REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Services
R20- 027 NS

Date issued: February 10, 2020

PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES

THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS
The City of Colorado Springs requests proposals, as detailed in this Request for Proposal (RFP), for Professional Auditing Services.

This Proposal is posted to Rocky Mountain E- Purchasing (BidNetDirect.com) as well as the City’s Procurement Portal- Bonfire.

SUBMITTALS FOR THIS PROJECT WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE BONFIRE PROCUREMENT PLATFORM PRIOR TO THE PROPOSAL CLOSING.

Please login to the following website to register (Free Registration) to submit a proposal for this project. All required documents will be uploaded to the website

https://coloradospringsgov.bonfirehub.com/login
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SECTION I – PROPOSAL INFORMATION

1.0 PROPOSAL INFORMATION

Section I provides general information to potential Offerors, such as proposal submission instructions and other similar administrative elements. This RFP is available on Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing System (www.rockymountainbidsystem.com) and Bonfire Procurement Platform (https://coloradospringsgov.bonfirehub.com/projects). All addenda or amendments shall be issued through the Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing System and Bonfire Platform and may not be available through any other source.

1.1 RFP SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The upcoming schedule of events is as follows:

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<td>Cut Off Date for Questions</td>
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Questions about the RFP must be emailed in writing and directed to Nicole Spindler, at the following email address: Nicole.Spindler@coloradosprings.gov. A written response to any inquiry may be provided in the form of an Amendment to the solicitation. See 1.7 Amendments. Questions must be received no later than Date.

DO NOT CONTACT ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL AT THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS REGARDING THIS SOLICITATION.

The only acceptable method of submitting questions is by email to the Contracting Specialist. Faxes or physical mail delivery are not acceptable.

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1.2 SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL

Proposals are to be submitted electronically on the Bonfire Procurement Platform (https://coloradospringsgov.bonfirehub.com)

***************NO LATE OFFERS WILL BE ACCEPTED***************

Date/Time: Proposals shall be received on or before Time MST, Day, March 12, 2020.

1.3 NUMBER OF COPIES

The Offerors shall submit two (2) electronic copies on the Bonfire Procurement Platform (https://coloradospringsgov.bonfirehub.com/login).

One (1) copy of your proposal must be submitted for public viewing and should be marked ‘PUBLIC’. The purpose of this copy is to meet the requirements of the Colorado Open Records Act and should not contain your proprietary information.

Upon submission, all proposal documents shall become and remain the property of the City of Colorado Springs.

1.4 SPECIAL TERMS

Please note the following definitions of terms as used herein:

The term “City” means the City of Colorado Springs.

The term “Contractor” or “Consultant” means the Offeror whose offer is accepted and is awarded the contract to provide the products or services specified in the RFP.

The term “Offer” means the proposal.

The term “Offeror” means the person, firm, or corporation that submits a formal proposal or offer and that may or may not be successful in being awarded the contract.

The term “Project” refers to Professional Auditing Services R20-027 NS.

The term “Request for Proposal” or “RFP” means this solicitation of a formal, negotiable proposal/offer. Any offer that is accepted will be the offer that is deemed by the City of Colorado Springs to be most advantageous in terms of the criteria designated in the RFP.

1.5 RFP OBJECTIVE
The objective of this RFP is to provide sufficient information to enable qualified Offerors to submit written proposals to the City of Colorado Springs. The RFP is not a contractual offer or commitment to purchase products or services. The Offeror may present options and variables to the scope while still meeting the minimum requirements of this solicitation. Innovative proposals/solutions are encouraged and considered in the selection and/or award.

All information included in proposals must be legible. Any and all corrections and or erasures must be initialed by Offeror. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cover letter signed by an authorized representative of the Offeror. The contents of the proposal submitted by the successful Offeror may become part of any contract awarded as a result of this solicitation.

1.6 CONFIDENTIAL OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

If an Offeror believes that parts of an offer are confidential, then the Offeror must so specify. The Offeror must include in bold letters the term “CONFIDENTIAL” on that part of the offer which the Offeror believes to be confidential. The Offeror must submit in writing specific detailed reasons, including any relevant legal authority, stating why the Offeror believes the material to be confidential. Vague and general claims as to confidentiality will not be accepted. The City of Colorado Springs will be the sole judge as to whether a claim is acceptable. Decisions regarding the confidentiality of information will be made when requests are made to make the information public. All offers and parts of offers, which are not marked as confidential, will automatically be considered public information after the contract is awarded. The successful offer may be considered public information even though parts are marked confidential.

1.7 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this RFP may be issued at any time prior to the time set for receipt of proposals. Offerors are required to acknowledge receipt of any amendments issued to this RFP by returning a signed copy of each amendment issued. Signed copies of each amendment must be received on or before the time set for receipt of offers.

The City of Colorado Springs will post all amendments on Bonfire (https://coloradospringsgov.bonfirehub.com). It is the Offeror’s responsibility to check the website for posted amendments or contact the Contracts Specialist listed to confirm the number of amendments which have been issued.

1.8 WITHDRAWAL OR MODIFICATION OF OFFERS

Any Offeror may modify or withdraw an offer in writing at any time prior to the deadline for submission of an offer.
1.9 **ACCEPTANCE**

Any offer received and not withdrawn shall be considered an offer, which may be accepted by the City of Colorado Springs based on initial submission without discussions or negotiations.

By submitting an offer in response to this solicitation, the Offeror agrees that any offer it submits may be accepted by the City of Colorado Springs at any time within 90 calendar days from the date of submission deadline.

The City of Colorado Springs reserves the right (a) to reject any or all offers, (b) to waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and/or (c) to accept any portion of an offer if deemed in the best interest of the City of Colorado Springs. Failure of the Offeror to provide in its offer any information requested in the RFP may result in rejection of the offer for non-responsiveness.

1.10 **PROPOSAL PREPARATION COST**

The cost of proposal preparation is not a reimbursable cost. Proposal preparation shall be at the Offeror’s sole expense and is the Offeror’s total and sole responsibility.

1.11 **AWARD**

The City of Colorado Springs intends to make an award using the evaluation criteria listed in this RFP to determine the best value, considering all factors and criteria in the proposals submitted. Best value means the expected outcome of an acquisition that, in the City’s estimation, provides the greatest overall benefit in response to the requirements detailed in the RFP. The City of Colorado Springs reserves the right to reject any or all offers and to not make an award.

1.12 **PERFORMANCE PERIOD**

The performance period of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP is anticipated to be as follows.

- **Base Period:** July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2023
- **Option Period 1:** July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024
- **Option Period 2:** July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025
- **Option Period 3:** July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

1.13 **DEBRIEFING**

Offerors not selected may request a debriefing on the selection process as well as discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of their proposal upon receipt of notification that their offer was not selected.
A debriefing may be scheduled by contacting the Contracts Specialist listed above. The Contracts Specialist must receive a written request for debriefing no later than ten (10) calendar days after issuance of a notification that the Offeror’s offer was not selected.

1.14 SUBSTANTIVE PROPOSALS

By responding to this RFP, the Offeror certifies (a) that Offeror’s proposal is genuine and is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, an undisclosed person, firm, or corporation; (b) that Offeror has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other offerors to put in a false or sham proposal; (c) that Offeror has not solicited or induced any other person, firm, or corporation to refrain or abstain from proposing an offer or proposal; (d) that Offeror has not sought by collusion to obtain for themselves any advantage over any other offerors or over the City of Colorado Springs; and (e) that Offeror has not violated or caused any person to violate, and shall not violate or cause any person to violate, the City’s Code of Ethics contained in Article 3, of Chapter 1 of the City Code and in the City’s Procurement Rules and Regulations.

1.15 OFFEROR’S QUALIFICATIONS

Each Offeror must complete Exhibit 6 – Qualification Statement.

No contract will be awarded to any Offeror who is in arrears to the City, upon any debt or contract, or who is in default, in any capacity, upon any obligation to the City or is deemed to be irresponsible or unreliable by the City based on past performance.

1.16 NON-COLORADO ENTITIES

If Offeror is a foreign entity, Offeror shall comply with C.R.S. section 7-90-801, “Authority to transact business or conduct activities required,” and section 7-90-802, “Consequences of transacting business or conducting activities without authority.”

Before or at the time that the contract is awarded to an entity organized or operating outside the State of Colorado, such entity shall obtain authorization to do business in the State of Colorado, designate a place of business herein, and appoint an agent for service of process.

Such entity must furnish the City of Colorado Springs with a certificate from the Secretary of the State of Colorado to the effect that a certificate of authority to do business in the State of Colorado has been issued by that office and is still valid. The entity shall also provide the City with a certified copy of the designation of place of business and appointment of agent for service of process from the
Colorado Secretary of State, or a letter from the Colorado Secretary of State that such designation of place of business and agent for service of process has been made.

1.17 PROCUREMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

All projects advertised by the City of Colorado Springs are solicited in accordance with the City’s Procurement Rules and Regulations. The City’s Procurement Rules and Regulations can be reviewed and/or downloaded from the City website www.coloradosprings.gov. The Contracts Specialist may also provide a softcopy of the Rules and Regulations upon request. Any discrepancies regarding conflicting statements, decisions, irregularities, clauses, or specifications will be rectified utilizing the City’s Procurement Rules and Regulations, when applicable. It is the Offeror’s responsibility to advise the Contracts Specialist listed in this RFP of any perceived discrepancies prior to the date and time the offer is due.

1.18 FAIR TREATMENT OF OFFERORS

The City Procurement Services Division shall be responsible for ensuring the procurement of products, commodities, and services are in a manner that affords all responsible businesses a fair and equal opportunity to compete. If an Offeror believes that a procurement is not conducted in a fair and equitable manner, the Offeror is encouraged to inform the City Procurement Services Manager as soon as possible.

1.19 ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Any inconsistency in this solicitation shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

(a) Sections I-IV of this Solicitation
(b) Statement of Work
(c) Other Appendices, Schedules, Exhibits, or Attachments

1.20 RESERVED

1.21 INTERPRETATION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

Any change to proposal forms, plans, or specifications prior to the opening of proposals will be issued by the City in the form of an Amendment. Certain individuals may be named in the RFP that have authority to provide information, clarification or interpretation to Offerors prior to opening of proposals. Information obtained from persons other than those named individuals is invalid and shall not be used for proposal purposes.
1.22 COMBINATION OR CONDITIONAL PROPOSALS

If an RFP is issued for projects in combination and separately, the Offeror may submit proposals either on the combination or on separate units of the combination. The City reserves the right to make awards on combination or separate proposals to the advantage of the City. Combination proposals will be considered, only when specified.

1.23 ANTI-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

The Offeror by signing their proposal submitted to the City is certifying that the Offeror has not participated in any collusion or taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding. This statement may also be in the form of an affidavit provided by the City and signed by the Offeror. The original of the signed anti-collusion affidavit, if separately required and provided with the RFP, shall be submitted with the proposal. The proposal will be rejected if it does not contain the completed anti-collusion affidavit.

SECTION II – PROPOSAL CONTENT

2.0 PROPOSAL CONTENT

Section II provides instructions regarding the format and content required for proposals submitted in response to this solicitation.

2.1 PROPOSAL FORMAT

Offeror's written proposal should include concise, but complete, information, emphasizing why the Offeror is best or best qualified to provide the required services. The Offeror’s written proposal should include the information in the format outlined below and must be limited to no more than twenty-five (25) pages. A page shall be defined as 8-1/2" x 11": single sided, with one inch margins, and a minimum font of Times New Roman 10. The only exception to the 8-1/2" x 11” paper size is the proposed project schedule. It may be submitted on 11” x 17” paper. Each 11” x 17” page for the schedule shall be counted in the overall page limitations above. Each section of the proposal should be labeled to clearly follow the requirements sections identified in this section of the RFP. The following listed Exhibits must be filled out and returned with the proposal and are not counted against the page limit:

- Exhibit 1 Proposal Certification
- Exhibit 3 Exceptions
- Exhibit 4 Minimum Insurance Requirements Checklist
- Exhibit 6 Qualifications Statement
- Schedule A Fee Schedule
Addenda, if issued

2.2 COVER LETTER

The cover letter shall be no more than three pages. The cover letter shall contain at least the following information.

A. RFP Number and Project Name.
B. Statement that the Offeror is qualified to perform the work.
C. Certification Statement that the information and data submitted are true and complete to the best knowledge of the individual signing the letter.
D. Name, telephone number, email address, and physical address of the individual to contact regarding the proposal.
E. The signature of an authorized principal, partner, or officer of the Offeror.

2.3 PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION

The Offeror must fill out and submit Exhibit 1 with its Proposal.

2.4 TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

This section of the Proposal will reflect the grade of service offered by the Proposer. It will also reflect the Proposer’s reliability and ability to meet Proposal specifications plus the Proposer's willingness to supply the most efficient and effective system possible. Provide a brief history and overview of your company and its organizational structure, with special emphasis on your understanding of the project and how your company proposes to fulfill the needs of the City including the following information:

A. Name, mailing address, e-mail address, telephone, and fax number of the firm.
B. Type of organization (individual, partnership, corporation, or other).
C. Principals of your firm.
D. Independence. The firm should provide an affirmative statement that it is independent of the City, as defined by generally accepted auditing standards and the U.S. General Accounting Office's "Government Auditing Standards".

The firm should also provide an affirmative statement that it is independent of all of the component units of the City as defined by those same standards.

The firm should also list and describe the firm's professional relationships involving the City, any of its agencies, component units, their oversight units, for the past five years together with a statement explaining why such relationships do not constitute a conflict of interest relative to performing the proposed audit.

In addition, the firm shall give the City written notice of any professional relationships entered into during the period of this agreement.
E. License to Practice in Colorado. An affirmative statement should be included indicating that the firm and all assigned key professional staff are or will be properly licensed to practice as a CPA in Colorado.

F. General Requirements.

The purpose of the technical proposal is to demonstrate the qualifications, competence and capacity of the firms seeking to undertake an independent audit of the City in conformity with the requirements of this RFP. As such, the substance of proposals will carry more weight than their form or manner of presentation. The technical proposal should demonstrate the qualifications of the firm and of the particular staff to be assigned to this engagement. It should clearly demonstrate and provide the mandatory elements required in Exhibit 5, Statement of Work. It should also specify an audit approach that will meet the RFP's requirements.

2.5 STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Quality of personnel is of critical importance in the City of Colorado Springs' decision-making process for awarding this contract. State why your firm is well qualified to provide the services to the City outlined in Exhibit 5, Statement of Work.

A. The audit firm is independent and licensed to practice in Colorado.

B. The audit firm's professional personnel have received continuing professional education within the preceding two years per regulatory standards.

C. The firm has no conflict of interest with regard to any other work performed by the firm for the City.

D. The firm has been reviewed in an external quality review process within the past three years and submits a copy of its most recent external quality control review report.

E. The audit firm has had at least 3 years' experience in auditing governmental entities which are at least comparable in size and complexity to the City.

F. The firm has audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports which have received the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting and provides a list of clients who received that award during the most recent fiscal year.

G. The proposal should state the size of the firm, the size of the firm's governmental audit staff, the location of the office from which the work on this engagement is to be performed, and the number and nature of the professional staff to be employed in this engagement on a full-time basis and the number and nature of the staff to be so employed on a part-time basis.

H. The proposal should state the specific experience the firm has with airport audits to include familiarity with airport operations, FAA grants and regulations and PFC accounting/regulations.
I. If the proposer is a joint venture or consortium, the qualifications of each firm comprising the joint venture or consortium should be separately identified and the firm that is to serve as the principal auditor should be noted, if applicable.

J. The firm is also required to submit a copy of the report on its most recent external quality control review with a statement whether that quality control review included a review of specific government engagements.

K. The firm shall also provide information on the results of any federal or state desk reviews or field reviews of its audits during the past three years. In addition, the firm shall provide information on the circumstances and status of any disciplinary action taken or pending against the firm during the past three years with state regulatory bodies or professional organizations.

2.6 PARTNER, SUPERVISORY, AND STAFF QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

The firm should identify the principal supervisory and management staff including engagement partners, managers, other supervisors and specialists, who would be assigned to the engagement and indicate whether each such person is licensed to practice as a certified public accountant in Colorado. The firm should also provide information on the government auditing experience of each person, including information on relevant continuing professional education for the past two years and membership in professional organizations relevant to the performance of this audit.

The firm should provide as much information as possible regarding the number, qualifications, experience and training including relevant continuing professional education of the specific staff to be assigned to this engagement. The firm should also indicate how the quality of staff over the term of the agreement will be assured.

2.7 SIMILAR ENGAGEMENTS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

For the firm’s office that will be assigned responsibility for the audit, list the most significant engagements (maximum of 5) performed in the last three years that are similar to the engagement described in this RFP. These engagements should be ranked on the basis of total staff hours. Indicate the scope of work, date, engagement partners, total hours, and the name and telephone number of the principal client contact.

2.8 SPECIFIC AUDIT APPROACH

The proposal should set forth a work plan, including an explanation of the audit methodology to be followed, to perform the services required in Exhibit 5, Statement of Work of this RFP. In developing the work plan, reference should be made to such sources of information as the City’s budget and related materials, organizational charts, manuals and programs, and financial and other
management information systems. Proposers will be required to provide the following information on their audit approach:

A. Proposed segmentation of the engagement.
B. Level of staff and number of hours to be assigned to each proposed segment of the engagement.
C. Sample sizes and the extent to which statistical sampling is to be used in the engagement.
D. Type and extent of analytical procedures to be used in the engagement.
E. Approach to be taken to gain and document an understanding of the City’s internal control structure.
F. Approach to be taken in determining laws and regulations that will be subject to audit test work.
G. Approach to be taken in drawing audit samples for purposes of tests of compliance.

2.9 IDENTIFICATION OF ANTICIPATED POTENTIAL AUDIT PROBLEMS
The proposal should identify and describe any anticipated potential audit problems, the firm’s approach to resolving these problems and any special assistance that will be requested from the City.

2.10 SAMPLE REPORTING
The proposal should include sample formats for required reports.

2.11 FINANCIAL PROPOSAL
Identify the proposed method of compensation. Appendix A shall also be included as part of the financial proposal submittal.

A. A total all-inclusive maximum price for the City. There should also be an anticipated all-inclusive maximum price for each of the subsequent years. This amount would be negotiated annually based on changes in the size and complexity of the accounting records.

B. Rates by Partner, Specialist, Supervisory and Staff Level Times Hours Anticipated for each. The second page of the bid should include a schedule of professional fees and expenses presented in the format provided in Appendix A that supports the total all-inclusive maximum price. The cost of special services should be disclosed as separate components of the total all-inclusive maximum price.

C. Rates for Additional Professional Services. If it should become necessary for the City to request the auditor to render any additional services to either supplement the services requested in this RFP or to perform additional work as a result of the specific recommendations included in any report issued on this engagement, then such additional work shall be performed only if set forth in an addendum to the contract between the City and the firm. Any such additional work agreed to
between the City and the firm shall be performed at the same rates set forth in the schedule of fees and expenses included in the cost bid.

D. Manner of Payment. Progress payments will be made on the basis of hours of work completed during the course of the engagement and out-of-pocket expenses incurred in accordance with the firm's dollar cost bid proposal. Interim billings shall cover a period of not less than a calendar month. Ten percent (10%) may be withheld from each billing pending delivery of the firm's final reports.

E. A total of 250 hours of internal audit staff time will be provided as support to the audit firm selected.

2.12 PROPOSAL PRESENTATION

Presentation is an important factor. Offerors should provide a highly professional product, which is complete, accurate, easily understood, and effectively presented.

2.13 EXCEPTIONS

All Offerors must complete Exhibit 3, Exceptions Form and return it with their proposal. Some terms and conditions are not negotiable. Exceptions may be grounds for rendering the proposal unacceptable without further discussions.

2.14 INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

All Offerors must complete Exhibit 4, Minimum Insurance Requirements and return with their proposal. Lack of responsiveness in this area may be grounds for rendering the proposal unacceptable without further discussions.
SECTION III – EVALUATION FACTORS

3.0 EVALUATION AND AWARD

Section III provides information regarding evaluation criteria and scoring. It also includes information regarding proposal selection and award of the resultant contract.

3.1 EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following criteria listed in order of importance will be used in the evaluation of proposals. This is a competitive procurement for professional audit services. The financial proposal is an important factor, but the successful proposal will be the one that offers the City the best combination of financial proposal, qualifications, and effectiveness at addressing the scope of work. The selection committee will judge the merits of the proposals received and may or may not conduct interviews for final selection. Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria listed in order of importance:

3.1.1 EXPERTISE AND QUALIFICATIONS
   See Section II - Items 2.4 – 2.7

3.1.2 APPROACH AND AUDIT REPORTING
   See Section II - Items 2.8 – 2.10

3.1.3 FINANCIAL PROPOSAL
   See Section II – Item 2.11

3.1.4 PROPOSAL PRESENTATION
   See Section II – Item 2.12

3.1.5 EXCEPTIONS AND INSURANCE
   See Section II – Items 2.13 and 2.14

3.2 RANKING

A. The order of ranking or importance in the evaluation shall be as follows:

   First: Expertise and Qualifications
   Second: Approach
   Third: Financial Proposal
   Fourth: Proposal Presentation Area

B. Possible scores for each criterion shall be as follows: see sample score sheet
C. Definitions for scoring are as follows:

1. **The following apply to the Expertise/Qualifications and Approach Areas:**

   Exceptional – The proposal meets all and exceeds many of the requirements of the RFP to the benefit of the City, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer all questions without need for further inquiry. There are no corrective actions required, and no compromise of requirements is needed.

   Very Good -- The proposal meets all and exceeds some of the requirements of the RFP to the benefit of the City, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer most questions without need for further inquiry. There are no corrective actions required, and no compromise of requirements is needed.

   Satisfactory -- The proposal meets the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer many questions without need for further inquiry. There are very few corrective actions required, and no substantive compromise of requirements is needed.

   Marginal -- The proposal does not meet some of the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to require some clarification. There are some corrective actions required, and some non-substantive compromise of requirements is needed.

   Unacceptable -- The proposal does not meet many of the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to require much clarification. There are many corrective actions required, and substantive compromise of requirements is needed.

2. **The following apply to the Financial Proposal Area:**

   Exceptional – The proposal meets all and exceeds many of the requirements of the RFP to the benefit of the City, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer all questions without need for further inquiry. There are no corrective actions required, and no compromise of requirements is needed. The price is lower than the budget amount and/or the average price of the competition.

   Very Good -- The proposal meets all and exceeds some of the requirements of the RFP to the benefit of the City, and the information provided is of such a nature as to answer most questions without need for further inquiry. There are no corrective actions required, and no compromise of requirements is needed. The price is lower than the budget amount and/or the average price of the competition.

   Satisfactory -- The proposal meets the requirements of the RFP, and the
information provided is of such a nature as to answer many questions without need for further inquiry. There are very few corrective actions required, and no substantive compromise of requirements is needed. The price is very close to the budget amount and/or the average price of the competition.

Marginal -- The proposal does not meet some of the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to require some clarification. There are some corrective actions required, and some non-substantive compromise of requirements is needed. The price exceeds the budget amount and/or the average price of the competition.

Unacceptable -- The proposal does not meet many of the requirements of the RFP, and the information provided is of such a nature as to require much clarification. There are many corrective actions required, and substantive compromise of requirements is needed. The price significantly exceeds the budget amount and/or the average price of the competition.

3. The following apply to the Proposal Presentation Area:

Exceptional – The proposal is professionally communicated, complete in all areas, provides sufficient detail, and is presented in a clear and effective manner. The quality far exceeds that of the competition, industry standard, or reasonable expectation.

Very Good -- The proposal is professionally communicated, complete in all areas, provides sufficient detail, and is presented in a clear and effective manner. The quality exceeds that of the competition, industry standard, or reasonable expectation.

Satisfactory -- The proposal is professionally communicated, complete in all areas, provides sufficient detail, and is presented in a clear and effective manner. The quality is equal to that of the competition, industry standard, or reasonable expectation.

Marginal -- The proposal is not professionally communicated and is incomplete in some areas, provides insufficient detail, and is not presented in a clear and effective manner. The quality is below that of the competition, industry standard, or reasonable expectation.

Unacceptable -- The proposal is not professionally communicated and is incomplete in many areas, provides insufficient detail, and is not presented in a clear and effective manner. The quality is far below that of the competition,
industry standard, or reasonable expectation.

D. Area Scoring

The score for each area will be determined by multiplying the sum of the criteria in each area by the area evaluation factor. The area evaluation factors are as follows:

Expertise/Qualifications Area: .35
Approach Area: .30
Financial Proposal Area: .25
Proposal Presentation Area: .10

E. Final/Overall Scoring

The final proposal score will be determined by adding the area scoring. The sum of the area scores will be the final/overall score.

3.3 SELECTION COMMITTEE

A selection committee will review all proposals. Through this process, the City will determine which proposals are acceptable or unacceptable. The City will notify, in writing, the Offerors whose proposals are deemed to be unacceptable. Those Offerors offering proposals deemed to be acceptable by the City will be evaluated and scored by the selection committee. This scoring will determine which Offerors are considered to be in the competitive range and may be the basis for an award decision without further steps.

If the selection committee elects not to award based upon evaluation scoring, it may engage in a forced elimination process. To inform this process, it may require oral presentations or interviews with the Offerors considered to be in the competitive range. If oral presentations or interviews are conducted, they may also be scored, or they may simply be considered as information supporting the forced elimination process. The selection committee may request revisions to the proposal from each of the Offerors at the conclusion of the interviews. The intent of the forced elimination process is to reach consensus. The decision will be based on all relevant factors, and based upon perception of best value. The final decision may or may not exactly reflect scoring ranking.

The City also reserves the right to request best and final offers from all Offerors at any point in the proposal evaluation process.

3.4 AWARD OF CONTRACT

It is anticipated that there will be negotiations or discussions with Offerors. However, the City reserves the right to award without negotiations or discussions. The City also reserves the right to award a contract not necessarily or merely to
the Offeror with the most advantageous price. The City intends to award to the Offeror that demonstrates the best value to the City and the most substantiated ability to fulfill the requirements contained in this Request for Proposal. A contract prepared by the City will be finalized and/or negotiated with the successful Offeror. In the event a contract cannot be negotiated with the top ranked Offeror, the City may enter into negotiations with the second highest ranked Offeror, or the City may decide to call for new proposals. Immediately after the notice of award, the successful Offeror will begin planning in conjunction with the City of Colorado Springs staff (to be designated by the City) to ensure fulfillment of all its obligations. The successful Offeror may be expected to attend regular meetings as required by the City to assist in the preparation for startup.
SECTION IV – SPECIAL CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

4.0  SPECIAL CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS/SPECIAL SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

In addition to the special contract terms and conditions listed below, the City’s sample contract, see Exhibit 2, contains contract terms and conditions.

4.1  OPTION TO EXTEND SERVICES
The City shall have the unilateral option of extending services beyond the term of the original contract and any available renewal options, not to exceed a total of six (6) months if additional time is necessary to solicit and award a new contract. Options to extend services shall be exercised upon written notification (mailed or otherwise furnished) to the contractor at least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the expiration date of the current contract.

4.2  EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT
If the successful or selected respondent does not execute an agreement within 10 days of offer by the City, the City may give notice of the City’s intent to select the next most qualified respondent or call for new proposals, whichever the City deems most appropriate.

4.3  INTEGRATION
This is a completely integrated contract and contains the entire Agreement between the parties. Prior written or oral agreements if any, shall be deemed of no effect and shall not be binding upon either party, unless incorporated by reference into the resultant contract. This contract may not be amended except in writing signed by all parties to the contract.

4.4  FAILURE TO COMPLETE WORK ON TIME, LIQUIDATED DAMAGES
If the Contractor fails to fully perform and complete the work in conformity to the provisions and conditions of the contract within the specified time limit set forth in the contract, specifically on Schedule for Audits/Deliverables, including any extensions granted hereto, the Contractor shall pay to the City for each calendar day of delay until such time the contract is complete, liquidated damages in the amount of $500 per day. The amounts shown are considered to be liquidated damages to reimburse the City for the additional cost of repetitive work and contract administration services and in no case are considered a penalty.

4.5  REPETITIVE WORK, LIQUIDATED DAMAGES
If the Contractor continuously asks for information more than once, the City reserves the right to charge liquidated damages in the amount of $50.00 per hour for each occurrence. If there is a consistent trend of such occurrences the City will take these into consideration when evaluating their right to exercise future options.

4.6  PIGGY BACK PROVISIONS
Other governmental agencies may be extended the opportunity to utilize the resultant award at the bid price(s) with the agreement of the successful Respondent. Requests for participation will be coordinated by the applicable governmental agency, and that agency will be responsible for issuing their contractual document(s).
### SECTION V – EXHIBITS

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EXHIBIT 1 PROPOSAL CERTIFICATION

Check or Mark the space after each number to indicate compliance.

1. ______ Address of Offeror’s Principal Place of Business:

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Does Offeror have an established office or facility in Colorado Springs?
Yes _____ No _____

If yes, indicate address below if different than Principal Place of Business.

Colorado Springs Facility - Year established ___________

Address of Colorado Springs Facility:
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

Percent of Work to be Performed from Principal Place of Business? ______

Percent of Work to be Performed from Colorado Springs Facility? ______

2. ______ Indicate your ability to provide a certificate of insurance evidencing the required coverage types and limits specified in Minimum Insurance Requirements Exhibit. (The certificate of insurance must reflect the City of Colorado Springs as an Additional Insured, as applicable.)

Indicate your ability to comply with the following requirements:

The City shall be added as an Additional Insured to all liability policies:
Yes _____ No _____

Your property and liability insurance company is licensed to do business in Colorado:
Yes _____ No _____
Provide the name of your property and liability insurance company here:

Name: ___________________________________________________________

Your property and liability insurance company has an AM best rating of not less than B+ and/or VII:

Yes _____ No _____

Worker’s Compensation Insurance is carried for all employees and covers work done in Colorado.

Yes _____ No _____

3. N/A _____ Provide one (1) copy of current financial statements (if required). Enclose financial information in a separate envelope; do not bind with the other proposal copies. If review of the information is to be restricted to the City’s financial officer, it must be marked accordingly. Financial Statements may be requested of short listed firms.

4. _____ Provide the completed and signed proposal. (Proposals must be identified as specified in this RFP document). All required Exhibits are attached.

By signing below, the Offeror certifies that no person or firm other than the Offeror or as otherwise indicated has any interest whatsoever in this offer or any Contract that may be entered into as a result of this offer and that in all respects the offer is legal and firm, submitted in good faith without collusion or fraud.

Offeror has appointed __________________ as the Offeror’s representative and contact for all questions or clarifications in regard to this Offeror.

Telephone: (___) ____________

Email: ___________________

The undersigned acknowledges and understands the terms, conditions, Specifications and all Requirements contained and/or referenced and are legally authorized by the Offeror to make the above statements or representations.

(Name of Company) (Signature)

(Address) Date

(City, State and Zip) (Telephone Number)
Offeror hereby acknowledges receipt of the following amendments, if applicable.
Offeror agrees that it is bound by all Amendments identified herein.

AMENDMENT #1 DATED: 
AMENDMENT #2 DATED: 
AMENDMENT #3 DATED: 
AMENDMENT #4 DATED: 
AMENDMENT #5 DATED: 

Please Note the attached Representations and Certifications must be initialed by Offeror in the spaces provided and returned with this certification.
1. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Offeror shall comply with all insurance requirements and will submit the Insurance Certificates prior to performance start date. If limits are different from the stated amounts, Offeror shall explain variance. Certain endorsements and “additionally insured” statements may require further clarification and specific statements on a project specific basis and should have been described in the Offeror’s proposal.

2. ETHICS VIOLATIONS

a) The Offeror shall have in place and follow reasonable procedures designed to prevent and detect possible violations described in this clause in its own operations and direct business relationships.

b) Offeror certifies the Offeror has not violated or caused any person to violate, and shall not violate or cause any person to violate, the City’s Code of Ethics contained in Article 3, of Chapter 1 of the City Code and in the City’s Procurement Rules and Regulations.

c) When the Offeror has reasonable grounds to believe that a violation described in this clause may have occurred, the Offeror shall promptly report the possible violation to the City Contracts Specialist in writing.

d) The Offeror must disclose with the signing of this proposal, the name of any officer, director, or agent who is also an employee of the City and any City employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of ten percent (10%) or more in the Offeror’s firm or any of its branches.

e) In addition, the Offeror must report any conflict or apparent conflict, current or discovered during the performance of the Contract, to the City Contracts Specialist.

f) The Offeror shall not engage in providing gifts, meals or other amenities to City employees. The right of the Offeror to proceed may be terminated by written notice issued by City Contracts Specialist if Offeror offered or gave a gratuity to an officer, official, or employee of the City and intended by the gratuity to obtain a contract or favorable treatment under a contract.

g) The Offeror shall cooperate fully with the City or any agency investigating a possible violation on behalf of the City. If any violation is determined, the Offeror will properly compensate the City.

h) The Offeror agrees to incorporate the substance of this clause (after substituting “Contractor” for “Offeror”) in all subcontracts under this offer.
3. ILLEGAL ALIENS

If Offeror has any employees or subcontractors, Offeror shall comply with § 8-17.5-101, et seq., C.R.S. regarding Illegal Aliens – Public Contracts for Services, and this section of this Agreement. 8-17.5-102 includes, in part, that:

1. Offeror shall not:
   a. Knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien to perform work under this Agreement; or
   b. Enter into a contract with a subcontractor that fails to certify to Offeror that the subcontractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien to perform work under this Agreement.

2. Offeror has verified or attempted to verify that Offeror does not employ any illegal aliens and, will participate in the E-Verify Program or State Department program in order to confirm eligibility of all employees who are newly hired to perform work under public contract for services.

3. Offeror will not use E-Verify Program or State Department program procedures to undertake pre-employment screening of job applicants while the public contract for services is being performed.

4. If Offeror obtains actual knowledge that a subcontractor performing work under this Agreement knowingly employs or contracts with an illegal alien, Provider shall:
   a. Notify the subcontractor and the City within three days that Offeror has actual knowledge that the subcontractor is employing or contracting with an illegal alien; and
   b. Terminate the subcontract with the subcontractor if within three days of receiving such notice, the subcontractor does not stop employing or contracting with the illegal alien. However, the Offeror shall not terminate the contract with the subcontractor if during this three day period:
      i. The subcontractor provides information which establishes that the subcontractor has not knowingly employed or contracted with an illegal alien, and
      ii. The Offeror will not employ the illegal aliens in the performance of any City contract.

5. Offeror shall comply with any reasonable request by the Department of Labor and Employment made in the course of an investigation that the Department is undertaking pursuant to the authority established in §8-17.5-102(5), C.R.S.

6. If Offeror violates this provision, the City may terminate the contract for a breach of contract. If the Agreement is terminated, the Offeror shall be liable for actual and consequential damages.
4. COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS

Other City activities/contracts may be in progress or start during the performance of this contract. The Offeror shall coordinate the work harmoniously with the other contractors or City personnel, if applicable.

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5. INTERNET USE

Should the Offeror require access to City Internet resources in the performance of this requirement, a “Contractor’s Internet Use Agreement” form must be separately signed by each individual having access to the City Network. The completed Contractor’s Internet Use Agreement will be maintained with this agreement. Inappropriate use of the City Network will be grounds for immediate termination of any awarded contract.

Initials for 5

6. LITIGATION

If awarded a contract, Offeror shall notify the City within five (5) calendar days after being served with a summons, complaint, or other pleading in any matter which has been filed in any federal or state court or administrative agency. The Offeror shall deliver copies of such document(s) to the City's Procurement Services Manager. The term "litigation" includes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, and filings of bankruptcy, reorganization and/or foreclosure.

Initials for 6

7. CONTRACTOR'S REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Offeror’s firm verifies and states that they are (check all that apply):

_______ Large Business (i.e. do not qualify as a small business or non-profit)
_______ Nonprofit
_______ Small Business
_______ Minority Owned Business/Small Disadvantaged Business
_______ Woman Owned Business
_______ Veteran Owned Business
_______ Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Business
_______ HUBZone Business

Note: The City accepts self-certification for these categories in accordance with Small Business Administration (SBA) standards. The SBA size standards are found on the SBA website https://www.sba.gov/content/am-i-small-business-concern.

8. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL

a) The Offeror shall appoint one of its key personnel as the “Authorized Representative” who shall have the power and authority to interface with the City and represent the Offeror in all administrative matters concerning this proposal and any awarded contract, including without limitation such administrative matters as correction of problems, modifications, and reduction of costs.

b) The Authorized Representative shall be the person identified in the Offeror’s proposal, unless the Offeror provides written notice to the City naming another person to serve as its Authorized Representative. Communications received by the City Contracts Specialist from the Authorized Representative shall be deemed to have been received from the Offeror.

The individual, ____________________________ (Name)
with position, ____________________________ (Title)
Can be reached at
Work telephone number: _______________________
Home telephone number: _______________________
Cellular telephone number: ______________________
E-mail address: ______________________________

9. OFFEROR’S CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby affirms that:
a) He/She is a duly authorized agent of the Offeror;
b) He/She has read and agrees to the City’s standard terms and conditions attached.
c) The offer is presented in full compliance with the collusive prohibitions of the City of Colorado Springs. The Offeror certifies that no employee of its firm has discussed, or compared the offer with any other offeror or City employee and has not colluded with any other offeror or City employee.
d) The Offeror certifies that it has checked all of its figures, and understands that the City will not be responsible for any errors or omissions on the part of the Offeror in preparing its proposal.
e) By submitting an offer the Offeror certifies that it has complied and will comply with all requirements of local, state, and federal laws, and that no legal requirements have been or will be violated in making or accepting this solicitation.
I hereby certify that I am submitting the proposal based on my company's capabilities to provide quality products and/or services on time.

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10. OFFEROR CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, PROPOSED DEBARMENT, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS:

1. The Offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that (i) the Offeror and/or any of its Principals
   a. Are ( ), Are not ( ) presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;
   b. Have ( ), Have not ( ), within a three year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relation to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statement, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and
   c. Are ( ), Are not ( ) presently indicated for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in any paragraphs above.

2. The Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the City Contracts Specialist if, at any time prior to contract award, the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reasons of changed circumstances.

3. The certification in paragraph 1. above, is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the City, the City Contracts Specialist may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default. Termination for default may
result in additional charges being levied for the costs incurred by the City to initiate activities to replace the awarded Contractor.

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11. ACCEPTANCE OF CITY CONTRACTS SPECIALIST’S SOLE AUTHORITY FOR CHANGES

Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the Offeror hereby agrees that any changes to the scope of work, subsequent to the original contract signing, shall be generated in writing and an approval signature shall be obtained from the City Contracts Specialist prior to additional work performance.

Initials for 11

12. CITY CONTRACTOR SAFETY PROGRAM

The Offeror hereby agrees to adhere to a worker safety program for contractor employees on a City job site or location. By initialing below, the Offeror has reviewed the information and will abide by the City Policy which is available for review:


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13. ACCEPTANCE OF CITY ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERRED PURCHASING (EPP) POLICY

The City of Colorado Springs is committed to buying more environmentally preferable goods and services, as long as they meet performance needs, are available within a reasonable time and at a reasonable cost. The Offeror hereby acknowledges review of this policy by initialing below.


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14. FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE
Everyone has a duty to report any suspected unlawful act impacting the City of Colorado Springs operations and its enterprises. Anyone who becomes aware of the existence or apparent existence of fraud, waste, and abuse in City of Colorado Springs is encouraged to report such matters to the City Auditor’s Office in writing or on the telephone hotline 385-2387 (ADTR). Written correspondence can be mailed to:

City Auditor  
P.O. Box 2241  
Colorado Springs CO 80901

Or via email CityAuditManagement@springsgov.com. Any of these mechanisms allow for anonymous reporting. For more information, please go to the website https://coloradosprings.gov/cityfraud.

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Name of Company:

Federal Tax ID Number:

DUNS Number:

Principle Place of Business:

__________________________________________

Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name:

Title:

Date:
EXHIBIT 2  SAMPLE CONTRACT

SERVICES CONTRACT

Contract Number:  
Project Name/Title:  PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES

Vendor/Contractor

Contact Name:  
Telephone:

Email Address:  
Address:

Federal Tax ID #  
Please check one:  
☐ Corporation  ☐ Individual  ☐ Partnership

City Contracting Specialist  
Name & Phone#  
City Dept Rep  
Name & Phone# & Department Name

NOT TO EXCEED

Contract Amount:  
City Account #  
Acct Code (5)  Fund (3)  Dept (4)  Project (7)

Contract Type:  
Period of Performance:

1. INTRODUCTION

THIS TYPE CONTRACT (“Contract”) is made and entered into this ___ day of __________, 2020 by and between the City of Colorado Springs, a Colorado municipal corporation and home rule city, in the County of El Paso, State of Colorado, (the "City"), and _____________________ (the "Contractor").

THE CITY AND THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

The City has heretofore prepared the necessary Contract Documents for the following Activity: XXXXXXXXX.

The Contractor did on the ___ day of __________, 2020 submit to the City the Contractor’s written offer and proposal to do the work therein described under the terms and conditions therein set forth and furnish all materials, supplies, labor, services, transportation, equipment, and parts for said work in strict conformity with the accompanying Contract Documents, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, including the following:

1. This Contract Document
2. Appendix A – Additional Terms and Conditions
3. Appendix B – Contractor’s Proposal,
5. Appendix D – Project Schedule
6. Appendix E – Insurance Requirements
2. COMPENSATION/CONSIDERATION

If FFP:

THIS FIRM FIXED PRICE CONTRACT is established at firm fixed amount of $xxxxxxxx.

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide all materials, supplies, labor, services, transportation, tools, equipment, and parts to perform ______________ services for the City of Colorado Springs in a good and workmanlike manner to the satisfaction of the City for the total contract amount designated above and in the Notice of Award, to be paid by the City to the Contractor.

If T&M

Subject to the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide all materials, supplies, labor, services, transportation, tools, equipment, and parts to perform ______________ services for the City of Colorado Springs in a good and workmanlike manner to the satisfaction of the City for the estimated price of ______________________, not to exceed $____________ (“Not to Exceed estimate”). If the performance of this Contract involves the services of others or the furnishing of equipment, supplies, or materials, the Contractor agrees to pay for the same in full. At the time of payment by the City, the Contractor shall certify in writing that said payments have been so made.

This is a Time and Material (T&M) type contract. The Not to Exceed estimate is in accordance with the Contractor’s T&M proposal and rates, as included in the attached proposal, dated XXXXXX. All labor charges shall be in accordance with the T&M rates provided therein. Invoiced hours shall be subject to City review and approval before payable.

The parties estimate that performance of this Contract will not exceed the Not to Exceed estimate. The Contractor shall notify the City Contracts Specialist in writing whenever it has reason to believe that the costs the Contractor expects to incur under this Contract in the following 60 days, when added to all costs previously incurred, will exceed 75 percent of the estimated cost specified herein; or the total cost for the performance of this Contract will be either greater or substantially less than had been previously estimated. As part of the notification, the Contractor shall provide the Contracts Specialist a revised estimate of the total cost of performing this Contract.

The City is not liable for any costs above the Not to Exceed estimate, and the Contractor is not obligated to continue performance under this Contract (including actions under the Termination clause of this Contract) or otherwise incur costs in excess of the Not to Exceed estimate specified herein, until the City Contracts Specialist
(i) notifies the Contractor in writing that the estimated cost has been increased and

(ii) provides a revised estimated total not to exceed price of performing this Contract.

3. **TERM OF CONTRACT**

   It is further agreed that the Contractor will start work promptly and continue to work diligently until completed. The Contract Period of Performance shall be as follows:

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Option years may be exercised unilaterally by the City at the City’s sole discretion. Pricing for option years shall be as indicated above. The City may elect not to exercise an option at any time before start of an option at no additional cost to the City. Further, the City shall have the unilateral option of extending services beyond the term of the Contract, including all options, for a period not to exceed a total of six (6) months if additional time is necessary to solicit and award a new Contract. Options to extend services shall be exercised upon written notification (mailed or otherwise furnished) to the Contractor at least fifteen (15) days prior to the expiration date of the Contract, or to extend Contract for up to four additional one year option periods at the City’s sole discretion.

The total value of this Contract for all years shall not exceed $XXXXXXX. The value and current funding is $XXXXXXX for the base year.

4. **INSURANCE**

   The Contractor shall provide and maintain acceptable Insurance Policy(s) consistent with the Minimum Insurance Requirements attached as Appendix E, which includes Property, Liability and Professional Errors and Omissions coverage, and as otherwise listed in Appendix E. The City of Colorado Springs shall be reflected as an additional insured on the Property and Liability policy(s).

   Further, Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor shall have no right of coverage under any existing or future City comprehensive, self, or personal injury policies. Contractor shall provide insurance coverage for and on behalf of Contract
that will sufficiently protect Contractor, or Contractor's agents, employees, servants or other personnel, in connection with the services which are to be provided by Contractor pursuant to this Contract, including protection from claims for bodily injury, death, property damage, and lost income. Contractor shall provide worker’s compensation insurance coverage for Contractor and all Contractor personnel. Contractor shall file applicable insurance certificates with the City and shall also provide additional insurance as indicated in this Contract. **A CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF SERVICES LISTING THE CITY AS ADDITIONALLY INSURED.**

5. **RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR**

A. The Contractor shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and the coordination of all Scope of Work services furnished by the Contractor under this Contract. The Contractor shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors or deficiencies in services provided under this Contract to the satisfaction of the City.

B. The City's review, approval of, acceptance of, or payment for the services required under this Contract shall not be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this Contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this Contract, and the Contractor shall be and remain liable to the City for any and all damages to the City caused by the Contractor's negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this Contract.

C. The rights and remedies of the City provided for under this Contract are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

D. If the Contractor is comprised of more than one legal entity, each such entity shall be jointly and severally liable hereunder.

6. **WORK OVERSIGHT**

A. The extent and character of the work to be done by the Contractor shall be subject to the general approval of the City’s delegated Project Manager.

B. If any of the work or services being performed does not conform with Contract requirements, the City may require the Contractor to perform the work or services again in conformity with Contract requirements, at no increase in Contract amount. When defects in work or services cannot be corrected by re-performance, the City may (1) require the Contractor to take necessary action to ensure that future performance conforms to Contract requirements and (2) reduce the Contract price to reflect the reduced value of the work or services performed.
C. If the Contractor fails to promptly perform the defective work or services again or
to take the necessary action to ensure future performance is in conformity with
Contract requirements, the City may (1) by Contract or otherwise, perform the
services and charge to the Contractor any cost incurred by the City that is directly
related to the performance of such work or service or (2) terminate the Contract
for breach of contract.

7. SUBCONTRACTORS, ASSOCIATES, AND OTHER CONTRACTORS

A. Any subcontractor, outside associates, or other contractors used by the
Contractor in connection with Contractor's work under this Contract shall be
limited to individuals or firms that are specifically identified by the Contractor in
the Contractor's proposal and agreed to by the City. The Contractor shall obtain
the City's Project Manager’s written consent before making any substitution of
these subcontractors, associates, or other contractors.

B. The Contractor shall include a flow down clause in all of its subcontracts,
agreements with outside associates, and agreements with other contractors.
The flow down clause shall cause all of the terms and conditions of this Contract,
including all of the applicable parts of the Contract Documents, to be
incorporated into all subcontracts, agreements with outside associates, and
agreements with other contractors. The flow down clause shall provide clearly
that there is no privity of contract between the City and the Contractor's
subcontractors, outside associates, and other contractors.

8. KEY PERSONNEL

The key personnel listed in the proposal and/or below will be the individuals used in
the performance of the work. If any of the listed key personnel leave employment or
are otherwise not utilized in the performance of the work, approval to substitute must
be obtained by the Contractor from the City's Project Manager. Any substitute shall
have the same or a higher standard of qualifications that the key personnel
possessed at the time of Contract award.

9. START AND CONTINUANCE OF WORK

It is further agreed that the Contractor will start work promptly and continue to work
diligently until this Contract is completed.

10. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

This Contract is expressly made subject to the limitations of the Colorado
Constitution and Section 7-60 of the Charter of the City of Colorado Springs. Nothing
herein shall constitute, nor be deemed to constitute, the creation of a debt or multi-
year fiscal obligation or an obligation of future appropriations by the City Council of
Colorado Springs, contrary to Article X, § 20, Colo. Const., or any other
constitutional, statutory, or charter debt limitation. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, with respect to any financial obligation of the City which may arise under this Agreement in any fiscal year after the year of execution, in the event the budget or other means of appropriation for any such year fails to provide funds in sufficient amounts to discharge such obligation, such failure (i) shall act to terminate this Contract at such time as the then-existing and available appropriations are depleted, and (ii) neither such failure nor termination shall constitute a default or breach of this Contract, including any sub-agreement, attachment, schedule, or exhibit thereto, by the City. As used herein, the term “appropriation” shall mean and include the due adoption of an appropriation ordinance and budget and the approval of a Budget Detail Report (Resource Allocations) which contains an allocation of sufficient funds for the performance of fiscal obligations arising under this Contract.

11. CHANGES

The Contractor and the City agree and acknowledge as a part of this Contract that no change order or other form or order or directive may be issued by the City which requires additional compensable work to be performed, which work causes the aggregate amount payable under the Contract to exceed the amount appropriated for this Contract as listed above, unless the Contractor has been given a written assurance by the City that lawful appropriations to cover the costs of the additional work have been made or unless such work is covered under a remedy-granting provision of this Contract. The Contractor and the City further agree and acknowledge as a part of this Contract that no change order or other form or order or directive which requires additional compensable work to be performed under this Contract shall be issued by the City unless funds are available to pay such additional costs, and, regardless of any remedy-granting provision included within this Contract, the Contractor shall not be entitled to any additional compensation for any change which increases or decreases the Contract completion date, or for any additional compensable work performed under this Contract, and expressly waives any rights to additional compensation, whether by law or equity, unless, prior to commencing the additional work, the Contractor is given a written change order describing the change in Contract completion date or the additional compensable work to be performed, and setting forth the amount of compensation to be paid, and such change order is signed by the authorized City representative, as defined below. The amount of compensation to be paid, if any, shall be deemed to cover any and all additional, direct, indirect or other cost or expense or profit of the Contractor whatsoever. It is the Contractor's sole responsibility to know, determine, and ascertain the authority of the City representative signing any change order under this Contract.

No change, amendment, or modification to this Contract shall be valid unless duly approved and issued in writing by the City of Colorado Springs Procurement Services Division. The City shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the Contractor resulting from work performed for changes not issued in writing by the City of Colorado Springs Procurement Services Division.
The following personnel are authorized to sign changes, amendments, or modifications to this Contract.

The Project Manager: Changes up to $14,999.99
The City of Colorado Springs Chief of Staff: Changes up to $499,999.99
The Mayor of the City of Colorado Springs: Unlimited

12. ASSIGNMENT

No assignment or transfer by the Contractor of this Contract or any part thereof or of the funds to be received thereunder by the Contractor will be recognized unless such assignment has had the prior written approval of the City and the surety has been given due notice of such assignment. Such written approval by the City shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligations under the terms of this Contract. In addition to the usual recitals in assignment contracts, the following language must be included in the assignment:

It is agreed that the funds to be paid to the assignee under this assignment are subject to a prior lien for services rendered or materials supplied for the performance of the work called for in said contract in favor of all persons, firms, or corporations rendering such services or supplying such materials.

13. CHOICE OF LAW

This Contract is subject to and shall be interpreted under the law of the State of Colorado, and the Charter, City Code, Ordinances, Rules and Regulations of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, a Colorado home rule city. Court venue and jurisdiction shall be exclusively in the Colorado District Court for El Paso County, Colorado. The Parties agree that the place of performance for this Contract is deemed to be in the City of Colorado Springs, El Paso County, State of Colorado. The Contractor shall ensure that the Contractor and the Contractor's employees, agents, officers and subcontractors are familiar with, and comply with, applicable Federal, State, and Local laws and regulations as now written or hereafter amended.

14. WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Contractor shall take out and maintain during the Period of Performance, Colorado Worker’s Compensation Insurance for the Contractor and all employees of the Contractor. If any service is sublet by the Contractor, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor to provide the same coverage for the subcontractor and subcontractor’s employees. Workers’ Compensation Insurance shall include occupational disease provisions covering any obligations of the Contractor in accord with the provisions of the Workers’ Compensation Act of Colorado.

15. INDEMNIFICATION
Contractor agrees that the Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees and agents, from and against any and all loss, damage, injuries, claims, cause or causes of action, or any liability whatsoever resulting from, or arising out of, or in connection with the Contractor's obligations or actions under this Contract caused by any willful or negligent error, omission or act or a failure to observe any applicable standard of care by the Contractor or any person employed by it or anyone for whose acts the Contractor is legally liable. In consideration of the award of this Contract, to the extent damages are covered by insurance, the Contractor agrees to waive all rights of subrogation against the City, its subsidiary, parent, associated and/or affiliated entities, successors, or assigns, its elected officials, trustees, employees, agents, and volunteers for losses arising from the work performed by the Contractor for the City.

The indemnification obligation shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract.

16. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

In the performance of the Contractor's obligations under this Contract, it is understood, acknowledged and agreed between the parties that the Contractor is at all times acting and performing as an independent contractor, and the City shall neither have nor exercise any control or direction over the manner and means by which the Contractor performs the Contractor's obligations under this Contract, except as otherwise stated within the Contract terms. The City shall not provide any direction to the Contractor on the work necessary to complete the project. Contractor understands that it is an independent contractor responsible for knowing how to perform all work or tasks necessary to complete project. The Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor and the Contractor's employees, agents, servants, or other personnel are not City employees. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for payment of salaries, wages, payroll taxes, unemployment benefits or any other form of compensation or benefit to the Contractor or any of the Contractor's employees, agents, servants or other personnel performing services or work under this Contract, whether it is of a direct or indirect nature. Further in that regard, it is expressly understood and agreed that for such purposes neither the Contractor nor the Contractor's employees, agents, servants or other personnel shall be entitled to any City payroll, insurance, unemployment, worker's compensation, retirement or any other benefits whatsoever.

17. APPLICABLE LAW AND LICENSES

In the conduct of the services or work contemplated in this Contract, the Contractor shall ensure that the Contractor and all subcontractors comply with all applicable state, federal and City and local law, rules and regulations, technical standards or specifications. The Contractor shall qualify for and obtain any required licenses prior to commencement of work.
18. PRIOR AGREEMENTS

This is a completely integrated Contract and contains the entire agreement between the parties. Any prior written or oral agreements or representations regarding this Contract shall be of no effect and shall not be binding on the City. This Contract may only be amended in writing, and executed by duly authorized representatives of the parties hereto.

19. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The Parties hereby agree, and acknowledge, that all products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product of the Contractor produced pursuant to this Contract are works made for hire, and that the City owns, has, and possesses any and all ownership rights and interests to any work products of the Contractor made under this Contract, including any and all copyright, trademark, or patent rights, and that compensation to the Contractor for Agreement and acknowledgment of this intellectual property right section of this Contract is included in any compensation or price whatsoever paid to the Contractor under this Contract. It is the intent of the parties that the City shall have full ownership and control of the Contractor's work products produced pursuant to this Contract, and the Contractor specifically waives and assigns to the City all rights which Contractor may have under the 1990 Visual Artists Rights Act, federal, and state law, as now written or later amended or provided. In the event any products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract is deemed by a court of competent jurisdiction not to be a work for hire under federal copyright laws, this intellectual property rights provision shall act as an irrevocable assignment to the City by the Contractor of any and all copyrights, trademark rights, or patent rights in the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract, including all rights in perpetuity. Under this irrevocable assignment, the Contractor hereby assigns to the City the sole and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract, without further consideration, and agrees to assist the City in registering and from time to time enforcing all copyrights and other rights and protections relating to the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product in any and all countries. It is the Contractor's specific intent to assign all right, title, and interest whatsoever in any and all copyright rights in the Contractor's products, items writings, designs, models, examples, or other work product produced pursuant to this Contract, in any media and for any purpose, including all rights of renewal and extension, to the City. To that end, the Contractor agrees to execute and deliver all necessary documents requested by the City in connection therewith and appoints the City as Contractor's agent and attorney-in-fact to act for and in Contractor's behalf and stead to execute, register, and file any such applications, and to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the registration, prosecution, issuance, renewals, and extensions of copyrights or other protections with the same legal force and effect as if executed by
the Contractor; further, the parties expressly agree that the provisions of this intellectual property rights section shall be binding upon the parties and their heirs, legal representatives, successors, and assigns.

20. WAIVERS

No waiver of default by the City of any of the terms, covenants, and conditions hereof to be performed, kept, and observed by the Contractor shall be construed, or shall operate, as a waiver of any subsequent default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions herein contained to be performed, kept, and observed by the Contractor.

21. THIRD PARTIES

It is expressly understood and agreed that enforcement of the terms and conditions of this Contract, and all rights of action relating to such enforcement, shall be strictly reserved to the Parties hereto, and nothing contained in this Contract shall give or allow any such claim or right of action by any other or third person or entity on such Contract. It is the express intention of the Parties hereto that any person or entity, other than the Parties to this Contract, receiving services or benefits under this Contract shall be deemed to be incidental beneficiaries only.

22. TERMINATION

A. Termination for Convenience.

By signing this Contract, Contractor represents that it is a sophisticated business and enters into the Contract voluntarily, has calculated all business risks associated with this Contract, and understands and assumes all risks of being terminated for convenience, whether such risks are known or not known. Contractor agrees that the City may terminate this Contract at any time for convenience of the City, upon written notice to the Contractor. Contractor expressly agrees to and assumes the risk that the City shall not be liable for any costs or fees of whatsoever kind and nature if termination for convenience occurs before Contractor begins any work or portion of the work. Contractor further expressly agrees and assumes the risks that the City shall not be liable for any unperformed work, anticipated profits, overhead, mobilizations costs, set-up, demobilization costs, relocation costs of employees, layoffs or severance costs, administrative costs, productivity costs, losses on disposal of equipment or materials, cost associated with the termination of subcontractors, costs associated with purchase orders or purchases, or any other costs or fees of any kind and nature, if Contractor has started or performed portions of the Contract prior to receiving notice from the City. The City shall be liable only for the portions of work Contractor actually satisfactorily completed up to the point of the issuance of the Notice of Termination for convenience. Upon receipt of this notice the Contractor shall immediately: discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and deliver to the City all data, drawings, specifications,
reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this Contract, whether completed or in process.

B. Termination for Cause: The occurrence of any one or more of the following events ("Event of Default") will justify termination for cause:

i. Contractor's failure to perform the work in accordance with the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment or failure to adhere to the progress schedule as adjusted from time to time.

ii. Contractor's disregard of the laws or regulations of any public body having jurisdiction.

iii. Contractor's disregard of the authority of Project Manager.

iv. Contractor's violation in any material provision of the Contract Documents.

v. Contractor's failure to make prompt payments to its subcontractors, and suppliers of any tier, or laborers or any person working on the work by, through, or under the Contractor or any of them, any all of their employees, officers, servants, members, and agents.

vi. Contractor files a petition commencing a voluntary case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, or for liquidation, reorganization, or an arrangement pursuant to any other U.S. or state bankruptcy Laws, or shall be adjudicated a debtor or be declared bankrupt or insolvent under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, or any other federal or state laws relating to bankruptcy, insolvency, winding-up, or adjustment of debts, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors, or admits in writing its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due, or if a petition commencing an involuntary case under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or an answer proposing the adjudication of Contractor as a debtor or bankrupt or proposing its liquidation or reorganization pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code or any other U.S. federal or state bankruptcy laws is filed in any court and Contractor consents to or acquiesces in the filing of that pleading or the petition or answer is not discharged or denied within sixty (60) Calendar Days after it is filed.

vii. A custodian, receiver, trustee or liquidator of Contractor, all or substantially all of the assets or business of Contractor, or of Contractor's interest in the Work or the Contract, is appointed in any proceeding brought against Contractor and not discharged within sixty (60) Calendar Days after that appointment, or if Contractor shall consent to or acquiesces in that appointment.

viii. Contractor fails to commence correction of defective work or fails to correct defective work within a reasonable period of time after written notice.
If one or more of the events identified in Paragraphs i-viii above occur, City may give Contractor written notice of the event and direct the event be cured. Any such Notice to Cure will provide Contractor a minimum of ten (10) calendar days to prepare and submit to the Project Manager a plan to correct the Event of Default. If such plan to correct the Event of Default is not submitted to the Project Manager within ten (10) days after the date of the written notice or such plan is unacceptable to the City, the City may, give Contractor (and the Surety, if any) written notice that Contractor's services are being terminated for cause. Upon delivery of the termination notice, City may terminate the services of Contractor in whole or in part, exclude Contractor from the site, and take possession of the work and of all Contractor's tools, appliances, equipment, and machinery at the project site, and use the same to the full extent they could be used by Contractor (without liability to Contractor for trespass or conversion), incorporate in the work all materials and equipment stored at the site or for which City has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and finish the work as City may deem expedient. In such case, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until Certificate of Completion of the work. In the event City terminates this Contract for Cause and the cost of completing the work exceeds the unpaid balance of the Contract price, Contractor shall pay City for any costs of completion which exceed the Contract price when combined with all amounts previously paid to Contractor. When exercising any rights or remedies under this paragraph City shall not be required to obtain the lowest price for the work performed. Should the cost of such completion, including all proper charges, be less than the original Contract price, the amount so saved shall accrue to the City. Neither the City nor any officer, agent or employee of the City shall be in any way liable or accountable to the Contractor or the Surety for the method by which the completion of the said work, or any portion thereof, may be accomplished or for the price paid.

Where Contractor’s services have been so terminated by City, the termination will not affect any rights or remedies of City against Contractor or Surety then existing or which may thereafter accrue. Any retention or payment of moneys due Contractor by City will not release Contractor from liability.

C. Termination Notice. Upon receipt of a termination notice, whether for convenience or cause, the Contractor shall immediately: discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and deliver to the City all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this Contract, whether completed or in process.

D. Removal of Equipment. Except as provided above, in the case of termination of this Contract before completion from any cause whatever, the Contractor, if notified to do so by the City, shall promptly remove any part or all of Contractor’s equipment and supplies from the property of the City, failing which the City shall have the right to remove such equipment and supplies at the expense of the Contractor.
23. BOOKS OF ACCOUNT AND AUDITING

The Contractor shall make available to the City if requested, true and complete records, which support billing statements, reports, performance indices, and all other related documentation. The City's authorized representatives shall have access during reasonable hours to all records, which are deemed appropriate to auditing billing statements, reports, performance indices, and all other related documentation. The Contractor agrees that it will keep and preserve for at least seven years all documents related to the Contract which are routinely prepared, collected or compiled by the Contractor during the performance of this Contract.

The City's Auditor and the Auditor's authorized representatives shall have the right at any time to audit all of the related documentation. The Contractor shall make all documentation available for examination at the Auditor's request at either the Auditor's or Contractor's offices, and without expense to the City.

24. ILLEGAL ALIENS

Illegal Aliens - Public Contracts for Services - Compliance with Title 8, Article 17.5, Colorado Revised Statutes: The Contractor acknowledges, understands, agrees, and certifies that: In the performance of any work or the provision of any services by the Contractor under this Contract, the Contractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien to perform work under this Contract; or enter into a contract with any subcontractor that fails to certify to the Contractor that the subcontractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien to perform work under this Contract or under the subcontract to this Contract. The Contractor certifies in accord with Section 8-17.5-102(1) C.R.S. that, on the date the Contractor signs this Contract, the Contractor does not knowingly employ or Contract with an illegal alien who will perform work under this Contract and that the Contractor shall participate in the e-verify program or Colorado Department of Labor and Employment program in order to confirm the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment or to perform work under this Contract. The Contractor is expressly prohibited from using the e-verify program or Colorado Department of Labor and Employment program procedures to undertake pre-employment screening of job applicants while this Contract and any services under this Contract are being performed. If the Contractor obtains actual knowledge that a subcontractor performing work under this Contract for services knowingly employs or contracts with an illegal alien, the Contractor shall notify the subcontractor and the City within three days that the Contractor has actual knowledge that the subcontractor is employing or contracting with an illegal alien, and terminate the subcontract with the subcontractor if within three days of receiving the notice the subcontractor does not stop employing or contracting with the illegal alien; except that the Contractor shall not terminate the Contract with the subcontractor if during the three days the subcontractor provides information to establish that the subcontractor has not knowingly employed or contracted with an illegal alien. The Contractor shall comply with any request by the City, federal government, or the
Colorado Department of Labor and Employment made in the course of an investigation. If the Contractor violates or fails to comply with any provision of C.R.S. 8-17.5-101 et seq, the City may terminate this Contract for breach of contract. If this Contract is so terminated, the Contractor shall be liable for any actual and consequential damages to the City.

25. COMPLIANCE WITH IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986

Contractor certifies that Contractor has complied with the United States Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986. All persons employed by Contractor for performance of this Contract have completed and signed Form I-9 verifying their identities and authorization for employment.

26. LABOR

The Contractor shall employ only competent and skilled workmen and foremen in the conduct of work on this Contract. The Contractor shall at all times enforce strict discipline and good order among Contractor’s employees. The Project Manager shall have the authority to order the removal from the work of any person, including Contractor’s or any subcontractor’s employees, who refuses or neglects to observe any of the provisions of these Plans or Specifications, or who is incompetent, abusive, threatening, or disorderly in conduct and any such person shall not again be employed on the Project.

In no event shall the City be responsible for overtime pay.

27. GRATUITIES

A. This Contract may be terminated if the Mayor, the Mayor’s designee, and/or the Procurement Services Manager determine, in their sole discretion, that the Contractor or any officer, employee, agent, or other representative whatsoever, of the Contractor offered or gave a gift or hospitality to a City officer, employee, agent or Contractor for the purpose of influencing any decision to grant a City contract or to obtain favorable treatment under any City contract.

B. The terms "hospitality" and "gift" include, but are not limited to, any payment, subscription, advance, forbearance, acceptance, rendering or deposit of money, services, or anything of value given or offered, including but not limited to food, lodging, transportation, recreation or entertainment, token or award.

C. Contract termination under this provision shall constitute a breach of contract by the Contractor, and the Contractor shall be liable to the City for all costs of reletting the contract or completion of the project. Further, if the Contractor is terminated under this provision, or violates this provision but is not terminated, the Contractor shall be subject to debarment under the City’s Procurement Regulations. The rights and remedies of the City provided in this clause shall not
be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

28. NON-DISCRIMINATION

A. In accord with section 24-34-402, C.R.S., the Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of disability, race, creed, color, sexual orientation, religion, age, national origin, or ancestry. But, with regard to a disability, it is not a discriminatory or an unfair employment practice for an employer to take into consideration disability if there is no reasonable accommodation that the employer can make with regard to the disability, the disability actually disqualifies the person from the job, and the disability has a significant impact on the job. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their disability, race, creed, color, sexual orientation, religion, age, national origin, or ancestry. Such actions shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training; including apprenticeship.

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

C. The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to disability, race, creed, color, sexual orientation, religion, age, national origin, or ancestry.

D. Contractor will cooperate with the City in using Contractor's best efforts to ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises are afforded the maximum opportunity to compete for subcontracts or work under this Contract.

29. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

Any inconsistency in this Contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

A. This Contract document with its terms and conditions
B. The Statement of Work
C. Other Appendices, Attachments, Exhibits, or Schedules

30. HEADINGS

The section headings contained in this Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.
31. DISPUTES

A. All administrative and contractual disputes arising from or related to this Contract shall be addressed in the following manner:

   i. If either Party disputes or disagrees with a Contract term or the other Party’s interpretation of a Contract term or has any other administrative or contractual dispute not addressed in the Unanticipated Circumstances provisions, such Party shall promptly give the other Party written notice of said dispute.

   ii. The Parties shall hold a meeting as soon as reasonably possible, but in no event later than thirty (30) calendar days from the initial written notice of the dispute, attended by persons with decision-making authority regarding the dispute, to attempt in good faith to negotiate a resolution of the dispute; provided, however, that no such meeting shall be deemed to vitiate or reduce the obligations and liabilities of the Parties or be deemed a waiver by a Party of any remedies to which such Party would otherwise be entitled unless otherwise agreed to by the Parties in writing.

   iii. If, within thirty (30) calendar days after such meeting, the Parties have not succeeded in negotiating a resolution of the dispute, they agree to submit the dispute to non-binding mediation and to bear equally the costs of the mediation.

   iv. The Parties will jointly appoint a mutually acceptable mediator. If they fail to do so within twenty (20) calendar days from the conclusion of the negotiation period, they shall each select a mediator. The two mediators will then appoint a third mediator who shall conduct mediation for the Parties as the sole mediator.

   v. The Parties agree to participate in good faith in the mediation and negotiations for a period of thirty (30) calendar days. The substantive and procedural law of the State of Colorado shall apply to the proceedings. If the Parties are not successful in resolving the dispute through mediation, then the Parties shall be free to pursue any other remedy afforded by the laws of the State of Colorado.

   vi. Until final resolution of any dispute hereunder, the Contractor shall diligently proceed with the performance of this Contract as directed by the City. For purposes of this Contract, termination for convenience shall not be deemed a dispute. The City of Colorado Springs and the Contractor agree to notify each other in a timely manner of any claim, dispute, or cause of action arising from or related to this Contract, and to negotiate in good faith to resolve any such claim, dispute, or cause of action. To the extent that such negotiations fail, the City of Colorado Springs and the Contractor agree that any lawsuit or cause of action that arises from or is related to this Contract shall be filed with and litigated only by the Colorado District Court for El Paso County, CO.

32. DELIVERY
The City may cancel this Contract or any portion thereof if delivery is not made when and as specified, time being of the essence in this Contract. Contractor shall pay the City for any loss or damage sustained by the City because of failure to perform in accordance with this Contract.

33. PAYMENTS

All invoices shall be sent to the Project Manager identified in this Contract.

The City will pay the Contractor, upon submission of proper invoices, the prices stipulated in the Contract for services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this Contract within 30 days (Net 30). The City will not pay late fees or interest. Any discount payment terms offered on the invoice may be taken by the City.

Each invoice must contain at least the following information:

Contract number, issued purchase order number, invoice number, invoice date, timeframe covered by invoice, type and amount of labor and materials used for that time period, dollar amount in unit price, extended price, and total value of invoice.

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The City will make payments for services on a monthly basis for services performed during the previous month in accordance with this Contract. All labor invoices shall include labor categories, rates, hours worked, and total amounts per category. All labor categories and rates charged must be included in this Contract. No other categories or rates will be allowed or payable. All labor invoices are subject to City approval.

Materials will be payable on a reimbursable basis with no additional profit, fee, overhead, handling, or General and Administrative (G&A) costs. All costs for materials shall be approved by the City Contracts Specialist before the costs are incurred and payable.

The City will pay the Contractor, upon submission of proper invoices, the prices stipulated in the Contract for services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this Contract within 30 days (Net 30). The City will not pay late fees or interest. Any discount payment terms offered on the invoice may be taken by the City.

34. INSPECTION OF SERVICES

The Contractor is responsible for performing or having performed all inspections and tests necessary to substantiate that the services furnished under this Contract conform to Contract requirements, including any applicable technical requirements.
for specified manufacturers’ parts. This clause takes precedence over any City inspection and testing required in the Contract’s specifications, except for specialized inspections or tests specified to be performed solely by the City.

A. Definition of “services”, as used in this clause, includes services performed, workmanship, and material furnished or utilized in the performance of services.

B. The Contractor shall provide and maintain an inspection system acceptable to the City covering the services under this Contract. Complete records of all inspection work performed by the Contractor shall be maintained and made available to the City during Contract performance and for as long afterwards as the Contract requires.

C. The City has the right to inspect and test all services called for by the Contract, to the extent practicable at all times and places during the term of the Contract. The City will perform inspections and tests in a manner that will not unduly delay the work.

D. If the City performs inspections or test on the premises of the Contractor or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall furnish, and shall require subcontractors to furnish, at no increase in Contract price, all reasonable facilities and assistance for the safe and convenient performance of these duties.

35. SECURITY

The City maintains security requirements regarding access to City buildings and other City workplaces and worksites on City property. All Contractor personnel accessing City buildings, workplaces, or worksites, may be required to produce a valid, Government issued picture identification. Contractor personnel lacking such identification may not be allowed access to such sites. No costs incurred by the Contractor due to City security requirements shall be allowable or payable under this Contract.

36. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

In as much as the Contract concerns a needed or required service, the terms, conditions, and provisions of the Contract relating to the time of performance and completion of work are of the essence of this Contract. The Contractor shall begin work on the day specified and shall prosecute the work diligently so as to assure completion of the work within the number of calendar days or date specified, or the date to which the time for completion may have been extended.

37. EMPLOYMENT OF LABOR

The Contractor shall comply with, and defend and hold the City harmless from any violation of all laws and lawful rules and regulations, both of the State of Colorado and
of the United States, relating to Workmen’s Compensation, unemployment compensation, Social Security, payment for overtime, and all other expenses and conditions of employment under this Contract.

38. RESERVED

39. SEVERABILITY

If any terms, conditions, or provisions of this Contract shall be held unconstitutional, illegal, or void, such finding shall not affect any other terms, conditions, or provisions of this Contract.

40. LIABILITY OF CITY EMPLOYEES

All authorized representatives of the City are acting solely as agents and representatives of the City when carrying out and exercising the power or authority granted to them under the Contract. There shall not be any liability on them either personally or as employees of the City.

41. USE OF CITY NAME OR LOGO

Except as otherwise provided in this Contract, the Contractor shall not refer to this Contract or the City of Colorado Springs in any advertising or promotions in such a manner as to state or imply that the product or service provided is endorsed or preferred by the City of Colorado Springs, its employees, or its Departments, or is considered by these entities to be superior to other products or services. Any use of the name or logo of the City of Colorado Springs in advertising or promotions must be approved in writing by the City of Colorado Springs Contracts Specialist assigned to the Contract prior to such use.

42. TRAVEL

If travel expenses are included as a line item in this Contract, all travel expenses incurred and billable by the Contractor are subject to City approval. Air travel shall be limited to the round trip "economy coach" fare. Travel from the Colorado Springs Airport is encouraged. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, the Contract should take advantage of lower airfares by purchasing tickets more than 14 days in advance of travel. In-state travel by air must be more economical than travel by private vehicle. Use of a private vehicle may be reimbursed per mile at the current rate published by the IRS annually. Short-term parking, long-term parking or cab fare associated with airport departure and arrival may be allowable expenses. Valet parking will not be allowed unless it is the least expensive or only option. Car rental rates may be reimbursed for car rentals no greater than the intermediate or standard classification. The City will not reimburse any other travel methods or expenses. The City will pay for lodging, meals, and miscellaneous expenses on a per diem basis only, in accordance with the current per diem rates published by the IRS annually. The City will not pay for Contractor expenses exceeding the per diem
rates. Receipts for all reimbursable expenses must be provided with the Contractor's invoice.

43. APPENDICES

The following Appendices are made a part of this Agreement:

1. Appendix A – Additional Terms and Conditions
2. Appendix B – Contractor's Proposal,
4. Appendix D – Project Schedule
5. Appendix E – Insurance Requirements
CONTRACT SIGNATURE PAGE

The Contractor certifies in accord with Section 8-17.5-102(1) C.R.S. that, on the date the Contractor signs this Contract, the Contractor does not knowingly employ or Contract with an illegal alien who will perform work under this Contract and that the Contractor shall participate in the e-verify program or Colorado Department of Labor and Employment program in order to confirm the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment or to perform work under this Contract. The Contractor is expressly prohibited from using the e-verify program or Colorado Department of Labor and Employment program procedures to undertake pre-employment screening of job applicants while this Contract and any services under this Contract are being performed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused these presents to be executed on the day and the year first above written.

This Contract is executed in one (1) original copy.

THE CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO:

SECOND PARTY:

SAMPLE CONTRACT ONLY

Corporate Name

DO NOT SIGN

Signature Date

Title
### EXHIBIT 3  EXCEPTIONS

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**Note:** All potential Offerors are hereby advised that exceptions taken may be considered during the evaluation phase which may affect the final scoring of proposals. Offerors stipulating that the City must use their contract or agreement may be determined non-responsive and their Proposal determined unacceptable.

Company Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

(City, State and Zip Code)

Authorized Signature: ____________________________________________

Date: ________________

Printed Name/Title: ____________________________________________

Return this form with your Proposal.
EXHIBIT 4 MINIMUM INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The following listed minimum insurance requirements shall be carried by all contractors and consultants unless otherwise specified in the City’s solicitation package, Special Provisions or Standard Specifications.

1. **X** Commercial General Liability for limits not less than $1,000,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage for each occurrence. Coverage shall include blanket contractual, broad form property damage, products and completed operations.

2. **X** Workers’ Compensation and Employers Liability as required by statute. Employers Liability coverage is to be carried for a minimum limit of $100,000.

3. **X** Automobile Liability covering any auto (including owned, hired, and non-owned autos) with a minimum of $1,000,000 each accident combined single limit.

4. ____ Excess Liability for limits not less than $1,000,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage for each occurrence.

5. ____ Builders Risk or Installation Floater Insurance: Contractor shall purchase and maintain property insurance written on a builder’s risk “all-risk” or equivalent policy form in the amount of the initial Contract Sum, plus value of subsequent Contract Modifications and cost of materials supplied or installed by others, comprising total value for the entire Project at the site on a replacement cost basis without optional deductibles. Such property insurance shall be maintained, unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents or otherwise agreed in writing by all persons and entities who are beneficiaries of such insurance, until final payment has been made or until no person or entity other than the Owner has an insurable interest in the property.

6. **X** Professional Liability Insurance covering any damages caused by an error, omission or any negligent Acts with limits of not less than $1,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate. The coverage shall have an extended reporting period of 2 years following the date of substantial completion of the project for reporting of claims.

7. ____ Pollution Legal Liability Insurance shall apply to sudden and gradual pollution conditions resulting from the escape of release of smoke, vapors, fumes, acids, alkalis, toxic chemicals, liquids, or gases, natural gas, waste materials, or other irritants, contaminants, or pollutants (including asbestos). If the coverage is written on a claims-made basis, the Contractor warrants that any retroactive date applicable to coverage under the policy precedes the effective date of this Contract; and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of three (3) years beginning from the time that work under this contract is completed. Policy limits shall be no less than $1,000,000 per loss with $2,000,000 aggregate coverage.

8. ____ Technology Errors and Omissions Liability including Network Security and Privacy Liability not less than $3,000,000 per loss with a $3,000,000 aggregate.
   a. The policy shall provide a waiver of subrogation.
   b. The insurance shall provide coverage for liability arising from theft, dissemination and/or use of confidential information stored or transmitted in electronic form.
c. Network Security Liability arising from the unauthorized access to, use of or tampering to gain access to your services including denial of service, unless caused by a mechanical or electrical failure

d. Liability arising from the introduction of a computer virus into, or otherwise causing damage to, a customer’s or third person’s computer, computer system, network or similar computer related property and the data, software, and programs thereon.

Employee Crime Coverage shall include employee dishonesty, forgery or alteration and computer fraud. If ___

9. ___ Contractor is physically located on CITY premises, third party fidelity coverage extension shall apply.

The policy shall include coverage for all directors, officers, agents and employees of the Contractor. Coverage limit will be not less than $1,000,000 per loss.

a. The bond or policy shall include coverage for extended theft and mysterious disappearance.

b. The bond or policy shall not contain a condition requiring an arrest and conviction.

10. ___ Liquor Legal Liability Insurance: If the event producer is a business that manufactures, distributes, sells, or serves alcoholic beverages, and intends to serve or sell alcoholic beverages at an event, they must also submit a Certificate of Insurance providing proof of a liquor legal liability insurance policy or properly endorsed general liability policy.

a. If this event producer hires a vendor to serve or sell alcoholic beverages, rather than providing the alcohol themselves, they must submit a Certificate of Insurance from the vendor providing proof of a liquor legal liability insurance policy or properly endorsed general liability policy.

b. In either case, the minimum acceptable limit of liability per claim and aggregate is $1,000,000. This requirement applies to the business or group which serves or sells the alcohol.

11. ___ All coverage furnished by contractor is primary, and that any insurance held by the City of Colorado Springs is excess and non-contributory.

The undersigned certifies and agrees to carry and maintain the insurance requirements indicated above throughout the contract Period of Performance

________________________________________
(Name of Company)

________________________________________
(Signature) (Date)
EXHIBIT 5    STATEMENT OF WORK FOR PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES

The Audit Committee of the City Council is requesting proposals from qualified firms of certified public accountants to audit City financial statements for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2020, 2021, and 2022.

The evaluation criteria, places greater emphasis on technical qualifications than price, therefore, it is important the respondent include any information which demonstrates their professional capabilities, including their understanding of the auditing work to be performed and their commitment to complete the work within the required time period.

All audits are to be performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards with standards set forth for financial audits by the US Comptroller General, "Government Auditing Standards", and US Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200. 

The City will operate under a Council-Mayor form of government. The City provides services including public safety (police and fire), public works construction and maintenance, parks, recreation and cultural affairs, courts, planning and zoning, building and code enforcement, mass transit, health and welfare, economic development, and General Improvement Districts. Additionally, the City owns and operates major enterprise activities to include, municipal airport, golf courses, cemeteries, downtown parking facilities, Memorial Health System Enterprise, Pikes Peak Highway, Development Review, and Stormwater.

While the Memorial Health System operations have been leased to another entity, the financial statements of the Memorial Health System Enterprise will need to be audited as part of the services provided. The transactions performed by the enterprise may be minimal based on the receipt of lease payments and the disbursement of funds to meet various obligations. However, healthcare knowledge will be needed to ensure the accuracy and fair presentation of estimated healthcare assets and liabilities remaining from the operation of the system prior to October 1, 2012. Colorado Springs Utilities will be audited separately with their financial statement then incorporated into the City’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

In the past, interim field work for the period of January through October is completed in late November and early December. In the past, this interim fieldwork was performed by four (4) auditors working for 2-3 weeks. Final field work has previously been scheduled for the first three (3) weeks of May with the work being performed by four (4) auditors on average.

The City prepares the CAFR and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. The CAFR can be viewed on the City’s website—www.coloradospringsgov.com
Below are the maximum fees for the last three years audits.

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**BUDGETARY INFORMATION AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The City prepares annual budgets and maintains budgetary controls for all funds in order to ensure compliance with the annual appropriation ordinance as approved by City Council. The legal level of budgetary control is the fund, except project-length funds. Project-length budgets are adopted for all capital projects funds as well as for intergovernmental grant, capital improvement and special assessment type Special Revenue funds. Budgets are also prepared for Business Type and Permanent funds for management control purposes only. All budgets are prepared on the modified accrual basis.

**FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

During the 2020 fiscal year and subsequent years, the City anticipates that it will receive Federal and State financial assistance from various government sources.

**PENSION PLANS**

All employees, except uniformed fire and police, are members of the Local Government Division Trust Fund, a cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (PERA). All fire and police officers of the City participate in one of five defined benefit pension plans administered by the Fire and Police Pension Association (FPPA). Two of these plans (Old Hire Fire and Old Hire Police) are single employer, defined benefit pension plans. The remaining plans (Statewide, New Hire Fire, and New Hire Police) are cost-sharing multiple-employer, defined benefit pension plans. The Old Hire Fire and Old Hire Police plans are jointly administered by FPPA and the City.

**COMPONENT UNITS**

The City is defined, for financial reporting purposes, in conformity with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board’s (GASB) Statement 14. In 2013, the City implemented GASB 61. Using these criteria, component units are included in the City’s financial statements. The City has identified the following component units for inclusion in the financial statements:

*Governmental Fund Type Component Units:*
  - General Improvement Districts - Spring Creek, Briargate, and Market Place at Austin Bluffs
  - Colorado Springs Downtown Development Authority
-Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority
-Colorado Springs Health Foundation

*Business Type Component Units:
- Fountain Valley Authority
- Aurora-Colorado Springs Joint Water Authority
- Canal and Reservoir Companies
- Pikes Peak Regional Communication Network
**Public Authority for Colorado Energy (PACE)

Notes related to Enterprise Funds
**Colorado Springs Utilities
***Memorial Hospital Enterprise Fund

The City is currently reviewing component units to be in compliance with GASB 84.

*Financial reports for the Governmental and Business Type component units are completed by other audit firms and provided to the City by March 1st of each year. The only exceptions are General Improvement Districts (3) and Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network. These reports are currently prepared by the City Accounting staff

**Colorado Springs Utilities (to include PACE) audits are completed by others, however, they are included in the City CAFR’s as enterprise funds.

***In 2012, Memorial Hospital Enterprise Fund was audited by others. However, since all hospital activities are now performed by University Health, the activities of this fund will be reported by City staff and audited by the firm selected during this RFP process.

Fiscal Years
All component units have the same fiscal year as the City. These component units are to be included as part of the City’s financial statements. The General Improvement Districts are blended component units while all other component units are discretely presented. Audit services are separately contracted for the component units except for the General Improvement Districts.

The City has joined with other governmental entities in several joint ventures. Although the City participates in these joint ventures, they are not considered component units and, therefore, are not included in the City’s reporting entity. Separate audits are performed for all of the joint ventures.
AVAILABILITY OF PRIOR AUDIT REPORTS
Interested proposers who wish to review prior years' audit reports should contact Procurement representative, Nicole Spindler who can be emailed at Nicole.spindler@coloradosprings.gov. The City will make its best efforts to make prior audit reports available to proposers to aid their response to this RFP.

SUBCONTRACTING
Firms submitting proposals are encouraged to consider subcontracting portions of the engagement to small audit firms owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. If this is to be done, that fact, and the name of the proposed subcontracting firms, must be clearly identified in the proposal. Following the award of the audit contract, no additional subcontracting will be allowed without the express prior written consent of the City.

While we strongly encourage participation of small, disadvantaged, and/or women-owned business enterprises, we do not plan to award specific points solely on that criteria. However, if two proposals were evaluated to be materially equal, the use of such criteria may be considered when making a decision. In addition, we do track local spending and strongly encourage participation of local businesses whenever possible, and if all other factors are considered equal, we may rank a local firm slightly higher.[ as outlined in the City’s Procurement Rules and Regulations]

INTERNAL AUDIT STAFF SUPPORT
The Colorado Springs Office of the City Auditor will provide internal audit staff time to the firm. The proposal should identify what assumptions are made by the firm regarding the level of internal audit staff time required, and what specific support the firm requires to complete the audit. This internal audit staff should be planned at 250 hours of support. In the past, the internal audit staff has provided 250 hours of audit staff time to conduct detailed test work, inventory observations, revenue testing, some Single Audit test work, and other steps as assigned and reviewed by the external auditor. The auditors assigned in prior years were CPA’s or similar staff with appropriate continuing education per the Yellow Book. We have two CISA’s on staff who could assist with information systems auditing, but prior external auditors have not requested assistance in that area.

SCOPE OF WORK - CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS
The City expects the auditor to express an opinion on the fair presentation of the general purpose financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and Government Auditing Standards as specified by GAO.

The City also expects the auditor to express an opinion on the fair presentation of its combining and individual funds and account group financial statements and schedules in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and legal requirements. The auditor is not required to audit the supporting schedules contained in the comprehensive annual financial report. However, the auditor is to provide an "in-relation-to" report on the supporting schedules based on the auditing procedures applied during the audit of the general purpose financial statements and the combining and individual fund financial.
statements and schedules. The auditor is not required to audit the statistical section of the report.

The auditor shall also be responsible for performing certain limited procedures involving required supplementary information required by the Government Accounting Standards Board as mandated by generally accepted auditing standards.

The auditor is not required to audit the schedule of federal financial assistance. However, the auditor is to provide an "in-relation-to" report on that schedule based on the auditing procedures applied during the audit of the financial statements of the City and all other audited financial statements.

The auditor is required to audit the Colorado Springs Transit System NTD Section 15 report in conformity with requirements of the Urban Mass Transportation Industry Uniform System of Accounts and Records and Reporting System as specified in 49 CFR Part 630, Federal Register.

The auditor is required to audit the Municipal Solid Waste Landfills per 6 CCR 1007-2, Solid Waste Disposal Site and Facilities.

It is expected that the successful firm will provide the following services:

REPORTS TO BE ISSUED
1. Following the completion of the audit of the fiscal year's financial statements of the City, the auditor shall issue:
   a. A report on the fair presentation of the general purpose financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.
   b. A report on the internal control structure based on the auditor's understanding of the control structure and assessment of control risk.
   c. A report on compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
   d. An "in-relation-to" report on the schedule of federal financial assistance.
   e. A report on the internal control structure used in administering federal financial assistance programs.
   f. A report on compliance with laws and regulations related to major and non-major federal financial assistance programs. This report should include an opinion on compliance with specific requirements applicable to major federal financial assistance programs, a report on compliance with general requirements applicable to major federal financial assistance programs, and a report on compliance with laws and regulations applicable to non-major federal financial assistance program transactions tested. This Single Audit report will be filed electronically with the Federal government via the appropriate website and a sign off will be provided when appropriate.
   g. A report on the Transit System Section 15 compliance with reporting requirements.
   h. A report on the Municipal Solid Waste Landfills.
i. A report on the fair presentation of the general purpose financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles for Parking, Pikes Peak Regional Communication Network and the General Improvement Districts.

In the required reports on internal controls, the auditor shall communicate any reportable conditions found during the audit. A reportable condition shall be defined as a significant deficiency in the design or operation of the internal control structure, which could adversely affect the organization’s ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

Reportable conditions that are also material weaknesses shall be identified as such in the report. Non-reportable conditions discovered by the auditors shall be reported in a separate letter to management, which shall be referred to in the report on internal controls. The reports on compliance shall include all instances of noncompliance.

2. The requirements for all other audited financial statements is limited to a report on the fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as well as reports required for federal financial assistance programs.

4. The auditors shall be required to make an immediate, written report of all irregularities and illegal acts or indications of illegal acts. Such reports shall be directed to the City Council, the City Auditor, and the Mayor.

5. Auditors shall assure themselves that the Mayor and Colorado Springs City Council is informed of each of the following:
   a. The auditor’s responsibility under generally accepted auditing standards
   b. Significant accounting policies
   c. Management judgments and accounting estimates
   d. Significant audit adjustments
   e. Other information in documents containing audited financial statements
   f. Disagreements with management
   g. Management consultation with other accountants
   h. Major issues discussed with management prior to retention
   i. Difficulties encountered in performing the audit.

The City Council has an Audit Committee, who will be analyzing all responses along with the City Auditor and representatives from City Administration. The selection of the external auditor will be approved by the City Council. The City Council has delegated the management of the Financial Audit to the City Auditor, therefore, the above communications will be coordinated with the Office of the City Auditor.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS
1. The City will send its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) to the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for review in its Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting program. It is anticipated that the auditor may be required to provide limited support to the City to meet the requirements of that program.

2. The schedule of federal financial assistance and related auditor's report, as well as the reports on the internal control structure and compliance are not to be included in the CAFR, but are to be issued separately.

3. The City may prepare one or more official statements in connection with the sale of debt securities which will contain the general purpose financial statements and the auditor's report thereon. The auditor shall be required, if requested by the financial advisor and or the underwriter, to issue a "consent and citation of expertise" as the auditor and any necessary "comfort letters".

4. The City has determined that the United States Department of Transportation will function as the cognizant agency in accordance with the provisions of the Single Audit Act of 1984 (as amended in 1996) and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200.

WORKING PAPER RETENTION AND ACCESS TO WORKING PAPERS
All working papers and reports must be retained, at the auditor's expense, for a minimum of three years, unless the firm is notified in writing by the City of the need to extend the retention period. The auditor will be required to make working papers available, upon request, to the following parties or their designees:

City
U.S. Comptroller General
Auditors of entities of which the City is a sub recipient of grant funds.

In addition, the firm shall respond to the reasonable inquiries of successor auditors and allow successor auditors to review working papers relating to matters of continuing accounting significance as determined by the City and subsequent auditors.

SCHEDULE FOR AUDITS/DELIVERABLES
a. Preliminary field work to review financial information through third quarter; November/December.
b. Detailed audit plan, schedules required and entrance conference by December 31 of each year
c. Preparation of financial reports (Parking, PPRCN, General Improvement Districts) by March 31 – prepared by City (subject to timing of audits required to be received from Utilities and other component units).
d. Preparation of CAFR reports provided by the City by April 25.
e. Review of financials and comments provided to City by May 20.
f. Complete audit fieldwork and CAFR finished by May 20.
g. Opinion Letter provided to the City by June 10.
h. Single Audit reports provided to the City by June 30.
i. Report to Governance provided to the City by June 30.
k. Follow up meeting by July 31st which will include but is not limited to the initial planning schedule and a debriefing of current year audit findings.

The listed items in this Schedule for Audits are individually subject to the Liquidated Damages provision in Section IV, 4.5. Failure to meet the timeliness established herein, without contract extensions will be grounds for assessment of those damages until all deliverables are received.
EXHIBIT 6 – QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS
QUALIFICATION STATEMENT

This statement will provide information which will enable the City to evaluate the qualifications of your firm and staff with regard to the requirements of this Request for Proposal. Please complete this form in its entirety and submit it (in the number of copies requested) along with the other required proposal documents. If a request in the Qualification Statement is contained in the proposal, indicate the section in the proposal where that information can be found.

(PRINT)
FIRM NAME: ____________________________________________
ADDRESS: ____________________________________________
CITY STATE ZIP: _________________________________________
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE: ____________________________
TITLE: _________________________________________________
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: _________________________________
PHONE: ____________________ FAX: ________________________
E-MAIL ADDRESS: _______________________________________

1. TYPE OF BUSINESS

CORPORATION □ INDIVIDUAL □
PARTNERSHIP □ JOINT VENTURE □
OTHER: ________________________________________________

2. TYPE OF LICENSE & LOCATION

_____________________________________________________

3. TYPE OF SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED FOR RFP:

_____________________________________________________

4. NUMBER OF YEARS IN BUSINESS:

_____________________________________________________

5. ON A SEPARATE SHEET PROVIDE A BRIEF HISTORY OF YOUR FIRM, STAFF SIZE AND EXPERIENCE. SUBMIT A RESUME FOR THE PROJECT MANAGER AND EACH KEY PERSONNEL ASSIGNED TO THIS PROJECT.

6. WHAT OTHER NAME(S) HAS YOUR COMPANY OPERATED UNDER:

_____________________________________________________

7. HAVE YOU OR YOUR FIRM EVER FAILED TO COMPLETE ANY WORK AWARDED TO YOU? YES □ NO □ IF “YES”, EXPLAIN:

_____________________________________________________

8. HAS ANY OFFICER OR PARTNER OF YOUR ORGANIZATION EVER BEEN AN OFFICER OR PARTNER OF ANOTHER ORGANIZATION THAT FAILED TO COMPLETE A CONTRACT WITHIN THE LAST FIVE (5) YEARS? YES □ NO □ IF “YES”, EXPLAIN:

_____________________________________________________

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9. HAS YOUR FIRM OR ANY PARTNERS OR OFFICERS EVER BEEN INVOLVED IN ANY BANKRUPTCY ACTION? YES ☐ NO ☐ IF “YES”, EXPLAIN:

___________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

___________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

10. ARE YOU PRESENTLY INVOLVED IN ANY LITIGATION WITH ANY GOVERNMENT AGENCY? YES ☐ NO ☐ IF “YES”, EXPLAIN TYPE, KIND, PLAINTIFF, DEFENDANT, ETC., AND STATE THE CURRENT STATUS:

___________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

___________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

11. BANK REFERENCE: ______________________________________________________
ADDRESS: ________________________________ CONTACT: __________________________ PHONE: ________________________________

12. LIST THREE (3) SIMILAR PROJECTS (LOCAL OR STATE-WIDE) FROM LAST FIVE (5) YEARS-INCLUDE LOCATION OF PROJECT, SIZE OF PROJECT (CONTRACT AMOUNT), CONTACT NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBERS
NOTE: DETAILED INFORMATION ON THESE PROJECTS MAY ALSO BE REQUESTED IN THE RFP PACKAGE.
1. Location of Project:
   Size of Project:
   Contract Amount:
   Contact Name and Title:
   Contract Address:
   Contact telephone and FAX Numbers:

2. Location of Project:
   Size of Project:
   Contract Amount:
   Contact Name:
   Contact Address:
   Contact telephone and FAX Numbers:

3. Location of Project:
   Size of Project:
   Contract Amount:
   Contact Name:
   Contact Address:
   Contact telephone and FAX Numbers:

13. LIST CURRENT SIMILAR PROJECTS (LOCAL OR STATE-WIDE) UNDER CONTRACT-INCLUDE LOCATION OF PROJECT, SIZE OF PROJECT (CONTRACT AMOUNT) CONTACT NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBERS.
NOTE: DETAILED INFORMATION ON THESE PROJECTS MAY ALSO BE REQUESTED IN THE RFP PACKAGE.
1. Location of Project:
   Size of Project:
   Contract Amount:
Contact Name and Title:  
Contact Address:  
Contact telephone and FAX Numbers:  

2. Location of Project:  
Size of Project:  
Contract Amount:  
Contact Name and Title:  
Contact Address:  
Contact telephone and FAX Numbers:  

3. Location of Project:  
Size of Project:  
Contract Amount:  
Contact Name and Title:  
Contact Address:  
Contact telephone and FAX Numbers:  

14. LIST OF SUB-CONTRACTORS TO BE USED FOR THIS PROJECT:  
(INCLUDE NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER, TYPE OF WORK)  

1. Name:  
   Address:  
   Telephone Number:  
   Type of Work:  

2. Name:  
   Address:  
   Telephone Number:  
   Type of Work:  

3. Name:  
   Address:  
   Telephone Number:  
   Type of Work:  

IF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED ON A SEPARATE SHEET FOR ANY OF THE ITEMS, CLEARLY SPECIFY WHERE IT CAN BE LOCATED IN YOUR PROPOSAL PACKAGE.

EXHIBIT 7 – SAMPLE EVALUATION SCORESHEET
PROPOSAL EVALUATION SCORE SHEET
SOLICITATION TITLE: PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES

Proposer’s Name: ____________________________________________
Evaluator N number: _________________________________________

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| **Approach and Audit Reporting**     |                |                   |
| Exceptional                          | 25-30          |                   |
| Very Good                            | 19-24          |                   |
| Satisfactory                         | 13-18          |                   |
| Marginal                             | 7-12           |                   |
| Unacceptable                         | 0-6            |                   |
| Notes:                               |                |                   |

| **Financial Proposal**               |                |                   |
| Exceptional                          | 21-25          |                   |
| Very Good                            | 16-20          |                   |
| Satisfactory                         | 11-15          |                   |
| Marginal                             | 6-10           |                   |
| Unacceptable                         | 0-5            |                   |
| Notes:                               |                |                   |

**Exceptions**
Fail- significant number of exceptions to RFP or contract terms and conditions: Pass/Fail

**Insurance Checklist**
Fail- proposer cannot comply with insurance requirements checklist: Pass/Fail

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Proposer’s Total Points

**SECTION VI**

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1.0 SCHEDULES

Schedule A  Fee Schedule
Schedule B  Client Assistance Schedule

SCHEDULE A – FEE SCHEDULE
APPENDIX A
### FEE SCHEDULE – CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS

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### SCHEDULE OF PROFESSIONAL FEES AND EXPENSES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE 2020 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(These prices will be used for negotiation purposes in case additional work is needed in the future)

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Other

Deduction for 250 hours of internal audit staff time
**Proposer should indicate if pricing would be affected if auditing services are separately contracted for.**

## CITY OF COLORADO SPRINGS FEE SCHEDULE CONTINUED

### SCHEDULE OF PROFESSIONAL FEES AND EXPENSES
SERVICES DESCRIBED IN THE RFP SECTION II

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**TOTAL** | $ | $ | $ | $ | $ |

**EACH SERVICE DESCRIBED ABOVE SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY AN INDIVIDUAL SCHEDULE IN THE FORMAT PROVIDED BELOW**
## HOURS

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Total price for (NAME OF SERVICE) $
The three major tasks the City is involved with in preparing for the annual audit are the preparation of the General Work Papers, preparation of the Fund Packages, and complete preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. An Audit Package is prepared for each fund and account group. The following list will discuss in more detail the items that will be prepared by the City for the audit.

A. Items for the audit of the City’s financial statements:

1. Preparation of General Work Papers including:
   - Cash--all bank reconciliations including a list of outstanding checks, restricted cash calculations
   - Investments--detailed listing of investments, activity during the year, interest income allocation, collateral underlying repurchase agreements
   - Receivables--detailed listing of all types of receivables, allowance for uncollectibles
   - Inventory--inventory listings and reconciliation to the General Ledger
   - Interfund transactions--reconciliation for all funds of due to/from and transfers in/out
   - Payables--detailed listing of accounts payable, listing of other payables
   - Accumulated leave--detail of accumulated leave payable
   - Encumbrances--detail of encumbrances
   - Long-term debt--detail of long-term debt including bond issues, notes, leases, accrued interest, and amortization, summary of changes in General Long Term Debt
   - Budget--detail of the original and revised budget at year end
   - Fixed assets--detail of additions and deletions to fixed assets, reconciliation of beginning to ending balances, summary of changes in General Fixed Assets
   - Grants--Schedule of grant expenditures by program
   - Fund Balance/Equity--restriction calculations, residual equity transfers
   - Pension--Schedule of pension contributions
   - Preparation of confirmations
   - Various--City Council minutes, policies and procedures manual, information on pending litigation, component unit financial statements, copies of agreements, contracts, schedules, etc. will be provided upon request

2. Preparation of Fund Packages:
   - Trial balance
• Chart of accounts
• Adjusting journal entries
• Account reconciliation
• Supporting documentation
• Analytical review of revenues and expenditures
• Reconciliation of fund balances and reserves
• Preparation of copies of audit packages for all funds and account groups

3. Preparation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and draft of the Schedule of Federal Financial Assistance. The City will also prepare financial reports for the General Improvement Districts (GIDs), Parking, and Pikes Peak Regional Communications Network (PPRCN).