Final negotiations for a binding fee will begin with the top ranked firm. If a contract acceptable to the City cannot be negotiated at rates that are considered fair and reasonable, negotiations shall be terminated with those firms, and negotiations will be conducted with the next ranked firm, and so on. The rankings shall remain confidential until after the contract award.

## **9.0 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

### **9.1 License Requirement**

All firms doing business in the City of Suffolk are required to be licensed in accordance with the City of Suffolk business license ordinance. Wholesale and retail merchants without a business location in the City of Suffolk are exempt from this requirement.

Any questions concerning business licenses should be directed to the Commissioner of the Revenue's Office, telephone (757) 514-4260.

### **9.2 Insurance**

The successful bidder shall procure, maintain, and provide proof of, insurance coverage's for injuries to persons and/or property damage as may arise from or in conjunction with, the work performed on behalf of the City by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. Proof of coverage as contained herein shall consist of all policies, endorsements, declaration pages, and certificates of insurance and shall be submitted fifteen (15) days prior to the commencement of work, and such coverage shall be maintained by the offeror

for the duration of the contract period; for occurrence policies. Claims made policies must be in force or that coverage purchased for three (3) years after delivery date.

a. General Liability

Coverage shall be as broad as: Comprehensive General Liability endorsed to include Broad Form, Commercial General Liability form including Products/Completed Operations.

1. Minimum Limits

General Liability:

\$1,000,000 General Aggregate Limit  
\$1,000,000 Products & Completed Operations  
\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury  
\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit  
\$1,000,000 Fire Damage Limit  
\$ 500,000 Medical Expense Limit

b. Automobile Liability

Coverage sufficient to cover all vehicles owned, used, or hired by the offeror, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

1. Minimum Limits

Automobile Liability:

\$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit  
\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit  
\$ 500,000 Medical Expense Limit

c. Workers' Compensation

Limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of Virginia. Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

d. Umbrella/Excess Liability

\$1,000,000 umbrella/excess liability coverage

e. Coverage Provisions

1. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the declaration pages, endorsements, and/or policies provided.
2. The City of Suffolk, its' officers/officials, employees, agents and volunteers shall be added as "additional insured" as their interests may appear. A copy of all endorsements, declaration pages, and policies that address additional insured shall be provided. This provision does not apply to Professional Liability or Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability.

3. The offeror's insurance shall be primary over any applicable insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City.
4. Shall provide thirty (30) days written notice to the City before any cancellation, suspension, or void of coverage in whole or part, where such provision is reasonable.
5. All coverages for subcontractors of the offeror shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.
6. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the declaration page(s), endorsement(s), and/or policies and shall be subject to approval by the City. At the option of the City, either; the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductible or self-insured retention; or the offeror shall be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.
7. Failure to comply with any reporting provisions of the policy(s) shall not affect coverage provided the City, its' officers/officials, agents, employees and volunteers.
8. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the City, its' officers/officials, agents, employees or volunteers for any act, omission or condition of premises which the parties may be held liable by reason of negligence.
9. The offeror shall furnish the City with all certificates of insurance, endorsements, declaration pages, and policies affecting coverage. All documents are to be signed by a person authorized by the insurance company(s) to bind coverage on its' behalf, if executed by a broker, notarized copy of authorization to bind, or certify coverage must be attached.
10. All insurance shall be placed with insurers maintaining an A.M. Best rating of no less than an A:VII. If A.M. Best rating is less than A:VII, approval must be received from City's Risk Officer.

All coverages designated herein shall be as broad as the Insurance Services Office (ISO) forms filed for use with the Commonwealth of Virginia.

### 9.3 Hold Harmless Clause

The Contractor shall, during the term of the contract, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City of Suffolk from and against any and all losses, damages, claims, fines, penalties, suits and costs, including bodily injury or death of any person(s), or loss or damage to property, as well as fines, assessments and penalties imposed by any authority which may arise out of any violations of law by, and all acts and omissions of the Contractor, the Contractor's agents, employees occurring in connection with the products, completed operations, and other services covered herein.

#### 9.4 Anti-Discrimination

By submitting their bids, bidders certify to the City 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 shall include the following provisions:

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, service disabled veterans 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 No. 1 above in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

#### 9.5 Ethics In Public Contracting

By submitting a bid, the bidder certifies that their bid is made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other bidder, supplier, manufacturer or subcontractor in connection with their bid, 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. (Code of Virginia 2.2.4367)

9.6 Compliance with Federal Immigration Law

Contractor does not, and shall not during the performance of the contract for goods and services in the Commonwealth of Virginia knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as defined in the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

9.7 Debarment Status

By submitting a bid, bidders certify that they are not currently debarred by the Commonwealth of Virginia 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.

9.8 Antitrust

By entering into a contract, the contractor conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to the City of Suffolk all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may now have or hereafter acquire under the laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by the City of Suffolk under said contract.

9.9 Drug-Free Workplace

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees to (1) provide a drug-free workplace for the contractor's employees; (2) post in conspicuous place, 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; (3) state in all solicitation or advertisement for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor that the contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (4) 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.

9.10 Exemption from Taxes

The City is exempt from State Sales Tax and Federal Excise Tax. Tax Exemption Certificate indicating the City's tax exempt status will be furnished by the City of Suffolk.

9.11 Faith Based Organization

City of Suffolk does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.

9.12 Substitutions

NO substitutions or cancellations are permitted after award without written approval by the Purchasing Agent.

9.13 Method of Payment

Contractor shall submit invoices in duplicate for each delivery, such statement to include detailed breakdown of all charges, and shall be based on completion of tasks or deliverables.

Invoices shall be submitted to using departments.

Upon acceptance of work, the City will render payment within forty-five (45) days of receipt of invoice. Unless otherwise provided, interest on the payment shall not exceed the rate of one percent (1%) per month.

Individual contractors shall provide their social security numbers, and proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations shall provide their federal employer identification number on the pricing form.

9.14 Payments to Subcontractors

Within seven (7) days after receipt of monies paid by the City for work performed by a subcontractor under this contract, the contractor shall either:

- a. Pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the City attributable to the work performed by the subcontractor under this contract; or
- b. Notify the City and subcontractor, in writing, of his intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment and the reason for non-payment.

The contractor shall pay interest to the subcontractor on all amounts owed that remain unpaid beyond the seven (7) day period except for amounts withheld as allowed in item b above.

Payments to subcontractor(s) shall be made in accordance with §2.2-4354 of Code of Virginia (1950), as amended. Unless otherwise specified in this contract, interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month.



9.15 Assignment of Contract

This contract may not be assigned in whole or in part without the written consent of the Purchasing Agent.

9.16 Termination without Cause

The City may at any time, and for any reason, terminate this Contract by written Notice to Contractor specifying the termination date, which shall be not less than thirty (30) days from the date such notice is mailed.

Notice shall be given to Contractor by certified mail/return receipt requested at the address set forth in Contractor's Bid Proposal or as provided in this Contract.

In the event of such termination, Contractor shall be paid such amount as shall compensate Contractor for the work satisfactorily completed, and accepted by the City, at the time of termination.

If the City terminates this Contract, Contractor shall withdraw its personnel and equipment, cease performance of any further work under this Contract, and turn over to the City any work completed or in process for which payment has been made.

9.17 Termination with Cause/Default/Cancellation

In the event that Contractor shall for any reason or through any cause be in default of the terms of this Contract, the City may give Contractor written notice of such default by certified mail/return receipt requested at the address set forth in Contractor's Bid Proposal or as provided in this Contract.

Unless otherwise provided, Contractor shall have ten (10) days from the date such notice is mailed in which to cure the default. Upon failure of Contractor to cure the default, the City may immediately cancel and terminate this Contract as of the mailing date of the default notice.

Upon termination, Contractor shall withdraw its personnel and equipment, cease performance of any further work under the Contract, and turn over to the City any work in process for which payment has been made.

In the event of violations of law, safety or health standards and regulations, this Contract may be immediately cancelled and terminated by the City and provisions herein with respect to opportunity to cure default shall not be applicable.

9.18 Non Appropriation – Availability of Funds

It is understood and agreed between the parties hereto that the City shall be bound and obligated hereunder only to the extent that the funds shall have been appropriated and budgeted for the purpose of this Contract. In the event funds are not appropriated and budgeted in any fiscal year for payments due under this Contract, the City shall immediately notify Contractor of such occurrence and this

Contract shall terminate on the last day of the fiscal year for which (an) appropriation(s) (was) were received without penalty or expense to the City of any kind whatsoever.

9.19 Severability

If any part, term, or provision of this agreement, shall be found by the Court to be legally invalid or unenforceable, then such provision or portion thereof, shall be performed in accordance with applicable laws. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision or portion of any contract document shall not affect the validity of any other provision or portion of the contract document.

9.20 Controlling Law; Venue, Pending/During Litigation

This contract shall be governed by the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia without regard to its conflict of law rules. In the event of litigation concerning this contract, the parties agree to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the appropriate state court for the City of Suffolk, Virginia; however, in the event that the federal court has jurisdiction over the matter, then the parties agree to the exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Norfolk Division.

The contractor shall not cause a delay in services because of pending litigation or during litigation proceedings, except with the express, written consent of the City or by written instruction/order from the Court.

9.21 Compliance with State Law; Foreign and Domestic Business authorized to Transact Business in the Commonwealth (VPPA §2.2 – 4311.2)

A bidder or offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 is to include in its bid or proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission. Any bidder or offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law shall include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the bidder or offeror is not required to be so authorized. A public body may void any contract with a business if the business fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.

9.22 Waiver

The failure by one party to require performance of any provision of this contract shall not affect that party's right to require performance at any time thereafter, nor shall a waiver of any breach or default of the contract constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach or default or a waiver of the provision itself.

# **SIGNATURE SHEET**

***(Submit with Proposal)***

My signature certifies that the proposal as submitted complies with all Terms and Conditions as set forth.

My signature also certifies that the accompanying proposal is not the result of, or affected by, any unlawful act of collusion with another person or company engaged in the same line of business or commerce, or any act of fraud punishable under Title 18.2, Chapter 12, Article 1.1 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended. Furthermore, I understand that fraud and unlawful collusion are crimes under the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act, the Virginia Government Bid Rigging Act, and Virginia Antitrust Act, and Federal Law, and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards.

My signature also certifies that this firm has no business or personal relationships with any other companies or persons that could be considered as a conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest to the City of Suffolk and that there are no principals, officers, agents, employees, or representatives of this firm that have any business or personal relationships with any other companies or persons that could be considered as a conflict of interest or a potential conflict of interest to the City of Suffolk, pertaining to any and all work or services to be performed as a result of this request and any resulting contract with the City of Suffolk.

I hereby certify that I am authorized to sign as a Representative for the Firm:

**Complete Legal Name of Firm:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Federal ID No.:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Telephone No.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name (type/print):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_





**ANTICOLLUSION/NONDISCRIMINATION/DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CLAUSES**

**ANTICOLLUSION CLAUSE:**

IN THE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF THIS BID, SAID BIDDER DID NOT EITHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ENTER INTO ANY COMBINATION OR ARRANGEMENT WITH ANY PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION, OR ENTER INTO ANY AGREEMENT, PARTICIPATE IN ANY COLLUSION, OR OTHERWISE TAKE ANY ACTION IN THE RESTRAINT OF FREE, COMPETITIVE BIDDING IN VIOLATION OF THE SHERMAN ACT (15 U.S.C. SECTION 1), SECTIONS 59.1-9.1 THROUGH 59.1-9.17 OR SECTIONS 59.1-68.6 THROUGH 59.1-68.8 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA.

THE UNDERSIGNED BIDDER HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THIS AGREEMENT, OR ANY CLAIMS RESULTING THEREFROM, IS NOT THE RESULT OF, OR AFFECTED BY, ANY ACT OF COLLUSION WITH, OR ANY ACT OF, ANOTHER PERSON OR PERSONS, FIRM OR CORPORATION ENGAGED IN THE SAME LINE OF BUSINESS OR COMMERCE; AND, THAT NO PERSON ACTING FOR, OR EMPLOYED BY, THE CITY OF SUFFOLK HAS AN INTEREST IN, OR IS CONCERNED WITH, THIS BID; AND, THAT NO PERSON OR PERSONS, FIRM OR CORPORATION OTHER THAN THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE, OR ARE, INTERESTED IN THIS BID.

**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 SECTIONS I, II, AND III 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 OR WORK DONE IN CONNECTION WITH A SPECIFIC CONTRACT AWARDED TO A CONTRACTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS CHAPTER, 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.

**NONDISCRIMINATION CLAUSE:**

1. EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION BY BIDDER SHALL BE PROHIBITED.
2. DURING THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS CONTRACT, THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER SHALL AGREE AS FOLLOWS:
  - A. THE BIDDER, 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/CONSIDERATION REASONABLY NECESSARY TO THE NORMAL OPERATION OF THE BIDDER. THE BIDDER AGREES TO POST IN CONSPICUOUS PLACES, AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES AND APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT, NOTICES SETTING FORTH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS NONDISCRIMINATION CLAUSE.
  - B. THE BIDDER, IN ALL SOLICITATIONS OR ADVERTISEMENTS FOR EMPLOYEES PLACED ON BEHALF OF THE BIDDER, WILL STATE THAT SUCH BIDDER 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.
  - D. BIDDER WILL INCLUDE THE PROVISIONS OF THE FOREGOING SECTIONS A, B, AND C IN EVERY SUBCONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER OF OVER \$10,000, SO THAT THE PROVISIONS WILL BE BINDING UPON EACH SUBCONTRACTOR OR VENDOR.

<b>Name and Address of Bidder:</b>	Date:
	By:
	Signature In Ink
	Printed Name
Telephone Number: (    )	
Fax Phone Number: (    )	Title
FIN/SSN#:	

Is your firm a "minority" business?  Yes  No                      If yes, please indicate the "minority" classification below:  
 African American     Hispanic American     American Indian     Eskimo     Asian American     Aleut  
 Other; Please Explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is your firm Woman Owned?  Yes  No    Is your firm a Small Business?  Yes  No

**PROOF OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA**

THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL/BID, FAILURE TO INCLUDE THIS FORM MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR PROPOSAL/BID

Pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-4311.2 an Offeror/Bidder organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia shall include in its proposal/bid the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission (“SCC”). Any Offeror/Bidder that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law shall include in its proposal/bid a statement describing why the Offeror/Bidder is not required to be so authorized. Any Offeror/Bidder described herein that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an award unless a waiver of this requirement and the administrative policies and procedures establish to implement this section is granted by the City Manager, as applicable.

If this quote for goods or services is accepted by the City of Suffolk, Virginia the undersigned agrees that the requirements of the Code of Virginia Section §2.2-4311.2 have been met.

Please complete the following by checking the appropriate line that applies and providing the requested information.

A. \_\_\_\_\_ Offeror/Bidder is a Virginia business entity organized and authorized to transact business in Virginia by the SCC and such vendor’s Identification Number issued to it by the SCC is \_\_\_\_\_.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ Offeror/Bidder is an out-of-state (foreign) business entity that is authorized to transact business in Virginia by the SCC and such vendor’s identification Number issued to it by the SCC is \_\_\_\_\_.

C. \_\_\_\_\_ Offeror/Bidder does not have an Identification Number issued to it by the SCC such vendor is not required to be authorized to transact business in Virginia by the SCC for the following reason(s):

**Please attach additional sheets if you need to explain why such Offeror/Bidder is not required to be authorized to transact business in Virginia.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Name of Company (as listed on W-9)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Name of Offeror/Bidder

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print or Type Name and Title