

<p align="center"><b>STRATEGIC PURCHASING DIVISION</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS</b>  NOTICE OF BEST VALUE BID (BVB)  SOLICITATION NO.: S46-L24480</p>	<p align="center"><b>"PARTNERING TO BETTER SERVE HOUSTON"</b></p>
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**NIGP CODE:**

910-39

**SOLICITATION DUE  
DATE/TIME:**

MARCH 14, 2013 at 10:30 A.M., CST

**SUBMITTAL LOCATION:**

City Secretary's Office  
City Hall Annex, Public Level  
900 Bagby Street  
Houston, Texas 77002

**DESCRIPTION:**

**JANITORIAL CLEANING AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES FOR  
VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS**

**PRE-BID CONFERENCE:**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>
2-19-2013	9:00 AM

*Location*  
City Hall Annex, 900  
Bagby, Houston, TX  
77002 - Legal  
Department Conference  
Rm. (Third Floor)

In accordance with T.L.G.C. § Chapter 252, competitive sealed Bids for the services specified will be received by the City Secretary's Office of the City of Houston at the above specified location, until the time and date cited. Offers must be in the actual possession of the City Secretary's Office on or prior to the time and date, and at the location indicated above. Late offers will not be considered.

Offers must be submitted in a sealed envelope or package with the Solicitation Number and the Offeror's name and address clearly indicated on the envelope or package. All offers must be completed in ink or typewritten. Additional instructions for preparing an offer are included in this Solicitation.

**OFFERORS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO CAREFULLY READ THE ENTIRE SOLICITATION**

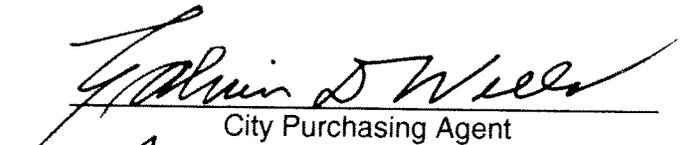
**Solicitation Contact Person:**

Eric Alexander

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Name

eric.alexander@houstontx.gov

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E-Mail Address

  
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City Purchasing Agent

Feb. 15, 2013  
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Date

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**1.0 SUBMITTAL PROCEDURE:**

1.1 Sealed bids, two (2) hard copies of the Bid package, including one (1) printed original must be signed in ink on the Official Signature Page by an authorized officer of the Offering Company. Additionally, the Bid package must include the hard copy of the Electronic Bid Form and two (2) additional electronic CD copies of the Bid Forms as referenced in Section 2.3 below are required to be submitted in a sealed envelope/box bearing the assigned Solicitation Number, located on the first page of the BVB document to:

City Secretary's Office  
City Hall Annex, Public Level  
900 Bagby St.  
Houston, Texas 77002

1.2 The deadline for the submittal of the Bid to the City Secretary's Office is no later than the date and time as indicated on the first page of the BVB document. All bids will be opened and publicly read in the City Council Chamber, City Hall Annex, Public Level, 900 Bagby St. at 11:00 AM on the solicitation due date. Failure to submit the required number of copies as stated above may be subject for disqualification from the BVB process.

1.3 Respondents may elect to either mail or personally deliver their Bids to the City Secretary's Office.

1.4 The City of Houston shall bear no responsibility for submitting responses on behalf of any Offeror. Offeror(s) may submit their Bid to the City Secretary's Office any time prior to the stated deadline.

**2.0 BEST VALUE BID FORMAT:**

2.1 The Bid should be electronically generated, printed and signed in original ink. The bid should not be submitted in elaborate or expensive binders. Legibility, clarity, and completeness are important and essential.

2.2 The Bid must be signed by an individual(s) legally authorized to bind the Offeror(s), and the City may accept this bid offer by issuance of a Contract to the said Offeror(s) at any time on or before the 180th day following the day this Official Bid Form is opened by the City. This offer shall be irrevocable for 180 days, but shall expire on the 181st day unless the parties mutually agree to an extension of time in writing.

2.3 The complete Bid packet shall consist of the following items:

<b>TABLE 1 – REQUIRED BID FORMS</b>
Signed Official Signature Page
Hard Copy of Electronic Bid Form (Pricing Sheet)
*Affidavit of Ownership.doc
*Fair Campaign Ordinance.doc
*Statement of Residency.doc
*Conflict of Interest Questionnaire.doc
*Pay or Play Program Acknowledgement Form
Contractor's Questionnaire
List of Subcontractor(s)
M/WBE Attachment A & B Forms
Expertise/Experience/Reliability Statement
Certifications/Licenses (If applicable) & Resumes of Key Personnel
Financial Statements
Five (5) Electronic CD Copies

\* Documents/forms can be downloaded from the City's Website: <http://purchasing.houstontx.gov/index.shtml>

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Table 2 lists other documents and forms that should be viewed/downloaded from the City's website, but are not required to be submitted with the bid. The City will request these forms, as applicable, to be completed and submitted to the City by the recommended/successful bidder:

<b>TABLE 2 - DOCUMENTS &amp; FORMS</b>
Drug Forms.doc
EEOC.doc
Formal Instructions for Bid Terms.doc
Sample Insurance Over \$50,000.pdf
Insurance Endorsements
Pay or Play Office of Business Opportunity & Contract Compliance Q & A
Pay or Play Office of Business Opportunity & Contract Compliance Requirements
Pay or Play Contractor/Subcontractor Payment Reporting Form
Pay or Play Contractor/Subcontractor Waiver Request
Pay or Play List of Participating Subcontractors

**3.0 PRE-BID CONFERENCE AND SITE INSPECTION:**

- 3.1 A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the date, time, and location as indicated on the first page of the BVB document. Interested Offeror(s) should plan to attend. It will be assumed that potential Offeror(s) attending this meeting have reviewed the BVB in detail, and are prepared to bring up any substantive questions not already addressed by the City.
- 3.2 Although the site visit is not mandatory, the Offeror is responsible for obtaining the information discussed at the site visit. A list of contacts and available dates are posted on the e-bidding site –as Exhibit C-1 – Site Visit Locations and Contact List.

**4.0 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATION CHANGES:**

- 4.1 Requests for additional information and questions should be addressed to the Administration and Regulatory Affairs Department, Strategic Purchasing Division Buyer, Eric Alexander, telephone: (832) 393-8704, fax: (832) 393-8759, or e-mail (preferred method to): [eric.alexander@houstontx.gov](mailto:eric.alexander@houstontx.gov), no later than Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 5:00 P.M. CST. The City of Houston shall provide written response to all questions received in writing before the submittal deadline. Questions received from all Offeror(s) shall be answered and sent to all Offeror(s) who are listed as having obtained the BVB. Offeror(s) shall be notified in writing of any changes in the specifications contained in this BVB.

**5.0 LETTER(S) OF CLARIFICATION:**

- 5.1 All Letters of Clarification and interpretations to this Solicitation shall be in writing. Any Letter of Clarification(s) or interpretation that is not in writing shall not legally bind the City of Houston. Only information supplied by the City of Houston in writing or outlined in this BVB should be used in preparing bid responses.
- 5.2 The City does not assume responsibility for the receipt of any Letters of Clarification sent to Offeror(s).

**6.0 EXAMINATION OF DOCUMENTS AND REQUIREMENTS:**

- 6.1 Each Offeror shall carefully examine all BVB documents and thoroughly familiarize themselves with all requirements prior to submitting a Bid to ensure that the Bid meets the intent of this BVB.

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6.2 Before submitting a Bid, each Offeror shall be responsible for making all investigations and examinations that are necessary to ascertain conditions and requirements affecting the requirements of this BVB. Failure to make such investigations and examinations shall not relieve the Offeror from obligation to comply, in every detail, with all provisions and requirements of the BVB.

**7.0 EXCEPTIONS TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS:**

7.1 Best Value Bids: An Offer that takes exception to a material requirement of any part of the Solicitation, including terms and conditions, may be rejected.

**8.0 ACCEPTANCE AND REJECTION OF BIDS:**

8.1 The City reserves the right to accept or reject, in whole or in part, any or all bids received and to make award on the basis of individual items or combination of items, as it is deemed most advantageous or in the best interest to the City.

8.2 The City may accept this bid offer by issuance of a Contract covering award of said bid to this Bidder at any time on or before the 180th day following the day this Official Bid Form is opened by the City. This offer shall be irrevocable for 180 days, but shall expire on the 181st day unless the parties mutually agree to an extension of time in writing.

**9.0 HIRE HOUSTON FIRST:**

**9.1 Designation as a City Business or Local Business**

9.1.1 To be designated as a City or Local Business for the purposes of the Hire Houston First Program, as set out in Article XI of Chapter 15 of the Houston City Code, a bidder or proposer must submit the **Hire Houston First Application and Affidavit (“HHF Affidavit”)** to the Director of the Mayor’s Office of Business Opportunities and receive notice that the submission has been approved prior to award of a contract. Bidders are encouraged to secure a designation prior to submission of a bid or proposal if at all possible.

9.1.2 **Download the HHF Affidavit** from the Office of Business Opportunities Webpage at the City of Houston e-Government Website at the following location:

<http://www.houstontx.gov/hbsc/hirehoustonfirstaffidavit.pdf>

9.1.3 Submit the completed application forms to: Mayor’s Office of Business Opportunity, One Stop Business Center, 900 Bagby St., Public Level, Houston, TX 77002 or Applications may be submitted via e-mail to [HHF-MOBO@houstontx.gov](mailto:HHF-MOBO@houstontx.gov) or faxed to 832.393.0952.

**9.2 Award of Procurement Pursuant to a Request for Proposal, Best Value Solicitation or Alternative--- Pursuant to Chapter 15 of the Local Government Code**

9.2.1 IN EVALUATION OF A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE PROCUREMENT METHODS, THE CITY SHALL AWARD EXTRA POINTS EQUAL TO

- **THREE PERCENT** OF THE TOTAL EVALUATION POINTS AVAILABLE TO A “LOCAL BUSINESS,” AS DEFINED IN SECTION 15-176 OF THE CITY OF HOUSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, AND
- **FIVE PERCENT** OF THE TOTAL EVALUATION POINTS AVAILABLE TO A “CITY BUSINESS ,”AS DEFINED IN SECTION 15-176 OF THE CITY OF HOUSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES
- UNLESS THE USER DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT AN AWARD TO THE LOCAL OR CITY BUSINESS WOULD UNDULY INTERFERE WITH CONTRACT NEEDS, AS PROVIDED N SECTION 15-181 OF THE CODE.

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**10.0 PROTEST:**

10.1 A protest shall comply with and be resolved, according to the City of Houston Procurement Manual [http://purchasing.houstontx.gov/docs/Procurement\\_Manual.pdf](http://purchasing.houstontx.gov/docs/Procurement_Manual.pdf) and rules adopted thereunder. Protests shall be submitted in writing and filed with both, the City Attorney and the Solicitation contact person. A pre-award protest of the BVB shall be received five (5) days prior to the solicitation due date and a post-award protest shall be filed within five (5) days after City Council approval of the contract award.

10.2 A protest shall include the following:

10.2.1 The name, address, e-mail, and telephone number of the protester;

10.2.2 The signature of the protester or its representative who has the delegated authority to legally bind its company;

10.2.3 Identification of the BVB description and the BVB or Contract number;

10.2.4 A detailed written statement of the legal and factual grounds of the protest, including copies of relevant documents, etc.; and

10.2.5 The desired form of relief or outcome, which the protester is seeking.

**11.0 LOBBYING AND OTHER FORMS OF INFLUENCE PROHIBITED:**

11.1 Neither Offeror(s) nor any person acting on Offeror(s)'s behalf shall attempt to influence the outcome of the contract award by the offer, presentation or promise of gratuities, favors, or anything of value to any member of the Proposal evaluation committee, any appointed or elected official or employee of the City of Houston, their families or staff members. All inquiries regarding the solicitation are to be directed to the designated City Buyer identified on the first page of the BVB. Upon issuance of the BVB through the pre-award phase and up to the award of a contract, aside from Offeror's formal response to the BVB, communications publically made during the official pre-bid conference, written requests for clarification during the period officially designated for such purpose by the City Buyer and communications during an oral interview, scheduled at the request of and for the benefit of the Proposal evaluation committee, if any, neither Offeror(s) nor persons acting on their behalf shall communicate with any member of the Proposal evaluation committee, appointed or elected official or employee of the City of Houston, their families or staff through written or oral means in an attempt to persuade or influence the outcome of the contract award or to obtain or deliver information intended to or which could reasonably result in an advantage to any Offeror. However, nothing in this paragraph shall prevent Offeror from making public statements to the City Council body convened for a regularly scheduled session after the Proposal evaluation committee has made its official selection and presented same to Council for action.

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- 1.0 This BVB does not commit the City of Houston to award a Contract, issue a Purchase Order, or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a Bid in response to this request.
- 2.0 The Bid will become part of the City's official files without any obligation on the City's part. All Responses shall be held confidential from all parties other than the City until after the Bids are opened and publicly read. Afterward, the Bids shall be available to the public.
- 3.0 The City of Houston shall not be held accountable if material from responses is obtained without the written consent of the Offeror by parties other than the City, at any time during the Bid evaluation process.
- 4.0 In the event an Offeror submits trade secret information to the City, the information must be clearly labeled as a **"Trade Secret."** The City will maintain the confidentiality of such trade secrets to the extent provided by law.
- 5.0 Offeror(s) shall not offer any gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value to any official or employee of the City of Houston (including any and all members of the Bid evaluation committees).
- 6.0 Offeror(s) shall not collude in any manner, or engage in any practices, with any other Offeror(s), which may restrict or eliminate competition, or otherwise restrain trade. This is not intended to preclude subcontracts and joint ventures for the purposes of: a) responding to this BVB; or b) establishing a project team with the required experience and/or capability to provide the goods or services specified herein.
- 7.0 Offeror(s), their authorized representatives and their agents are responsible for obtaining, and will be deemed to have, full knowledge of the Conditions, requirements, and Specifications of the BVB at the time a Bid is submitted to the City.
- 8.0 The Agreement(s) shall become effective on or about **July 1, 2013** for a term of three (3) years. The City of Houston reserves the option of extending the Agreement(s) on an annual basis for two (2) additional one-year terms, or portions thereof.
- 9.0 If necessary for the completion of tasks required under the project, the City will provide reasonable working space to the Prime Contractor.
- 10.0 Clerical support and reproduction of documentation costs shall be the responsibility of the Prime Contractor. If required, such support and costs shall be factored into the Bid amount.
- 11.0 Prime Contractor personnel essential to the continuity, and the successful and timely completion of the project should be available for the duration of the project unless substitutions are approved in writing by the City Project Director.
- 12.0 The Prime Contractor will be expected to adhere to all standard contractual requirements of the City which shall include, but are not limited to, provisions for: Time Extensions; Appropriation of Available Funds; Approvals; Term and Termination; Independent Contractor; Business Structure and Assignments; Subcontractors; Parties in Interest; Non-Waiver; Applicable Laws; Notices; Use of Work Products; Equal Employment Opportunity; Force Majeure; and Inspections and Audits.
- 13.0 The City may terminate its performance under a Contract in the event of a default by the Prime Contractor and a failure to cure such default after receiving notice of default from the City. Default may result from the Prime Contractor's failure to perform under the Terms of the Contract or from the Prime Contractor becoming insolvent, having a substantial portion of its assets assessed for the benefit of creditors, or having a receiver or trustee appointed.
- 14.0 Prime Contractor must promptly report to the City Project Director any conditions, transactions, situation, or circumstances encountered by the Prime Contractor which would impede or impair the proper and timely performance of the Contract.
- 15.0 The City of Houston has sole discretion and reserves the right to cancel this BVB, or to reject any or all Bids

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received prior to Contract award.

- 16.0 The City reserves the right to waive any minor informality concerning this BVB, or to reject any or all Bids or any part thereof.
- 17.0 The City reserves the right to request clarity of any Bid after they have been received.
- 18.0 After Contract execution, the successful Offeror shall be the Prime Contractor and responsible party for contracting and communicating the work to be performed to subcontractors, and for channeling other information between the City and subcontractors. Any subcontracting must be specified in the BVB. Any subcontracting not specified in the BVB will need prior written approval from the City Purchasing Agent.
- 19.0 Prime Contractor assumes total responsibility for the quality and quantity of all work performed, whether it is undertaken by the Prime Contractor or is subcontracted to another organization.
- 20.0 If subcontractor involvement is required in the use of license, patent, or proprietary process, the Prime Contractor is responsible for obtaining written authorization from the subcontractor to use the process, or provide another process comparable to that which is required and which is acceptable to the City, all at no additional cost or liability to the City.

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**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings set out below:

"Agreement" means this contract between the Parties, including all exhibits, change orders, and any written amendments authorized by City Council and Contractor.

"City" is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors and assigns.

"City Purchasing Agent" is defined as the person or duly authorized successor, authorized in writing to act for the City. The term includes, except as otherwise provided in this Contract, the authorized representative of the City Purchasing Agent acting within the limits of delegated authority.

"Contractor Administrator" means the representative of the Department who is responsible for the administration for the Contract.

"Contract Award Notice" means the official notification substantiated by the Notice to Proceed issued by the City Purchasing Agent to the Contractor.

"Contract Charges" means charges that accrue during a given month as defined in Article III.

"Contract Term" is defined in Article IV.

"Contractor" is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors and assigns.

"Countersignature Date" means the date this agreement is countersigned by the City Controller.

"Director" mean the Directors/Chiefs of each of the Departments or the City Purchasing Agent for the City, or the person he or she designates.

"Effective Date" is defined as date contract is countersigned by the City Controller.

"Governing Body" means the Mayor and City Council of the City of Houston.

"Hazardous Materials" is defined in Article II (Environmental Laws).

"Notice to Proceed" means a written communication from the City Purchasing Agent to Contractor instructing Contractor to begin performance.

"Parties" mean all the entities set out in the Preamble who are bound by this Agreement.

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**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**SCOPE OF WORK**

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**  
**GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS**  
**(Applies to All Departments)**

**1.0 INVOICING**

1.1 The Contractor shall submit each invoice in duplicate form for any services performed within thirty calendar days after the completion of services. The department will certify the correctness of each invoice and arrange for payment. The invoice must be identified by the agreement name and agreement number. All invoices shall be delivered or mailed to the department(s) whereby service was rendered. The itemization shall be in accordance with the Contract Fee Schedule, Exhibit H and shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1.1.1 Each invoice (in duplicate) shall be delivered or mailed to the individual Facility Manager of each department. The Contractor is responsible to verify the departments correct mailing address.

1.1.2 Invoices must be submitted in duplicate with copies of the Contractor's daily work orders attached which have been approve by the Facility Manager or designee.

1.1.3 Invoices submitted for services performed as the result of Change Order shall require that copies of the applicable Change Order also be attached to the original and one (1) invoice copy.

1.1.4 Invoices submitted for services that are performed as the result of Other Work/Services shall require that copies of the Director's or designee written request be attached to the original and one (1) each of the 2 invoice copy.

1.1.5 Other information or details as may be requested or specified by the Director and/or designee. Each invoice must contain, in addition to the above, the City of Houston Outline Agreement Number, a complete description of the services provided, complete contract name; and the Contractor's contact person for invoice irregularities.

1.2 The following are additional invoices requirements per department.

**2.0 Parks and Recreation Department**

2.1 Contractor shall submit invoices for payment in duplicate (one original and one copy) on the Contractor's company stationary with the original signed by an authorized agent of the company. Each invoice number shall be unique and not duplicated during the contract term. Each invoice shall detail the following information:

City Contract number and Work Order Number.  
Facility address where services were performed.  
Beginning and ending service dates.

Mail invoices to:  
Parks & Recreation  
2999 South Wayside  
Houston, Texas 77023

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**3.0 Public Works and Engineering Department**

- 3.1 Contractor shall submit invoices for payment in duplicate (one original and one copy) on the Contractor's company stationary with the original signed by an authorized agent of the company.
- 3.2 Each invoice number shall be unique and not duplicated during the contract term. Each invoice shall detail the following information:

City of Houston  
Department of Public Works & Engineering  
Accounts Payable- Service Contracts  
Attn: Craig Foster  
P.O. Box 61449  
Houston, Texas 77208-1449

**4.0 General Services Department**

- 4.1 The janitorial contract shall submit along with their monthly invoice a weekly labor log for each facility documenting the number of daytime cleaning and supplemental cleaning hours worked. Weekly labor log sheets are to be supplied by the Contractor each log must be signed by the janitor who performed the work and the appropriate Building Administrator verifying the hours worked. Any transfer of labor hours from one facility to another must also be documented on the labor log sheet of both facilities, signed and approved by both Building Administrators involved in the transfer. Any invoice received without the weekly log sheet and signature verification for labor hours worked will not be approved for payment The contractor shall mail all approved invoices to:

City of Houston  
General Services Department  
Accounts Payable  
PO Box 61189  
Houston, TX 77208-1189

**4.2 Computer Maintenance Management System (CMMS) compliance**

**4.2.1 Overview:**

The City of Houston General Service Department (GSD) utilizes a Computer Maintenance Management System (CMMS) to monitor and track all work progress to manage finances and create reporting documents for senior leadership. The City captures this important information through the use of work orders. The current CMMS, which is known as the Sprocket Work Order System (SWOS), is a development of Johnson Controls Inc (JCI) which has the complete knowledge of its operational parameters. JCI Contact Information: Clark.F.May@jci.com

- 4.2.2 GSD may choose at any time to implement a program requiring the selected Contractor to utilize the Sprocket Work Order System (SWOS) to execute all work performed for the City of Houston General Services Department.

- 4.2.3 All work will be transmitted from the City to the contractor through the CMMS system and the contractor will monitor, execute and field close work orders with all pertinent information including initial response date (not applicable to PM work orders), field complete date, total job cost billed to the City (includes

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labor and materials used to complete specific work order that is above and beyond scope included in fixed contract with City), invoice number, and a brief description of the work performed.

- 4.2.4 GSD may provide additional parameters for report formatting at anytime.
- 4.2.5 The Contractor will bill all work for payment using standard billing practices described in Section 4.1.
- 4.2.6 GSD's internal expenditure control policy is as follows:
  - 4.2.6.1 Work orders submitted with a Service Release Order (SRO number) can be executed right away if the total job cost is under \$3,000.00.
  - 4.2.6.2 Jobs over \$3,000.00 require a Purchase Order (PO) number before the work order can be executed by the contractor, however;
  - 4.2.6.3 Emergency Purchase Orders (E.P.O.'s) can be executed upon verbal approval regardless of cost.
- 4.2.7 Work orders shall not serve as invoicing documents for the Contractor. Payments will only be made as described in Section 4.1.
- 4.2.8 Work orders are to be field closed electronically upon completion to maximize accuracy to enable GSD managers to provide real-time reporting to upper management.
- 4.2.9 The General Services Department will provide contractor with the following:
  - 4.2.9.1 one (1) Sprocket user license
  - 4.2.9.2 initial Sprocket configuration setup.
  - 4.2.9.3 Three (3) hours of basic Sprocket training by GSD employees at no cost to the Contractor.
- 4.2.10 Additional user licenses are optional, but as outlined in section 4.1 above, they must be purchased by the Contractor, from JCI.

**5.0 MINIMUM WAGE and EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

5.1 Contractor employees will receive the following minimum rates of pay during the term of this Agreement:

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Minimum Hourly Rate</b>
January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013	\$8.60
January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014	\$8.85
January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015	\$9.10
January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016	\$9.35
January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2017, and January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018	\$9.35 or/as determined by applicable wage rate increase

5.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, newly hired employees may be paid a "new hire" rate of \$.50 (fifty cents) per hour below minimum hourly rate during their first six (6) months of employment and a rate of \$.25 (twenty-five cents) per hour below minimum hourly rate from the seventh through the twelfth (12th) month of employment with their rate being increased to the applicable contract rate effective the first day of the first pay period after twelve (12) months of employment

**5.3 Above Scale Employees**

5.3.1 Any employee earning a wage rate in excess of the minimum hourly rate for any contract year

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shall, on the date of following year's increase, be brought to the new specified minimum wage rate or shall receive a 3% wage increase, whichever is greater.

**5.4 Pay Period**

5.4.1 Employees shall be paid at their job location no less often than every two (2) weeks or twice a month, at the contractor's option. For contractor(s) electing twice a month payments, the pay date shall be the last work day before each designated pay date, if that date falls on a holiday or weekend.

**5.5 Minimum Wage Increase**

5.5.1 During the life of the this Agreement, should any law be enacted that increases the legal minimum wage to a wage higher than prescribed in this Agreement, the Employer agrees that all employees covered by this Agreement shall receive a minimum pay rate that is \$.50 cents per hour higher than the legal minimum wage. Contractor shall begin paying this increase within 45 days of the effective date of such law.

5.5.2 If during the term of this Agreement, the legal minimum wage and/or approved local union wage rate applicable to this Agreement is increased, the Contractor shall submit a written request(s) to the Director and/or designee for increase of employee hourly rates for consideration, provided such request is accompanied by applicable documentation. If the Director and/or designee approves the request, the City will pay the Contractor the increased agreement rates to cover the Contractor's overhead costs and other costs for providing actual increases in employee hourly rates, as determined by the Director, and/or designee.

**SECTION B**  
**SCOPE OF WORK/SPECIFICATIONS**  
**PART IA SPECIFICATIONS FOR FACILITIES MANAGED**  
**BY GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**1.0 GENERAL**

The Contractor(s) agrees to provide Janitorial Cleaning and Associated Services for all General Services locations as shown in Exhibit B1. The Contractor shall provide all supervision, labor, materials, supplies, equipment and services, whether or not specifically mentioned in these documents for the cleaning and janitorial services. The Contractor is responsible for on-site inspections of each facility and shall provide sufficient personnel required to accomplish stated tasks.

**1.1 RECYCLE PROGRAM**

The Contractor is responsible for the collection of the recycle products at each facility that participates in the City of Houston Recycle program as shown in Exhibit B1. The Contractor shall collect the recycle product during the cleaning schedule and place the materials in the assigned containers; the contractor shall assure that the recyclables are stationed in the pickup location on the day(s) of pickup. The contractor shall supply drum liners in areas that require such product.

**1.2 EQUIPMENT**

All equipment, i.e., ladders, safety equipment, powered suspended baskets and scaffolds, shall be in good working condition and shall be subject to inspection on request of the appropriate Department.

**1.3 WORKMANSHIP**

Workmanship, reliability and safety are of paramount importance in the operation of these facilities and shall be key areas of concentration by the Contractor. Anything falling short of these objectives falls short of the requirements of the Contract.

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**2.0 LIGHTING AND LOCKUP**

2.1 The Contractor's personnel shall be responsible for turning lights on and off in areas where they are working. Upon arrival to each floor, the floor maid shall check each area and turn off lights in all unoccupied areas. Light will be left on only during the performance of work in a specific area. Doors are to be closed and locked after each suite is cleaned. The Contractor shall submit and utilize a procedure for resolving thefts, lost key coverage, etc. The Contractor is responsible for ensuring maximum-security integrity among its staff, and shall be responsible for setting the security alarm upon completion of each work shift.

**3.0 PHASE-IN / PHASE-OUT SERVICES**

3.1 "Phase-In" Services: It shall be encumbered upon the Contractor to coordinate, with the Facility Manager, the "phase-in" services at the start of this Contract. Within the first 30 days after receipt of the Notice to Proceed from the City Purchasing Agent or designee, the Contractor shall submit to the Facility Manager, in writing, the following:

3.1.1 Performance schedules that define, implement and communicate in detail, how the Contractor shall begin performing its duties. Schedules shall include a detailed description of the services to be provided, a proposed staffing level and a detailed list of all equipment and supplies to be used on-site in providing these services. This will be reviewed and approved by the Facility Manager.

3.1.2 Plans for contract administration and communication between the Contractor and the Facility Manager.

3.1.3 Procedures for quality control that the Contractor shall implement to ensure that it meets the requirements of these specifications. These procedures are subject to the Facility Manager's approval.

3.1.4 Within one week of commencing performance, the Contractor is to schedule and begin a detailed cleaning of each facility to establish a baseline standard of cleanliness by which the contractor shall be judged throughout the term of this agreement.

3.2 "Phase-Out" Services: The Contractor shall recognize that the services provided by this Contract are vital to the City's overall effort; that the continuity of these services must be maintained at a consistently high level without interruption. Upon the expiration of this Contract, a successor may continue these services. If the successor requires phase-in training, the Contractor shall give its best efforts and cooperation in order to effect an orderly and efficient transition to a successor.

3.3 To this end, the Contractor shall provide phase-out services for up to 60 days prior to Contract expiration, at no extra charge to the City. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for providing the services called for by this Contract during any phase-in/phase-out period.

**4.0 KEY PERSONNEL AND ON-SITE STAFFING REQUIREMENTS**

4.1 The Contractor shall furnish adequate certification papers and documentation of the personnel qualifications for the On-Site Staff and shall obtain from each respective department designee, upon award of Contract, written approval prior to assigning these personnel to the facilities. The Contractor may change personnel only with equally classified and qualified personnel, by written approval of each respective department designee. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to maintain fully licensed and qualified personnel on all shifts, in accordance with all applicable codes, ordinances, policies and practices governing and/or appurtenant to Janitorial industry standards.

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**4.2 SUPERVISION REQUIREMENTS**

4.2.1 The Contractor shall make available, as part of its service a supervisor with the ability to communicate the English Language. English shall be defined, per Webster's II New Riverside University Dictionary, as the West Germanic Language of England, the United States, and other countries that are or have been under English control or influence. Supervisors shall be capable of verbally communicating fluently in whatever language(s) the working staff speaks so that a complete level of understanding of work to be performed is achieved. Failure to provide such supervisors at all times shall be grounds for the City to terminate the Contract. The decision by the Director of each respective City department concerning any disputes, which may arrive resulting from any lack of communication, shall be binding and considered final.

4.2.2 The Contractor shall hold a safety meeting with its employees on a monthly basis. At this safety meeting, the Contractor shall discuss the correct and safe use of cleaning supplies and materials and the correct and safe methods for operation of machinery and equipment. After this meeting, the Contractor shall provide a written report to the City. The Contractor shall be responsible for maintaining a notebook at each site with material Safety Data Sheets for all cleaning chemicals used. In addition, the Contractor will provide the City with a master Material Safety Data Sheet notebook to be on file at City Hall Annex 2nd floor with the contract file. All Material Safety Data Sheets are to be in place prior to initiation of the contract. The chemical supplier shall train employees during the first month of the contract and quarterly thereafter. The Contractor must be in full compliance with OSHA – Blood Borne Pathogen Rule.

\*Please see. Department of labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, 29 CFR Part 1910.0131 Occupational Exposure to Blood Borne Pathogens; Final Rule.

**4.3 INOCULATION OF CONTRACTORS EMPLOYEES**

The Contractor will be held responsible for inoculating employees working in any of the City's Health Clinics.

**5.0 DAY PORTER LABOR SUPPORT**

5.1 The Contractor is required to provide a janitor(s) for each site listed in Exhibit B1 (posted to the City of Houston e-bidding website). The janitor(s) shall be required to provide janitorial support activities during that facility's normal hours of operation with a minimum of one hour given off each day for lunch. These activities shall include, but are not limited to, the ongoing clean up of miscellaneous spills and debris and the ongoing cleaning and stocking of restrooms as necessary. All exterior trash receptacles shall be checked twice daily, and emptied as needed. All entrances, parking lots and adjacent grounds shall also be checked twice daily and all trash removed.

5.2 The daytime janitor(s) shall also complete tasks as assigned by the Facility Manager or its designee. These tasks may include any part or the entire task outlined in this contract or other task as assigned. The daytime janitor's requirements are above and beyond the requirements to be completed during the general cleaning performed after the normal hours of operations.

5.3 The daytime janitor also may be used to perform setups, takedowns, and cleanup activities for special functions and events. This shall require each worker to be able to move tables, chairs and other property. Janitors shall be able to lift up to 80 pounds. The daytime janitor(s) must be able to speak and understand the English language.

**6.0 ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL**

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6.1 The Contractor may provide additional personnel for the work under this Contract, as it deems necessary and/or propose alternatives to initial staffing levels for consideration by the City. The merits of any and all alternatives proposed by the Contractor shall be judged on the basis of how the alternative shall impact the operations at each respective department facilities. Any additional personnel shall be at the expense of the contractor unless requested by the City to perform additional tasks not covered in this contract.

**7.0 SUPPLEMENTAL LABOR FOR EMERGENCIES & EXTENDED HOURS OF OPERATION**

7.1 The City of Houston may request the contractor to provide Supplemental Labor Support for setup and cleanup assistance supporting Various Departments Programs or events. Contractor may be required to provide 24 hour coverage. During emergencies including but not limited to floods, hurricanes, terrorist attacks, etc. During and Emergency the City will furnish supplies, or request the contractor to supply product to which the contractor is entitled for reimbursement.

7.2 The Facilities Manager shall be the person responsible for authorizing payment to the Contractor for all daytime cleaning and supplemental cleaning hours worked at their respective facilities. Supplemental labor unforeseen emergencies may also be required.

7.3 All supplemental labor requests shall be for a minimum of two (2) hours.

7.4 Supplemental labor costs will be based on a per hour rate inclusive of all supervision, labor, supplies, material and equipment.

7.5 All invoices shall include the exact description of the work performed, number of labor hours and number of workers utilized to perform service.

7.6 Supplemental labor may be requested for special clean-up needs facilitated by furniture moves and/or alterations and building repairs, etc. Services may include, but not be limited to overall carpet cleaning (not spot-cleaning), upholstery cleaning and scotch guard carpet.

7.7 Upon receiving a request for additional Labor support, the Facilities Manager shall submit a written request for additional labor hours to the Janitorial Contractor at least 24 hours in advance of the work.

7.8 Please note that the use of supplemental labor for extended hours of operation is to be used at the City of Houston's option to cover events, which may extend to weekends and after 6:00 p.m. on weeknights. These events may include MSC auditorium, activity room rentals and evening Health Clinics. The number of hours used to cover these events is variable and in no way should be looked upon as a guarantee.

7.9 In cases of emergencies, i.e., roof leaks, busted water pipes, etc., the City may request additional services outside of Contractor's normal working hours. Services performed shall be those indicated in this scope of work, including but not limited to cleaning and janitorial services and emergency floor care. The Contractor response time to an emergency request shall be within two (2) hours. All emergency labor requests shall be for a minimum of one (1) hour. The cost for this type of emergency shall be based on a per hour basis, inclusive of all supervision, labor, supplies, material and equipment. All invoices shall indicate exact description of the work performed, number of labor hours and number of workers utilized to perform services.

7.10 Payment of emergency or supplemental labor shall be computed as follows: The Contractor shall be paid a minimum of one (1) hour for emergency services or two (2) hours for supplemental services for actual work performed during those times regardless of the amount of time required to complete the service, per the hourly labor charge in the Fee Schedule (Exhibit "H").

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**Example:** if emergency service is completed within twenty-five (25) minutes, the Contractor shall invoice the City for one (1) hour and will be paid accordingly.

Should the time required to complete the work exceed one hour, the Contractor shall be paid in fifteen (15) minute increments after the first hour.

**Example:** if the emergency service is completed in one (1) hour and five (5) minutes, the Contractor shall invoice the City for one (1) hour and fifteen (15) minutes and will be paid accordingly.

**8.0 CONTRACTOR SECURITY CLEARANCE**

- 8.1 The Superintendent in charge of the facility shall have the authority to instruct the Contractor to remove undesirable personnel for just cause.
- 8.2 The decision by the Director and/or designee shall be final in all cases involving removal of Contractor personnel from performing the work herein specified.
- 8.3 All personnel shall be subject to a security background check as a condition of assignment to a facility for work under this Contract. The results of background checks on Contractor employees shall be submitted to each respective department's designated representative for approval prior to each individual's assignment to this facility.
- 8.4 Any and all costs associated with the background check shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.
- 8.5 It is understood and agreed to by the Contractor and the departments that if the Director/Designee refuses to approve any personnel assignments, or requests removal of any of the Contractor's personnel, the Director/Designee shall do so in writing, stating the reason(s) or cause(s) for not approving the employee's assignment and/or requesting removal of any personnel from the work.
- 8.6 Due to the very nature of work housed in these facilities, the Contractor and its employees shall be required to comply with any and all building security measures deemed necessary by the Director of each respective department, to ensure that the integrity of confidential and highly sensitive work is maintained and secured.
- 8.7 Each respective department shall provide the Contractor with the necessary information and instructions regarding any facility security restrictions.
- 8.8 The Contractor is responsible for training its employees, both on-site staff and its off-site support personnel, in security matters pertaining to these facilities.
- 8.9 Repeated failure or refusal by the Contractor and/or its employees to comply with facility security measures enacted by the City of Houston may be cause for termination of this Contract.

**9.0 LICENSES AND PERMITS**

- 9.1 The Contractor shall obtain and pay for all licenses, permits and certificates required by any statute, ordinance, rule or regulation of any regulatory body having jurisdiction over the conduct of its operations hereunder.

**10.0 CODES, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS**

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10.1 All work performed under this Contract shall be subject to applicable local, state and federal codes, laws, ordinances and regulations, and the Contractor shall be responsible for ascertaining whether or not the work defined by these specifications is in compliance with the aforementioned.

**11.0 CONTROL OF PREMISES**

11.1 Access to the areas within the City facilities by Contract employees shall be limited to those persons whose names are on file with Director/Designee of each respective department as being assigned to that site, or as the Contractor's off-site support personnel who may be called upon to assist on-site staff in accomplishing work.

11.2 The Contractor, and its employees, shall adhere at all times to security and identification measures established and implemented by the City and each respective department at these facilities.

11.3 The Contractor shall keep a record of any and all keys distributed to its employees, and provide the Facility Manager with the same records.

11.4 Routine cleaning and janitorial maintenance services shall be performed and the Contractor shall have access into the buildings, throughout the twenty-four (24) hours in each day and on each of the seven (7) days of the week, including holidays.

11.4.1 Although the Contractor shall have access to the building twenty-four (24) hours per day, routine cleaning and janitorial services shall be scheduled during normal office hours in the facility's Administrative Sections of certain facilities.

11.4.2 The Contractor shall confer with the Facility Manager to coordinate work schedules of cleaning and janitorial crews around times of anticipated high activity and occupancy level in various areas throughout the facility.

11.5 When necessary, cleaning and janitorial personnel shall work behind locked doors in areas requiring extra security measures, as designated by the Facility Manager and/or Director. All doors in these areas shall be closed and locked when cleaning is complete. All lights, when appropriate, shall be turned off in unoccupied areas immediately after completing cleaning and janitorial work.

**12.0 CONTRACTOR'S ON-SITE OFFICE/STORAGE**

12.1 The City shall provide Contractor with on-site office space, workroom and storage, at a location where such space is available:

12.2 Use of this space by the Contractor, for its use as an office and work area shall be for the term of the Contract period.

12.3 Use of any other space or areas on-site by the Contractor shall be at the discretion of the Facility Superintendent.

12.4 The City shall not be responsible or liable for any lost, stolen or damaged equipment or supplies belonging to the Contractor which are stored on-site for the term of the Contract.

12.5 The Contractor agrees, at the end of the Contract period or upon Contract termination, to return to the City all shop space, storage areas and work space in a condition equal to or better than it was when first provided to the Contractor for its use.

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**13.0 UTILITIES**

- 13.1 The City shall provide the Contractor with utilities as required to perform the work specified herein, at existing outlets and connections at no cost to the Contractor.
- 13.2 The Contractor shall be permitted use of the facilities sanitary and storm sewer systems, at no cost to the contractor in the performance of the work.
- 13.3 Solid waste pickup services shall be provided at no cost to the Contractor for materials related to service performed at the facility. Larger items, such as old parts or crates and broken equipment the Contractor must dispose of off site at its expense.
- 13.4 Electrical power at existing receptacles and natural gas at existing distribution valves shall be provided at no cost to the Contractor.
- 13.5 The Contractor shall arrange for, and be responsible for; all other services and costs unless otherwise agreed to by the Director and/or designee of each department.

**14.0 UNIFORMS**

- 14.1 All Contractor employees, as well as any employees of the Contractor's subcontractors, shall wear a distinctive uniform and identification card bearing a recent color photograph of the employee. The Contractor shall provide such uniforms and identification cards.
- 14.2 All uniforms shall be the same and contain the name of the Contractor and the employee.
- 14.3 Uniforms worn by the Contractor's employees must be different, in both design and color, from those worn by City employees. Uniforms shall be subject to approval by the City of Houston prior to the start of the contract.

**15.0 REPAIR OF DAMAGE TO CITY PROPERTY**

- 15.1 The Contractor is responsible for and bears the cost of all damage to City property caused by the Contractor, its employees, or by other personnel associated with the Contractor, including but not limited to the Contractor's agents and subcontractors. Such responsibility includes, but is not limited to damage due to the carelessness or neglect of the Contractor or its agent, employees, or subcontractors.
- 15.2 The Contractor shall report to the Facility Manager, without delay, any and all damage to the City's equipment, furnishings or property caused by the Contractor's employees.
  - 15.2.1 The Contractor shall be liable for any and all necessary repairs or replacements to property damaged by its employees.
  - 15.2.2 The Contractor shall not place chairs, wastebaskets, coat trees, or similar items on tables, desks, work surfaces, cabinets or other furnishings belonging to the City.
- 15.3 The Director or designee is the final authority when resolving any issues regarding the responsibility for repairs under this Contract. This is inclusive of the determination of what is "normal wear and tear," negligence by others, vandalism, Force Majeure, or Contractor's negligence.

**16.0 MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS (MSDS)**

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- 16.1 The Contractor shall furnish to each Facility Manager all MSDS, (OSHA Form 174), for each product stored at and/or used in each facility. A MSDS must accompany each product shipment to the facilities.
- 16.2 The contractor shall keep a MSDS notebook at each site in the location provided by the City of Houston.
- 16.3 It is the contractors responsibility to keep all MSDS at each facility up to date along with those provided to each Facility Manager.
- 16.4 A MSDS must accompany each product shipment to the facilities.
- 16.5 In Addition, the Contractor shall provide each respective District with a master Material Safety Data Sheet notebook to be on file at the Safety Office. All Material Safety Data Sheets are to be in place prior to initiation of contact.
- 16.6 The Contractor shall utilize the Haz-Com system.

**17.0 CONFIDENTIALITY**

- 17.1 The Contractor shall keep all materials to be prepared hereunder and all City data it receives in the strictest confidence. The Contractor shall not divulge such information except as approved in writing by the Director or designee as otherwise required by law.

**18.0 CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES**

- 18.1 The Contractor must provide an Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9) for all personnel assigned to these facilities. This form will be provided prior to contract award.
- 18.2 All personnel performing work under this contract are employees of the Contractor and the Contractor shall pay all salaries, social security taxes, other federal and state taxes, unemployment insurance, worker's compensation/industrial accident insurance and all other costs associated with such personnel, including taxes relating to such employees. The Contractor shall adhere to all legal mandates, federal, state or otherwise, regarding the payment of the minimum wage.

**19.0 QUALITY CONTROL**

- 19.1 The Contractor shall provide a standardized form for the log sheets of complaints. The Facility Manager and the Contractor's Project Manager shall review all log sheets weekly.
- 19.2 Daily inspections (visual and written) shall be performed by the Cleaning and Janitorial Supervisor and recorded on a master inspection control log. The inspection form shall relate to the total housekeeping responsibility for appearance and maintenance of the facility. The inspection form and inspection log must be made available for the Department's review.
- 19.3 The Cleaning Supervisor shall meet daily with the Facility Manager to review the previous day's activities, and to communicate special requests or problems.
- 19.4 The Contractor's Project Manager shall review the inspection log and follow-up with the Cleaning Supervisor weekly. In addition, the Project Manager shall perform a complete monthly inspection of the entire facility and implement needed corrective action. This inspection shall be reviewed with a

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representative of the Department. The Project Manager shall be available for mutual inspection of the facility with a Department's representative.

- 19.5 The Contractor's Project Manager shall meet with the Facility Manager once each month for a complete formal tour of the building to inspect the quality and consistency of work, adherence to cleaning specifications, standards, and to review needs of each facility.
- 19.6 The Contractor shall submit a written monthly report to the Facility Manager. This monthly report shall include copies of the daily inspection forms and summarize problems and correction action.
- 19.7 The contractor shall post in each restroom facility, a cleaning schedule of when the area has been serviced. Schedules shall be collected weekly and filed on site and readably available for inspection.

**20.0 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

20.1 The Contractor shall perform Cleaning and Janitorial Maintenance Services as described in the following cleaning specifications. The City shall establish the Contractor's cleaning hours, however it is anticipated that no cleaning on a nightly basis shall begin before 6:00 p.m., or in accordance to the times indicated in Exhibit B-1. The City and the Contractor shall mutually agree upon cleaning schedules for holidays if applicable.

20.2 Contractor to submit monthly schedule for carpet extraction and VCT strip/refinish work. This work is to be pre-scheduled with the Facility Manager at least two(2) weeks prior to service to ensure that the work does not interfere with scheduled events.

20.3 Each facility requires various services of cleaning that include either a Day Porter Service, Evening Crew Service, Night Crew, Roving Crew Service, or Floor Care Only. The Following are a list of codes that identify the service(s) required at the facility. These codes are reflected on the Janitorial Services Table on Exhibit B-1

20.3.1 Day Porter Service– DP

20.3.2 Evening Crew Service - EC

20.3.3 Night Crew Service – NC

20.3.4 Roving Crew Service - RC

20.3.5 Floor Care Only – FCO

**21.0 SUPPLIES, MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT**

21.1 The Contractor shall furnish all cleaning and janitorial maintenance supplies necessary to perform the services specified under this Contract. Supplies shall be in accordance to Green Friendly Products and/or approval equal. Supplies shall include items such as paper towels, sanitary napkins, tampons, toilet tissue, antibacterial hand soap containing lanolin, deodorizers, disinfectant, plastic trash can liners, and interior and exterior floor mats.

**22.0 EXCLUSIONS**

22.1 The Facility Manager reserves the right to reject any and all supplies, materials, and equipment.

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- 22.2 Consumable such as hand soap, paper towels, and toilet tissue shall comply with manufacturer's specifications for products used in conjunction with all fixtures designed for dispensing these types of products and materials.
- 22.2.1 The Facility Manager reserves the right to reject any and all supplies.
- 22.2.2 The Contractor shall be entitled to the proceeds from the sanitary napkin dispensers. The cost to the consumer for these products shall be in keeping with industry standards. Toilet paper shall be 2 ply, facial quality, bleached with a minimum brightness of 70, 17-20 lbs minimum basis weight, sheet size 4.50 x 4.50. Paper towels shall be bleached with a minimum brightness of 65, 25-28 lbs minimum basis weight.
- 22.3 Materials: The items furnished shall be new, unused of the least product in production to commercial trade, and shall be of the highest quality as to materials used and workmanship. Contractor shall be responsible for providing the same type of dispensers at those locations where dispenser replacement, due to phase out of old contractor is needed.
- 22.4 Samples: If required in writing by the City, contractor shall be required to submit samples of the items proposed within ten (10) days of such written request. The samples will be used to determine if the proposed items meet specifications stated herein. Failure to comply with this requirement shall be just cause for rejection of your products from further consideration.
- 22.5 Dust Mats: The Contractor shall supply chemically treated dust mats (entrance mats).
- 22.5.1 All chemically treated dust mats (entrance mats) shall consist of nylon tufting with a natural rubber back. They shall be available in red, brown, black or navy. All mats are to be exchanged on the floor where they are used. Mats shall be exchanged for cleaning weekly. Mats shall be treated with both a dust control compound and a Fire Retardant (OSHA APPROVED).
- 22.5.2 Exterior mats shall be approximately 36" X 48", closed loop, highly resilient fiber to spring back into shape. Machine washable, self-drying.
- 22.6 Equipment: All equipment, i.e., ladders, safety equipment, powered suspended baskets and scaffolds, shall be in good working condition and shall be subject to inspection on request of the appropriate Department.

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**SECTION B**  
**PART 1B**  
**JANITORIAL CLEANING**  
**SPECIFICATIONS FOR FACILITIES MANAGED**  
**BY THE GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**1.0 CONTRACTOR'S DUTIES**

- 1.1 The Contractor shall perform all Cleaning and Janitorial Services for the facilities as stated herein. Such services shall include, but not be limited to, furnishing all supervision, labor, materials, supplies and equipment necessary for cleaning and janitorial maintenance. All work shall be performed in a first-class, professional manner, satisfactory to the on-site Facility Manager, contractually representing each respective department. Cleaning and Janitorial Maintenance Services provided under this Contract shall include all buildings and the exterior sites.
- 1.2 The Contractor shall comprehend that whenever the word "clean" is used in this specification, it is understood to mean scrub, wash, dust, damp clean, scrape, vacuum clean or polish, as necessary, to bring the area or item cleaned to a condition free of dust, dirt or stains satisfactory to each department's Contract Administrator. Subject cleaning to be accomplished by hand and/or power tools using cloth, steel wool, scrub brushes with abrasive powders, soaps, detergents, paste cleaners, solvent, bleaches ammonia liquid and paste polishes, etc.
- 1.3 The Contractor shall comprehend that whenever the word "strip" is used in these specifications, it shall mean the process prescribed by the manufacturer of the floor finish being used for removing the last application of floor finish and to prepare the floor tile to receive new floor finish. Normally, floor stripping requires the use of one or more of the following:
  - 1.4 Power floor scrubbing machines, scouring pads, brushes, rags, mops, with an approved material, in combination with the proper amount of water to satisfactorily remove all old floor finish, dust, dirt, grease, stains and the wax applied by the manufacturer of new floor tile.
- 1.5 Cleaning and Janitorial Maintenance Services provided under this Contract shall include but not limited to all the office areas, restrooms, shower areas, gym, courtrooms, laboratories, occupied office space, lobbies, corridors, hallways, storage areas, conference rooms, interview areas, lunch rooms, auditoriums, kitchens, kitchenettes training rooms, elevators, escalators, booking areas and hallways as applicable, detention areas, the court holding areas, all associated booking areas, individual cells, public contact areas, conference rooms, computer rooms, reception areas, W.I.C areas, daycare areas, Senior Citizen Areas, classrooms, and all of the functions associated with these tasks within each specific building as applicable.
- 1.6 Areas to be excluded from service are electrical and telephone closets pipe space, air plenums, mechanical equipment rooms and storage rooms.
- 1.7 Cleaning and Janitorial Services for the exterior sites shall include garages, parking lots, driveways, sidewalks, curbs, drains and ground-level gutters.
- 1.8 The Contractor shall only employ personnel that are thoroughly trained in all phases of cleaning and janitorial techniques and safety
- 1.9 The Contractor shall employ a thoroughly trained manager to oversee the Cleaning and Janitorial Services performed under this Contract. The manager or its/her designee shall be on-call twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.

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- 1.10 The Contractor shall maintain a telephone where the City and/or the Facility Manager may contact the Contractor Manager or their designee twenty-four (24) hours a day in the event of an emergency.
- 1.11 The Contractor shall provide male personnel to perform work in exclusive male areas and female personnel to perform work in exclusive female areas: the Wellness Center locker rooms; male and female detention centers.
- 1.12 The Contractor shall arrange for each work crew to include a crew leader or supervisor, trained and experienced in supervising cleaning and janitorial work. A crew leader or supervisor must accompany each crew at all times while on-site.

**2.0 PERFORMANCE DEFINITION AND STANDARD**

**2.1 SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT**

- 2.1.1 The Contractor shall furnish all cleaning and janitorial maintenance supplies necessary to perform cleaning services. Supplies shall include items such as paper towels, toilet tissue, antibacterial hand soap, floor care products and plastic trash liners etc.
- 2.1.2 All of the services below are typical to services that will be required. The list may not be all inclusive to all properties. Any omissions do not relieve the parties providing the services of performing those services required by GSD that are not a part of this list.

**3.0 GREEN CLEANING FACILITIES**

- 3.1 The COH has some buildings that are LEED Certified and that will require Green Cleaning Methods and Green Cleaning Products. The COH requires at the very minimum the same level of Green Cleaning Services that are now being provided. The COH will share the Green Cleaning manuals submitted by the current contractor to assist the contractor with the services expected.
- 3.2 The COH may change/add any building listed in Exhibit B or any new building to a Green Cleaned building. The contractor upon request will provide the COH with the cost to provide Green Cleaning at the requested building.

**4.0 DAILY GENERAL CLEANING**

- 4.1 Sweep and/or damp mop floors
- 4.2 Floors shall be cleaned and free of trash and foreign matter.
- 4.3 Carpets shall be free of dust balls, dirt and other debris.
- 4.4 All trash receptacles shall be emptied and trash removed from site
- 4.5 All hard surfaces including doors, walls, floors and ceramic tiles shall be wiped or mopped clean where liquid or foreign materials have been spilled on the surface.
- 4.6 All glass doors, glass panels, sills and frames, bright metal finishes and handrails shall be cleaned
- 4.7 Drinking fountains surfaces shall be clean and bright, free of dust, stains and streaks. Fountains shall be kept free of trash, coffee grounds, etc., and nozzles free from encrustation

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4.8 All appliances (excluding refrigerators) shall be cleaned daily in break area where applicable

4.8 Clean (pick-up trash) all stair wells, spot mop spills

4.10 Vacuum and spot clean all childcare carpeting and elevators

4.11 Empty trash, police all garage stairwells, elevator lobbies

4.12 Clean (pick-up trash and cigarettes) all building entrances and parking lots

**5.0 DAILY RESTROOM CLEANING**

5.1 All restroom fixtures, including sinks, toilets bowls and urinals, shall be cleaned and disinfected

5.2 Sanitary napkin and tampon receptacles shall be emptied, cleaned

5.3 Soap, towel and tissue dispensers shall be cleaned and refilled each day

5.4 All mirrors shall be cleaned and polished clear, free of smudges, streaks or water marks

5.5 All restroom walls and partitions shall be kept from oil spots, smudges, streaks or foreign matter

5.6 All ceramic tile surfaces in showers or other areas of restroom facilities shall be cleaned and polished, kept free of soap film, scale rust, stains, streaks and mold

5.7 Restrooms shall be cleaned by mopping and rinsing with an approved disinfectant mopping solution. Carpeted areas shall be vacuumed and spot cleaned.

5.8 Carpeted areas shall be vacuumed and spot cleaned.

5.9 All restroom partitions shall be washed with an approved disinfectant solution

**6.0 GENERAL CLEANING WEEKLY**

6.1 All vertical and horizontal surfaces of desks, enclosures, files, woodwork and other furniture shall be damp dusted with clean and treated cloth

6.2 All telephone receivers shall be cleaned with disinfectant treated cloth or towel

6.3 Detail vacuum all carpets

6.4 Traffic vacuum all high traffic areas in corridors, offices, meeting rooms, etc. (4 x week)

6.5 Spray buff all traffic areas, auditoriums, hallways, classrooms and meeting rooms

6.6 Hand sanitizer dispensers should be refilled as needed. (Hand sanitizer to be provided by the department.)

6.7 Mop all garage stairways and sanitize handrails.

**7.0 GENERAL CLEANING MONTHLY**

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- 7.1 All ceiling recessed and mounted light fixtures lens and return air slots shall be cleaned monthly
- 7.2 All mini blinds or other window coverings shall be vacuumed and/or wiped cleaned monthly
- 7.3 All baseboards shall be cleaned monthly
- 7.4 All air supply and return grills shall be thoroughly cleaned monthly
- 7.5 Mop all stairwells and landings
- 7.6 High and low dusting which includes baseboards
- 7.7 Extract all carpeted elevators
- 7.8 Extract all carpeted elevator lobbies
- 7.9 Extract all childcare carpeted areas
- 7.10 Extract carpet in all Senior and other carpeted high use meeting rooms
- 7.11 Extract all carpeted hallways

**8.0 BI-MONTHLY GENERAL CLEANING**

- 8.1 Scrub and recoat VCT in all high traffic areas, auditoriums, lunchrooms and meeting rooms
- 8.2 Machine scrub all ceramic tile restroom floors, grout, and cove bases
- 8.3 Scrub and recoat VCT elevators
- 8.4 Machine scrub ceramic tile elevators
- 8.5 Vacuum all upholstery
- 8.6 Wash exterior first floor glass inside and outside

**9.0 QUARTERLY CLEANING TASKS**

- 9.1 Extract all carpeted common areas

**10.0 SEMI-ANNUAL CLEANING TASKS**

- 10.1 Extract carpeted offices
- 10.2 Clean the gutters at the African American Library

**11.0 STAIRWAYS AND LANDING**

- 11.1 Landing and treated surfaces shall be free of dirt, dust and other foreign substances and shall present an overall appearance of cleanliness. Railings ledges grills, fire apparatus and doors shall be free of dust and foreign substances

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11.2 Glass surfaces shall be cleaned and free of obvious dust or smudges

**12.0 ELEVATOR CLEANING**

12.1 Floor coverings shall be vacuumed and/or dusted damp mopped daily

12.2 Exterior and interior sides of doors and trim shall be dusted daily

12.3 Cabs shall be damp wiped daily and washed as needed

12.4 Control and dispatch panels shall be cleaned and dusted

12.5 Elevator thresholds shall be cleaned daily

**13.0 FLOOR CLEANING**

13.1 Hard surfaced floor coverings in public areas such as tile shall be dusted and spot mopped daily, spray buffed. In larger buildings, auto scrubbing and high speed burnishing shall be performed daily to keep floor to high gloss.

13.2 Concrete floors and floors in custodial closets shall be dust mopped daily and damp mopped monthly.

13.3 Tile floors in juvenile/adult detention areas shall be dust and damp mopped daily and scrubbed weekly and scrubbed and sealed semi-annually or when funding is available.

13.4 Floors shall be stripped, scrubbed and recoated on a quarterly basis.

**14.0 CARPET CARE**

14.1 All carpet areas shall be thoroughly vacuumed daily.

14.2 Carpeted surfaces shall be free of obvious dirt, dust and other debris. Floor surfaces shall be clean and free of debris or foreign matter. No dirt shall be left in corners or near baseboards, behind doors or under furniture. All spillage, dirt accumulation or crust material shall be removed along with spots and stains. There shall not be evidence of fuzzing caused by harsh rubbing or brushing. When spot cleaned, areas shall blend with the adjacent areas of the carpet. Spots, smudges or foreign markings shall have been removed without causing unsightly discoloration on the carpet surfaces.

14.3 Shampooing needs shall be dictated largely by the population or traffic patterns, particularly in public areas such as corridors and elevator lobbies.

14.4 All carpets in high traffic areas, hallways, elevator lobbies, waiting rooms, common areas, break rooms, meeting rooms, classrooms and auditoriums shall be cleaned with carpet extractor on a semi-annually basis.

**15.0 WINDOW WASHING (SEMI-ANNUAL)**

15.1 It shall be the responsibility of the contractor to clean the windows at each facility in accordance to the cleaning frequency outlined in (Exhibit "B- 1")

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- 15.2 The work to be performed shall include cleaning all interior and exterior windows, squeegee glass surfaces as necessary, wiping adjacent frames and window sills free of excess water, and mopping any excess water which may spill or collect on interior floors and carpeting.
- 15.3 The Contractor shall, without delay, report to the Facility Manager any damage to window frames, any deterioration of caulking and gaskets, or any other condition that requires repairs or replacement.
- 15.4 Care will be exercised to prevent streaking or staining window frames, ledges, walls, and painted panels, either by drying the surfaces or thoroughly rinsing them with clean water.
- 15.5 Any paint drops or smears shall be removed from surfaces being washed. Steel wool shall not be used, but razor blades or broad knives are permissible.
- 15.6 Surface of glass shall be washed to remove all traces of film, smudge, dirt and other foreign matter.
- 15.7 In the event it is found to be physically impossible to remove stains from any particular glass pane, the matter shall be called to the attention of the Director or designee so arrangements can be made for the replacement of the glass, if deemed necessary.
- 15.8 The Contractor shall promptly remove all equipment and a supply from premises as each job is completed. The City will not be responsible for storing Contractor's supplies and equipment. Each job must be inspected and approved by the Director or his designee. Approval shall be in the form of a signed receipt, one copy to be left with Department and one copy to accompany Contractor's monthly invoice.
- 15.9 Equipment: All equipment, i.e., ladders, safety equipment, powered suspended baskets and scaffolds, shall be in good working condition and shall be subject to inspection on request of the Department.
- 16.0 POWER WASHING ( AS REQUESTED BY DEPARTMENT)**
- 16.1 The Contractor shall provide Power Washing Service on a as requested by the Department. The Contractor shall comply with the Houston Ordinances and the E.P.A. Guidelines.
- 16.2 Upon completion of the service, a copy of the manifest shall be provided to the Facility Managers; contractually representing each respective department.
- 16.3 The contractor shall purchase all permits required for such services.
- 16.4 Pricing shall be based on square footage of the area being serviced (Exhibit B-1).
- 16.5 Equipment: All equipment, i.e., ladders, safety equipment, powered suspended baskets and scaffolds, shall be in good working condition and shall be subject to inspection on request of the appropriate Department.
- 17.0 WASTE DISPOSAL**
- 17.1 The City of Houston shall be responsible for providing a Dumpster at each facility for waste disposal. The Contractor shall be responsible for bagging all trash generated in the building during the course of normal operations. The Contractor shall dispose of all bagged trash, excluding medical waste, at trash collection areas.
- 18.0 FIRE LOGISTICS COMPLEX, 1205 Dart, Houston, Texas**

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- 18.1 The Logistics Complex is a 12-hour a day facility which includes seven (7) buildings on approximately 3 acres. The City, at this location, maintains the parking lots, driveways and other areas designated for vehicular traffic. Approximate staffing will be about 300 fire department personnel.
- 18.2 The evening shift duties shall include but not limited to all janitorial services and maintaining all common area floors throughout the facility. It will be the Contractors responsibility to insure that the number of its employees staffed during the evening shift is a sufficient number to complete the tasks and to insure that the floors remain in first class condition.
- 18.3 Building Information is as follows

<b>Administration Building</b>	21,386
	2 story office building
	Elevators - 1
	Restrooms – 4
	Floor covering - Various
<b>Ambulance &amp; Light Duty Vehicles</b>	1,574 Square Ft.
	1 story building
	Restrooms – 1
	Floor covering - Various
<b>Offices &amp; Fabrication</b>	2,833 Square Ft.
	1 story building
	Restrooms – 2
<b>Body Shop</b>	833 Square Ft.
	1 story building
	Restrooms – 1
	Floor covering – Various; 80% concrete
<b>Building Maintenance &amp; Radio Shop</b>	5,424 Square Ft.
	1 story building
	Restrooms – 2
	Floor covering – Various;
<b>Fuel Station</b>	437 Square Ft.
	1 story building
	Restrooms – 1
	Floor covering – Various;

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<b>Guard Shack</b>	120 Square Ft.
	1 story building
	Floor covering – Various;
<b>Systems Development E Building</b>	2,055 Square Ft.
	1 story building
	Floor covering – Various;

18.4 The contractor shall provide adequate Levels of coverage to provide service for the Evening (4:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.). These shifts are required 5 days per week.

**19.0 DHHS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 8000 N. Stadium, Houston, Texas**

19.1 The DHHS Administration Building consists of Public and City personnel and Day shift duties include maintaining all common area floors throughout the building. Mainly high traffic areas i.e. main lobby, corridors, rest rooms, elevators, driveway in-front the building and around building property, and building stairwells. Confidential offices Director Office, Deputy Director Office, Personnel Office, Vital Statistics Records Area, Medical Records and HR File Rooms and IT Section a are to be done during the Day Shift.

**19.2 Building Information**

<b>Main Building</b>	128,507 square feet
	Eight (8)- story High rise office building
	Elevators - 5
	Restrooms – 21
	Floor covering various
	Estimated Capacity 600 employees
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	Day Shift - . 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m
	Evening Shift - 6:00 p.m.-midnight
	Grave Yard

**20.0 MUNICIPAL COURTS BUILDING, 1400 Lubbock, Houston, Texas**

20.1 The Municipal Courts Building is a 24-hour facility located at 1400 Lubbock, Houston, Texas 77002. The complex is a Maine 3 story building with a usable basement; includes parking around the north and east perimeter of the building as well as a paid parking lot across the street from the main entrance on the south side of the building. On a daily basis, the Municipal Courts serve approximately 8,000 citizens.

20.2 The Municipal Courts Building consists of the following areas of operation:

Municipal Courts Judicial	128,507 square feet
Municipal Courts Administration	Eight (8)- story High rise office building

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Legal Community Service Finance & Administration Marshal's Division	Elevators - 4
	Restrooms – 18
	Floor covering various

20.3 Level of Coverage - The contractor shall provide adequate levels of coverage to perform duties outline for this facility. Hours of operation are as follows.

<b>Day Shift</b>	7:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
<b>Evening Shift</b>	3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
<b>* Graveyard</b>	11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.
NOTE: Janitorial/Cleaning personnel are to be on-site three hundred and sixty-five (365) days per year, Including HOLIDAYS.	

\* **Grave yard** shift duties shall include but not limited to maintaining all common area floors throughout the facility, mainly high traffic areas and courtrooms i.e. Hallways, Lobbies, Main Lobby, Stairwells, Elevator Lobbies, Break Areas and Entrances. Other duties that may be performed during the graveyard shift may include emptying all exterior/interior trash receptacles. It shall be the contractor's responsibility to insure that the number of its employees staffed during the night shift is a sufficient number to complete the tasks and to insure that the floors remain in first class condition

**21.0 JESSE H. JONES LIBRARY, 500 McKinney Street Houston, TX 77002**

21.1 Building Information

<b>Main Building</b>	228,169 square feet
	Seven(7)- story High rise office building
	Elevators - 4
	Restrooms – 29
	Floor covering various
<b>Hours of Operation Staffing Schedules</b>	<b>Monday thru Friday</b> Day –2 Day Porter -9am – 3pm Evening – 1 Day Porter – 3:30pm – 9:30pm Night – 1 porter 10pm-4am scrub restrooms
	<b>Saturday</b> Day - 2 Day Porters 9am-6pm

**22.0 JULIA IDESON LIBRARY, 550 MCKINNEY STREET, HOUSTON, TX 77002**

<b>Main Building</b>	87,500 square feet
	Five (5)- story High rise office building
	Elevators – 3
	Restrooms – 14
	Floor covering various

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<b>Hours of Operation Staffing Schedules</b>	<b>Monday thru Friday</b> Day – 3 Day Porters 1. 8am – 2 pm 2. 8am -5pm 3. 6am-12pm (Plaza)
	<b>Saturday</b> Day - 2 Day Porters 1. 11am -5pm 2. 6am – 12pm (Plaza)

**22.0 HOUSTON TRANSTAR, 6922 KATY ROAD**

- 22.1 Houston TranStar is a three-story facility which includes the traffic management control room. Primary work days for office staff are Monday through Friday. The control room is 24/7. Public areas are occupied seven days a week.
- 22.2 The total area to be cleaned is 30,000 square feet. The control room is 2,880 square feet. It is manned 24 hours a day. The staff must conduct cleaning while the dispatchers are working. It is preferred that vacuuming and other cleaning that require machine operation be done in off-peak hours. However, it is imperative that the cleaning tasks be performed and contractor must communicate with Houston TranStar administrative staff if problems arise. Cleaning will be performed according to the City of Houston specifications.
- 22.3 The office area is to be cleaned is 23,468 square feet. There is one men’s and one women’s restroom on each floor, with an additional men and women’s single shower and toilet on the first floor. The restrooms total 1,152 square feet. All restrooms are used by the public as well as employees.
- 22.4 The contractor shall provide Porter Services Monday through Friday (5 days) from 7:00 to 4:00 p.m.: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

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**1.0 GENERAL**

- 1.1 The Contractor(s) agrees to provide Janitorial Cleaning and Associated Services for Public Works and Engineering Department as detailed in Section B Part 2; as well as the Window Washing Services as detailed below. The Contractor shall furnish all management, supervisory, clerical, and administrative functions and furnish all labor, tools, equipment, materials, and supplies, except as provided herein as City-furnished, needed to perform the janitorial cleaning and associated services according to the

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provisions of the Agreement and referenced specifications, standards, manuals, and drawings. The Contractor is responsible for on-site inspections of each facility and shall provide sufficient personnel required to accomplish stated tasks as detailed in section.

**2.0 TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION – 2200 PATTERSON**

2.1 This is a single story is comprised of office space which is 5,000 square feet. It is manned 24 hours a day. The staff must conduct cleaning during normal business hours. All restrooms are used by the public as well as employees. Cleaning Staff shall communicate with on-site personnel if problems are encountered.

**3.0 SCOPE OF WORK (Window Washing)**

3.1 The work to be performed shall include cleaning all designated windows, squeegee glass surfaces as necessary, wiping adjacent frames and window sills free of excess water, and mopping any excess water which may spill or collect on interior floors and carpeting.

3.1.1 Care will be exercised to prevent streaking or staining window frames, ledges, walls, and painted panels, either by drying the surfaces or thoroughly rinsing them with clean water.

3.1.2 Any paint drops or smears shall be removed from surfaces being washed. Steel wool shall not be used, but razor blades or broad knives are permissible.

3.1.3 Surface of glass shall be washed to remove all traces of film, smudge, dirt and other foreign matter.

3.1.4 In the event it is found to be physically impossible to remove stains from any particular glass pane, the matter shall be called to the attention of the appropriate Department Director so arrangements can be made for the replacement of the glass, if deemed necessary.

3.1.5 The Contractor shall promptly remove all equipment and a supply from premises as each job is completed. The City will not be responsible for storing Contractor's supplies and equipment. Each job must be inspected and approved by the Director or his designee. Approval shall be in the form of a signed receipt, one copy to be left with Department and one copy to accompany Contractor's monthly invoice.

3.1.6 Supplies: Cleaning supplies used shall be neutral and free-flowing, and shall not be harmful to surfaces with which they come in contact. All supplies shall be free of petroleum distillates that tend to attract dust particles or leave a residue or film.

3.1.7 Equipment: All equipment, i.e., ladders, safety equipment, powered suspended baskets and scaffolds, shall be in good working condition and shall be subject to inspection on request of the appropriate Department.

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**BY THE HOUSTON PARKS AND RECREATION**

**1.0 GRAGG HEADQUARTERS, RECREATION AND WELLNESS BUILDING NO. 3 (INCLUDING THE FLEET OFFICES AND RESTROOMS).**

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- 1.1 Empty trash can(s)/receptacle(s), replace liners and dispose of all waste in a solid waste collection bin located outside of building or designated location. Damp wipe trash can(s)/receptacle(s) to elevate and disinfect from odor and germs as necessary. Clean, sweep and disinfect restroom, lunch areas and kitchen; including shower stall walls, partitions, floors, door knobs, countertops, faucets, toilets, mirrors, lavatories, urinals, stairs, railings, ledges, ceilings and fixtures to remove soap scum, mildew, body oils, etc and squeegee wall upon completion. Hand Clean and sanitize sinks and wipe dry, clean and polish stainless steel drinking fountains, partitions, ice machines, and other water dispensing fixtures, cleaning of microwave(s) to elevate all stains, spills and germs from internal and external of appliance. Empty recycle trash can(s)/receptacles and dump into large 55 gallon container located in break room(s) in building. The recycle trash cans are to be emptied once per week on Friday's.
- 1.2 Spot clean all door glass(s), door frame(s) and window walls to remove fingerprints, grime, and dirt on an as needed basis. Dust entire fixture, furniture and frame work using approved dust cloths and chemical as required. Spot clean walls as needed. Remove spots, marks, spills signs, flyers and etc. from all vertical and horizontal surfaces, such as glass partitions, wall panels, doors and light switches as required using approved methods and chemicals cleaners. Dust HVAC louvers and areas around them. Dust low areas and high areas which that are within normal reach i.e. wall décor, pictures, bulletin boards, fixtures, fans, umbrellas, tables, etc. Pay close attention for cobwebs in corners and around light fixtures, vaulted ceilings, etc.
- 1.3 Thoroughly vacuum all carpeted flooring. Spot clean as needed. Using an automatic extractor, extract all carpeted flooring and/or machine scrub and shampoo using the Bonnet System to remove stains and spots on a nightly basis. Use ZEP freeze or equal to remove gum from carpet and floors. Prepay spots with applicable chemicals to the respective substance that cause the spots. Dusts mop all hard wood, vinyl, V. C. tile and/or hard surface floors, with a treated dust mop. Spray buff hard surface floors using an approved spray buff product. Machine scrub hard surface floors and apply finish to remove scuffs mark, dull finish and water spots.
- 1.4 Contract shall furnish mats and are to be chemically treated dust mats. Mats shall be swept daily and shall be a minimum of 3' X 5" per door opening. Mats shall consist of nylon tufting with a natural rubber back and must be available in red, brown, black or navy as determined by Parks and Recreation Department Designee. These mats shall be swept daily.
- 1.5 All restrooms, break rooms, lunchroom and kitchen dispensers shall be cleaned, disinfected and refilled daily empty (up to 85% of capacity per dispenser). Turn off lights when complete.
- 1.6 Clean up spills and perform other minor tasks as requested by designee i.e. coffee spills, water spills spots left in staff areas. All paper, supplies and equipment and shall be included in Contractor's cost.
- 1.7 Clean elevator wall, floors, including removal of dirt and soil from the threshold plates (damp mop, dust mop, floor surfaces as necessary to render clean).
- 1.8 Contractor shall provide include, but not limited to, furnishing all cleaning and disinfectant chemical, equipment, labor, materials, supplies, wastebaskets/receptacle liners, toiled seat covers, paper towels for existing dispensers, toilet tissue (2 ply) soap for existing dispensers and/or commode/urinal blocks. All work shall be performed in a first class, professional manner, satisfactorily to the on site Parks and Recreation Departments Designee.
- 1.9 **BIWEEKLY – JANITORIAL SERVICE**  
All mats are to be exchanged on the floor where they are used. Mats shall be exchanged for cleaning biweekly. Mats shall be treated with both a dust control compound and a Fire Retardant (OSHA APPROVED). Mats specified in the bid are to be of cellulosic fiber content impregnated with a dust-

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absorbent compound, free from objectionable odor, of a clean appearance, and colored a uniform shade with impregnation to be uniformly dispersed in the cloths, mops and mats; and dust mops present to the extent of 40% (+/- 5%) of the item's untreated weight. The mats are to be manufactured of good quality cellulose yarn and fabric having satisfactory tensile strength, all cloth edges to be either salvage or over edged. Treated mats shall be treated to avoid mildew when stored under normal conditions and shall show no tendency to heat spontaneously under normal conditions. Dust cloths and water emulsion mops shall be treated sufficiently to give fully effective cleaning and dust removal service, but shall not leave any oily residue on cleaned surfaces nor produce any dulling or fogging effect on the finish. The item shall contain no more than 12% moisture, free from any volatile solvents and no ingredients injurious to normal skin. Compounds used to impregnate shall meet the requirements of the Underwriters' Laboratories and shall conform to the latest Federal Specifications.

1.9.1 Machine buff all V. C. tiles and hard surface flooring with approved spray buff product.

#### **1.10 MONTHLY – JANITORIAL SERVICES**

1.10.1 Machine scrub all restroom(s) tile areas such as ceramic tile and pavers. Machine scrub focusing on grout, corners and edges.

#### **1.11 YEARLY (EVERY 12 TO 18 MONTHS) – JANITORIAL SERVICES**

1.11.1 Machine strip hard surface floors (VCT and/or Concrete) and apply 4 coats of floor finish and/or as manufactured manufactures specification. No striping or waxing shall be done with out prior approval of Parks and Recreation Designee. All waxes and strippers us must be odorless and slip resistance.

**1.12 Note: Definition – As needed/required** – having or using the ability to act or decide according to your own discretion or judgment but, should not be take as a means to constantly over look matters.

#### **2.0 MEMORIAL TENNIS, FITNESS CENTER AND HOMER FORD TENNIS CENTER – ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

##### **2.1 DAILY**

2.1.1 Sweep and mop floors in exterior restrooms, and all interior areas including behind the tennis, behind fitness sales counter and fitness sales counters and the tennis office, excluding the area behind the tennis center food and beverage concession counter. Dust and wipe clean all table tops and chairs in tennis and fitness lobbies. Contractor shall empty and clean waste baskets in the lobby areas (exclusive of the areas behind the tennis center food and beverage concession counter), interior restrooms and locker rooms, and on the tennis courts areas. Small tennis court waste baskets should be collected into one plastic bag for removal to dumpster. Large tennis court trash barrels should be emptied and reclined every second or third day, as needed. Replace deodorant blocks in urinals and commodes as required.

##### **2.2 WEEKLY**

2.2.1 Descale commodes and urinals. Dust top of lockers, fans and high areas, including spider web removal. Wash walls in shower and proper spray chemical to disinfect, prevent and/or remove mildew. Remove hair from drains in men's and women's showers. Polish and/or descale chrome pedestals in men's tennis center showers to remove soap scum. Mop, strip, buff, and/or scrub floors in men's and women's showers with proper chemical to remove soap, lime and dirt build up. Wash shower curtain in women's showers with proper chemicals to prevent and/or remove mildew and soap scum. Dust and wipe with disinfectant all weight benches and exercise machinery in fitness center.

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**2.3 MONTHLY**

2.3.1 Vacuum HVAC ducts, grills, and restroom exhaust fans. Clean and polish all window and window frames, inside and out. Clean floor drains in all locker room, shower, restroom area, adding 8 oz. Chlorine bleach to each drain.

**2.4 QUARTERLY**

2.4.1 Remove and clean, inside and out, all light fixture lenses. Machine strip hard surface floors (VCT and/or Concrete) and apply 4 coats of floor finish and/or as manufactured manufactures specification. No striping or waxing shall be done with out prior approval of Parks and Recreation Designee. All waxes and strippers us must be odorless and slip resistance.

**2.5 Work Schedule/Service Times:**

**2.5.1 GRAGG HEADQUARTERS, RECREATION AND WELLNESS BLDG NO. 3 (INCLUDING FLEET OFFICES AND RESTROOMS)**

Monday	5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Tuesday	5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Wednesday	5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Thursday	5:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Friday	5:00 PM – 10:00 PM

**2.5.2 MEMORIAL TENNIS CENTER – SERVICE IS TO BE PERFORMED SEVEN (7) DAYS A WEEK AS FOLLOWS:**

Monday	9:00 PM – 11:30 PM	
Tuesday	9:00 PM – 11:30 PM	
Wednesday	9:00 PM – 11:30 PM	
Thursday	9:00 PM – 11:30 PM	
Friday	9:00 PM – 11:30 PM	
Saturday	11:00 PM – 2:00 PM	6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Sunday	11:00 PM – 2:00 PM	6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

**3.0 Clean Elevator.** A properly cleaned elevator is uniformly clean with no dust, soil, fingerprints, or smudges. The Contractor shall perform the following items, in order to complete cleaning and servicing elevator(s):

- Pickup any trash, food, or debris dropped on the floors
- Spot clean spills using appropriate techniques
- Spot clean finger prints from the stainless steel fascia in the elevator landings
- Mop floors to remove dirt and stains
- Remove gum from floors
- Clean walls, car stations, push button, kick panels
- Clean door tracks with scrub brush or vacuum cleaner (back pack)
- Clean stainless steel elevator walls and doors sills with clean white cloth
- Spot clean and polish to remove marks and smudges by using a small amount of stainless steel cleaner

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- Clean all stainless steel fascia in the elevator lobby
- Polish stainless steel surfaces
- Scrub floors
- Clean light fixtures
- Dust ceilings

**4.0 Recycle Paper.** The Contractor shall collect white paper from containers in offices, break rooms, copier rooms, file rooms, and high traffic areas and deposit paper in specially marked containers used in the city's recycling program. Recycling for the Parks department is required at the following sites.

#	Location	Address	Department
4.0.1	Gragg Building	2999 South Wayside	Parks
4.0.2	Recreation and Wellness Bldg No. 3 (including Fleet Offices and Restrooms)	6200 Wheeler	Parks

**5.0 WINDOW WASHING/CLEANING – MINIMAL SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED AS FOLLOW:**

- 5.1 The work to be performed shall include cleaning all designated windows, squeegee glass surfaces as necessary, wiping adjacent frames and window sills free of excess water, and mopping any excess water which may spill or collect on interior floors and carpeting.
- 5.2 Care will be exercised to prevent streaking or staining window frames, ledges, walls, and painted panels, either by drying the surfaces or thoroughly rinsing them with clean water.
- 5.3 Any paint drops or smears shall be removed from surfaces being washed. Steel wool shall not be used, but razor blades or broad knives are permissible.
- 5.4 Surface of glass shall be washed to remove all traces of film, smudge, dirt and other foreign matter.
- 5.5 In the event it is found to be physically impossible to remove stains from any particular glass pane, the matter shall be called to the attention of the appropriate Department Director so arrangements can be made for the replacement of the glass, if deemed necessary.
- 5.6 The Contractor shall promptly remove all equipment and a supply from premises as each job is completed. The City will not be responsible for storing Contractor's supplies and equipment. Each job must be inspected and approved by the Director of the appropriate Department or his designated representatives. Approval shall be in the form of a signed receipt, one copy to be left with Department and one copy to accompany Contractor's monthly invoice.

**5.7 SUPPLIES**

- 5.7.1 Cleaning supplies used shall be neutral and free-flowing, and shall not be harmful to surfaces with which they come in contact. All supplies shall be free of petroleum distillates that tend to attract dust particles or leave a residue or film.

**5.8 EQUIPMENT**

- 5.8.1 All equipment, i.e., ladders, safety equipment, powered suspended baskets and scaffolds, shall be in good working condition and shall be subject to inspection on request of the appropriate Department.

**5.9 FACILITY LOCATION**

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- 5.9.1 Gragg Administration Building – 2999 S. Wayside  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.2 Recreation and Wellness Bldg No. 3 (including Fleet Offices and Restrooms)
- 5.9.3 Judson Robinson Jr. – 2020 Herman Drive  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.4 Tidwell Recreation Center – 9720 Spaulding  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.5 Sharpstown Recreation Center – 6600 Harbor Town  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.6 Candlelight Recreation Center – 1520 Candlelight  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.7 Fonde Recreation Center – 110 Sabine  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.8 Garden Center – 1500 Herman Drive  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.9 Highland Recreation Center – 3316 DeSoto  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.10 Linkwood Recreation Center – 3699 Norris  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.11 Love Recreation Center – 1000 West 12<sup>th</sup>  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.12 Marion Recreation Center – 11101 S. Gessner  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.
- 5.9.13 Stude Recreation Center – 1031 Stude  
All exterior windows including medal frames shall be cleaned on both surfaces twice (2) per year. The work shall be performed on or about September 1 and April 1.

**6.0 CONTACTS:**

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6.1 The Contractor shall finalize the cleaning schedule with the building manager or his designated representative no later than thirty (30) days prior to the approximate date of the cleaning listed below:

	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>PHONE NUMBER</b>
6.1.1	Parks and Recreation Department (PARC) Building Managers	(832) 395-7204 (832) 392-7209

6.1.2 The Contractor’s cleaning hours will be established by the City, but it is anticipated that no leaning on a nightly basis will be required. Cleaning will be accomplished Monday through Friday each week, fifty-two (52) weeks per year. The Contractor shall not have to perform services on the days designated as City holidays by City Council.

6.1.3 All windows cleaning scheduled for two (2) times per year shall have approximately six (6) months between scheduled cleaning. All windows cleaning scheduled for four (4) times per year shall have approximately three (3) months between scheduled cleanings. Scheduling of all cleaning times shall be approved by and may be changed by the appropriate user department.

**7.0 ADDITIONS & DELETIONS:**

7.1 The City, by written notice from the City Purchasing Agent to the Contractor, at any time during the term of this contract, may add or delete like or similar equipment, supplies, locations and/or services to the list of equipment, supplies, locations, and/or services to be provided. Any such written notice shall take effect on the date stated in the notice from the City. Similar equipment, supplies, services, or locations added to the contract shall be in accordance with the contract specification/scope of services, and the charges or rates for items added shall be the same as specified in the fee schedule. In the event that the additional equipment, supplies, locations and/or services are not identical to the item(s) already under contract, the charges therefore will then be the Contractor’s normal and customary charges or rates for the equipment, supplies, locations and/or services classified in the fee schedule.

**8.0 ESTIMATED QUANTITIES NOT GUARANTEED:**

8.1 The estimated quantities specified herein are not a guarantee of actual quantities, as the City does not guarantee any particular quantity of services during the term of this Contract. The quantities may vary depending upon the actual needs of the Department. The quantities specified herein are good faith estimates of usage during the term of this Contract. Therefore, the City shall not be liable for any contractual agreements/obligations the Contractor enters into based on the City purchasing all the quantities specified herein.

**9.0 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT:**

9.1 Under the same terms and conditions hereunder, the Contract may be expanded to other government entities through inter-local agreements between the City of Houston and the respective government entity that encompass all or part of the products/services provided under this contract. Separate contracts will be drawn to reflect the needs of each participating entity.

**10.0 WARRANTY OF SERVICES:**

10.1 *Definitions:* “Acceptance” as used in this clause, means the act of an authorized representative of the City by which the City assumes for itself, approval of specific services, as partial or complete performance of the Contract.

10.1.1 “Correction” as used in this clause, means the elimination of a defect.

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- 10.2 Notwithstanding inspection and acceptance by the City or any provision concerning the conclusiveness thereof, the Contractor warrants that all services performed under this Contract will, at the time of acceptance, be free from defects in workmanship and conform to the requirements of this Contract. The City shall give written notice of any defect or nonconformance to the Contractor within a one-year period from the date of acceptance by the City. This notice shall state either (1) that the Contractor shall correct or re-perform any defective or non-conforming services at no additional cost to the City, or (2) that the City does not require correction or re-performance.
- 10.3 If the Contractor is required to correct or re-perform, it shall be at no cost to the City, and any services corrected or re-performed by the Contractor shall be subject to this clause to the same extent as work initially performed. If the Contractor fails or refuses to correct or re-perform, the City may, by contract or otherwise correct or replace with similar services and charge to the Contractor the cost occasioned to the City thereby, or make an equitable adjustment in the Contract price.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

BID # \_\_\_\_\_

ORDINANCE # \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF HARRIS

CONTRACT # \_\_\_\_\_

**I. PARTIES**

**1.0 ADDRESS:**

**THIS AGREEMENT FOR JANITORIAL CLEANING AND ASSOICATED SERVICES** ("Agreement") is made on the Countersignature Date between the **CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS** ("City"), a Texas Home-Rule City and **CONTRACTOR NAME** ("Contractor or Vendor"), a corporation doing business in Texas.

The initial addresses of the parties, which one party may change by giving written notice to the other party, are as follows:

**City**

City Purchasing Agent for Director(s)  
of Various Department(s)  
City of Houston  
P.O. Box 1562  
Houston, Texas 77251

**Contractor**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

The Parties agree as follows:

**2.0 TABLE OF CONTENTS:**

2.1 This Agreement consists of the following sections:

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**3.0 PARTS INCORPORATED:**

3.1 The above described sections and exhibits are incorporated into this Agreement.

**4.0 CONTROLLING PARTS:**

4.1 If a conflict among the sections or exhibits arises the Exhibits control over the Sections.

**5.0 DEFINITIONS:**

5.1 Certain terms used in this Agreement are defined in Exhibit "A".

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**6.0 SIGNATURES:**

6.1 The Parties have executed this Agreement in multiple copies, each of which is an original.

ATTEST/SEAL (if a corporation): \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESS (if not a corporation):

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

Federal Tax ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST/SEAL:

CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS

Signed by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

APPROVED:

COUNTERSIGNED BY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Purchasing Agent

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Controller

DATE COUNTERSIGNED:

\_\_\_\_\_

This Contract has been reviewed as to form by the undersigned legal assistant and has been found to meet established Legal Department criteria. The Legal Department has not reviewed the content of these documents.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Assistant

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## II. DUTIES OF CONTRACTOR

### 1.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES:

- 1.1 In consideration of the payments specified in this Agreement, Contractor shall provide all labor, material, equipment, transportation and supervision necessary to perform the services described in Exhibit "B" & "B1."

### 2.0 INDEMNITY AND RELEASE:

#### 2.1 RELEASE

PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER AGREES TO AND SHALL RELEASE THE CITY, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES (COLLECTIVELY THE CITY) FROM ALL LIABILITY FOR INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY SUSTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH OR INCIDENTAL TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN IF THE INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS IS CAUSED BY THE CITY'S SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE AND/OR THE CITY'S STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY OR STRICT STATUTORY LIABILITY.

#### 2.2 INDEMNIFICATION:

PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER AGREES TO AND SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD THE CITY, ITS AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES (COLLECTIVELY "THE CITY") HARMLESS FOR ALL CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, LIABILITIES, FINES, AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ATTORNEY'S FEES, COURT COSTS, AND ALL OTHER DEFENSE COSTS AND INTEREST) FOR INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY SUSTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH OR INCIDENTAL TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THOSE CAUSED BY:

2.2.1 PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIERS AND/OR ITS AGENTS', EMPLOYEES', OFFICERS', DIRECTORS', CONTRACTORS', OR SUBCONTRACTORS' (COLLECTIVELY IN NUMBERED PARAGRAPHS 2.1-2.3, "PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER") ACTUAL OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR INTENTIONAL ACTS OR OMISSIONS;

2.2.2 THE CITY'S AND PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER'S ACTUAL OR ALLEGED CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE, WHETHER PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER IS IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY OR NOT; AND

2.2.3 THE CITY'S AND PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER'S ACTUAL OR ALLEGED STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY OR STRICT STATUTORY LIABILITY, WHETHER PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER IS IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY OR NOT.

2.2.4 PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD THE CITY HARMLESS DURING THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT AND FOR FOUR YEARS AFTER THE AGREEMENT TERMINATES. PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER'S INDEMNIFICATION IS LIMITED TO \$500,000.00 PER OCCURRENCE. PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER SHALL NOT INDEMNIFY THE CITY FOR THE CITY'S SOLE NEGLIGENCE.

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**2.3 INDEMNIFICATION:**

**CONTRACTOR SHALL REQUIRE ALL OF ITS SUBCONTRACTORS (AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS) TO RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY THE CITY TO THE SAME EXTENT AND IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM AS ITS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY TO THE CITY**

**3.0 INDEMNIFICATION PROCEDURES:**

3.1 Notice of Claims. If the City or Prime Contractor/Supplier receives notice of any claim or circumstances which could give rise to an indemnified loss, the receiving party shall give written notice to the other party within 10 days. The notice must include the following:

3.1.1 a description of the indemnification event in reasonable detail,

3.1.2 the basis on which indemnification may be due, and

3.1.3 the anticipated amount of the indemnified loss.

3.2 This notice does not stop or prevent the City from later asserting a different basis for indemnification or a different amount of indemnified loss than that indicated in the initial notice. If the City does not provide this notice within the 10 day period, it does not waive any right to indemnification except to the extent that Prime Contractor/Supplier is prejudiced, suffers loss, or incurs expense because of the delay.

3.3 Defense of Claims

3.3.1 Assumption of Defense. Prime Contractor/Supplier may assume the defense of the claim at its own expense with counsel chosen by it that is reasonably satisfactory to the City. Prime Contractor/Supplier shall then control the defense and any negotiations to settle the claim. Within 10 days after receiving written notice of the indemnification request, Prime Contractor/Supplier must advise the City as to whether or not it will defend the claim. If Prime Contractor/Supplier does not assume the defense, the City shall assume and control the defense, and all defense expenses constitute an indemnification loss.

3.3.2 Continued Participation. If Prime Contractor/Supplier elects to defend the claim, the City may retain separate counsel to participate in (but not control) the defense and to participate in (but not control) any settlement negotiations. Prime Contractor/Supplier may settle the claim without the consent or agreement of the City, unless it (i) would result in injunctive relief or other equitable remedies or otherwise require the City to comply with restrictions or limitations that adversely affect the City, (ii) would require the City to pay amounts that Prime Contractor/Supplier does not fund in full, (iii) would not result in the City's full and complete release from all liability to the plaintiffs or claimants who are parties to or otherwise bound by the settlement.

**4.0 INSURANCE:**

4.1 Contractor shall maintain in effect certain insurance coverage and shall furnish certificates of insurance, in duplicate form, before beginning its performance under this Agreement. All policies except Professional Liability and Workers' Compensation must name the City as an

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additional insured. The issuer of any policy (1) shall have a Certificate of Authority to transact insurance business in Texas or (2) shall be an eligible non-admitted insurer in the State of Texas and have a Best's rating of at least B+ and a Best's Financial Size Category of Class VI or better, according to the most current edition Best's Key Rating Guide. Contractor shall maintain the following insurance coverages in the following amounts:

- 4.1.1 Commercial General Liability insurance including Contractual Liability insurance:  
\$500,000 per occurrence; \$1,000,000 aggregate
- 4.1.2 Workers' Compensation including Broad Form All States endorsement:  
Statutory amount
- 4.1.3 Automobile Liability insurance  
\$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence  
Defense costs are excluded from the face amount of the policy.  
Aggregate Limits are per 12-month policy period unless otherwise indicated.
- 4.1.4 Employer's Liability  
Bodily injury by accident \$100,000 (each accident)  
Bodily injury by disease \$100,000 (policy limit)  
Bodily injury by disease \$100,000 (each employee)
- 4.2 All insurance policies must require by endorsement, that the insurance carrier waives any rights of subrogation against the City, Contractor shall give written notice to the Director if any of its insurance policies are cancelled, materially changed or non-renewed. Within the 30 day period, Contractor shall provide other suitable policies in lieu of those about to be canceled, materially changed, or non-renewed so as to maintain in effect the required coverage. If Contractor does not comply with this requirement, the Director, at his or sole discretion, may:
  - 4.2.1 immediately suspend Contractor from any further performance under this Agreement and begin procedures to terminate for default, or
  - 4.2.2 purchase the required insurance with City funds and deduct the cost of the premiums from amounts due to Contractor under this Agreement.
  - 4.2.3 All certificates of insurance submitted by Contractor shall be accompanied by endorsements for additional insured coverage in favor of the City for Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability policies; and waivers of subrogation in favor of the City for Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability, and Worker's Compensation/Employers' Liability policies. For a list of pre-approved endorsement forms see <http://purchasing.houstontx.gov/forms.shtml>. The Director will consider all other forms on a case-by-case basis.

**5.0 WARRANTIES:**

- 5.1 Contractor represents and warrants that it shall perform all work in a good and workmanlike manner, meeting the standards of quality prevailing in Harris County, Texas for work of this kind. Contractor shall perform all work using trained and skilled persons having substantial experience performing the work required under this Agreement.
- 5.2 With respect to any parts and goods furnished by it, Contractor warrants:
  - 5.2.1 that all items are free of defects in title, material, and workmanship,

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- 5.2.2 that each item meets or exceeds the manufacturer's specifications and requirements for the equipment, structure, or other improvement in which the item is installed,
- 5.2.3 that each replacement item is new in accordance with original equipment manufacturer's specifications, and of a quality at least as good as the quality of the item which it replaces (when the replaced item was new), and
- 5.2.4 that no item or its use infringes any patent, copyright, or proprietary right.

**6.0 LICENSES AND PERMITS:**

- 6.1 Contractor shall obtain and pay for all licenses, permits, and certificates required by any statute, ordinance, rule, or regulation.

**7.0 COMPLIANCE WITH EQUAL OPPORTUNITY ORDINANCE:**

- 7.1 Contractor shall comply with the City's Equal Employment Opportunity Ordinance as set out in Exhibit "C."

**8.0 MWBE COMPLIANCE:**

- 8.1 Contractor shall comply with the City's Minority and Women Business Enterprise ("MWBE") programs as set out in Chapter 15, Article V of the City of Houston Code of Ordinances. Contractor shall make good faith efforts to award subcontracts or supply agreements in at least **20%** of the value of this Agreement to MWBEs. Contractor acknowledges that it has reviewed the requirements for good faith efforts on file with the City's Office of Business Opportunity (OBO) and will comply with them.
- 8.2 Contractor shall require written subcontracts with all MWBE subcontractors and shall submit all disputes with MWBEs to binding arbitration to be conducted in Houston, Texas if directed to do so by the OBO Director. MWBE subcontracts must contain the terms set out in Exhibit "D."

**9.0 DRUG ABUSE DETECTION AND DETERRENCE:**

- 9.1 It is the policy of the City to achieve a drug-free workforce and workplace. The manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, sale, or use of illegal drugs or alcohol by contractors while on City Premises is prohibited. Contractor shall comply with all the requirements and procedures set forth in the Mayor's Drug Abuse Detection and Deterrence Procedures for Contractors, Executive Order No. 1-31 ("Executive Order"), which is incorporated into this Agreement and is on file in the City Secretary's Office.
- 9.2 Before the City signs this Agreement, Contractor shall file with the Contract Compliance Officer for Drug Testing ("CCODT"):
  - 9.2.1 a copy of its drug-free workplace policy,
  - 9.2.2 the Drug Policy Compliance Agreement substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit "E," together with a written designation of all safety impact positions and,
  - 9.2.3 if applicable (e.g. no safety impact positions), the Certification of No Safety Impact Positions, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit "F."

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- 9.3 If Contractor files a written designation of safety impact positions with its Drug Policy Compliance Agreement, it also shall file every 6 months during the performance of this Agreement or on completion of this Agreement if performance is less than 6 months, a Drug Policy Compliance Declaration in a form substantially similar to Exhibit "G." Contractor shall submit the Drug Policy Compliance Declaration to the CCODT within 30 days of the expiration of each 6-month period of performance and within 30 days of completion of this Agreement. The first 6-month period begins to run on the date the City issues its Notice to Proceed or if no Notice to Proceed is issued, on the first day Contractor begins work under this Agreement.
- 9.4 Contractor also shall file updated designations of safety impact positions with the CCODT if additional safety impact positions are added to Contractor's employee work force.
- 9.5 Contractor shall require that its subcontractors comply with the Executive Order, and Contractor shall secure and maintain the required documents for City inspection.

**10.0 ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS:**

- 10.1 Contractor shall comply with all rules, regulations, statutes, or orders of the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ"), and any other governmental agency with the authority to promulgate environmental rules and regulations ("Environmental Laws"). Contractor shall promptly reimburse the City for any fines or penalties levied against the City because of Contractor's failure to comply.
- 10.2 Contractor shall not possess, use, generate, release, discharge, store, dispose of, or transport any Hazardous Materials on, under, in, above, to, or from the site except in strict compliance with the Environmental Regulations. "Hazardous Materials" means any substances, materials, or wastes that are or become regulated as hazardous or toxic substances under any applicable federal, state, or local laws, regulations, ordinances, or orders. Contractor shall not deposit oil, gasoline, grease, lubricants or any ignitable or hazardous liquids, materials, or substances in the City's storm sewer system or sanitary sewer system or elsewhere on City Property in violation of the Environmental Laws.

**11.0 CONTRACTOR'S PERFORMANCE:**

- 11.1 Contractor shall make citizen satisfaction a priority in providing services under this Agreement. Contractor shall train its employees to be customer service-oriented and to positively and politely interact with citizens when performing contract services. Contractor's employees shall be clean, courteous, efficient, and neat in appearance and committed to offering the highest quality of service to the public. If, in the Director's opinion, Contractor is not interacting in a positive and polite manner with citizens, he or she shall direct Contractor to take all remedial steps to conform to these standards.

**12.0 PAYMENT OF EMPLOYEES AND SUBCONTRACTORS:**

- 12.1 Contractor shall make timely payments in accordance with applicable state and federal law to all persons and entities supplying labor, materials or equipment for the performance of this Agreement including Contractor's employees.
- 12.2 Failure of Contractor to pay its employees as required by law shall constitute a default under this contract for which the Contractor and its surety shall be liable on Contractor's performance bond if Contractor fails to cure the default as provided under this Agreement.

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12.3 Contractor shall defend and indemnify the City from any claims or liability arising out of Contractor's failure to pay its subcontractors as required by law. Contractor shall submit disputes relating to payment of M/WBE subcontractors to arbitration in the same manner as any other disputes under the M/WBE subcontract.

**13.0 CONTRACTOR PAY OR PLAY PROGRAM:**

13.1 The requirement and terms of the City of Houston Pay or Play Policy, as set out in Executive Order 1-7, are incorporated into this Agreement for all purposes. Contractor has reviewed Executive Order 1-7 and shall comply with its terms and conditions as they are set out at the time of City Council approval of this Agreement. Exhibit "I".

13.2 The Pay or Play Program for various departments will be administered by the City of Houston Office of Business Opportunity designee and for a Department specific contract; the Department's designated contract administrator will administer the Pay or Play Program.

**III. DUTIES OF CITY**

**1.0 PAYMENT TERMS:**

1.1 The City shall pay and Contractor shall accept fees at the unit prices provided in Exhibit H for all services rendered and the Deliverables furnished by Contractor. The fees must only be paid from Allocated Funds, as provided below.

1.2 Any quantities of services or Deliverables shown in any part of this contract or its exhibits are estimated only and are not any guarantee that the City will not purchase more or less of those services or Deliverables. The City will pay only for the services or Deliverables actually ordered and only at the unit prices set out.

**2.0 TAXES:**

2.1 The City is exempt from payment of Federal Excise and Transportation Tax and Texas Limited Sales and Use Tax. Contractor's invoices to the City must not contain assessments of any of these taxes. The Director will furnish the City's exemption certificate and federal tax identification number to Contractor if requested.

**3.0 METHOD OF PAYMENT:**

3.1 The City shall pay Contractor on the basis of invoices submitted by Contractor and approved by the Director, showing the specific tasks completed in the preceding month and the corresponding prices. The City shall make payments to Contractor at its address for notices within 30 days of receipt of an approved invoice.

**4.0 METHOD OF PAYMENT - DISPUTED PAYMENTS:**

4.1 If the City disputes any items in an invoice Contractor submits for any reason, including lack of supporting documentation, the Director shall temporarily delete the disputed item and pay the remainder of the invoice. The Director shall promptly notify Contractor of the dispute and request remedial action. After the dispute is settled, Contractor shall include the disputed amount on a subsequent regularly scheduled invoice or on a special invoice for the disputed item only.

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**5.0 LIMIT OF APPROPRIATION:**

- 5.1 The City's duty to pay money to Contractor under this Agreement is limited in its entirety by the provisions of this Section.
- 5.2 In order to comply with Article II, Sections 19 and 19a of the City's Charter and Article XI, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, the City has appropriated and allocated the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to pay money due under this Agreement (the "Original Allocation"). The executive and legislative officers of the City, in their discretion, may allocate supplemental funds for this Agreement, but they are not obligated to do so. Therefore, the parties have agreed to the following procedures and remedies:
- 5.3 The City makes a Supplemental Allocation by issuing to Contractor a Service Release Order, or similar form approved by the City Controller, containing the language set out below. When necessary, the Supplemental Allocation shall be approved by motion or ordinance of City Council.

**"NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL ALLOCATION OF FUNDS"**

By the signature below, the City Controller certifies that, upon the request of the responsible director, the supplemental sum set out below has been allocated for the purposes of the Agreement out of funds appropriated for this purpose by the City Council of the City of Houston. This supplemental allocation has been charged to such appropriation.

- 5.4 The Original Allocation plus all supplemental allocations are the Allocated Funds. The City shall never be obligated to pay any money under this Agreement in excess of the Allocated Funds. Contractor must assure itself that sufficient allocations have been made to pay for services it provides. If Allocated Funds are exhausted, Contractor's only remedy is suspension or termination of its performance under this Agreement and it has no other remedy in law or in equity against the City and no right to damages of any kind.

**6.0 CHANGES:**

- 6.1 At any time during the Agreement Term, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may issue a Change Order to increase or decrease the scope of services or change plans and specifications, as he or she may find necessary to accomplish the general purposes of this Agreement. Contractor shall furnish the services or deliverables in the Change Order in accordance with the requirements of this Agreement plus any special provisions, specifications, or special instructions issued to execute the extra work.
- 6.2 The City Purchasing Agent or Director will issue the Change Order in substantially the following form:

**CHANGE ORDER**

TO: [Name of Contractor]  
FROM: City of Houston, Texas (the "City")  
DATE: [Date of Notice]  
SUBJECT: Change Order under the Agreement between the City and [Name of Contractor] countersigned by the City Controller on [Date of countersignature of the Agreement]

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Subject to all terms and conditions of the Agreement, the City requests that Contractor provide the following:

[Here describe the additions to or changes to the equipment or services and the Change Order Charges applicable to each.]

Signed:

[Signature of City Purchasing Agent or Director]

- 6.3 The City Purchasing Agent or Director may issue more than one Change Order, subject to the following limitations:
- 6.3.1 Council expressly authorizes the City Purchasing Agent or Director to approve a Change Order of up to \$50,000. A Change Order of more than \$50,000 over the approved contract amount must be approved by the City Council.
  - 6.3.2 If a Change Order describes items that Contractor is otherwise required to provide under this Agreement, the City is not obligated to pay any additional money to Contractor.
  - 6.3.3 The Total of all Change Orders issued under this section may not increase the Original Agreement amount by more than 25%.
- 6.4 Whenever Contractor receives a Change Order, Contractor shall furnish all material, equipment, and personnel necessary to perform the work described in the Change Order. Contractor shall complete the work within the time prescribed. If no time for completion is prescribed, Contractor shall complete the work within a reasonable time. If the work described in any Change Order causes an unavoidable delay in any other work Contractor is required to perform under this Agreement, Contractor may request a time extension for the completion of the work. The City Purchasing Agent's or Director's decision regarding a time extension is final.
- 6.5 A product or service provided under a Change Order is subject to inspection, acceptance, or rejection in the same manner as the work described in the Original Agreement, and is subject to the terms and conditions of the Original Agreement as if it had originally been a part of the Agreement.
- 6.6 Change Orders are subject to the Allocated Funds provisions of this Agreement.

**IV. TERM AND TERMINATION**

**1.0 CONTRACT TERM:**

- 1.1 This Agreement is effective on the Countersignature Date and expires three (3) years after the date specified in the Notice to Proceed unless sooner terminated according to the terms of this Agreement.

**2.0 NOTICE TO PROCEED:**

- 2.1 Contractor shall begin performance under this Agreement on the date specified in a Notice to Proceed from the City Purchasing Agent.

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**3.0 RENEWALS:**

3.1 Upon expiration of the Initial Term, and so long as the City makes sufficient supplemental allocations, this Agreement will be automatically renewed for two successive one-year terms on the same terms and conditions. If the Director of the City Department elects not to renew this Agreement, the City Purchasing shall notify Contractor in writing of non-renewal at least 30 days before the expiration of the then-current term.

**4.0 TIME EXTENSIONS:**

4.1 If the Department requests an extension of time to complete its performance, then the City Purchasing Agent may, in his or her sole discretion, extend the time so long as the extension does not exceed 90 days. The extension must be in writing but does not require amendment of this Agreement. Contractor is not entitled to damages for delay(s) regardless of the cause of the delay(s).

**5.0 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE BY THE CITY:**

5.1 The City Purchasing Agent or Director may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving 30 days written notice to Contractor. The City's right to terminate this Agreement for convenience is cumulative of all rights and remedies which exist now or in the future.

5.2 On receiving the notice, Contractor shall, unless the notice directs otherwise, immediately discontinue all services under this Agreement and cancel all existing orders and subcontracts that are chargeable to this Agreement. As soon as practicable after receiving the termination notice, Contractor shall submit an invoice showing in detail the services performed under this Agreement up to the termination date. The City shall then pay the fees to Contractor for services actually performed, but not already paid for, in the same manner as prescribed in Section III unless the fees exceed the allocated funds remaining under this Agreement.

5.3 TERMINATION OF THIS AGREEMENT AND RECEIPT OF PAYMENT FOR SERVICES RENDERED ARE CONTRACTOR'S ONLY REMEDIES FOR THE CITY'S TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE, WHICH DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A DEFAULT OR BREACH OF THIS AGREEMENT. CONTRACTOR WAIVES ANY CLAIM (OTHER THAN ITS CLAIM FOR PAYMENT AS SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION), IT MAY HAVE NOW OR IN THE FUTURE FOR FINANCIAL LOSSES OR OTHER DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE CITY'S TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE.

**6.0 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE BY CITY:**

6.1 If Contractor defaults under this Agreement, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may either terminate this Agreement or allow Contractor to cure the default as provided below. The City's right to terminate this Agreement for Contractor's default is cumulative of all rights and remedies which exist now or in the future. Default by Contractor occurs if:

6.1.1 Contractor fails to perform any of its duties under this Agreement;

6.1.2 Contractor becomes insolvent;

6.1.3 all or a substantial part of Contractor's assets are assigned for the benefit of its creditors;  
or

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6.1.4 a receiver or trustee is appointed for Contractor.

6.2 If a default occurs, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may, but is not obligated to, deliver a written notice to Contractor describing the default and the termination date. The City Purchasing Agent or Director at his or her sole option, may extend the termination date to a later date. If the City Purchasing Agent or Director allows Contractor to cure the default and Contractor does so to the City Purchasing Agent's or Director's satisfaction before the termination date, then the termination is ineffective. If Contractor does not cure the default before the termination date, then the City Purchasing Agent or Director may terminate this Agreement on the termination date, at no further obligation of the City.

6.3 To effect final termination, the City Purchasing Agent or Director must notify Contractor in writing. After receiving the notice, Contractor shall, unless the notice directs otherwise, immediately discontinue all services under this Agreement, and promptly cancel all orders or subcontracts chargeable to this Agreement.

**7.0 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE BY CONTRACTOR:**

7.1 Contractor may terminate its performance under this Agreement only if the City defaults and fails to cure the default after receiving written notice of it. Default by the City occurs if the City fails to perform one or more of its material duties under this Agreement. If a default occurs and Contractor wishes to terminate the Agreement, then Contractor must deliver a written notice to the Director describing the default and the proposed termination date.

7.2 The date must be at least 30 days after the Director receives notice. Contractor, at its sole option, may extend the proposed termination date to a later date. If the City cures the default before the proposed termination date, then the proposed termination is ineffective. If the City does not cure the default before the proposed termination date, then Contractor may terminate its performance under this Agreement on the termination date.

**8.0 REMOVAL OF CONTRACTOR OWNED EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS:**

8.1 Upon expiration, or termination of this Agreement, Contractor is permitted ten (10) days within which to remove contractor-owned material and equipment from the City's premises. The City shall make such material and equipment readily available to Contractor. The time period may be extended upon approval by the Director. The City reserves the right to deny any extension of time.

**V. MISCELLANEOUS**

**1.0 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:**

1.1 Contractor shall perform its obligations under this Agreement as an independent contractor and not as an employee of the City.

**2.0 FORCE MAJEURE:**

2.1 Timely performance by both parties is essential to this Agreement. However, neither party is liable for delays or other failures to perform its obligations under this Agreement to the extent the delay or failure is caused by Force Majeure. Force Majeure means fires, floods, explosions,

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and other acts of God, war, terrorist acts, riots, court orders, and the acts of superior governmental or military authority.

- 2.2 This relief is not applicable unless the affected party does the following:
  - 2.2.1 uses due diligence to remove the Force Majeure as quickly as possible; and
  - 2.2.2 provides the other party with prompt written notice of the cause and its anticipated effect.
- 2.3 The City may perform contract functions itself or contract them out during periods of Force Majeure. Such performance does not constitute a default or breach of this Agreement by the City.
- 2.4 If the Force Majeure continues for more than 30 days, the City Purchasing Agent or Director may terminate this Agreement by giving 30 days' written notice to Contractor. This termination is not a default or breach of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR WAIVES ANY CLAIM IT MAY HAVE FOR FINANCIAL LOSSES OR OTHER DAMAGES RESULTING FROM THE TERMINATION EXCEPT FOR AMOUNTS DUE UNDER THE AGREEMENT AT THE TIME OF THE TERMINATION.

**3.0 SEVERABILITY:**

- 3.1 If any part of this Agreement is for any reason found to be unenforceable, all other parts remain enforceable unless the result materially prejudices either party.

**4.0 ENTIRE AGREEMENT:**

- 4.1 This Agreement merges the prior negotiations and understandings of the Parties and embodies the entire agreement of the Parties. No other agreements, assurances, conditions, covenants (express or implied), or other terms of any kind exist between the Parties regarding this Agreement.

**5.0 WRITTEN AMENDMENT:**

- 5.1 Unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this Agreement, this Agreement may be amended only by written instrument executed on behalf of the City (by authority of an ordinance duly adopted by the City Council) and Contractor. The Director is only authorized to perform the functions specifically delegated to him or her in this Agreement.

**6.0 APPLICABLE LAWS:**

- 6.1 This Agreement is subject to the laws of the State of Texas, the City Charter and Ordinances, the laws of the federal government of the United States, and all rules and regulations of any regulatory body or officer having jurisdiction.
- 6.2 Venue for any litigation relating to this Agreement is Harris County, Texas.

**7.0 NOTICES:**

- 7.1 All notices to either party to the Agreement must be in writing and must be delivered by hand, facsimile, United States registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, United States Express Mail, Federal Express, Airborne Express, UPS or any other national overnight express delivery service. The notice must be addressed to the party to whom the notice is given at its

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address set out in Section I of this Agreement or other address the receiving party has designated previously by proper notice to the sending party. Postage or delivery charges must be paid by the party giving the notice.

**8.0 NON-WAIVER:**

- 8.1 If either party fails to require the other to perform a term of this Agreement, that failure does not prevent the party from later enforcing that term and all other terms. If either party waives the other's breach of a term, that waiver does not waive a later breach of this Agreement.
- 8.2 An approval by the Director, or by any other employee or agent of the City, of any part of Contractor's performance does not waive compliance with this Agreement or establish a standard of performance other than that required by this Agreement and by law. The Director is not authorized to vary the terms of this Agreement.

**9.0 INSPECTIONS AND AUDITS:**

- 9.1 City representatives may perform, or have performed, (1) audits of Contractor's books and records, and (2) inspections of all places where work is undertaken in connection with this Agreement. Contractor shall keep its books and records available for this purpose for at least 4 years after this Agreement terminates. This provision does not affect the applicable statute of limitations.

**10.0 ENFORCEMENT:**

- 10.1 The City Attorney or his or her designee may enforce all legal rights and obligations under this Agreement without further authorization. Contractor shall provide to the City Attorney all documents and records that the City Attorney requests to assist in determining Contractor's compliance with this Agreement, with the exception of those documents made confidential by federal or State law or regulation.

**11.0 AMBIGUITIES:**

- 11.1 If any term of this Agreement is ambiguous, it shall not be construed for or against any party on the basis that the party did or did not write it.

**12.0 SURVIVAL:**

- 12.1 Contractor shall remain obligated to the City under all clauses of this Agreement that expressly or by their nature extend beyond the expiration or termination of this Agreement, including but not limited to, the indemnity provisions.

**13.0 PARTIES IN INTEREST:**

- 13.1 This Agreement does not bestow any rights upon any third party, but binds and benefits the City and Contractor only.

**14.0 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS:**

- 14.1 This Agreement binds and benefits the Parties and their legal successors and permitted assigns; however, this provision does not alter the restrictions on assignment and disposal of

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assets set out in the following paragraph. This Agreement does not create any personal liability on the part of any officer or agent of the City.

**15.0 BUSINESS STRUCTURE AND ASSIGNMENTS:**

15.1 Contractor shall not assign this Agreement at law or otherwise or dispose of all or substantially all of its assets without the City Purchasing Agent's or Director's prior written consent. Nothing in this clause, however, prevents the assignment of accounts receivable or the creation of a security interest under Section 9.406 (c) of the Texas Business & Commerce Code. In the case of such an assignment, Contractor shall immediately furnish the City with proof of the assignment and the name, telephone number, and address of the Assignee and a clear identification of the fees to be paid to the Assignee.

15.2 Contractor shall not delegate any portion of its performance under this Agreement without the City Purchasing Agent's or Director's prior written consent.

**16.0 REMEDIES CUMULATIVE:**

16.1 Unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this Agreement, the rights and remedies contained in this Agreement are not exclusive, but are cumulative of all rights and remedies which exist now or in the future. Neither party may terminate its duties under this Agreement except in accordance with its provisions.

**17.0 CONTRACTOR DEBT:**

17.1 If Contractor, at any time during the term of this agreement, incurs a debt, as the word is defined in Section 15-122 of the Houston City Code of Ordinances, it shall immediately notify the City Controller in writing. If the City Controller becomes aware that Contractor has incurred a debt, she shall immediately notify contractor in writing. If Contractor does not pay the debt within 30 days of either such notification, the City Controller may deduct funds in an amount equal to the debt from any payments owed to Contractor under this agreement, and Contractor waives any recourse therefor.

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**EXHIBIT "A"**  
**DEFINITIONS**

(Will Be Inserted In Original Contract)

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**EXHIBIT "B"**  
**SCOPE OF WORK**

(Will Be Inserted In Original Contract)

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**EXHIBIT "C"**  
**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

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**EXHIBIT "D"**  
**MWBE REQUIREMENTS**

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**EXHIBIT "E"**  
**DRUG POLICY COMPLIANCE AGREEMENT**

(Will Be Inserted In Original Contract)

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**EXHIBIT "F"**  
**CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION OF NO SAFETY IMPACT POSITIONS**  
**IN PERFORMANCE OF A CITY CONTRACT**

(Will Be Inserted In Original Contract)

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**EXHIBIT "G"**  
**DRUG POLICY COMPLIANCE DECLARATION**

(Will Be Inserted In Original Contract)

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**EXHIBIT "H"**  
**FEES AND COSTS**

(Will Be Inserted In Original Contract)

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**EXHIBIT "I"**  
**PAY OR PLAY PROGRAM**

(Will Be Inserted In Original Contract)

# **RESPONSIVENESS & RESPONSIBLENESS EVALUATION ASSESSMENT**

## **SOLICITATION NO.: S46-L24480**

To simplify the review process and to obtain the maximum degree of comparability, the Offeror(s) must provide the responses to the items set forth below and include this information as requested in their bid packet; to allow for the evaluation committee to conduct a thorough assessment of the Offeror(s) experience and capabilities. Moreover, Offeror(s) are encouraged to include additional relevant and supporting information to demonstrate their qualifications.

### **1.0 EXPERTISE/EXPERIENCE/QUALIFICATION STATEMENT:**

- 1.1 Provide a brief statement describing the Offeror's background information, history, resources and/or track record. Please limit to three (3) pages.
- 1.2 Provide an organizational chart of proposed team or staff for this project.
- 1.3 Provide resumes of key personnel whom will be responsible for the delivery of the services/project.
- 1.4 Provide copies of key personnel certifications and/or licenses.

### **2.0 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:**

- 2.1 Submit your company's audited annual financial statements, in accordance with and as defined in the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) regulation(s) for the past two years. In addition, include your and Dunn & Bradstreet Report or Federal Tax Forms Filed to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for the past two years.

### **3.0 SITE INSPECTION:**

- 3.1 The City of Houston reserves the right to inspect the bidder's current place of business to evaluate equipment condition and capabilities, staff experience, training and capabilities, and storage capabilities as they relate to the performance of this contract.

### **4.0 QUALITY AND WORKMANSHIP:**

- 4.1 The bidder must be able to demonstrate upon request that it has satisfactorily performed services similar to the services specified herein. The bidder will provide records of warranty and repair services upon request by City. The City of Houston shall be the sole judge as to whether the services performed are similar to the scope of services contained herein and whether the bidder is capable of performing such services.

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**EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS**  
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**1.0 EVALUATION SUMMARY:**

1.1 An evaluation committee will develop a short list of Offeror(s) based upon the initial review of each Bid received. The short listed Offeror(s) may be scheduled for a structured oral presentation, demonstration, site visit and/or interview. Such presentations will be at no cost to the City of Houston. At the end of the oral presentation, demonstration and/or interview, the evaluation of the short listed Offeror(s) will be completed. However, the evaluation committee reserves the right to issue letter(s) of clarity when deemed necessary to any or all Offeror(s). The oral presentations, demonstrations, site visits and/or interview may be recorded and/or videotaped.

**2.0 SELECTION PROCESS:**

2.1 The award of this Contract(s) will be made to the respondent(s) offering the response which best meets the needs of the City. The City may make investigations, as it deems necessary, to determine the capabilities of the Offeror(s) to create, modify and implement the required application modules. The Offeror(s) shall furnish to the City such data as the City may request for this purpose. The City reserves the right to reject any offer if the evidence submitted by or the investigation of the Offeror(s) fails to satisfy the City or the Offeror(s) is deemed unqualified to provide the services contemplated. Each Offeror will be evaluated on the basis of the following evaluation criteria that are listed in order of importance below:

2.1.1	Cost	35%
2.1.2	Expertise / Experience / Qualifications	30%
2.1.3	Financial Strength of Offeror	15%
2.1.5	M/WBE Participation	10%
2.1.4	Conformance to BVB Requirements	10%

\* Hire Houston First Preference Points (City Business = five (5) extra percentage points or Local Business = three (3) extra percentage points and Non-City and Non-Local Business will receive zero (0) extra percentage points).

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**EXHIBIT I – CONTRACTOR’S QUESTIONNAIRE**  
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In order to receive bid award consideration, the bidder must be able to demonstrate that they are currently providing or have had at least one contract, as a prime contractor, for the required Services that is similar in size and scope to this BVB requirements. Bidder must have references documenting that it has performed the required BVB services. The reference(s) should be included in the space provided below. Please attach another piece of paper if necessary. **Bidder’s capability and experience shall be evaluated and a factor in determining the Contractor’s responsibility.**

**LIST OF PREVIOUS CUSTOMERS**

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contract Award Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contract Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Project Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contract Award Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contract Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Project Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contract Award Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Contract Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contract Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Project Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



**EXHIBIT II – MINORITY/WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES  
CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS  
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**EXHIBIT II – ATTACHMENT “A”: SCHEDULE OF M/WBE PARTICIPATION  
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DATE OF REPORT: \_\_\_\_\_

BID NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

FORMAL BID TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF MINORITY/WOMEN SUBCONTRACTOR	OFFICE OF BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY CERTIFICATION NO.	STREET ADDRESS AND CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	TELEPHONE NO.	SCOPE OF WORK	AGREE PRICE
TOTAL.....					\$ _____
M/WBE PARTICIPATION AMOUNT.....					\$ _____%
TOTAL BID AMOUNT.....					\$ _____

**EXHIBIT II – ATTACHMENT “A” (CONTINUED): SCHEDULE OF M/WBE PARTICIPATION  
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IF YOU HAVE USED YOUR BEST EFFORTS TO CARRY OUT THE CITY’S M/WBE POLICY BY SEEKING SUBCONTRACTS AND SUPPLY AGREEMENTS WITH MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, YET FAILED TO MEET THE STATED PERCENTAGE GOAL OF THIS BID DOCUMENT, LIST BELOW YOUR GOOD FAITH EFFORTS FOR COMPLIANCE (DEFINITION OF REQUIREMENTS CAN BE OBTAINED THROUGH OFFICE OF BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY AT (713) 837-9000).


THE UNDERSIGNED WILL ENTER INTO A FORMAL AGREEMENT WITH THE MINORITY AND/OR WOMEN SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS LISTED IN THIS SCHEDULE CONDITIONED UPON AWARD OF A CONTRACT FROM THE CITY.

**NOTE:**  
ALL FIRMS LISTED ABOVE MUST BE CERTIFIED (OR ELIGIBLE FOR CERTIFICATION) BY THE OFFICE OF BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY.  
THIS SCHEDULE OF M/WBE PARTICIPATION SHOULD BE RETURNED, IN DUPLICATE, WITH THE BID FORM.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**BIDDER COMPANY NAME**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER OR AGENT OF BIDDER**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**TITLE**

**EXHIBIT II – ATTACHMENT “B”: M/WBE LETTER OF INTENT  
SOLICITATION NO.: S46-L24480**

THIS AGREEMENT IS SUBJECT TO BINDING ARBITRATION ACCORDING TO THE TEXAS GENERAL ARBITRATION ACT.

TO: **City of Houston**  
**City Purchasing Agent**

**MINORITY/WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (M/WBE) AND SUPPLIER**

**LETTER OF INTENT**

Contract Bid Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Bid Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Bid Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

M/WBE Participation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **M/WBE GOAL** \_\_\_\_\_%

1. \_\_\_\_\_ agrees to perform work/supply goods and/or  
**(Name of Minority/Women Business Enterprise)**  
Services in connection with the above-named contract and \_\_\_\_\_ as:  
**Name of Prime Contractor**

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ An Individual
- (b) \_\_\_\_\_ A Partnership
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_ A Corporation
- (d) \_\_\_\_\_ A Joint Venture

2. \_\_\_\_\_ status is confirmed by M/WBE Directory made  
**(Name of Minority/Women Business Enterprise)**  
available through the City of Houston Office of Business Opportunity. Certificate No.: \_\_\_\_\_.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Name of Prime Contractor)** **(Minority/Women Business Enterprise)**  
intend to work on the above-named contract in accordance with the M/WBE Participation Section of the City of Houston Contract Bid Provision.

The Terms & Conditions of Attachment “C” attached hereto are incorporated into this Letter of Intent for all purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed -- Prime Contractor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed -- Minority/Women Business Enterprise)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

