

## JEFFERSON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 6 PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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# LEGAL NOTICE Advertisement for Request for Proposal

March 23, 2021

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be accepted by Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6's (District) Purchasing Department for RFP 21-005/KJS, Janitorial Services for Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Facility. Specifications for this proposal may be obtained from the District's website, http://www.dd6.org.

Proposals are to be sealed and addressed to the Chief Business Officer with the proposal number and name marked on the outside of the envelope or box. Proposers shall forward an original and four (4) hard copies of their proposal to the address shown below. Late proposals will be rejected as non-responsive. Proposals will be publicly opened and only the firm name will be read aloud in the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Board Room at the time and date below. Proposals shall be opened in a manner that avoids disclosure of the contents to competing Proposers and maintains the confidentiality of the proposals during negotiations. Proposals will be open for public inspection after the award of the contract, except for trade secrets and confidential information. Proposers are invited to attend the sealed proposal opening.

Mandatory on-site pre-bid conference for all Contractors will be held on April 6, 2021 at 10:00AM. Proposers who attend shall limit attendance to two people only, and Masks will be required at all times due to COVID-19 risks. District staff will accompany small groups through the facility for as long as it takes for all interested proposers to view the site. Please have patience.

PROPOSAL NAME: Janitorial Services for Drainage District No. 6 Facilities

PROPOSAL NO: RFP 21-005/KJS

DUE DATE/TIME: 2:00 PM CDT, Tuesday, April 13, 2021

MAIL OR DELIVER TO: Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department

6550 Walden Road Beaumont, Texas 77707

Any questions relating to these requirements should be directed to the Purchasing Department 409-842-1818.

The District encourages Disadvantaged Business Enterprises to participate in the proposal submission process. The District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provisions of services. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact our office at 409-842-1818 to make arrangements no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the submittal deadline. The District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities and to take whatever action is in the best interest of the District.

All interested firms are invited to submit a proposal in accordance with the terms and conditions stated in this proposal.

RESPONDENTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO CAREFULLY READ THE ENTIRE INVITATION.

Karen J. Stewart Chief Business Officer

Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6, Texas

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# **Proposal Submissions:**

# Proposer is responsible for submitting:

- One (1) *original* proposal copy to include a completed copy of this specifications packet, in its entirety.
- Four (4) numbered proposal *copies* to include <u>at a minimum</u> all pages requiring completion and/or marked with instructions to be returned with proposal submission and any other documentation requested within these specifications.

Additionally, Proposer must monitor the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department Website (below) to see if addenda or additional instructions have been posted. Failure to return all required forms could result in a response being declared as non-responsive.

# **Proposal Submittal Checklist**

The Proposer's attention is especially called to the items listed below, which must be submitted in full as part of the proposal.

Failure to submit any of the documents listed below as a part of your proposal, or failure to acknowledge any addendum in writing with your proposal, or submitting a proposal on any condition, limitation, or provision not officially invited in this Request for Proposal (RFP) may cause for rejection of the proposal.

Proposer shall check each box indicating compliance.

	THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE SUBMITT	ED AS PART OF YOUR PACKAGE				
	Cover sheet identifying the contract/project being proposed, the name and address of the Propose the date of the proposal, and the email address, telephone, and facsimile numbers of Proposer.					
	An acknowledgment and/or response to each se	ction of the proposal.				
	Form of business (e.g., corporation, sole proprie state of incorporation.	etorship, partnership); if corporation the date and				
		Proposer is providing or has provided Janitorial me, position, and telephone number of a contact				
	pending against the Proposer and/or its princip identification of any administrative actions or warr governmental agency to Proposer and/or its princip	racts terminated or lawsuits filed, threatened, or al/officers for the last three (3) years, as well as nings taken or issued by any federal, state, or local ncipals/officers with regard to the provision of the or the payment of moneys under the terms of any				
	One (1) <i>original</i> proposal to include a <u>completed copy</u> of this specifications packet <u>in its entirety</u> <b>and</b> four (4) numbered proposal <i>hard copies</i> to include <u>at a minimum</u> all pages requiring completio and/or marked with instructions to be returned with proposal and any other documentatio requested within these specifications.					
	Each Proposer shall ensure that required parts of submitted as per the requirements within this spec	of the response are completed with accuracy and ifications packet, including any addenda.				
	PLEASE READ THE "PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL	CHECKLIST" INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE.				
Co	ompany	Telephone Number				
Ac	ddress	Fax Number				
Αι	uthorized Representative (Please print)	Title				
Aı	uthorized Signature	Date				

**Proposer Must Complete and Return This Page With Proposal.** 

## 1. Introduction to Proposers

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is to receive proposals from qualified firms regarding services for Janitorial Services.

The following items are provided as general information and specifications as required by the District Purchasing Department.

#### 1.1 Contractor Instructions

Read the document carefully. Follow all instructions. You are responsible for fulfilling all requirements and specifications. Be sure you have a clear understanding of the proposal.

General Requirements apply to all advertised requests for proposals; however, these may be superseded, whole or in part, by the Scope of Services, Guidelines and Specifications, Requested Responses and Information, or other data contained herein. Be sure your proposal package is complete.

## 1.2 Governing Law

Proposer is advised that these requirements shall be fully governed by the laws of the State of Texas and that Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 may request and rely on advice, decisions, and opinions of the Attorney General of Texas and the District Attorney concerning any portion of these requirements.

## 1.3 Ambiguity, Conflict, or other errors in the RFP

If Proposer discovers any ambiguity, conflict, discrepancy, omission or other error in the RFP, Proposer shall immediately notify the District of such error in writing and request modification or clarification of the document. Modifications will be made by issuing Addenda. Written notice will be given to all parties who have been furnished with the RFP without divulging the source of the request for the same. If the Proposer fails to notify the District prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals of an error or ambiguity in the RFP known to Proposer, or an error or ambiguity that reasonably should have been known to Proposer, then Proposer shall not be entitled to compensation or additional time by reason of the error or ambiguity or its later resolution.

The District may also modify the RFP, no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals, by issuance of an Addendum to all parties who have received the RFP. All addenda will be numbered consecutively, beginning with 1.

#### 1.4 Notification of Most Current Address

Firms in receipt of this RFP shall notify Karen J. Stewart, Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Chief Business Officer, of any address changes, contact person changes, and/or telephone number changes no later than 48 hours prior to the date and time fixed for submission of proposals.

#### 1.5 Proposal Preparation Cost

Cost for developing proposals is entirely the responsibility of Proposers and shall not be charged to Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6.

#### 1.6 Signature of Proposal

A transmittal letter, which shall be considered an integral part of the proposal, shall be signed by an individual who is authorized to bind the Proposer contractually. If the Proposer is a corporation, the legal name of the corporation shall be provided together with the signature of the officer or officers authorized to sign on behalf of the corporation.

If the Proposer is a partnership, the true name of the firm shall be provided with the signature of the partner or partners authorized to sign.

If the Proposer is an individual, that individual shall sign. If signature is by an agent, other than an officer of a corporation or a member of a partnership, a power of attorney or equivalent document must be submitted to the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department prior to the submission of the proposal or with the proposal.

## 1.7 Economy of Presentation

Proposals shall not contain promotional or display materials, except as they may directly answer in whole or in part questions contained in the RFP. Such exhibits shall be clearly marked with the applicable reference number of the question in the RFP. Proposals must address the technical requirements as specified in the RFP. All questions posed by the RFP must be answered concisely and clearly. Proposals that do not address each criterion may be rejected and not considered.

## 1.8 Proposal Obligation

The contents of the proposal and any clarification thereof submitted by the selected Proposer shall become part of the contractual obligation and incorporated by reference into the ensuing contract.

#### 1.9 Incorporation by Reference and Precedence

This Agreement is derived from (1) the RFP, written clarifications to the RFP and County's response to questions; (2) the Contractor's Best and Final Proposal, and (3) the Contractor's response to the RFP.

In the event of a dispute under this Agreement, applicable documents will be referred to for the purpose of clarification or for additional detail in the following order of precedence: (1) Amendments to the Agreement in reverse chronological order; (2) the Agreement, including the Scope of Work; (3) the Contractor's Best and Final Proposal; (4) the RFP, including attachments thereto and written responses to questions and written clarifications; and (5) the Contractors response to the RFP.

#### 1.10 Governing Forms

In the event of any conflict between the terms and provisions of these requirements and the specifications, the specifications shall govern. In the event of any conflict of interpretation of any part of this overall document, Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6's interpretation shall govern.

#### 1.11 Implied Requirements

Products and services not specifically mentioned in the RFP, but which are necessary to provide the functional capabilities described by the Proposer, shall be included in the proposal.

## 1.12 Compliance with RFP Specifications

It is intended that this RFP describe the requirements and the response format in sufficient detail to secure comparable proposals. Failure to comply with all provisions of the RFP may result in disqualification.

# 1.13 Contractor Registration: SAM (System for Award Management)

Contractors doing business with Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 are <u>required</u> to be registered with The System for Award Management (SAM), with an "active" status.

The System for Award Management (SAM) is the Official U.S. Government system that consolidated the capabilities of CCR/FedReg, ORCA, and EPLS. There is NO fee to register for this site. Entities may register at no cost directly from the SAM website at: <a href="https://www.sam.gov">https://www.sam.gov</a>

Proposers are strongly encouraged to review their firm's SAM (System for Award Management) status prior to Proposal Submission.

## 1.14 **Awarded Contractor(s): Submission of FORM 1295** (Texas Ethics Commission)

In accordance with House Bill 1295 (passed January 1, 2016), Contractors entering into contracts and professional agreements with Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 will be required to complete a Certificate of Interested Parties (FORM 1295).

In 2017, the Texas legislature amended the law to require Form 1295 to include an "unsworn declaration" which includes, among other things, the date of birth and address of the authorized representative signing the form. The unsworn declaration, including the date of birth and address of the signatory, <u>replaces the notary requirement</u> that applied to contracts entered into before January 1, 2021. The TEC filling application does not capture the date of birth or street address of the signatory and it will not appear on forms that are filled using the TEC filling application.

Upon entering into a contract or professional agreement, the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department will submit a request to the Contractor to both:

- 1. Submit a FORM 1295 online via the Texas Ethics Commission website link below. Contractors must enter the required information on Form 1295, and print a copy of the completed form. The form will include a certification of filing that will contain a unique certification number.
- 2. Submit a FORM 1295 hard copy (completed & signed by an Authorized Agent of the Awarded Contractor), to the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department.

FORM 1295, Completion Instructions, and Login Instructions are available via the Texas Ethics Commission Website at: https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf\_info\_form1295.htm

#### 1.15 Emergency/Declared Disaster Requirements

In the event of an emergency or if Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 is declared a disaster area, by the County, State, or Federal Government, a contract (executed in response to this Request for Proposal) may be subjected to unusual usage. Contractor shall service the District during such an emergency or declared disaster under the same terms and conditions that apply during non-emergency/disaster conditions. The pricing as specified in the contract shall apply to serving the District's needs regardless of the circumstances. If Contractor is unable to supply the services under the terms of the contract, then Contractor shall provide proof of such disruption and a copy of the invoice from Contractor's supplier(s). Additional profit margin as a result of supplying services during an emergency or declared disaster shall not be

permitted. In the event that additional equipment, supplies, and materials are required during the declared disaster, additional shipping, handling and drayage fees may apply.

# 1.16 Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Mandated Contract Clauses

If applicable to the work and services being performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT, the following provisions are adopted and form part of this AGREEMENT:

#### (A) DAMAGES, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (A)

- (1) All work to be performed under this AGREEMENT shall be timely commenced. A breach of this AGREEMENT by Contractor would cause substantial delay in the completion of the required services affecting the safety and welfare of the public.
- (2) In the event of Contractor's breach of its performance obligations, County shall have all rights and remedies against Contractor as provided by law.

## (B) TERMINATION RIGHTS, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (B)

Termination for Convenience: Whenever the interests of the District so require, County may terminate the parties' Agreement, in whole or in part, for the convenience of the District. County shall give Contractor thirty (30) days prior written notice of termination specifying the portions of the Agreement to be terminated and when such termination will become effective. If only portions of the parties' agreement are terminated, Contractor has the right to withdraw from the parties' Agreement, without adverse action or claims. In the event of a termination for convenience by County, Contractor shall be entitled to payment for all work and services performed by it up to the effective date of such termination.

Termination for Cause: The District may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate the parties' Agreement, in whole or in part, if the Contractor fails to satisfactorily perform any provisions of the parties' agreement after a period of ten (10) following Contractor's receipt of a Notice of Deficiency provided by County.

(C) EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE (2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (C))

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the AGREEMENT, during the performance of the AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity Clause (41 CFR 60-1.4(b)):

(1) CONTRACTOR will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. CONTRACTOR will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action 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. AGREEMENTOR 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.

- (2) CONTRACTOR will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (3) CONTRACTOR will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other agreement or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the CONTRACTOR'S commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (4) CONTRACTOR will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (5) CONTRACTOR will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor for purpose of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (6) In the event of the CONTRACTOR'S noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this AGREEMENT or with any of the said rules, regulations or orders, this AGREEMENT may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the CONTRACTOR may be declared ineligible for further government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (7) CONTRACTOR will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of subparagraphs 1 through 7 in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or contractor. CONTRACTOR will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: provided, however, that in the event CONTRACTOR becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or contractor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the CONTRACTOR may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the United States.

D. DAVIS-BACON ACT AND COPELAND "ANTI-KICKBACK" ACT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appen. II to Part 200 (D)

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT:

(1) Bacon-Davis Act: Applicable to construction or repair of public buildings or public works. see FEMA Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide, Ch.2(V)(G)(2), page 32 (FP 104-009-2/January 2016);

(2) Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act: In contracts subject to the Davis-Bacon Act, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. §3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that the contractor and subcontractor must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The GOVERNMENT must report all suspected or reported violations to the appropriate Federal agency.

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT:

- (a) CONTRACTOR shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this AGREEMENT.
- (b) CONTRACTOR or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontract the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontract with all of these contract clauses.
- (c) A breach of the AGREEMENT clause above may be grounds for termination of the AGREEMENT, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. §5.12.
- E. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (E) (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708)

Contracts in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor and its subcontractors shall compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week.

- (1) Overtime requirements. No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-halftimes the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.
- Violation: liability for unpaid wages: liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (I) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in

paragraph (I) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (I) of this section.

- (3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. The GOVERNMENT shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.
- (4) The contractor and subcontractor shall insert in any subcontract the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts.
- F. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (F)

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT and if the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the GOVERNMENT wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the GOVERNMENT must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business."

G. CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (G)

CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

CONTRACTOR shall include the foregoing requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000.

#### H. ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (H)

If applicable to the work and services performed by CONTRACTOR under the parties' AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies of the state regulation promulgated in accordance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. § 6201).

## I. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (I)

- (1) This AGREEMENT is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the CONTRACTOR is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The CONTRACTOR must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by GOVERNMENT. If it is later determined that the CONTRACTOR did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to GOVERNMENT, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C AGREEMENT is valid and throughout the period of performance. The CONTRACTOR further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

#### J. BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (J)

CONTRACTOR must file with the GOVERNMENT the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. If not provided with the bid response, CONTRACTOR must complete and submit the Certification Regarding Lobbying Form.

# K. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS, 2 CFR §200.326 Appendix II to Part 200 (K) and 2 CFR §200.322)

- (1) In the performance of this contract, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired-
  - (a) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule:
  - (b) Meeting contract performance requirements; or
  - (c) At a reasonable price.

(2) Information about this requirement is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, http://www.epa.gov/cpg/. The list of EPA-designate items is available at http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products/htm.

# L. AGREEMENTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS (2 CFR §200.321)

Should the CONTRACTOR subcontract any of the work under this AGREEMENT, CONTRACTOR shall take the following affirmative steps: place qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists; assure that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources; divide total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; establish delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and use the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

#### M. ACCESS TO RECORDS

- (1) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide GOVERNMENT, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representative's access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this AGREEMENT for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- (2) CONTRACTOR agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- (3) CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

## N. SEAL, LOGO AND FLAGS

CONTRACTOR shall not use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's agency officials without specific FEMA preapproval.

#### O. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS

This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund the AGREEMENT only. CONTRACTOR will comply will all federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

#### P. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal Government is not a party to this AGREEMENT and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to GOVERNMENT, CONTRACTOR, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

#### Q. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS

CONTRACTOR acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the CONTRACTOR'S actions pertaining to this contract.

#### 1.17 Evaluation

Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 reserves the right to use all pertinent information (also learned from sources other than disclosed in the RFP process) that might affect the District's judgment as to the appropriateness of an award to the best evaluated Proposer. This information may be appended to the proposal evaluation process results. Information on a service provider from reliable sources, and not within the service provider's proposal, may also be noted and made part of the evaluation file. Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 shall have sole responsibility for determining a reliable source. Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 reserves the right to conduct written and/or oral discussions/interviews after the proposal opening. The purpose of such discussions/interviews is to provide clarification and/or additional information to make an award is in the best interest of Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6.

## 1.18 Withdrawal of Proposal

The Proposer may withdraw its proposal by submitting a written request over the signature of an authorized individual, as described in paragraph 1.6, to the Purchasing Department any time prior to the submission deadline. The Proposer may thereafter submit a new proposal prior to the deadline. Modification or withdrawal of the proposal in any manner, oral or written, will not be considered if submitted after the deadline.

## 1.19 Minority-Women Business Enterprise Participation

It is the desire of Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 to increase the participation of Minority (MBE) and women owned (WBE) businesses in its contracting and procurement programs. While the District does not have any preference or set aside programs in place, it is committed to a policy of equitable participation for these firms.

#### **1.20** Award

The District reserves the right to award this contract on the basis of the Best Proposal in accordance with the laws of Texas, to waive any formality or irregularity, to make award to more than one Proposer, and/or to reject any or all proposals. In the event the highest dollar Proposer meeting specifications is not awarded a contract, the Proposer may appear before Board of Directors and present evidence concerning his responsibility.

#### 1.21 Ownership of Proposal

All proposals become the property of The District and will not be returned to Proposers.

#### 1.22 Disqualification of Proposer

Upon signing this proposal document, a contractor proposes to sell supplies, materials, services, or equipment to The District certifies that the Proposer has not violated the antitrust laws of this state codified in Section 15.01, et seq, Business & Commerce Code, or the Federal Antitrust Laws, and has not communicated directly or indirectly the Proposal made to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business. Any or all proposals may be rejected if the District believes that collusion exists among the Proposers.

#### 1.23 Contractual Development

The contents of the RFP and the selected proposal will become an integral part of the contract but may be modified by provisions of the contract as negotiated. Therefore, the Proposer must be amenable to inclusion in a contract of any information provided (in writing) either in response to this RFP or subsequently during the selection process.

# 1.24 Assignment

The selected Contractor may not assign, sell, or otherwise transfer this contract without written permission of the District Board of Directors.

## 1.25 Contract Obligation

The District Board of Directors must award the contract, and the District Judge or other person authorized by The District Board of Directors must sign the contract before it becomes binding on The District or the Proposer. Department heads are not authorized to sign agreements for Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6. Binding agreements shall remain in effect until all products and/or services covered by this proposal have been satisfactorily delivered and accepted.

#### 1.26 Termination

The District reserves the right to terminate the contract for default if the awarded Contractor breached any of the terms therein, including warranties of Proposer, or if the Proposer becomes insolvent or commits acts of bankruptcy. Such right of termination is in addition to and not in lieu of any other remedies The District may have in law or equity. Default may be construed as, but not limited to, failure to deliver the proper goods and/or services within the proper amount of time, and/or to properly perform any and all other requirements to The District's satisfaction, and/or to meet all other obligations and requirements. Contracts may be terminated without cause upon thirty (30) days' written notice to either party unless otherwise specified.

## 1.27 Inspections

The District reserves the right to inspect any item(s) or service location(s) for compliance with specifications and requirements and needs of the using department. If a proposal cannot furnish a sample of a proposed item, where applicable, for review, or fails to satisfactorily show an ability to perform, the District can reject the Proposer as inadequate.

#### 1.28 Testing

The District reserves the right to test equipment, supplies, material and goods proposed for quality, compliance with specifications, and ability to meet the needs of the user. Demonstration units must be available for review. Should the goods or services fail to meet requirements and/or be unavailable for evaluation, the Proposal is subject to rejection.

#### 1.29 Loss, Damage, or Claim

The Proposer shall totally indemnify The District against all claims by its employees, agents, or representatives or personal injury arising from any cause. In addition, the Proposer shall totally indemnify The District against all claims of loss or damage to the Proposer's and The District's property, equipment, and/or supplies.

#### 1.30 Taxes

The contractor and its subcontractors, agents and employees, as the case may be, will be responsible for the payment of all federal, state and local taxes, and deposits or contributions imposed or required by law.

#### 1.31 Non-Discrimination

The successful Proposer will be required to comply with the Americans With Disabilities Act and with all provisions of federal, state, county and local (if any) laws and regulations to ensure that no employee or applicant for employment is discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin.

#### 1.32 Conflict of Interest

The agreement entered into pursuant to this RFP will contain the Contractor's warranty that, except for bona-fide employees or selling agents maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business, no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit this contract upon an agreement or understanding for commission, percentage or contingency.

Further, the contractor will warrant that no kickbacks, gratuities, or contingency fees have been paid in connection with this RFP or contract and none has been promised contingent upon the award of contract. Contractor will still further warrant that to its knowledge and best belief, no one being paid under the agreement between the District and the contractor, is engaged in any activities which would constitute a conflict of interest with respect to the purposes of said agreement.

# 1.33 Waiver of Subrogation

Proposer and Proposer's insurance carrier waive any and all rights whatsoever with regard to subrogation against The District as an indirect party to any suit arising out of personal or property damages resulting from the Proposer's performance under this agreement.

#### 1.34 Acknowledgment of Insurance Requirements

By signing its proposal, Proposer acknowledges that it has read and understands the insurance requirements for this proposal. Proposer also understands that evidence of required insurance must be submitted within fifteen (15) working days following notification of acceptance of its Proposal; otherwise, The District may rescind its acceptance of the Proposer's proposal. The insurance requirements are part of this package.

#### 1.35 Insurance

The contractor (including any and all subcontractors as defined in Section 1.36.1.3 below) shall, at all times during the term of this contract, maintain insurance coverages with not less than the type and requirements shown below. Such insurance is to be provided at the sole cost of the contractor. These requirements do not establish limits of the contractor's liability.

All policies of insurance shall waive all rights of subrogation against the District, its officers, employees and agents; a copy of the policy wording or endorsement is required.

Contractor shall furnish The District with Certificate of Insurance naming The District as additional insured and will provide the actual policy wording or endorsement showing as such.

All insurance must be written by an insurer licensed to conduct business in the State of Texas.

#### **Minimum Insurance Requirements:**

Public Liability, including Products & Completed Operations \$1,000,000 Excess Liability \$1,000,000

#### Property Insurance (policy below that is applicable to this project):

Improvements & Betterments Policy: Improvements/Remodeling (for Lease Tenants) Builder's Risk Policy: Structural Coverage for Construction Projects Installation Floater Policy: Improvements/Alterations to Existing Structure

**Workers' Compensation** 

Statutory Coverage (See Section 1.36 Below)

## 1.36 Workers' Compensation Insurance

#### 1.36.1 Definitions:

- 1.36.1.1 Certificate of coverage ("Certificate") A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the commission, or a coverage agreement, DWC-81, DWC-82, DWC-83, or DWC-84 showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project, for the duration of the project.
- 1.36.1.2 Duration of the project Includes the time from the beginning of the work on the project until the contractor's/person's work on the project has been completed and accepted by the governmental entity.
- 1.36.1.3 Persons providing services on the project ("subcontractor") in article 406.096 Includes all persons or entities performing all or part of the services under the contractor has undertaken to perform on the project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractor, leasing companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity which furnishes persons to provide services on the project. "Services" includes, without limitation, providing, hauling or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or other service related to a project. "Services" does not include activities unrelated to the project, such as food/beverage Contractors, office supply deliveries, and delivery of portable toilets.
- 1.36.2 The Contractor shall provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification code and payroll amounts and filing any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all employees of the contractor providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
- 1.36.3 The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage to the governmental entity prior to being awarded the contract refer to Section 1.35 above.
- 1.36.4 If the coverage period shown on the Contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project, the Contractor must, prior to the end of the coverage period, file a new certificate of coverage with the governmental entity showing that coverage has been extended.
- 1.36.5 The Contractor shall obtain from each person providing services on a project, and provide to the governmental entity:

- 1.36.5.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to that person beginning work on the project, so the governmental entity will have on file certificates of coverage showing coverage for all persons providing services on the project; and
- 1.36.5.2 No later than seven (7) days after receipt by the Contractor, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate ends during the duration of the project.
- 1.36.6 The Contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.
- 1.36.7 The Contractor shall notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the contractor knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project.
- 1.36.8 The Contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Texas Department of Workers' Compensation, informing all persons providing services on the project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.
- 1.36.9 The Contractor shall contractually require each person with whom it contracts to provide services on a project to:
  - 1.36.9.1 Provide coverage, based on reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all its employees providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
  - 1.36.9.2 Provide to the Contractor, prior to that person beginning work on the project a certificate of coverage showing that coverage is being provided for all employees of the person providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
  - 1.36.9.3 Provide the Contractor, prior to the end of coverage period, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
  - 1.36.9.4 Obtain from each person with whom it contracts, and provide to the Contractor:
    - 1.36.9.4.1 A certificate of coverage, prior to the other person beginning work on the project; and
    - 1.36.9.4.2 the coverage period, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, prior to the end of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
  - 1.36.9.5 Retain all required certificates of coverage on file for the duration of the project and for one (1) year thereafter.
  - 1.36.9.6 Notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within ten (10) days after the person knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project; and
  - 1.36.9.7 Contractually require each person with whom it contracts to perform as required by paragraphs 1.36.1. 1.36.7., with the certificates of coverage to be provided to the person for whom they are providing services.

- 1.36.10 By signing this contract or providing or causing to be provided a certificate of coverage, the Contractor is representing to the governmental entity that all employees of the contractor who will provide services of the project will be covered by workers' compensation coverage for the duration of the project, that the coverage will be based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier or, in the case of a self-insured, with the commission's Division of Self-Insurance Regulation. Providing false or misleading information may subject the contractor to administrative penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.
- 1.36.11 The Contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of contract by the Contractor which entitles the governmental entity to declare the contract void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of breach from the governmental entity.

## 1.37 Pre-Proposal Conference

Mandatory on-site pre-bid conference for all Contractors will be held on April 6, 2021 at 10:00AM. Proposers who attend shall limit attendance to two people only, and masks will be required at all times due to COVID-19 risks. District staff will accompany small groups through the facility for as long as it takes for all interested proposers to view the site. Please have patience.

## 1.38 Delivery of Proposals

All proposals are to be delivered by 2:00PM CDT, Tuesday, April 13, 2021 to:

Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department Attention: Karen J. Stewart, Chief Business Officer 6550 Walden Road Beaumont, Texas 77707

#### District Holidays – 2021:

January 1	Friday	New Year's
January 18	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 15	Monday	President's Day
April 2	Friday	Good Friday
May 31	Monday	Memorial Day
July 5	Monday	Independence Day
September 6	Monday	Labor Day
November 11	Thursday	Veteran's Day
November 25 & 26	Thursday & Friday	Thanksgiving
December 23 & 24	Thursday & Friday	Christmas
December 31, 2021	Friday	New Year's

The District will not accept any proposals received after the stated time and date and shall return such proposals unopened to the Proposer.

The District will not accept any responsibility for proposals being delivered by third party carriers.

Proposal Submissions shall be tightly sealed in an opaque envelope or box and plainly marked "SEALED PROPOSAL." The outside of the envelope or box shall also include: Proposal Number, Proposal Name, Proposal Due Date, Proposer's Name and Address; and shall be addressed to the Chief Business Officer.

Proposals will be opened publicly in a manner to avoid public disclosure of contents; however, only names of Proposers will be read aloud.

# 1.39 Proposal Submissions During Time of Inclement Weather, Disaster, or Emergency

In case of inclement weather or any other unforeseen event causing the District to close for business on the date of a bid/proposal/request for statement of qualifications submission deadline, the bid/proposal/request closing will automatically be postponed until the next business day that County offices are open to the public. Should inclement weather conditions or any other unforeseen event cause delays in courier service operations, the District may issue an addendum to all known Contractors interested in the project to extend the deadline. It will be the responsibility of the Contractor to notify the District of their interest in the project should these conditions impact their ability to submit a bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submission before the stated deadline. The District reserves the right to make the final judgement call to extend any deadline.

Should an emergency or unanticipated event interrupt normal County processes, and bid/proposal/statement of qualifications submissions cannot be received by the District Purchasing Department's office by the exact time specified in the RFP and urgent County requirements preclude amendment to the RFP, the time specified for receipt of proposal will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first business day on which normal County processes resume.

#### 1.40 Questions

Questions may be emailed to <a href="mailto:kstewart@dd6.org">kstewart@dd6.org</a>

#### 1.41 Tentative Schedule of Events

March 23, 2021	Issuance of Request for Proposal
April 6, 2021	Mandatory On-Site Pre-Bid Conferences
April 13, 2021	Deadline Submission (late proposals will not be considered)
April 14, 2021	Proposals distributed to Evaluation Committee
April 22, 2021	Evaluation Committee Convenes to Tabulate Scoring and Determines Short List
April 23, 2021	Recommendation for Award

#### Please note:

The above schedule of events is tentative in nature. Dates listed are subject to change.

# 2. Response Format

## 2.1 Introduction

Each proposal submitted in response to this RFP must be organized to correspond with those numbered sections of this RFP that require a response. Failure to arrange the proposal as requested may result in the disqualification of the proposal. Conciseness and clarity of content are emphasized and encouraged. Vague and general proposals will be considered non-responsive, and will result in disqualification. The response must be complete. Failure to provide the required information may result in the disqualification of the proposal. All pages of the proposal must be numbered and the proposal must contain an organized, paginated table of contents corresponding to the sections and pages of the proposal.

The District requests that proposal submissions NOT be bound by staples or glued spines.

# 2.2 Organization of Proposal Contents

Each proposal must be organized in the manner described below.

- a. Transmittal Letter
- b. Executive Summary
- c. Table of Contents
- d. Proposer Identifying Information
- e. Proposer Personnel and Organization
- f. Project Requirements
- g. Cost Proposal (Appendix A of RFP)
- h. Other information that may be helpful in the evaluation

#### 2.3 Transmittal Letter

The Proposer must submit a transmittal letter that identifies the entity submitting the proposal and includes a commitment by that entity to provide the services required by the District. The transmittal letter must state that the proposal is valid for ninety (90) days from the deadline for delivery of proposals to the District. Any proposal containing a term of less than ninety (90) days for acceptance will be rejected as non-responsive.

The transmittal letter must be signed by a person legally authorized to bind the Proposer to the representations in the response. In the case of a joint proposal, each party must sign the transmittal letter. The Proposer also must indicate, in its transmittal letter, why it believes that it is the most qualified Proposer to provide the services described in this RFP.

The transmittal letter must include a statement of acceptance of the terms and conditions of the contract resulting from this RFP. If Proposer takes exception to any of the proposed terms and conditions stated in this RFP, those exceptions must be noted in the transmittal letter.

However, Proposer must realize that failure to accept the terms specified in this proposal may result in disqualification of the proposal.

## 2.4 Executive Summary

The Proposer must provide an executive summary of its proposal that asserts that the Proposer is providing in its response all of the requirements of this RFP. The executive summary must not exceed three (3) pages, and must represent a full and concise summary of the contents of the proposal. The executive summary must not include any information concerning the cost of the proposal. The Proposer must identify any services that are provided beyond those specifically requested. If the Proposer is providing services that do not meet the specific requirements of this RFP, but in the opinion of the Proposer are equivalent or superior to those specifically requested, any such differences must be noted in the executive summary. However, the Proposer must realize that failure to provide the services specifically required may result in disqualification of the proposal.

#### 2.5 Table of Contents

Each proposal must be submitted with a table of contents that clearly identifies and denotes the location of each title and subtitle of the proposal. Additionally, the table of contents must clearly identify and denote the location of all enclosures of the proposal. The table of contents must follow the RFP's structure as much as is practical.

# 2.6 Proposer Identifying Information

Proposers must provide the following identifying information:

- a. Name and address of business entity submitting the proposal;
- b. Type of business entity (i.e., corporation, partnership);
- c. Place of incorporation, if applicable;
- d. Name and location of major offices and other facilities that relate to the Proposer's performance under the terms of this RFP;
- e. Name, address, business and fax number of the Proposer's principal contact person regarding all contractual matters relating to this RFP;
- f. The Proposer's Federal Employer Identification Number, The District Contractor Number and The District Business License Number, if any;
- g. Full name and address for each member, partner, and employee of the Proposer (and any subcontractors) who will perform service's on this project; and
- h. A statement regarding the financial stability of the Proposer, including the ability of the Proposer to perform the functions required by this RFP and to provide those services represented by the Proposer in its response.

#### 2.7 Conflict of Interest

Each Proposer must disclose any existing or potential conflict of interest relative to the performance of the requirements of this RFP. Examples of potential conflicts may include an existing business or personal relationship between the Proposer, its principal, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with the District or any other entity or person involved in any way in the project

that is the subject of this RFP. Similarly, any personal or business relationship between the Proposer, the principals, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with any employee of the District or its

suppliers must be disclosed. Any such relationship that might be perceived or represented as a conflict must be disclosed. Failure to disclose any such relationship or reveal personal relationships with state employees may be cause for contract termination. The District will decide if an actual or perceived conflict should result in proposal disqualification.

Each Proposer must reveal any past or existing relationship between the Proposer, its principal, employees, or any affiliate or subcontractor, with any county agency, entity, county employee, or other person in anyway involved in the District's procurement and/or contracting processes. It shall be the sole prerogative of the District to determine if such relationship constitutes a conflict of interest.

By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, all Proposers affirm that they have not given, nor intend to give, at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant or any employee or representative of same, in connection with this procurement.

# 2.8 Confidential/Proprietary Information

If any material in the proposal submission is considered by Proposer to be confidential or proprietary information (including manufacturing and/or design processes exclusive to the Proposer), Proposer <u>must</u> clearly mark the applicable pages of Proposer's proposal submission to indicate each claim of confidentiality. Additionally, Proposer must include a statement on company letterhead identifying all Proposal section(s) and page(s) that have been marked as confidential. The District will protect from public disclosure such portions of a proposal, unless directed otherwise by legal authority, including existing open records acts. Merely making a blanket claim that the entire proposal submission is protected from disclosure because it contains some proprietary information is not acceptable, and will make the entire proposal submission subject to release under the Texas Public Information Act.

By submitting a proposal, Proposer agrees to reproduction by The District, without cost or liability, of any copyrighted portions of Proposer's proposal submission or other information submitted by Proposer.

FAILURE BY PROPOSER TO INCLUDE ALL LISTED ITEMS MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF ITS PROPOSAL.

# 3. Proposal Submittal

The Proposal is due no later than 2:00 PM CDT, April 13, 2021, and shall include the following:

- Cover sheet identifying the contract/project being proposed, the name and address of Proposer, the date of the proposal, and the telephone and facsimile numbers of Proposer.
- An acknowledgment and/or response to each section of the proposal.
- Form of business (e.g., corporation, sole proprietorship, partnership); if corporation the date and state of incorporation.
- Identification of three (3) entities for which the Proposer is providing or has provided Janitorial Services of the type requested, including the name, position, and telephone number of a contact person at each entity.
- Identification of all legal claims, demands, contracts terminated or lawsuits filed, threatened, or pending against the Proposer and/or its principal/officers for the last three (3) years, as well as identification of any administrative actions or warnings taken or issued by any federal, state, or local governmental agency to Proposer and/or its principals/officers with regard to the provision of the same or similar service as covered by this RFP, or the payment of moneys under the terms of any agreement(s) relating to such services.
- One (1) original proposal to include a <u>completed copy</u> of this specifications packet <u>in its entirety</u>; and four (4) numbered proposal hard copies to include <u>at a minimum</u> all pages requiring completion and/or marked with instructions to be returned with proposal and any other documentation requested within these specifications, should be mailed or delivered to:

Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 Purchasing Department 6550 Walden Road Beaumont, TX 77707

 Explanations, exceptions, comments, etc., pertaining to the specific sections of the specifications. All comments shall be listed and numbered in order of the respective article of the specification.

# 4. Scope of Services

## 4.1 Objective

The District seeks a contractor to provide Janitorial Services to its facilities located at 6550 Walden Rd., Beaumont, Texas 77707.

The following requirements and specifications supersede General Requirements where applicable. Contact

The Proposer, having visited the sites of the proposed project, and having become familiar with the local conditions, nature, and extent of the work, and having carefully examined the Specifications, terms, and conditions herein, proposes to furnish all labor, materials, equipment, and other items, facilities, and services, without exception, for the proper execution and completion of the contract

Note: All Items quoted must be in compliance with the specifications. If you are taking exception, indicate the exception(s) in spaces provided.

#### Scope

The intention of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit proposals for janitorial services for The District. The District reserves the right to accept a proposal in whole or in part, and to award by item or by group, whichever is deemed to be in the best interest of The District.

The District shall conduct a mandatory on-site pre-bid conference for Contractors. The conference will allow the Contractors to see the areas to be cleaned and to receive further instruction regarding cleaning needs for different buildings. Schematics are not provided as a source of reference in connection with this RFP.

MANDATORY ON-SITE PRE-BID CONFERENCES FOR ALL CONTRACTORS WILL BE HELD: APRIL 6, 2021

# **Detailed Specifications**

#### Scope of Work

Contractor shall provide Janitorial Services for the District facilities subject to the terms and conditions stated for an initial period of one (1) year beginning on date of award, with up to four (4) one-year options to renew.

#### **Renewal Options**

The District may consider up to four (4) one-year options to renew contract, based upon the same terms and conditions as the original year. Renewal is subject to approval by The District Board of Directors for each period. Any increase in the contract amount may not exceed the percentage of increase in the Consumer Price Index. Once renewal options are exhausted, the contract must be re-bid.

Year 2	2022 – 2023
Year 3	2023 - 2024
Year 4	2024 - 2025
Year 5	2025 - 2026

At the time of renewal, the price may be negotiated subject to the following adjustment clause:

#### **Price Adjustment Clause**

Renewal of this contract shall be for the original bid price: however, if the option to renew is exercised, The District will permit a price adjustment upwardly or downwardly after the end of the

first contractual period and each renewal period when correlated with the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), U.S. City Average, (all items) published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Beaumont-Port Arthur, Texas, www.bls.gov.

#### Keys

Floor master keys, room keys and building keys must remain on the premises at all times. All keys will be kept in a key lock box to which the contractor shall be provided the key. The return of all keys nightly to the key box is the responsibility of the contractor. Only the District will duplicate keys, and no "Grand Master Key" shall ever be in the possession of the contractor.

#### **Daily Activity Reports**

Services performed under this Contract shall be subject to inspection and approval by the Maintenance Supervisor. There shall be no deviations from any part of the Contract or from any approved schedule without prior written approval from the Maintenance Supervisor.

Contractor shall submit the Daily Activity Report Checklist to the Maintenance Representative for approval (attached at page 32).

The Maintenance Representative shall conduct random inspections and shall rate work performed the previous day on a scale of one to five as follows:

5	Excellent
4	Good
3	Fair
2	Poor
1	Unacceptable

Contractor receiving three (3) unacceptable ratings on any category within one (1) month may be grounds for termination. All work tasks described in the specifications for each facility shall be rated by the District's Maintenance Representative.

Any work not performed as intended in these specifications shall be corrected immediately or no later than twenty-four (24) hours after notification by the District's Maintenance Representative. Notification may be given verbally with a follow-up in writing.

If Contractor fails to correct deficiencies to the District's Maintenance Representative's satisfaction within five (5) days after written notification, the District may terminate the Contract and provide for completion of the work as may be deemed necessary and charge the expense thereof to the Contractor.

## Contractor shall not permit any minors in the building while work is being performed.

All cleaning personnel are prohibited from disturbing papers on desks, opening desk drawers or cabinets, or using telephones or office equipment provided for official county use. Instructions pertaining to conduct and other regulations, as required by The District, must be followed.

The contractor's employees must have a good working knowledge of the principles and techniques of the machines, equipment and cleaning products used in building maintenance, as well as good working knowledge of safety procedures. The contractor shall be responsible for instructing its employees in safe work habits and requirements to comply with the Williams-Steiger Occupational Safety and Health Act.

#### **Responsibilities of Contractor**

The Contractor shall furnish all labor, supplies, materials, equipment, and supervision required to perform custodial services for designated buildings of the District as described herein. Contractor shall furnish the following supplies/equipment, as well as any other items required for satisfactory performance of this contract, unless otherwise stated for individual locations.

Bonnets Glass cleaner Sweeping compounds

Brass cleaner Tile cleaner

High Speed Buffers
Marble cleaner
Metal polish Vacuum cleaners (Wet and Dry) Buckets Carpet sweepers Metal polish Water extractors (for Carpets) Page 24 of 49

Chamois Mop presses Wall brushes
Counter brushes Porcelain cleaner Wax cleaner
Detergents Putty Knives Waxes

Disinfectants Rubber gloves Buckeye Brand Castleguard Dispensers Scouring powder Non-Skid Wax or approved

Dust cloths Soap equivalent for floors

Dust mopsSpongesWet mopsDust pansSqueegeesWindow brushesFloor machinesSteel woolWindow laddersFurniture polishWiping cloths

Contractor is responsible for determining type, quality, and characteristics of all building materials to be serviced under this agreement. Contractor shall be responsible for the determination of the proper cleaning method of each building material services under this agreement so that the District facilities shall remain in good condition, with the exception of ordinary wear and tear and unavoidable accident.

Contractor shall supply when so requested, without cost to the District, samples for testing of any materials used by Contractor in the accomplishment of the required services. No materials shall be used which are harmful to the surface to which they are applied.

No material, treatment, or procedure shall be used on any floor, stairway, or sidewalk that will cause such floor, stairway, or sidewalk surface to be slippery or unsafe to walk upon in all kinds of weather.

All equipment required by Contractor in the performance of duties as set forth herein shall be furnished by Contractor at Contractor's sole expense. The District reserves the right to require Contractor to replace, substitute, or modify his equipment if such equipment is harmful to the District or its operation or is not sufficient in terms of providing adequate cleaning under this contract.

#### Personal Property, Equipment, etc.

The title of all equipment, materials, machinery of any kind or nature furnished and used by Contractor shall remain in Contractor's name and such equipment, materials of any kind or nature shall be removed promptly from the area specified in proposal upon the termination of this contract.

#### Flammable Materials

All flammable materials, including waxes, paint, thinner, and waste, shall be handled in accordance with all applicable fire regulations. Any fire, smoke, or other damage arising out of Contractor's use of said flammable materials shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.

#### **Responsibilities of The District**

All services required to be performed under this agreement shall be subject to inspection by a representative of the District while in process or after completion. If any such services are found to be unsatisfactory and not in accordance with the requirements of this contract, the District Chief Business Officer or representative shall notify Contractor and Contractor shall take immediate steps for corrective action.

The District shall provide reasonable storage space for use of Contractor, provided however, that such shall be necessary to the performance of the services required hereunder. The District shall have access to the above space for the purpose of inspection for conformance to fire, health, and any other applicable regulations. The use of such space shall be the responsibility of Contractor and any damage to property, theft of property, or injury to persons resulting from the use of such space shall be the liability of the Contractor. The District shall in no way be responsible for the Contractor's supplies, equipment, materials, or personal belongings that may be damaged by fire, theft, accident, or otherwise.

The District will supply to the contractor light, heat, power (110 volts A.C.), hot and cold water as may be required for the cleaning of premises under the terms of this contract.

#### Supervision and Labor

Contractor shall provide sufficient personnel to accomplish required services hereinafter set forth. All such personnel shall be skilled in the various tasks assigned to them. Contractor shall be responsible for proper personal conduct of all his personnel while on the premises and shall submit a certificate that they are licensed to provide services and carry insurance of not less than \$100,000 coverage for employee dishonesty and customer protection. Contractor agrees to dispense with the services of any employee whose conduct the District believes is detrimental to the best interest of the District.

Contractor shall have an active, qualified, competent and experienced supervisor (satisfactory to the District) to provide daily inspection and supervision of the janitorial services provided hereunder and he/she shall be authorized to represent and act for Contractor.

#### **Contractor's Employees**

All employees of contractor must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. No minors will be allowed to work under this contract.

The Contractor's supervisor, or competent assistant supervisor, shall be on premises at all times during working hours and be responsible for the work on behalf of the contractor.

The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees.

The Contractor shall exercise the necessary supervision and control to prevent contractor's employees from violating rules and regulations.

All employees of successful Proposer will be required at all times to wear the company logo visible on all shirts and a company identification card with name and picture provided at no expense to the District.

The District reserves the right to request police record checks or drug screening tests at the cost of the Contractor.

#### **Workers' Compensation**

The Contractor expressly agrees to pay to the State of Texas the amounts required for Workers' Compensation.

#### **Contractor Payments**

The Contractor agrees that it will at all times pay promptly and when due all laborers, mechanics, subcontractors and material men, and all persons who shall supply the Contractor with provisions and supplies for the carrying on of the contract work.

#### Responsibility for Damage/Repair Problems

Contractor shall report promptly to the proper authority, as designated by the District, any irregularities in any of the areas serviced, regarding heating and ventilating equipment, lighting, furniture, broken windows, dispensing equipment in restrooms or any other conditions that may require attention for repairs, adjustment or replacement or correction. A routine maintenance form is attached for this purpose at page 33.

#### **Damage for Destruction of Premises**

If the area specified in the proposal is partially or fully destroyed, Contractor's obligations hereunder shall be reduced to the extent made necessary by said partial or full destruction of the area specified in the proposal and the District's obligation to Contractor shall be reduced a proportionate amount.

#### Non-Performance/Liquidated Damages

Throughout the term of the contract, if the Contractor fails to perform required services as described herein or does not complete all services as required on a daily, weekly, monthly quarterly, bi-annually, or yearly basis this shall be just cause for the assessment of damages as described below and such damages shall be considered, as liquidated damages. If the Contractor

fails to perform the services within the time specified in the contract whether a daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, biannually, or yearly task, the Contractor shall be deemed as non-compliant and liquidated damages will be assessed.

The Maintenance Representative or his designee will perform inspections of each area to ascertain compliance to the specifications. If any deficiencies are found, an inspection report will be communicated to the Contractor noting the required corrections. If deficiencies are found, once reported to the Contractor, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to respond and correct the deficiencies immediately or no later than twenty-four (24) hours. All notifications will be made by written e-mail.

Liquidated damages are set at <u>10% of location invoice per occurrence</u>. Written documentation will be provided and the damage will be deducted from the monthly invoice.

#### **Notices**

All notices shall be submitted in writing to Purchasing.

<u>Immediate Notices</u> <u>Notices by Mail</u>

Purchasing <u>kstewart@dd6.org</u> Karen J. Stewart 6550 Walden Rd.

6550 Walden Rd. Beaumont TX 77707

The Contractor must provide contact information for routine and emergency communications in the form of mobile telephone contact numbers for Contractor's supervisors and e-mail contact addresses.

## **Continuity of Janitorial Service**

Upon the termination of this contract, through passage of time, Contractor shall aid the District in all ways possible in continuing the services provided for under this agreement uninterrupted until a new contract has been awarded.

#### Attorney's Fee

Should the Contractor, in the judgment of the District, ignore or fail properly to handle or defend any claim, lien, or suit the District may, at its opinion, assume and undertake or join the handling or defense of, any such claim, lien, or suit, and in that event the Contractor will reimburse the District for attorney's fees and other expenses incurred by it in handling or defending any amounts paid by the District in settlement there of or in satisfaction of any judgment in any such suit.

#### **Non-Waiver**

Any waiver of any breach of covenants under this contract shall not be deemed or considered as a continuing waiver and shall not prevent the District from declaring any succeeding breach of the same condition or covenant.

#### Default

The contract may be cancelled or annulled by the District if the Contractor shall fail or neglect to do or perform or observe any of the covenants contained herein; or if Contractor shall be declared to be bankrupt or insolvent according to law, or if any assignment of its property shall be made for the benefit of creditors, then, in any said cases or events, The District may immediately or any time thereafter, terminate this contract, provided however, that nothing stated in this item shall impair the District's right to cancellation.

#### **Sole Judge for the District**

In order to prevent disputes and litigation, the District Chief Business Officer shall in all cases determine the amount, quality, acceptability, and fitness of the several kinds of work and material to be furnished under this contract, and to decide upon all questions which may arise under or as to the fulfillment of said contract on the part of the Contractor, and her decisions and determination shall be final and conclusive.

# **Special Requirements/Instructions:**

#### **Working Hours/Quality of Service**

Contractor shall perform services required herein between the hours of 5:30 PM and 11:30 PM, Monday through Friday, except where noted on the bid form.

No later than two weeks after the effective date of this contract, Contractor shall provide the District with a work schedule defining frequency of tasks to be performed.

Areas listed below are to be cleaned as frequently as specified above. Contract administrator may request an alternative schedule. Proposer shall check whether or not requirements will be met. If requirements cannot be met, Proposer must state exceptions.

# **Cleaning Specifications:**

#### Intent

It is the intent of The District that these premises be maintained at a high standard of cleanliness. These specifications are intended to indicate an acceptable level of service, cleaning and professionalism to be provided by the contractor.

Frequencies set forth are meant to be general guidelines; they are not to be construed as complete.

All items not specifically included but found to be necessary to properly clean the buildings, including additional requirements at specific locations, shall be included as though written in these specifications.

#### Clean

The term "clean" means the removal of all trash, dirt, dust, lint, marks, stains, spots, odors, film (dirt, grease, etc.)

#### Safety

The Contractor shall be responsible for instructing employees in safety measures considered appropriate. Personnel will not place or use mops, brooms, or any equipment in traffic areas or other locations in such a manner as to create safety hazards. The workers shall provide, place and remove appropriate warning signs for wet or slippery floor areas caused by cleaning or floor finishing operations. General safety requirements shall be complied with in all activities under this contract.

# **Twice Weekly Cleaning:**

#### Restrooms

Clean with a germicidal detergent all commodes, urinals, lavatories, shower areas, etc. Clean encrustation, stains, scale, deposits, and build-up inside and outside. All fixtures, faucets, and piping shall be rinsed and polished for a complete job. Deodorant tablets shall not be used in commodes or urinals. Highly scented disinfectant cleaners shall not be used.

#### Floors and Tile

Sweep floors to remove dirt and other material. Damp mop all resilient tile floors using a germicidal detergent solution. Wet mop all ceramic tile floors using a germicidal detergent solution. Rinse all floors with clear water. Floors shall be maintained in such a manner as to promote longevity and safety upon completion of work, all floors shall be left in a clean, orderly and safe condition. The contractor shall remove and replace furniture as required to perform the work, exercising necessary safety practices and necessary caution to prevent damage to The District property.

Clean all baseboards. Spray buff all resilient tile. Apply a new coat of finish as needed. At all times, floors shall be maintained in such a manner as to promote longevity and safety.

#### Carpet/ Rugs

Vacuum all carpeted floors and area rugs. Spot-clean all carpeted floors and area rugs as needed in accordance with manufacturer's instruction.

#### **Entrance and Common Areas**

Pick up papers, leaves, trash and loose material outside stairways and entranceways. Sweep to remove loose dirt and other material. Damp or wet mop clean as needed. Clean all entrance mats.

#### Other Requirements

Empty all waste receptacles. Maintain all waste receptacles in a clean and odor-free condition. Plastic liners are required. Clean all restrooms dispensers, mirrors, partitions, doors, walls, vents, shelves, furniture, trim, etc., in restrooms and adjacent lounge areas.

## **Supplies**

All towel, tissue, and soap dispensers shall be checked and refilled nightly. No refill supplies shall be stocked in the area of dispenser.

## **Trash Pickup and Removal**

Empty all waste receptacles (including wastebaskets, trash cans, ashtrays, boxes labeled "trash", etc.). Waste receptacles are to be maintained in a clean and odor-free condition. New plastic liners are required daily. Remove all trash and waste to a designated central location (dumpster, etc.) for disposal. Empty "recycle paper" containers into recycle bins as needed, where appropriate, and if in doubt, set aside material and ask for direction from contract administrator.

#### Furniture, etc.

Clean furniture, counter, and cabinets. (Furniture includes desks, windows, pictures, etc.) Clean all ledges and horizontal surfaces, including baseboards. Spot clean finger marks, smudges, dirt buildup, and/or accumulation around light switches, doors, door frames, counters, etc. Sanitize, wash and polish all drinking fountains, sinks, basins, fixtures, etc. and related counter tops. Keep walls, ceilings and corners free from dust, cobwebs, etc.

#### Doors/Glass

Clean furniture, counter, and cabinets. (Furniture includes desks, and windows.) Clean all ledges and horizontal surfaces, including baseboards. Spot clean finger marks, smudges, dirt buildup, and/or accumulation around light switches, doors, door frames, counters, etc. Clean all entrance glass (entrance glass includes: glass, doors, windows, window frames, reception areas, partitions). Clean all metal trim (push plates, kick plates, etc.) Spot clean all interior glass including partitions, display cases, mirrors, interior doors, etc.

## **Finishing Touches**

Restore all furniture, wastepaper baskets, etc., to original position. Report all maintenance related problems to the Central Services Director. Leave janitorial closet clean and orderly.

## **Periodic Tasks and Services:**

All monthly, quarterly, semi-annual and annual services require a sign-off of completion. Prior to starting, Contractor must submit a written schedule showing the exact date of all quarterly, semi-annual and annual work.

#### **Monthly**

Machine scrub restroom floors using germicidal detergent. Refinish all resilient tile restroom. Clean all vent covers, louvers, etc.

## **Quarterly and As Needed**

Vacuum, spot clean, and shampoo all carpets. (Proper shampooing shall result in a carpet free from all types of airborne soil, dry dirt, water soluble soils, and petroleum soluble soils). A clean carpet shall be uniform in appearance when dry vacuumed. Strip and refinish all resilient tile floor surfaces, upon completion of this task, the floor shall be free of all scuff marks, dirt, dust, soil, spots, stains, deposits, and film, (dirt, oil, grease, etc.).

#### Schedule and Checklists:

The Contractor shall submit, after Notice of Award, but prior to the date of performance, a schedule of the dates that daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually and other frequencies of work will be performed. Contractor shall, in this schedule, indicate specific areas of floors and sections of windows and other items not requiring daily service, which are to be cleaned under a progressive work program and the days/weeks/months/quarters such areas are to be cleaned. This schedule must be approved by building superintendent and submitted to The District Chief Business Officer. A copy of the daily activity report is attached at page 32.

#### **Daily Activity Report Checklist**

The successful Contractor will be required to complete a "daily activity report checklist" of services performed for each location covered under this contract. A copy of this report is included in this page at page 32.

#### **Routine Maintenance Problem Report**

Using the attached form, any routine maintenance problems such as burned out lights, clogged drains, toilet problems, electrical outlet malfunctions, items broken, missing, and other items which require maintenance, repair or replacement. This report should be submitted as needed to The District. A copy of this report is included in this page on page 33.

The Contractor shall forward to the District Building Superintendent the completed checklists for each week within two (2) days after its expiration showing its adherence or non-adherence, plus corrections, by item and date. In addition, a copy of the reports and checklists shall be filed with the contact person specified in the bid or his designated representative.

#### Coordination

The Contractor will contact the District Chief Business Officer at least once a quarter to discuss contract performance and identify problem areas. Meetings will be scheduled at the time of award for the first year, and upon renewal for each subsequent year.

# **Poor Performance/Complaint Provisions:**

In the event janitorial service performance is less than acceptable to the District authorities this paragraph will allow recourse for the District. A percentage of amounts due for janitorial services will be assessed when performance is unsatisfactory, e.g., when three (3) legitimate complaints of unsatisfactory services are received within a 30-day (one month) period, a 10% penalty will be assessed the contractor.

# DAILY ACTIVITY REPORT CHECKLIST TO BE FILLED OUT BY SUPERVISOR

Building							
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Sweep or dust mop floors		140	1100			Jac	
Damp mop floors							
Buff floors							
Clean elevators							
Clean brass fixtures							
Vacuum and clean rugs and carpets							
Collect trash and change bags		1					
Clean glass interior and exterior							
Sweep stairs/landings and mop							
Clean bathroom – clean sinks/toilets/urinals, replace tissues/towels/soap, empty trash, sweep/mop floors							
Dust all furniture							
Contractor							

Date

Supervisor

# ROUTINE MAINTENANCE PROBLEM REPORT

Please Print Name Author		Authorized Sig	nature	Date			
Buildin	g		Report Date				
Proble	m Location						
	1. Lights burned out.						
	2. Drain clogged.						
	3. Toilet malfunction.						
	4. Electrical outlet malfunction.						
	5. Item(s) broken, missing, etc.						
	6.						
	7.						
	8.						
	9.						
	10.						
	11.						

<sup>\*</sup>Report each maintenance problem **on day of cleaning**.

# 5. Project Requirements

# 5.1 Objective

Each proposal must include a detailed work plan that addresses how work for the District would be performed. It shall include detailed personnel assignments. A detailed description of major deliverables to be provided must also be included.

The proposal must include a sample timeline for the completion of each major task included in the proposal to the extent practicable, as well as projected completion dates for each major activity required. All proposals submitted in response to this RFP become the property of The District.

# 5.2 Proposer Experience

The successful Proposer must demonstrate extensive experience in and understanding of the nature of research and analysis required in order to carry out the intent of this project.

The proposal must identify all key personnel who are to be part of the proposed consultant team and detail their experience. The District Board of Directors reserves the right to approve each member of the team and to request substitutions.

The Proposer must describe in detail the current and historical experience the Proposer and its subcontractors have that would be relevant to completing the project. The Proposer must provide descriptions and references for all engagements of comparable complexity and sensitivity to the requirements of this RFP that have been conducted within the past five (5) years. References must contain the name of key contacts and a telephone number.

The description of experience must be detailed and cover all relevant contracts that the Proposer and its subcontractors, as applicable, have had and all experience similar to this contract that qualifies the Proposer to meet the requirements of this contract. Included must be the names, titles, addresses, and current telephone numbers of organizations that may be contacted to verify qualifying experience. The Proposer must indicate whether the organizations so listed are included for the purpose of verifying the Proposer's qualifying experience, or the qualifying experience of its subcontractors. Each experience statement also must include the name and types of services directly provided by the Proposer under the contract, and whether the Proposer was the contractor or subcontractor.

The Proposer must briefly state why it believes its proposed services best meet the District's needs and RFP requirements, and the Proposer also must concisely describe any additional features, aspects, or advantages of its services in any relevant area not covered elsewhere in its proposal.

# 6. Proposal Evaluation and Selection Process

#### 6.1 Introduction

The proposal evaluation and selection process is detailed in this section, as are other factors, and the format in which the cost response of each proposal must be submitted.

# 6.2 Cost Proposal

The Proposer must utilize the form provided in Appendix A in its submission of a cost proposal in response to this RFP. The cost proposal must be included in each copy of the proposal. Any reworked version of Appendix A that is intended to be a substitute for Appendix A, that is provided by a Proposer may be determined as non-responsive and may result in the proposal's disqualification.

# 6.3 Proposal Evaluation and Selection

Prior to the receipt of proposals, the District will establish an Evaluation Committee.

#### 6.4 Evaluation Criteria:

## a. Responsiveness – 15%

This refers to the proposal's complete responsiveness to all written specifications and requirements contained in this RFP.

## b. Implementation Plan – 25%

Emphasis is on the efficiency and comprehensiveness of the methods to be used in performing the services requested by this RFP and in managing the project.

#### c. Proposer Qualifications – 25%

This refers to the overall qualifications of Proposer and its past experience in providing similar services to those requested by this RFP. It also refers to an evaluation of the quality of Proposer's performance on previous local government projects.

#### d. Personnel Qualifications – 15%

This refers to the number and qualifications of the personnel who would be assigned to the job.

#### e. Cost of Services – 20%

This is the expected amount Contractor would be compensated for services provided to the District. While this will be an important factor, it will be considered as just one factor in the evaluation and selection process.

The Evaluation Committee may elect to require an oral presentation from each qualified Proposer of the information contained in their proposal. Any invitation for an oral presentation will be solely for the purpose of clarifying proposals received from each qualifying Proposer and will not represent any decision on the part of the evaluation committee as to the selection of a successful Proposer.

Upon completion of their review and any oral presentations, the Evaluation Committee will convene one or more times to discuss the proposals as a group. Each Evaluation Committee

member will individually score each proposal independently. The District Purchasing Department will collect all scores and aggregate the scores of all Committee members. The Purchasing Department will then prepare a report identifying the proposal that scored the highest in the selection process according to the evaluation criteria described in this RFP and upon the selection of an apparent successful Proposer, the Board shall appoint the Chief Business Officer to proceed with contract negotiations and attempt to finalize a written contract with the apparent successful Proposer. If a contract cannot be successfully negotiated within a reasonable period of time, negotiations will be terminated, and negotiations with the next highest-ranking Proposer may commence. This process may continue until a contract is signed or the RFP is withdrawn. However, the District may, in its sole judgment and at any time upon failure of negotiations, choose to reissue or withdraw the RFP rather than continue with negotiations. A notice of award will be sent to all Proposer's immediately following execution of a written contract.

## **APPENDIX A Cost Proposal**

Using this form, each Proposer must state its proposed charges. Each Proposer's charges must include the entire cost of providing the services identified in this RFP. Cost will be a factor in the District's selection process.

Service shall include all custodial services and must be performed during the days/times specified. Note that some locations require an employee to be on site for the duration of specific hours.

Item	Service Location	Unit Price Per Sq. Ft.	Unit Price Per Visit	Extended Weekly Price	Weeks Per Year	Extended Annual Total
1	Administration Offices Mon-Fri, 5:30 pm–11:30 pm Floors: 1	\$	\$	\$	x 52	\$
	Square feet: 4,242					
	To be serviced: 2 days/week					
2	Operations Mon-Fri, 5:30 pm–11:30 pm Floors: 1 Square feet: 2,023 To be serviced: 2 days/week	\$	\$	\$	x 52	₩
3	Engineering Mon-Fri, 5:30 pm–11:30 pm Floors: 1 Square feet: 2,367 To be serviced: 2 days/week	\$	\$	\$	x 52	\$
4	SOS Building Mon-Fri, 5:30 pm–11:30 pm Floors: 1 Square feet: 2,591 To be serviced: 1 days/week	\$	\$	\$	x 52	<i>⇔</i>

PROPOSER Must Complete and Return This Page With Proposal.

Please list at least three (3) companies or governmental agencies (preferably a municipality) where the same or similar products and/or services as contained in this specification package were recently provided.

#### THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL.

REFERENCE ONE						
Government/Company Name:						
Address:						
Contact Person and Title:						
Phone:	Fax:					
Email Address:	Contract Period:					
Scope of Work:	-					
Refere	NCE TWO					
Government/Company Name:						
Address:						
Contact Person and Title:						
Phone:	Fax:					
Email Address:	Contract Period:					
Scope of Work:	-					
Reference	CE THREE					
Government/Company Name:						
Address:						
Contact Person and Title:						
Phone:	Fax:					
Email Address:	Contract Period:					
Scope of Work:						

### Signature Page

As permitted under Article 4413 (32c) V.A.C.S., other governmental entities may wish to participate

under the same terms and conditions contained in this contract (i.e., piggyback). In the event any other entity participates, all purchase orders will be issued directly from and shipped directly to the entity requiring supplies/services. Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 shall not be held responsible for any orders placed, deliveries made or payment for supplies/services ordered by another entity. Each entity reserves the right to determine their participation in this contract. Would Proposer be willing to allow other governmental entities to piggyback off this contract, if awarded, No This Proposal shall remain in effect for ninety (90) days from proposal opening and shall be exclusive of federal excise and state and local sales tax (exempt). The undersigned agrees, if this proposal is accepted, to furnish any and all items upon which prices are Proposed, at the price and upon the terms and conditions contained in the Request for Proposal, Conditions of Request for Proposal, Terms of Contract, and Specifications and all other items made a part of the accepted contract. The undersigned affirms that they are duly authorized to execute the contract, that this company, corporation, firm, partnership or individual has not prepared this proposal in collusion with any other Proposer, and that the contents of this proposal as to prices, terms or conditions of said proposal have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any other Proposer or to any other person(s) engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this proposal. And further, that neither the Proposer nor their employees nor agents have been for the past six (6) months directly nor indirectly concerned in any pool or agreement or combination to control the price of goods or services on, nor to influence any person to submit a proposal or not to submit a proposal thereon. Proposer (Entity Name) Signature Street & Mailing Address Print Name City, State & Zip Date Signed Telephone Number Fax Number

**Proposer Must Complete and Return This Page With Proposal.** 

E-mail Address

## **Conflict of Interest Questionnaire**

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	FORM CIQ
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	
Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	
Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.	
(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the applater than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the ori incomplete or inaccurate.)	
Name of local government officer about whom the information in this section is being disc	losed.
Name of Officer	
This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C, & D) must be completed for each officer employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Govern pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.  A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, from the vendor?	nment Code. Attach additional
Yes No	
B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, fro government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the lo	
Yes No	
C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity w government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one per	
Yes No	
D. Describe each employment or business and family relationship with the local governmen	t officer named in this section.
4	
Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date

Adopted 8/7/2015

### **Good Faith Effort (GFE)**

#### **DETERMINATION CHECKLIST**

### This information must be submitted with your proposal.

**Instructions:** In order to determine if a "Good Faith Effort" was made in soliciting HUBs for subcontracting opportunities, the following checklist and supporting documentation shall be completed by the Prime Contractor/Consultant, and returned with the Prime Contractor/ Consultant's bid. This list contains the **minimum** efforts that should be put forth by the Prime Contractor/Consultant when attempting to achieve or exceed the goals of HUB Subcontractor participation. The Prime Contractor/Consultant may extend his/her efforts in soliciting HUB Subcontractor participation beyond what is listed below.

		Die	id the Prime Contractor/Consultant	
☐ Yes	□No	1.	To the extent practical, and consistent with star standards, divide the contract work into the smaller for maximum HUB Subcontractor participation?	
Yes	□No	2.	<b>Notify</b> in writing a reasonable number of HUBs, effective participation of the planned work to be sul	
☐ Yes	□No	3.	<b>Provide</b> HUBs that were genuinely interested in I adequate information regarding the project (i.e., pla work, bonding and insurance requirements, and a Prime Contractor/Consultant's organization)?	ans, specifications, scope of
Yes	□No	4.	<b>Negotiate</b> in good faith with interested HUBs, and that qualify as lowest and responsive Proposers?	not reject bids from HUBs
Yes	□No	5.	<b>Document</b> reasons HUBs were rejected? Was including the reason for rejection, provided to the re	•
Yes	□No	6.	If Prime Contractor/Consultant has zero (0) HUB pathe reasons why.	articipation, please explain
If "No"			d, please explain and include any pertinent docu ary, please use a separate sheet to answer the ab	
F			of Authorized Signa entative	iture
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## Notice of Intent (NOI) to Subcontract with **Historically Underutilized Business (HUB)**

This information must	t be submitted with your	bid.					
Proposer intends to utilize subcontractors/subcorawarded).	Proposer intends to utilize subcontractors/subconsultants in the fulfillment of this contract (if awarded). $\square$ Yes $\square$ No						
Instructions for Prime Contractor/Consultant: information below may be submitted after contract Please submit one form for each HUB Subcontract conditions of your contract.	award, but prior to beginnin	g performance on the contract.					
Contractor Name:		HUB: 🛘 Yes 🗘 No					
Address:							
Street	City State	Zip					
Phone (with area code):	Fax (with area code):						
Project Title & No.:							
Prime Contract Amount: \$							
HUB Subcontractor Name:							
HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity):							
Certifying Agency:   Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm.	☐ Jefferson County ☐ Tx L	Inified Certification Prog.					
Address:							
Street	City State	Zip					
Phone (with area code):	Fax (with area code):						
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$	Percentage of Prime	Contract: %					
Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:							
Printed Name of Contractor Representative Signal Si	gnature of Representative	 Date					

NOTE: NOTHING ON THIS NOTICE OF INTENT FORM IS INTENDED TO CONFER ANY RIGHTS, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, TO ANY THIRD PARTIES.

Pre-Approval for Subcontractor Substitutions must be obtained from the District Chief Business Officer's Representative. The "HUB Subcontractor/Subconsultant Change Form" must be completed and faxed to 409-835-8456.

Signature of Representative

## Proposer Must Complete and Return This Page With Proposal.

Printed Name of HUB

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### This information must be submitted with your bid.

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Prime Contractor:			HUB:  Ye	s 🗌 No
HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity):				
Address:				
Street	City	State	Zip	
Phone (with area code):	Fax (v	vith area code):		
Project Title & No.:		IFB/RFP No.:		
Total Contract: _\$	Total HUB	Subcontract(s):	\$	
Construction HUB Goals: 12.8% MBE::	%	12.6% WBE:		%
	ese goals as a guide to o		Initials: _	
FOR HUB OFFICE USE ONLY:  Verification date HUB Program Office reviewed and ve	erified HUB Sub information		Initials: _	
FOR HUB OFFICE USE ONLY:  Verification date HUB Program Office reviewed and verification date HUB SUCONTRACTOR DISCLOS	erified HUB Sub information	Date:		
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### **HUB SUBCONTRACTOR DISCLOSURE**

PART I: Continuation Sheet

HUB Status (Gender & Ethnicity):

Certifying Agency: Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm. Jefferson County Tx Unified Certification Prog.

Address:

Street City State Zip

Contact person: Title:

Phone (with area code): Fax (with area code):

Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$ Percentage of Prime Contract: \_\_\_\_ %

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:

HUB Subcontractor Name:

HUB Status (Gende	er & Ethnicity):				
Certifying Agency:	☐ Tx. Bldg & Procurement Comm.	☐ Jeffers	on County	☐ Tx Unif	ied Certification Prog.
Address:					
	Street	City	Sta	ate	Zip
Contact person: _		Title:			
Phone (with area or	odo):	Fox	(with area	codo):	

Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:

All HUB Subcontractor Participation may be verified with the HUB Subcontractor(s) listed on Part I.

Proposer Must Complete and Return This Page With Proposal.

(Duplicate as Needed)

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### PART II: STATEMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE FOR NOT MEETING HUB SUBCONTRACTING GOALS Please complete Good Faith Effort (GFE) Checklist and attach any supporting documentation. Our firm was unable to meet the HUB goals for this project for the following reasons: All subcontractors to be utilized are "Non-HUBs." (Complete Part III) HUBs were solicited but did not respond. HUBs solicited were not competitive. HUBs were unavailable for the following trade(s): Other: Was the Jefferson County HUB Office contacted for assistance in locating HUBs? ☐ Yes ☐ No

### PART III: DISCLOSURE OF OTHER "NON-HUB" SUBCONTRACTS

The Proposer shall use this area to provide a listing of all "Non-HUB" Subcontractors, including suppliers, that will perform under this project. A list of those "Non-HUB" Subcontractors the Proposer selects, after bid submission, shall be provided to the Purchasing Office not later than five (5) calendar days after being notified that Proposer is the apparent low Proposer. A list of those "Non-HUB" Subcontractors that are selected after contract award must be provided **immediately** after their selection.

Address: Street	City	State	Zip			
Contact person:		Title:				
Phone (with area code):		Fax (with area code):				
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$		Percentage of Prime	Contract:	%		
Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:						
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Subcontractor Name:				
Address:				
Street City	State Zip			
Contact person:	Title:			
Phone (with area code):	Fax (with area code):			
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$	Percentage of Prime Contract:			
Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:				
Subcontractor Name:				
Address:				
Street City	·			
Contact person:	Title:			
Phone (with area code):	Fax (with area code):			
Proposed Subcontract Amount: \$	Percentage of Prime Contract:			
Description of Subcontract Work to be Performed:				
I hereby certify that I have read the <i>HUB Program Instructions an</i> form, and <b>attached any necessary support documentation</b> a information on this document may result in my not receiving a cor	as required. I fully understand that intentionally falsifying			
Name (print or type):				
Title:				
Signature:				
Date:				
E-mail address:				
Contact person that will be in charge of invoicing for this pr	roject:			
Name (print or type):				
Title:				
Date:				
E-mail address:				

### **Residence Certification/Tax Form**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2252.001 et seq., as amended, Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 requests Resident

		§2252.001 et seq. of the Gover §2252.001 are stated below:	nment Code pi	ovides some restrictions on the awarding or governmental contracts; pertinent
	(3)	"Nonresident Proposer" refers	to a person w	ho is not a resident.
	(4)			e principal place of business is in this state, including a contractor whose as its principal place of business in this state.
	I certif §2252	fy that 2.001.	[compan	y name] is a Resident Proposer of Texas as defined in Government Code
		fy that ur principal place of business is	[compan	y name] is a Nonresident Proposer as defined in Government Code §2252.001 (city and state).
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Tax	payer	Identification Number (T.	I.N.):	
Cor	npany	Name submitting bid/pro	posal:	
Mai	ling ad	ddress:		
If yo	ou are	an individual, list the nam	es and addr	esses of any partnership of which you are a general partner:
	<b>perty:</b>		ty owned t	by you or above partnerships in Jefferson County Drainage
		County Drainage District Acct. No.*	t Property	address or location**

This is the property amount identification number assigned by the Jefferson County Appraisal District.

<sup>\*\*</sup> For real property, specify the property address or legal description. For business property, specify the address where the property is located. For example, office equipment will normally be at your office, but inventory may be stored as a warehouse or other location.

### JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 6, TEXAS

### SAMPLE CONTRACT

## THE STATE OF TEXAS

COI	UNTY	OF JEFFERSON	
		ract between Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 andontractor").	(hereinafter
		WITNESSETH	
		AS, on, a Legal Notice was published by Jefferson Coing forth the specifications for Janitorial Services for Jefferson County	
		aS, on, Proposals were opened and the best respond to be,	onsible Proposer was
1.	The	term of the renewed Contract shall be from, inclusiv	re.
2.	The to w	Contract includes the following documents, copies being attached and a rith:	are incorporated herein,
	a.	Legal Notice,;	
	b.	Cost Form of;	
	c.	Specifications for Janitorial Services for Jefferson County Drainage	District No. 6; and

- 3. During the term of this Contract, Contractor shall furnish to the District the Janitorial Service for all buildings set forth in the specifications for base bid, including all labor, tools, cleaning and floor finishing products, superintendence and equipment in connection therewith.
- 4. Renewal of this contract shall be for the original proposed price: however, if the option to renew is exercised, the District will permit a price adjustment upward or downward after the end of the first contractual period and each renewal period when correlated with the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), U.S. City Average, (all items) published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Beaumont-Port Arthur, Texas, www.bls.gov., up to 3%, whichever is lower.
- 5. Throughout the term of the contract, if the Contractor fails to perform required services as described herein or does not complete all services as required on a daily, weekly, monthly quarterly, bi-annually, or yearly basis this shall be just cause for the assessment of damages as described below and such damages shall be considered, as liquidated damages. If the Contractor fails to perform the services within the time specified in the contract whether a daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly, biannually, or yearly task, the Contractor shall be deemed as non-compliant and liquidated damages will be assessed.

The Maintenance Representative or his designee will perform inspections of each area to ascertain compliance to the specifications. If any deficiencies are found, an inspection report will be communicated to the Contractor noting the required corrections. If deficiencies are found, once reported to the Contractor, it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to respond and correct the deficiencies immediately or no later than twenty-four (24) hours. All notifications will be made by written e-mail.

Liquidated damages are set at 10% of the amount for services charged to the complaining department per occurrence. Written documentation will be provided and the damage will be deducted from the monthly invoice.

5.	The District agrees to pay Contractor the total sum of \$,
	for all services hereunder payable, such payments to be made monthly upon presentation of an invoice at the end of each month hereof.
6.	It is agreed that Contractor is acting in the capacity of an independent contractor hereunder. Contractor does hereby promise and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the District from and against all damages, liability, injury, claims or causes of action arising out of the performance of the Contract.
7.	If Contractor shall fail to perform in accordance with this Contract, or otherwise breach this Contract, the District shall have the option to immediately terminate the Contract in addition to any other legal remedy. Provided, that the District shall give written notice to Contractor in the event of exercising such right of termination with thirty (30) days written notice, by Certified United States Mail, addressed to Contractor will furnish proof of insurance.
IN V 2021	VITNESS WHEREOF has caused this Contract to be executed this the day of, .
	Contractor
	VITNESS WHEREOF Jefferson County Drainage District No. 6 has caused this Contract to be uted this the day of, 2021.
JEFF	FERSON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 6

Sample

**Board President**