

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (“RFQ”)**  
**BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION**  
**SPECIFICATION NO. 122737**

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All Qualifications and other communications must be addressed and returned to:

Jamie L. Rhee, Chief Procurement Officer  
Attention: Altha Riley  
Department of Procurement Services  
Bid & Bond - Room 301, City Hall  
121 North La Salle Street  
Chicago, IL 60602

A Pre-Submittal Conference will be held on February 21, 2014 at 2:30 P.M. Central Time, at City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle St, City Hall, Room 1103, Chicago, Illinois 60602.

Responses must be received no later than **4:00 PM. Central Time, on March 28, 2014**. The outside of the envelope or package must clearly indicate the name of the project, “**RFQ for Broadband Infrastructure Expansion**”, Specification No. **122737**, the time, and the date specified for receipt.

The name and address of the Respondent must be clearly printed on the outside envelope or package.

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MAYOR

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CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER

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Altha Riley, Senior Procurement Specialist, 312-744-0762

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# REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (“RFQ”)

for

## BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION

Specification No. 122737

### I. GENERAL INVITATION

#### 1.1 Purpose of the Request for Qualifications

The City of Chicago (“City”), acting through the Department of Innovation and Technology (“DoIT”), seeks qualified companies to design, construct, implement and manage a state-of-the art high-speed broadband network. The City seeks creation of a gigabit- or near gigabit-speed broadband network that can serve businesses and organizations in key commercial and industrial corridors throughout the City (“Innovation Zones”) at a cost substantially below current market offerings. If a firm is selected to provide such a broadband network and service, the City may also seek from the selected firm provision of broadband services to specified City remote offices.

The intent is to select a qualified company through a two (2) step RFQ/RFP process.

##### Step 1: Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Respondents to this RFQ will be required to submit their qualifications, experience and technical competence to perform the services as outlined in this document. One or more Respondents who qualify in Step 1 will be eligible to receive and respond to a Request for Proposal (RFP) in Step 2. Those Respondents found not qualified or non-responsive to the RFQ requirements will not receive an RFP from the City. No contract negotiations or contract award will result from Step 1.

##### Step 2: Request for Proposal (RFP)

Respondents found qualified in Step 1 will be eligible to respond to the RFP in Step 2. Upon receipt of the RFP from the City, Respondents will be given a deadline to submit a detailed proposal that will include, but not be limited to, assessment and implementation, technical specifications, acceptance testing, detailed cost proposal, and other components as outlined in the RFP. The Respondent selected (“Selected Respondent”) from Step 2 will enter into contract negotiations with the City for contract award.

The purposes of this project are to accelerate economic development in Innovation Zones by providing gigabit-speed broadband service to businesses and organizations at a low cost, as well as deliver a broadband network solution to the City at specified remote offices.

The City does not intend to own or operate the network proposed by the Selected Respondent. The City will offer to the Selected Respondent a variety of supporting assets, including access to existing City-owned fiber and public building rooftops; right-of-way access to freight tunnels and sewers; coordination with planned City construction work to modernize water and sewer infrastructure; and

other assets or forms of investment. As noted above, the Selected Respondent may also have an opportunity to provide broadband services to City remote office locations.

A more detailed description of the project is contained in Exhibit 1, Project Overview. Exhibit 1 is descriptive only and will serve as the basis for the scope of the RFP. A Submittal in response to this RFQ need only contain the requirements listed in Section 4.2. An RFP requesting a detailed proposal will be issued at a future date to those Respondents who qualify based on their response to the RFQ.

For purposes of this RFQ/RFP, **Chief Procurement Officer (“CPO”)** means the Chief Procurement Officer for the City of Chicago. **“Commissioner”** means the Commissioner of the Department of Innovation and Technology. **“DoIT”** means the Department of Innovation and Technology. **“DPS”** means the Department of Procurement Services. **“Respondent”** means the companies or individuals that submit qualification information in response to this RFQ. The documents submitted in response to this RFQ will be referred to as **“Submittals”** or **“Qualifications”**.

The work contemplated is professional in nature. It is understood that the Respondent acting as an individual, partnership, corporation or other legal entity, is of professional status, licensed to perform in the State of Illinois and the CITY OF CHICAGO for all applicable professional discipline(s) requiring licensing and will be governed by the professional ethics in its relationship to the City. It is also understood that all reports, information, or data prepared or assembled by the Respondent may be made available to any individual or organization, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The Respondent shall be financially solvent and each of its members if a joint venture, its employees, agents or sub-consultants of any tier shall be competent to perform the services required under this RFQ document.

Any Agreement resulting from the subsequent RFP will require City Council approval.

## **1.2 Note**

Respondents to this RFQ should note that this document is substantively different from the Request for Information (“RFI”) released in September 2012. Certain sections and information have not been incorporated into this RFQ and new information has been added to the scope of this RFQ that was not included in the RFI. In preparation of its Submittal, the Respondent to this RFQ should disregard the RFI.

## **1.3 Internet Access to this RFQ**

Respondents may download the RFQ and any future addenda from the City’s DPS website at the following URL address: [www.cityofchicago.org/bids](http://www.cityofchicago.org/bids). Paper copies will not be provided. This is a professional service RFQ and the City expects qualified Respondents to have full access to technology. The City also intends to cut its costs while adhering to environmentally conscious practices, therefore the City will not provide hardcopies of this RFQ or clarifications and/or addenda.

After downloading the RFQ, the Respondent must contact the Bid & Bond Room by emailing the Respondent’s electronic business card or contact information to [bidandbond@cityofchicago.org](mailto:bidandbond@cityofchicago.org), referencing Specification No. 122737. Submission of electronic contact information will enable Respondents to receive any future clarifications and/or addenda related to this RFQ.

The City accepts no responsibility for the timely delivery of materials or for alerting Respondents on posting to the DPS website information related to this RFQ.

Under no circumstances shall failure to obtain clarifications and/or addenda relieve a Respondent from being bound by any additional terms and conditions in the clarifications and/or addenda, or from considering additional information contained therein in preparing a Submittal. Furthermore, failure to obtain any clarification and/or addendum shall not be valid grounds for a protest against award(s) made under this RFQ/RFP.

## **II. OVERVIEW**

Mayor Emanuel is committed to making the critical investments required to ensure that Chicago is prepared to meet the demands of a 21st century economy. Providing the resources necessary for businesses, universities, and other organizations to succeed and thrive is necessary for Chicago to remain a global leader and pioneer. Availability of and access to an affordable high-speed broadband network is now a critical component of urban infrastructure, similar to electricity, water, and roadways.

### **2.1 Overview – Low-Priced Gigabit- or Near-Gigabit-Speed Network**

The City's first step toward achieving affordable high-speed internet access for all Chicagoans will target seven Innovation Zones with gigabit- or near-gigabit-speed broadband and focus on providing immediate access to businesses, universities, and organizations located in these core industrial and commercial areas.

The City's ultimate goal is to have this gigabit- or near-gigabit service provided at a rate substantially less than the current market price of existing comparable service for businesses. Increasing penetration of affordable gigabit- or near-gigabit speed broadband service will foster innovation, drive job creation, and stimulate economic growth. Through increased bandwidth and network capacity, implementation of this public-facing network will:

- 1) Stimulate next-generation product, application, and service development by technology companies and research institutions
- 2) Enhance education opportunities at universities
- 3) Improve delivery of health care services
- 4) Allow businesses to focus on growing their business, not the lack of access to needed telecommunications infrastructure
- 5) Position Chicago as a global leader in technology and innovation

### **2.2 Overview – City Broadband Network Solution**

The City will consider migrating existing service contracts at specified remote offices to the new broadband infrastructure. The Selected Respondent for the gigabit- or near-gigabit speed network would be able to support the City's broadband service needs at City remote office locations. Services at these offices located within the Innovation Zones currently represent annual payments of up to approximately \$515,000. Services at these offices located both within and outside of the Innovation Zones currently represent annual payments of up to approximately \$2.3 million.

### III. GENERAL INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES

#### 3.1 Communications Between the City of Chicago and Respondents

##### A. Submission of Questions or Requests for Clarifications

**Respondents must communicate only with the Department of Procurement Services.** All questions or requests for clarification must be in writing, sent by mail, email, or fax at 312-744-0762 and directed to the attention of Altha Riley, Procurement Specialist, [altha.riley@cityofchicago.org](mailto:altha.riley@cityofchicago.org) Department of Procurement Services, Room 806, City Hall. **All questions must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. Central Time on February 28, 2014.** Respondents are encouraged, but not required, to submit questions one (1) week prior to the scheduled Pre-Submittal Conference. The face of each envelope or the cover sheet of the fax must clearly indicate that the contents are “Questions and Request for Clarification” about the RFQ, and are “Not a Submittal” and must refer to “Request for Qualifications” (“RFQ”) for Broadband Infrastructure Expansion, Specification No. 122737. No telephone calls will be accepted unless the questions are general in nature. **A Respondent that deviates from any of these restrictions may be subject to immediate disqualification from this RFQ process.**

##### B. Pre-Submittal Conference

The City will hold a Pre-Submittal Conference at City Hall, 11th Floor Room #1103, 121 North LaSalle Street Chicago, Illinois 60602 at 2:30 p.m. Central Time on February 21, 2014. All parties interested in responding to this RFQ are urged to attend in person. The City will answer questions and clarify the terms of the RFQ at the Pre-Submittal Conference. You are encouraged to send questions one week prior to the conference. The City may respond both to questions raised on the day of the conference and to questions emailed prior to the conference. Anything stated at this Pre-Submittal Conference is not intended to change the solicitation document. Any changes will be in writing in the form of an addendum issued by the Department of Procurement Services.

To participate in the teleconference, dial 888-204-5987, participation code: 5968587.

#### 3.2 Deadline and Procedures for Submitting Qualifications

To be assured of consideration, Submittals must be received by the City of Chicago in the City’s Bid & Bond Room (Room 301, City Hall) no later than 4:00 p.m. Central Time on March 28, 2014. The Bid & Bond Room can be reached at telephone number 312-744-9773.

The City may, but is not required to accept Submittals that are not received by the date and time set forth.

Failure by a messenger delivery service or printing service to meet the deadline will not excuse the Respondent from the deadline requirement. Hand-carried Submittals must be placed in the

depository located in the Bid & Bond Room located in Room 301, City Hall. The time of the receipt of all Submittals to this RFQ will be determined solely by the clock located in the Bid & Bond Room of City Hall. It is Respondent's sole responsibility to ensure that the Submittal is received as required.

Submittals must be delivered to the following address:

Jamie L. Rhee, Chief Procurement Officer  
Department of Procurement Services  
Bid & Bond Room  
Room 301, City Hall  
121 North LaSalle Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Respondent must submit 1 original hardcopy and 6 electronic copies (on USB-drive or CD-ROM). The original documents must be clearly marked as "ORIGINAL", and must bear the original signature of an authorized corporate agent on all documents requiring a signature. Respondent must enclose all documents in sealed envelopes or boxes.

The outside of each sealed envelope or package must be labeled as follows:

Submittal Enclosed  
Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Broadband Infrastructure Expansion  
Specification No. 122737  
Due: **4:00 p.m. Central Time, March 28, 2014**  
Submitted by: (Name of Respondent)  
Package \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

### **3.3 RFQ Information Resources**

Respondents are solely responsible for acquiring the necessary information or materials. Information for preparing a response to this RFQ can be located in the following areas of the City's website: [www.cityofchicago.org/Procurement](http://www.cityofchicago.org/Procurement):

- Pre-Bid/Submittal Conference Attendees
- Addendums and Exhibits, if any.

### **3.4 Procurement Timetable**

The timetable for the RFQ solicitation is summarized below. Note that these are target dates and are subject to change by the City.

<b>Key Activity</b>	<b>Target Date</b>
City Issues RFQ	February 10, 2014
Pre-Submittal Conference	February 21, 2014
Deadline for Receipt of Questions	February 28, 2014
Submittals Due	March 28, 2014

### **3.5 Transparency Website; Trade Secrets**

Consistent with the City's practice of making available all information submitted in response to a public procurement, all Submittals/Proposals, any information and documentation contained therein, any additional information or documentation submitted to the City as part of this solicitation, and any information or documentation presented to City as part of negotiation of a contract or other agreement may be made publicly available through the City's Internet website.

However, Respondents may designate those portions of a Submittal/Proposal which contain trade secrets or other proprietary data ("Data") which Respondent desires remain confidential.

To designate portions of a Submittal/Proposal as confidential, Respondent must:

A. Mark the cover page as follows: "This Submittal/Proposal includes trade secrets or other proprietary data."

B. Mark each sheet or Data to be restricted with the following legend: "Confidential: Use or disclosure of data contained on this sheet is subject to the restriction on the title page of this proposal."

C. Provide a CD-ROM with a redacted copy of the entire proposal or Submittal in .pdf format for posting on the City's website. Respondent is responsible for properly and adequately redacting any Data which Respondent desires remain confidential. If entire pages or sections are removed, they must be represented by a page indicating that the page or section has been redacted. Failure to provide a CD-ROM with a redacted copy may result in the posting of an un-redacted copy.

Indiscriminate labeling of material as "Confidential" may be grounds for deeming a Submittal as non-responsive.

All Submittals/Proposals submitted to the City are subject to the Freedom of Information Act. The City will make the final determination as to whether information, even if marked "confidential," will be disclosed pursuant to a request under the Freedom of Information Act or valid subpoena. Respondent agrees not to pursue any cause of action against the City with regard to disclosure of information.

#### **IV. PREPARING QUALIFICATIONS: REQUIRED INFORMATION**

Each Submittal must contain all of the following documents and must conform to the following requirements.

##### **4.1 Format of Qualifications**

Qualifications should be prepared on 8 ½" X 11" letter size paper (preferably recycled), printed double-sided and bound on the long side. The City encourages using reusable, recycled, recyclable and chlorine free printed materials for bids, proposal, reports and other documents prepared in connection with this solicitation. Expensive papers and bindings are discouraged, as no materials will be returned. Submit 1 hardcopy original and 6 fully executed electronic Qualifications in PDF format on a USB-drive or CD-ROM.

**Sections should be separated by labeled tabs and organized in accordance with subject matter sequence as set forth below. Each page of the Qualifications must be numbered in a manner so as to be uniquely identified. Qualifications must be clear, concise and well organized.**

##### **4.2 Required Content of Qualifications**

Respondents are advised to adhere to the submittal requirements of the RFQ. Failure to comply with the instructions of this RFQ may be cause for rejection of the non-compliant Qualifications. Respondent must provide information in the appropriate areas throughout the RFQ.

**NOTE:** RESPONDENTS ARE ONLY REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR QUALIFICATIONS IN RESPONSE TO THE RFQ (STEP 1). THE BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION SPECIFICATIONS, CAPABILITIES, AND REQUIREMENTS IN THIS RFQ AND IN EXHIBIT 1, PROJECT OVERVIEW, ARE INTENDED TO BE DESCRIPTIVE OF THE QUALITY AND CAPABILITIES OF THE DESIRED NETWORK AND SERVICES. THESE ARE PRELIMINARY REQUIREMENTS AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE BY THE CITY. THE FINAL VERSION OF THE DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS, ASSETS AND CITY ACCOUNTS WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE RFP (STEP 2). THE RFP WILL BE GIVEN TO RESPONDENTS FOUND QUALIFIED IN STEP 1.

At a minimum, the Qualifications must include the following items:

###### **4.2.1 Cover Letter and Confidentiality Statement**

**4.2.1.1** Respondent(s) must submit a cover letter signed by an authorized representative of the entity. The cover letter must include the following:

- (i) Indicate the number of years the entity has been in business, and provide an overview of the experience and background of the entity and its key personnel.
- (ii) Identify the legal name of the entity, its headquarters address, its principal place of business, its legal form (i.e., corporation, joint venture, limited partnership, etc.), and the names of its principals or partners and authority to do business in Illinois.
- (iii) Indicate the name, address, and telephone number(s) of the principal contact for all communications pertaining to the RFQ in Step 1 or delivery of RFP in Step 2 if your company is found qualified in Step 1.
- (iv) Summarize Respondent's commitment to comply with the MBE/WBE requirements as stated in the Special Conditions Regarding Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women Business Enterprise (WBE) Commitment attachment to this RFQ (Exhibit 5).
- (v) Provide a statement of any objections or comments, if any, to the City of Chicago's Standard Contract Terms and Conditions containing some of the terms that the City may require, stipulated in Exhibit 8.
- (vi) Acknowledgement of receipt of Addendum issued by City, if any.

**4.2.1.2** Respondent(s) must submit a signed Confidentiality Statement, which is attached as Exhibit 2.

#### **4.2.2 Executive Summary**

Provide an executive summary, which explains your understanding of the City's intent and objectives and how your proposed assessment, planning and development strategy will later achieve those objectives in the implementation phase. The summary should discuss what the Respondent's approach will be for developing an implementation plan; approach to project management; strategies, tools and safeguards for ensuring performance of all required services; and any additional factors for the City's consideration.

#### **4.2.3 Professional Qualifications and Specialized Experience of Respondent and Team Committed**

If Respondent identifies, at this time, any different team members (joint venture partners, subcontractors, etc.) will perform major portions of the work, Respondent must provide the required information as described below for each such team member.

#### **4.2.3.1 Company Profile Information (See Exhibit 3)**

If Respondent is a joint venture or partnership, attach a copy of the formalized agreement signed by an authorized officer of each joint venture partner. Each partner must execute:

- (i) Separate Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit (“EDS) completed by each partner and one in the name of the joint venture or partnership as shown in Exhibit 6.
- (ii) Insurance certificate in the name of the joint venture or partnership business entity.

If Respondent is a business entity that is comprised of more than one legal participant (e.g., a general partnership, joint venture, etc.), then Respondent must identify or cause to be identified all participants involved, their respective ownership percentages and summarize the role, degree of involvement and experience of each participant separately.

If Respondent has a prime contractor/subcontractor relationship instead, this information regarding role involvement and experience is also required for any subcontractor that is proposed to provide a significant portion of the work.

Provide a chronological history of all mergers and/or acquisitions involving the Respondent’s team members, including all present and former subsidiaries or divisions and any material restructuring activities, if applicable. Include any such forthcoming actions, if such disclosure has already been made generally available to the public and is permitted by law.

#### **4.2.3.2 Company References/ Client Profile Information (See Form in Exhibit 4)**

Respondent must provide a minimum of three (3) references preferably of municipalities on projects of similar scope and magnitude as described in this RFQ with emphasis on specific experience in the implementation, maintenance, and support of a broadband network and services as described in Exhibit 1, Project Overview. Experience will not be considered unless complete reference data is provided. At a minimum, the following information must be included for each client reference:

- Client name, address, contact person name, telephone, and fax number.
- Description of services provided.
- Nature and extent of Respondent's involvement as prime contractor.
- Identify services, if any, subcontracted, and to what other company.
- Total dollar value of the contract.
- Contract term (Start and Expiration).

The City may solicit from previous clients, including the City of Chicago, or any available sources, relevant information concerning Respondent's record of past performance.

#### **4.2.3.3. Licenses or Certifications**

Respondent must provide copies of appropriate licenses or certifications required of any entity performing the services described in this RFQ in the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois, for itself, its partners and its subcontractors, including evidence that Respondent is authorized by the Secretary of State to do business in the State of Illinois.

#### **4.2.3.4. Capacity to Perform**

Respondent must describe their previous specialized experience on recent projects of similar type, scope and magnitude as described in this RFQ, identifying both public sector and private sector work. Respondent must provide comprehensive project descriptions for all broadband projects that have commenced within the previous five (5) years. The project descriptions must include, at a minimum, the following information:

- Brief description of the project, including the type of Hardware and Software involved
- Dates on which the project was performed and completed (or percentage completed if still in progress)
- Location of the project
- Nature and extent of Respondent's involvement
- Total dollar value of the project and of Respondent's role in the project
- Key personnel involved and their roles
- Project outcome
- Client reference information, including name, title, address and telephone number for client's personnel directly responsible for the project

Respondent must provide a summary of current and future projects and commitments and include projected completion dates. Identify the percentage

of the services that will be performed utilizing your own workforce, equipment and facilities. Identify the percentage of the work will be subcontracted.

#### **4.2.4. Professional Qualifications, Specialized Experience and Local Availability of Key Personnel**

Respondent must provide a summary of the professional qualifications, experience and local availability of key personnel who may be dedicated to the services described. For each person identified, submit the following information:

- Title and reporting responsibility.
- Proposed roles, including the functions and tasks for which they may have prime responsibility (also indicate areas of secondary responsibility, if appropriate)
- Pertinent areas of expertise and experience
- Base location (local address or address outside Chicago area)
- Resumes or corporate personnel profiles, which describe their overall experience, expertise, and certification training on products.

#### **4.2.5. Assessment, Planning and Development Strategy**

Respondent must include a general description of approach and overall strategy for implementing projects similar to that described in Exhibit 1 Project Overview including, but not limited to, capacity to perform the services.

The assessment, planning and development strategy should include, but not be limited to, the following:

##### **4.2.5.1. Approach to Project Assessment, Planning, and Development**

Respondent should describe in detail its general approach, strategies and methodologies utilized to assess and develop a successful implementation plan for this type of broadband initiative. Describe your policies and procedures for implementing projects, quality control, security measures, and project management, including your approach to overcoming obstacles, if any, and troubleshooting to resolve problems.

##### **4.2.5.2. Organization Chart**

The proposed implementation strategy should include a potential

organization chart, which clearly illustrates all firms (joint venture partners, if any, subcontractors, etc.):

- (i) A chart, which identifies not only the potential organizational structure, but also key personnel by name and title, if available at this time. Staffing levels of each organizational unit should be estimated. The specific role of each of the firms in a team or joint venture for each task/work activity must be described.
- (ii) Staffing requirements. Provide an assessment of staffing needs for each major activity area by job title and function. The assessment should include full-time equivalents for professional staff and supervisors committed to the City of Chicago.
- (iii) Submit resumes for key personnel that may be committed to this engagement. Correlate team members to the tasks they will be performing during on-going operations. For each potential key personnel, describe previous related experience and provide references including: name, address and telephone number of contact person, and brief description of work history.

#### **4.2.6 Minority and Women Business Enterprises Commitment (MBE/WBE)**

It is the policy of the City of Chicago that local business certified as Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) and Women Business Enterprises (WBE) in accordance with Section 2-92-450 of the Municipal Code of Chicago and Regulations Governing Certification of Minority and Women-owned Businesses shall have the maximum opportunity to participate fully in the performance of all City contracts.

**For purposes of your response to this RFQ (Step1), Respondent must only submit a MBE/WBE Commitment letter on their company letterhead addressed to the CPO stating your company commitment to achieving a minimum of 25% MBE and 5% WBE participation goal of the City of Chicago's spend on the amount that will be awarded in the contract.**

This commitment will apply if your company is found qualified and eligible to respond to the RFP issued in Step 2. For purposes of your response to the RFP, the minimum Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) participation goal will be 25%, and the minimum Women Business Enterprise (WBE) participation goal will be 5% of the City of Chicago's spend on the contract award per Exhibit 5, Special Conditions Regarding Minority and Women Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) Commitment and Schedules.

In Step 2 (RFP), Respondent must submit a completed Schedule D-1 and obtain a separate Schedule C-1 completed and signed by each proposed MBE and WBE firm

describing the services to be provided. With each Schedule C-1 form, Respondent should submit a current Letter of Certification issued by the City's Department of Procurement Services. The proposed MBE or WBE firm must be certified by the City at the time of Proposal submission. The City reserves the right to require Respondents to replace any proposed MBE/WBE that is not certified with the City. Further, the percentage participation for each MBE or WBE firm on the individual Schedule C-1s should match the percentages for each MBE or WBE firm listed on the Schedule D-1. All schedules submitted must be original signature. Failure to submit these documents, or incomplete documents, may result in Respondent being declared non-responsive in Step 2.

In order to determine the best way in which to achieve and document MBE/WBE participation, Respondent must refer to the Special Conditions Regarding Minority Business Enterprise Commitment and Women Business Enterprise Commitment attached to this RFQ as Exhibit 5. To locate MBE/WBE firms who are currently certified with the City in various areas of specialty, you can search the City's MBE/WBE Directory Database on the City's website: [www.cityofchicago.org/Procurement](http://www.cityofchicago.org/Procurement).

#### **4.2.7 Financial Statements**

Respondent must provide a copy of its audited financial statements for the last three (3) years. Respondents that comprise more than one entity must include financial statements for each entity. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any financial documentation other than the financial statements requested by this section.

#### **4.2.8 Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit (EDS)**

Respondent shall submit a completed and executed Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit and Appendix A. **See Online City of Chicago EDS Instructions and Attachment A Online EDS Acknowledgement in Exhibit 6**. If Respondent is a business entity other than a corporation, then each member, partner, etc., of Respondent must complete an EDS, as applicable, per the instructions on the EDS form. In addition, any entity that has an interest in Respondent or in one or more of its members, partners, etc., and is required pursuant to the Municipal Purchasing Act for Cities of 500,000 or More Population (65 ILCS 5/8-10-8.5) or Chapter 2-154 of the Municipal Code of Chicago to provide a disclosure must submit a completed and executed EDS as an "entity holding an interest in an Applicant" as described in the EDS. All affidavits must be notarized. **Upon completion of Online EDS, Respondent shall submit a copy of 2 documents with their Submittal: 1) Certificate of Filing printed from system and 2) hardcopy of the executed Attachment A, Online EDS Acknowledgement form in lieu of hardcopy EDS forms.**

**Subcontractors may be asked at City’s discretion, to provide an EDS during the evaluation process. Subcontractors are not required to submit a completed EDS as part of the Submittal/Proposal submission.**

#### **4.2.9 Legal Actions**

Respondent must provide a listing and a brief description of all material legal actions, together with any fines and penalties, for the past five (5) years in which (i) Respondent or any division, subsidiary or parent entity of Respondent, or (ii) any member, partner, etc., of Respondent if Respondent is a business entity other than a corporation, has been:

- (i) A debtor in bankruptcy; or
- (ii) A plaintiff or defendant in a legal action for deficient performance under a contract or violation of a statute or related to service reliability; or
- (iii) A respondent in an administrative action for deficient performance on a project or in violation of a statute or related to service reliability; or
- (iv) A defendant in any criminal action; or
- (v) A named insured of an insurance policy for which the insured has paid a claim related to deficient performance under a contract or in violation of a statute or related to service reliability; or
- (vi) A principal of a bond for which a surety has provided contract performance or compensation to an obligee of the bond due to deficient performance under a contract or in violation of a statute or related to service reliability; or
- (vii) A defendant or respondent in a governmental inquiry or action regarding accuracy of preparation of financial statements or disclosure documents.

**The City reserves the right to request similar legal action information from Respondent’s team members during the evaluation process.**

#### **4.2.10 Insurance**

Prior to contract award, the selected Respondent will be required to submit evidence of insurance in the amounts specified in the attached Exhibit 7.

### **V. EVALUATING QUALIFICATIONS (STEP 1)**

An Evaluation Committee, which will include the representatives of the Department of Innovation and Technology and the Department of Procurement Services and may include representatives of other City departments, sister agencies and educational institutions of the City (“Evaluation Committee” or “EC”) will review and evaluate the Qualifications, as described below. One or more Respondents who qualify in Step 1 will be eligible to directly receive and respond to an RFP in Step 2. Those Respondents found not qualified or non-responsive to the RFQ requirements will be eliminated from further consideration and will not receive an RFP from the City.

In evaluating Qualifications, the EC will first consider the completeness and responsiveness of the Respondent's Qualifications. The RFQ evaluation process is organized into three phases:

- Phase I - Preliminary Assessment
- Phase II - Qualifications Evaluation
- Phase III - Site Visits and/or Oral Presentations (if necessary)

**Phase I - Preliminary Assessment**

Phase I will involve an assessment of the Respondent's compliance with and adherence to all Submittal requirements requested in Section 4.2, Required Content of the Qualifications. Qualifications which are incomplete and missing key components necessary to fully evaluate the Qualifications may, at the discretion of the EC, be rejected from further consideration due to "non-responsiveness" and rated Non-Responsive. Qualifications providing responses to all sections will be eligible for detailed analysis in Phase II, Qualifications Evaluation.

**Phase II - Qualifications Evaluation**

In Phase II, the EC will evaluate the extent to which a Respondent's qualifications meet the requirements set forth in the RFQ. Phase II will include a detailed analysis of the Respondent's qualifications, experience, implementation strategy and other factors based on the evaluation criteria outlined in Section V, Evaluating Qualifications.

As part of the evaluation process, the EC will review the information required by Section 4.2 for each Qualification received. The EC may also review any other information that is available to it, including but not limited to information gained by checking references and by investigating the Respondent's financial condition.

The City reserves the right to seek clarification of any information that is submitted by any Respondent in any portion of its Qualifications or to request additional information at any time during the evaluation process. Any material misrepresentation made by a Respondent may void the Qualifications and eliminate the Respondent from further consideration.

The City reserves the right to enlist independent consulting services to assist with the evaluation of all or any portion of the Qualifications response, as it deems necessary.

In addition, the EC will review the Respondent's Qualifications to determine overall responsiveness and completeness of the Qualifications with respect to the requirements outlined in this RFQ, using the following criteria (not necessarily listed in order of importance):

**5.1 Professional and Technical Competence**

**5.1.1** Professional Qualifications and Specialized Experience of Respondent and Team with emphasis on specific experience on projects of similar scope and magnitude as outlined in Exhibit 1, Project Overview of the RFQ.

**5.1.2** Past and Current Performance of the Respondent (and Team members) on other contracts in terms of quality of services and compliance with budgets and performance

schedules. The Committee may solicit from current and/or previous clients including the City of Chicago, other government agencies, or any available sources, relevant information concerning the Respondent's record of performance.

**5.2** Professional Qualifications, Specialized Experience and Local Availability of Key Personnel with emphasis on specific experience on projects of similar scope and magnitude as outlined in Exhibit 1, Project Overview, of the RFQ.

**5.3** Quality, Comprehensiveness and Adequacy of the Implementation Strategy and approach for the City's project, including its responsiveness and understanding of the needs of the City and how the Respondent's solution may meet the City's needs.

The EC will review each set of Qualifications to determine the Respondent's understanding of the objectives of the services and how these objectives may be best accomplished. Each Respondent will be evaluated on their overall qualification and approach to meeting the City's requirements.

**5.4** MBE/WBE Commitment Letter addressed to CPO on company letterhead agreeing to achieve a minimum of 25% MBE and 5% WBE participation of the total dollar value of the City of Chicago's spend on the Awarded Contract per Exhibit 5, Special Conditions Regarding Minority and Women Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) Commitment and Schedules.

**5.5** Legal Actions - The EC will consider any legal actions, if any, against Respondent and any division, subsidiary or parent company of Respondent, or against any member, partner, etc., of Respondent if Respondent is a business entity other than a corporation.

**5.6** Financial Stability - The EC will consider the financial condition of Respondent. Respondent must be financially stable to ensure performance over the duration of the contract.

**5.7** The degree to which Respondent accepts the City of Chicago, Standard Contract Terms and Conditions (Exhibit 8) enabling the City to successfully negotiate a contract with the Selected Respondent in Step 2.

**5.8** Compliance with Laws, Ordinances, and Statutes. The EC will consider Respondent's compliance with all laws, ordinances, and statutes governing the contract.

**5.9** Conflict of Interest - The EC will consider any information regarding Respondent, including information contained in Respondent's Qualifications, that may indicate any conflicts (or potential conflicts) of interest which might compromise Respondent's ability to satisfactorily perform the proposed Services or undermine the integrity of the competitive procurement process. If any Respondent has provided any services for the City in researching, consulting, advising, drafting or reviewing of this RFQ or any services related to this RFQ, such Respondent may be disqualified from further consideration

## **VI. SELECTION PROCESS**

After the EC completes its review of the Qualifications in Phase II, it may submit to the DoIT Chief Information Officer and CPO a recommended short list of Respondents (Phase III), or the EC may forego Phase III and submit a recommendation to select one or more Respondent(s) eligible to receive an RFP in Step 2, or a recommendation to reject any or all Qualifications if determined to be unacceptable.

### **Phase III- Site Visit and/or Oral Presentations**

If the EC submits a short list of Respondents for further review, then, in the sole discretion of the Chief Procurement Officer, those short-listed Respondents may be subject to a site visit and/or invited to appear before the EC for an oral presentation; to clarify in more detail information that was submitted in Respondent's Qualifications; and/or to ask Respondent to respond to additional questions. Afterwards, the EC will make a final evaluation of the Respondents and will submit a recommendation for one or more Respondents to the Chief Information Officer for issuance of the RFP.

If the Chief Information Officer makes selection recommendations, the recommendations will be forwarded to the Chief Procurement Officer for concurrence and authorization to issue an RFP to selected Respondent(s).

Respondent(s) found qualified in Step 1 will be eligible to respond to the RFP in Step 2. Upon receipt of the RFP from the City, Respondents will be given a deadline for receipt of a detailed proposal that will include, but not limited to, assessment and implementation, technical specifications, acceptance testing, and other components as outlined in the RFP.

The EC will conduct a separate evaluation of Proposals received from selected Respondents in response to the RFP issued by the City in Step 2 based on the evaluation criterion and requirements in the RFP. The Respondent selected from the Step 2 RFP process will enter into contract negotiations with the City. The City's requirement that the selected Respondent negotiate is not a commitment by the City to award a contract. If the City determines that it is unable to reach an acceptable contract with the selected Respondent, the Chief Information Officer may ask the Chief Procurement Officer to terminate negotiations with the selected Respondent, and to negotiate with any of the other highly ranked Respondents, until such time as the City has negotiated a contract meeting its needs.

The City reserves the right to terminate this RFQ solicitation at any stage if the Chief Procurement Officer determines this action to be in the City's best interests. The receipt of Qualifications or other documents will in no way obligate the City of Chicago to enter into any contract of any kind with any party.

## **VII. ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF THE RFQ PROCESS**

### **7.1 Addenda**

If it becomes necessary to revise or expand upon any part of this RFQ, an addendum will be sent to all of the prospective Respondents listed on the "Take Out Sheet" prior to the Submittal due date. Prospective Respondents are automatically listed when they sign or leave a business card for a copy of the RFQ package in the Bid & Bond Room. Each addendum is incorporated as part of the RFQ documents, and the prospective Respondent must acknowledge receipt.

Copies of the take-out list, and any addenda, are available from the Department of Procurement Services Bid and Bond Room 301, City Hall, 121 North LaSalle Street, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; 312-744-9773; and via the Internet at the Department of Procurement website: [www.cityofchicago.org/Procurement](http://www.cityofchicago.org/Procurement).

The addendum may include, but will not be limited to, the following:

1. Responses to questions and requests for clarification sent to the Department of Procurement Services according to the provisions of Section 3.1 A herein; or
2. Responses to questions and requests for clarification raised at the Pre-Submittal Conference or by the deadline for submission of questions.

Respondents are solely responsible for acquiring the necessary information or materials from the Bid and Bond room.

### **7.2 City's Rights to Reject Submittals**

The City of Chicago, acting through its Chief Procurement Officer, reserves the right to reject any and all Submittals that do not conform to the requirements set forth in this RFQ; or that do not contain at least the information required by Section IV. If no Respondent is selected through this RFQ process, then the Chief Procurement Officer may utilize any other procurement method available under the Municipal Purchasing Act and the Municipal Code of Chicago, to obtain the Services described here.

### **7.3 No Liability for Costs**

The City is not responsible for costs or damages incurred by Respondents, member(s), partners, subcontractors or other interested parties in connection with the RFQ/P process, including but not limited to costs associated with preparing the Submittal and/or participating in any conferences, site visits, product/system demonstrations, oral presentations or negotiations.

### **7.4 Prohibition on Certain Contributions – Mayoral Executive Order No. 2011-4**

No Contractor or any person or entity who directly or indirectly has an ownership or beneficial interest in Contractor of more than 7.5% ("Owners"), spouses and domestic partners of such Owners, Contractor's Subcontractors, any person or entity who directly or indirectly has an ownership or beneficial interest in any Subcontractor of more than 7.5% ("Sub-owners") and spouses and domestic

partners of such Sub-owners (Contractor and all the other preceding classes of persons and entities are together, the "Identified Parties"), shall make a contribution of any amount to the Mayor of the City of Chicago (the "Mayor") or to his political fundraising committee during (i) the bid or other solicitation process for this Contract or Other Contract, including while this Contract or Other Contract is executory, (ii) the term of this Contract or any Other Contract between City and Contractor, and/or (iii) any period in which an extension of this Contract or Other Contract with the City is being sought or negotiated.

Contractor represents and warrants that since the date of public advertisement of the specification, request for qualifications, request for proposals or request for information (or any combination of those requests) or, if not competitively procured, from the date the City approached the Contractor or the date the Contractor approached the City, as applicable, regarding the formulation of this Contract, no Identified Parties have made a contribution of any amount to the Mayor or to his political fundraising committee.

Contractor shall not: (a) coerce, compel or intimidate its employees to make a contribution of any amount to the Mayor or to the Mayor's political fundraising committee; (b) reimburse its employees for a contribution of any amount made to the Mayor or to the Mayor's political fundraising committee; or (c) bundle or solicit others to bundle contributions to the Mayor or to his political fundraising committee.

The Identified Parties must not engage in any conduct whatsoever designed to intentionally violate this provision or Mayoral Executive Order No. 2011-4 or to entice, direct or solicit others to intentionally violate this provision or Mayoral Executive Order No. 2011-4.

Violation of, non-compliance with, misrepresentation with respect to, or breach of any covenant or warranty under this provision or violation of Mayoral Executive Order No. 2011-4 constitutes a breach and default under this Contract, and under any Other Contract for which no opportunity to cure will be granted. Such breach and default entitles the City to all remedies (including without limitation termination for default) under this Contract, under Other Contract, at law and in equity. This provision amends any Other Contract and supersedes any inconsistent provision contained therein.

If Contractor violates this provision or Mayoral Executive Order No. 2011-4 prior to award of the Contract resulting from this specification, the CPO may reject Contractor's bid.

For purposes of this provision:

"Other Contract" means any agreement entered into between the Contractor and the City that is (i) formed under the authority of MCC Ch. 2-92; (ii) for the purchase, sale or lease of real or personal property; or (iii) for materials, supplies, equipment or services which are approved and/or authorized by the City Council.

"Contribution" means a "political contribution" as defined in MCC Ch. 2-156, as amended.

"Political fundraising committee" means a "political fundraising committee" as defined in MCC Ch. 2-156, as amended.

## **7.5 False Statements**

### **(a) 1-21-010 False Statements**

Any person who knowingly makes a false statement of material fact to the city in violation of any statute, ordinance or regulation, or who knowingly falsifies any statement of material fact made in connection with an application, report, affidavit, oath, or attestation, including a statement of material fact made in connection with a bid, proposal, contract or economic disclosure statement or affidavit, is liable to the city for a civil penalty of not less than \$500.00 and not more than \$1,000.00, plus up to three times the amount of damages which the city sustains because of the person's violation of this section. A person who violates this section shall also be liable for the city's litigation and collection costs and attorney's fees.

The penalties imposed by this section shall be in addition to any other penalty provided for in the municipal code. (Added Coun. J. 12-15-04, p. 39915, § 1)

### **(b) 1-21-020 Aiding and Abetting.**

Any person who aids, abets, incites, compels or coerces the doing of any act prohibited by this chapter shall be liable to the city for the same penalties for the violation. (Added Coun. J. 12-15-04, p. 39915, § 1)

### **(c) 1-21-030 Enforcement.**

In addition to any other means authorized by law, the corporation counsel may enforce this chapter by instituting an action with the department of administrative hearings. (Added Coun. J. 12-15-04, p. 39915, § 1)

## EXHIBIT 1

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

#### I. LOW-PRICED GIGABIT-SPEED NETWORK

##### A. Network Solution Options and Technical Specifications

The City's primary goal is to provide low-priced gigabit- or near-gigabit-speed internet access to businesses, organizations, and institutions in targeted commercial and industrial corridors. A variety of solutions will be considered, including an open access model, a single broadband service provider, or another proposed model.

Any open-access network architecture must allow for multiple service providers and equal, nondiscriminatory access to fiber and/or other supportive infrastructure at reasonable wholesale cost, providing dedicated bandwidth to all customers and service providers. The City expects reasonable and non-discriminatory access throughout the open network, as contemplated by federal law. All providers requesting access to the network infrastructure shall be treated in a reasonable and non-discriminatory manner. Facilities and wholesale and retail services will be made available on a reasonable and non-discriminatory basis.

Provided that the speed, pricing, and technology requirements of this RFP are met, the low-priced gigabit- or near-gigabit-speed network may also be implemented by a single broadband service provider on a new or existing network.

The City encourages Respondents to consider a variety of means to implement this network in a cost-effective manner. The City will consider all technical solutions, including but not limited to, fiber infrastructure and wireless applications. The assets and infrastructure described below support multiple types of design and implementation, but a proposed solution is not required to utilize any of the available resources offered by the City.

The network must be sufficient to support the provision of any combination of voice, video, and data services at gigabit speed, in both upstream and downstream directions. Customers should be able to attach any device to the network, as long as it does not impair network performance. Customers must also be able to post and access any lawful content on non-discriminatory terms. Data must be encrypted while traversing the broadband network in order to ensure the security and privacy of customers.

The network must be characterized by a transport infrastructure that is physically and logically redundant and provide raw Layer 2 transport in addition to IPv4 and IPv6 Layer 3 routing. The infrastructure must be capable of providing 99.9% availability, be resilient with low latency and jitter, and ensure that packets sent and received at the network edges are identical. Finally, the network must permit the adoption of technologies such as DWDM, LTE, 802.11ac and other technologies as they become standardized or gain a significant market share.

The network must operate in full compliance with any City, State, or Federal telecommunications requirements.

## **B. Innovation Zones**

The City seeks the development of a low-priced gigabit-speed network in seven core commercial and industrial areas of Chicago. These Innovation Zones house many businesses and institutions that currently demand or expect near future demand of gigabit-speed broadband service.

The City seeks development of this network in the Innovation Zones identified below. Respondents will be required to select, at a minimum, at least one of the zones in the Preferred Innovation Zones list below. In selecting the winning Respondent, preference will be given to those Respondents who satisfy all three of the preferred Innovation Zones. Additional preference will be given for each of the Additional Innovation Zones that are selected as part of a Respondent's proposal.

### Preferred Innovation Zones

1. River North
2. West Loop
3. Loop

### Additional Innovation Zones

4. University of Chicago and Medical Center
5. IIT/Bronzeville
6. Ravenswood Industrial Corridor
7. Pullman Industrial Corridor

Respondents are encouraged to consider and propose any additional Innovation Zones that would benefit from a low-priced gigabit-speed network, pending these areas meet the goals associated with this initiative. If a Respondent would like to receive the same asset information pertaining to these areas as outlined in Section D. City Assets and Infrastructure, below, they are required to submit the geographic boundaries of the areas, including street names, in their RFQ response. The City will provide detailed asset information on the seven Innovation Zones and any proposed zones as part of the RFP.

The Respondent will also be permitted to propose an alternative build-out schedule for the Innovation Zones that differs from the preferred order of prioritization, if it proves timely, cost-effective and/or more efficiently and effectively utilizes City, private, or other assets.

Please see Appendix A for a map of the Innovation Zones. The geographic boundaries outlined by these zones are meant to serve as a recommended guide for service areas. If a Respondent is deemed qualified hereunder, they may propose service areas during the RFP process that vary somewhat from these suggested boundaries.

An ArcGIS file of the Innovation Zone map is available through the Department of Procurement Services upon request.

**C. Broadband Service Prices**

The City's goal is to make available gigabit- or near-gigabit-speed broadband service at prices that represent a substantial reduction from current gigabit- or near-gigabit-speed service prices, which can reach up to \$1,000 - \$5,000/month in Chicago. The ultimate goal is for the Respondent to offer gigabit- or near-gigabit-speed service at prices comparable to current multimegabit service prices in Chicago or low-priced gigabit- or near-gigabit-speed service available in other parts of the United States,.

**D. City Assets and Infrastructure**

The City possesses a variety of public assets and infrastructure that may be leveraged to support the development and expansion of a comprehensive telecommunications network. These assets may be made available for lease at rates substantially below market value for an initial term to be determined. The City will work with the Selected Respondent to expedite any required City permitting processes for such use.

The use of any of these assets may be subject to certain restrictions, regulations, and/or additional authorization by other agencies. Certain assets may be preempted from use due to existing contractual relationships or limitations due to tax-exempt bond status or grant funding restrictions concerning private use, and some may be removed from consideration for some other reason. Any such preemption may be disclosed at any time.

In addition to the assets outlined below, the City may also consider additional investments and support for broadband infrastructure expansion.

**1) Fiber**

The City owns and/or operates a series of fiber lines that may be leveraged for this effort. This fiber is owned or managed by several agencies, including the Office of Emergency Management and Communications (OEMC) and the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA). These agencies could make some of its fiber available where spare capacity exists. Fiber maps and other technical and legal information regarding fiber will be released with the RFP, provided that the Respondent has signed a Confidentiality Statement. The following are potential fiber networks available for the Selected Respondent's use.

**a. OEMC Fiber**

OEMC has fiber installed throughout the city to support the public safety and emergency management network, some of which can be made available for the low-priced gigabit-speed network. Availability for use may be limited by available capacity and other City operation and use restrictions.

**b. CTA Fiber**

CTA has fiber installed along some of its rail lines, some of which can be made available for the low-priced gigabit-speed network. These fiber lines are owned or controlled by several agencies, including the City, CTA, the State of Illinois and various private parties. Availability for use may be limited by available capacity, applicable federal and state laws and regulations, grant funding requirements, and contractual restrictions. The availability and allowable uses of the existing CTA fiber vary by transit line and segment of the transit line.

**c. Other City-owned Fiber**

The City may have additional segments of fiber available in various parts of the city, however, while potentially available, the amount of fiber may be considered negligible for purposes of this initiative.

**2) Public Buildings**

The City and its Sister Agencies, including Chicago Community Colleges (CCC), Chicago Parks District (CPD), Chicago Public Schools (CPS), Chicago Transit Authority (CTA), and the Chicago Housing Authority (CHA), own a series of buildings and facilities in the Innovation Zones, with additional buildings located on the periphery and throughout the city, that may be considered for housing or installation of equipment to support this network. This may include both interior and exterior equipment installation. Public buildings will need to be assessed on an individual basis with the City and its Sister Agencies to determine if they are able to support the type of equipment and infrastructure proposed. Specific maps and other information regarding public buildings will be released with the RFP.

Access to privately-owned buildings for housing or installation of equipment to support this network will need to be negotiated directly with those property or building owners.

**3) Light Poles**

The City owns thousands of light poles across the City. If considered an optimal form of supporting wireless infrastructure, light poles could potentially be leveraged for aerial placement of equipment. Light poles will need to be assessed on an individual basis to determine if they can support network equipment. Depending on the type of equipment required, certain poles may require concurrent upgrades or replacement at the time of installation. Upgrades or replacement of poles may range from conversion to 24x7 power access to complete pole replacement in order to structurally support the needed equipment.

In addition to City-owned light poles, there are thousands of utility poles in alleys owned by other entities, such as ComEd and AT&T. Usage of these poles will require negotiation with the individual utilities.

**4) Underground Resources**

The City possesses a variety of sub-surface tunnels that can provide paths for the installation of conduit for fiber optic cable, subject to City, state and federal law.

**a. Sewers**

Storm sewers run through a large part of the city and may be available for the laying of conduit and fiber. Depending on the condition of the sewer, use of the sewer for these purposes may require lining of the sewer prior to installation. Sewers will need to be assessed on a segment by segment basis in coordination with the Department of Water Management (DWM) to determine if they are able to support the installation of conduit and fiber in their present condition or if lining of the sewer or other improvements will be required. Maps and other information will be provided with the RFP.

Size and diameter of the sewer may impact segment availability. Respondents may propose the use of manned or unmanned methods of equipment installation.

Access to sewer lines on private properties for connections to individual buildings or facilities will need to be negotiated directly with those property or building owners.

**b. Freight Tunnels**

The Chicago Freight and Trolley Tunnel System (CFTTS) spans approximately 37 miles throughout the downtown area in a grid network that closely follows the street layout. These tunnels are located, approximately, from Chicago Avenue to 16<sup>th</sup> Street and from Halsted Street to Michigan Avenue. Maps and other information will be provided with the RFP.

The Selected Respondent will be expected to comply with all of the requirements in the CFTTS Construction Guidelines, which will be provided with the RFP. These guidelines are subject to change at any time.

**5) Right-of Way Access**

The City of Chicago has over 4,000 miles of roadways, consisting of over 1,000 miles of major streets and nearly 3,000 miles of residential streets, as well as over 2,000 miles of alleys. Planned street maintenance could be utilized to coordinate any proposed work with preexisting construction schedules and these schedules may have certain flexibility to align with a potential network rollout.

**6) Additional Funding Sources**

The City and its partners may have limited funding sources available to support this initiative. These resources may include Tax Increment Financing (TIF) in TIF zones where available, other City support and financing, grants, and private investment.

**7) City Staff Support**

Upon contract award, DoIT and will serve as the central point of contact and support for the Selected Respondent and will coordinate efforts with other City departments and Sister Agencies as needed to ensure smooth and rapid implementation.

## **II CITY BROADBAND NETWORK SOLUTION**

The selected Respondent is also invited to provide a broadband network service solution for City remote offices located within and outside of the Innovation Zones. Currently, these remote offices contract for approximately \$2.3 million in services across more than 400 locations. Maps and other information, including service level requirements, will be included with the RFP.

If the Respondent is interested in providing broadband services to City remote offices, but is not an Internet Service Provider, the Respondent will be required during the RFP process to provide a comprehensive proposal as to how they will meet the requirements of the City Broadband Network Solution through partnership or another solution.

## EXHIBIT 2

### CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

The undersigned, on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ ("Respondent"), executes this Confidentiality Statement ("Statement") as of the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

#### **Background:**

Respondent is considering whether to respond to the Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") issued by the City of Chicago ("City") regarding the construction and operation of a broadband fiber-optic network. The RFQ is Step 1 of a two-step process; Step 2 will be the issuance of a Request for Proposals ("RFP") to qualified Respondents. In order to assist a qualified Respondent in its preparation of its response to the RFP, the City will provide qualified Respondents with certain non-public information about the City's infrastructure and assets ("Confidential Information"). In order to be entitled to receive a packet containing the Confidential Information, Respondent must sign this Statement and submit it along with a Background Summary as part of its RFQ response. The Confidential Information may include but is not limited to, a map or maps of the City of Chicago, showing existing lit and dark fiber, sewer openings, underground freight tunnels, and other details of City of Chicago infrastructure and assets that, for security and safety reasons, is not publicly available.

The City considers some or all of the Confidential Information to be exempt from disclosure pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/1, et seq. and/or other laws or regulations relating to critical infrastructure information. However, in the interest of cooperating with qualified Respondents and their exploration of possibilities relating to the RFP, the City will provide the Confidential Information with the understanding that it will be used only for the purpose of responding to the RFP, and will under no circumstances be distributed publicly without the express written permission of the City.

Respondent understands that in discussing and providing Confidential Information to qualified Respondents, the City does not waive any exemption(s) or privilege(s) from disclosure that it otherwise possesses under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, or under any other state or federal law or regulation.

In recognition of the benefits to a qualified Respondent of receiving Confidential Information from the City, Respondent will undertake the following obligations with respect to the Confidential Information, if it is found qualified under the RFQ:

#### **Respondent's Obligations:**

- 1) Respondent will maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information whether transmitted in writing, verbally, or electronically.
- 2) Respondent acknowledges that (i) the City is disclosing the Confidential Information in a manner that has put Respondent on notice of its confidential nature and (ii) Respondent understands that under the circumstances the disclosure should be treated as confidential, whether or not the specific designation "confidential" or any similar designation is used, thus putting a duty of nondisclosure on Respondent with respect to the Confidential Information.
- 3) Respondent may use Confidential Information solely for the purpose of responding to the RFP. Respondent will, at a minimum, use the same care and discretion to avoid disclosure, publication or

dissemination of the Confidential Information as it uses with its own similar information that it does not wish to disclose, publish or disseminate. Respondent may share the Confidential Information with its officers, directors, partners, employees, affiliates, agents, representatives or third party contractors (collectively, "Representatives"). Before disclosure to any Representatives, the Respondent must have a written agreement with the particular Representative that such Representative to treat the Confidential Information in accordance with this Statement and otherwise keep the information confidential. Respondent will promptly notify the City of any unauthorized access to Confidential Information of which Respondent becomes aware.

4) Consistent with applicable Illinois privacy laws, and subject to the provisions of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), Respondent shall: (a) protect all Confidential Information using the same practices it uses to protect trade secrets, (b) notify the City immediately upon receipt of a request if Respondent believes a response to a request requires the disclosure of Confidential Information and (c) immediately provide the City with a copy of any request by a third party seeking inspection and copies of such Confidential Information from Respondent. Respondent may disclose Confidential Information by subpoena or otherwise when compelled to do so by law if it provides reasonable prior notice to the City, unless a court orders that the City not be given notice. However, the City may oppose release, at the City's expense. Respondent must provide reasonable assistance to the City in opposing the subpoena or request.

5) Respondent's duty of confidentiality hereunder does not include information that (a) was known to Respondent without restriction before receipt from the City; (b) is publicly available through no fault of Respondent; (c) is rightfully received by Respondent from a third party without a duty of confidentiality.

6) Respondent will make copies of the Confidential Information only as reasonably necessary for Respondent to engage in the purpose of responding to the RFP. Because the Confidential Information is confidential for public safety or security reasons, all copies of Confidential Information provided to Respondent, including the original(s), must be returned to the City or destroyed when no longer needed for the purpose of responding to the RFP. If destroyed, respondent must provide written confirmation of such destruction. However, in no event are copies to be retained longer than one year from the date of this Statement unless otherwise permitted by the City in writing.

7) The Respondent acknowledges that, in the event of any actions contrary to the requirements contained herein, the City would be irreparably and immediately harmed and could not be made whole by monetary damages. Accordingly, it is agreed that, in addition to any other remedy to which it may be entitled at law or in equity, the City shall be entitled to an injunction or injunctions (without the posting of any bond and without proof of actual damages) to prevent breaches or threatened breaches of the requirements contained herein, and that neither the Respondent nor its Representatives will oppose the granting of such relief. The Respondent also agrees to reimburse the City for its attorney's fees, costs of suit and other expenses, for attempting to enforce the obligations of the Respondent or of its Representatives hereunder.

7) Respondent understands that the City is under no obligation to proceed with any business transaction with it.

8) Respondent understands that it does not acquire any intellectual property rights to the Confidential Information except the limited rights necessary to use the Confidential Information for the purpose of responding to the RFP.

9) By accepting the Confidential Information, Respondent understands and acknowledges that the exclusive venue for any dispute relating to it shall be Cook County, Illinois, and that its obligations with respect to the Confidential Information will be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois, including its conflict-of-laws principles.

10) Respondent represents and warrants that its undersigned officer has full authority and capacity to execute this Statement on its behalf.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed and sworn before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

\_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public

## EXHIBIT 3

### COMPANY PROFILE

Certain information and materials that support the goals of this initiative are considered confidential. Prospective Respondents must complete a brief vetting process as a required part of the RFQ process, in order to receive this information during the RFP phase. These materials may or may not include information or maps pertaining to the followings:

- OEMC, CTA, and other City-owned Fiber
- Freight Tunnels
- Sewers
- Public buildings

The final list of confidential materials that will be provided during the RFP phase may differ than the proposed list above.

In order for a Respondent to receive these materials during the RFP phase, the following information, along with a completed Confidentiality Statement (Exhibit 2), must be submitted to the Department of Procurement Services for review as part of the Respondent's RFQ response.

1. General Company Background Information
  - a. Legal name
  - b. Principal place of business
  - c. Legal form (i.e. individual, corporation, joint venture, limited partnership)
  - d. Names of principals and partners
  - e. Company website
2. Broadband Experience
  - a. Number of years the respondent has been involved in the broadband business and/or community
  - b. Overview of experience and background
  - c. Key personnel
3. Contact Information
  - a. Name, title, address, phone number, and email address of the principal contact

**EXHIBIT 4**

**COMPANY REFERENCES/CLIENT PROFILE INFORMATION**

**Submit a completed client profile information sheet for each company reference. Provide a minimum of 3 references.**

- (1) Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) Project Manager: \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
- (6) E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_
- (7) Number of Employees in Client Organization: \_\_\_\_\_
- (8) Project Scope of Services/Goals: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- (9) Contract Award Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- (10) Initial Contract Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Final Contract Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_
- (11) Describe how the client's goals were met. Describe the Broadband Infrastructure Expansion offered and implemented. Attach additional pages, as necessary.  
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- (12) Discuss significant obstacles to providing the required services and how those obstacles were overcome:  
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- (13) Is the client still utilizing the Broadband Infrastructure Services?  
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- (14) What was the cost/financing structure of the contract?  
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**EXHIBIT 5**

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS REGARDING MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE  
(MBE/WBE) COMMITMENT AND SCHEDULES**

## SPECIAL CONDITION REGARDING MBE/WBE COMMITMENT



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### SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES MBE & WBE

#### 1. SPECIAL CONDITIONS REGARDING MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE COMMITMENT AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE COMMITMENT FOR COMMODITIES OR SERVICES

##### 1.1. Policy and Terms

It is the policy of the City of Chicago that Local Businesses certified as Minority Owned Business Enterprises (MBE) and Women Owned Business Enterprises (WBE) in accordance with Section 2-92-420 et seq. of the Municipal Code of Chicago and Regulations Governing Certification of Minority and Women-owned Businesses and all other Regulations promulgated under the aforementioned sections of the Municipal Code, as well as MBEs and WBEs certified by Cook County, Illinois, will have full and fair opportunities to participate fully in the performance of this contract. Therefore, the Contractor will not discriminate against any person or business on the basis of race, color, sex, gender identity, age, religion, disability, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, marital status, parental status, military discharge status or source of income and will take affirmative action to ensure that women and minority businesses will have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform subcontracts for supplies or services.

Pursuant to Section 2-92-430 of the Municipal Code of Chicago, the Chief Procurement Officer has established a goal of awarding not less than 25% of the annual dollar value of all non-construction contracts to certified MBEs and 5% of the annual dollar value of all non-construction contracts to certified WBEs.

Accordingly, the Contractor commits to make Good Faith Efforts to expend at least the following percentages of the total contract price (inclusive of any and all modifications and amendments), if awarded, for contract participation by MBEs and WBEs:

MBE Percentage	WBE Percentage
25%	5%

This commitment is met by the Contractor's status as a MBE or WBE, or by a joint venture with one or more MBEs or WBEs as prime contractor (to the extent of the MBE or WBE participation in such joint venture), or by subcontracting a portion of the work to one or more MBEs or WBEs, or by the purchase of materials used in the performance of the contract from one or more MBEs or WBEs, or by the indirect participation of MBEs or WBEs in other aspects of the Contractor's business (but no dollar of such indirect MBE or WBE participation will be credited more than once against a Contractor's MBE or WBE commitment with respect to all government Contracts of such Contractor), or by any combination of the foregoing.

**Note:** MBE/WBE participation goals are separate and those businesses certified with the City of Chicago as both MBE and WBE may only be listed on a bidder's compliance plan as either a MBE or a WBE, but not both to demonstrate compliance with the Contract Specific Goals.

As noted above, the Contractor may meet all or part of this commitment by contracting with MBEs or WBEs for the provision of goods or services not directly related to the performance of this Contract. However, in determining the manner of MBE/WBE participation, the Contractor will first consider involvement of MBEs/WBEs as joint venture partners, subcontractors, and suppliers of goods and services directly related to

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the performance of this Contract. In appropriate cases, the Chief Procurement Officer will require the Contractor to demonstrate the specific efforts undertaken by it to involve MBEs and WBEs directly in the performance of this Contract.

The Contractor also may meet all or part of this commitment through credits received pursuant to Section 2-92-530 of the Municipal Code of Chicago for the voluntary use of MBEs or WBEs in private sector contracts.

Pursuant to 2-92-535, the prime contractor may apply be awarded an additional 0.333 percent credit, up to a maximum of a total of 5 percent additional credit, for every 1 percent of the value of a contract self-performed by MBEs or WBEs, or combination thereof, that have entered into a mentor agreement with the contractor. This up to 5% may be applied to the Contract Specific Goals, or it may be in addition to the Contract Specific Goals.

### 1.2. Definitions

**"Area of Specialty"** means the description of an MBE or WBE firm's business which has been determined by the Chief Procurement Officer to be most reflective of the MBE or WBE firm's claimed specialty or expertise. Each MBE/WBE letter of certification contains a description of the firm's Area of Specialty. This information is also contained in the Directory (defined below). Credit toward this Contract's MBE and WBE participation goals shall be limited to the participation of firms performing within their Area of Specialty.

**NOTICE:** *The City of Chicago does not make any representation concerning the ability of any MBE/WBE to perform work within their Area of Specialty. It is the responsibility of all contractors to determine the capability and capacity of MBEs/WBEs to satisfactorily perform the work proposed.*

**"B.E.P.D."** means an entity certified as a Business enterprise owned or operated by people with disabilities as defined in MCC Section 2-92-586.

**"Bid"** means a bid, proposal, or submittal detailing a description of the services or work to be provided by the contractor in response to a bid solicitation, request for proposal, request for qualification of task order request (issued in accordance with the Master Consulting Agreement) that is issued by the City.

**"Bidder"** means any person or business entity that submits a bid, proposal, qualification or submittal that seeks to enter into a contract with the City, and includes all partners, affiliates and joint ventures of such person or entity.

**"Broker"** means a person or entity that fills orders by purchasing or receiving supplies from a third party supplier rather than out of its own existing inventory and provides no commercially useful function other than acting as a conduit between his or her supplier and his or her customer.

**"Chief Procurement Officer" or "CPO"** means the chief procurement officer of the City of Chicago or his or her designee.

**"Commercially Useful Function"** means responsibility for the execution of a distinct element of the work of the contract, which is carried out by actually performing, managing, and supervising the work involved, evidencing the responsibilities and risks of a business owner such as negotiating the terms of (sub)contracts, taking on a financial risk commensurate with the contract or its subcontract, responsibility for acquiring the appropriate lines of credit and/or loans, or fulfilling responsibilities as a joint venture partner as described in the joint venture agreement.

**"Contract Specific Goals"** means the subcontracting goals for MBE and WBE participation established for a particular contract.

**"Contractor"** means any person or business entity that has entered into a contract with the City as described herein, and includes all partners, affiliates, and joint ventures of such person or entity.

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**"Direct Participation"** the value of payments made to MBE or WBE firms for work that is performed in their Area of Specialty directly related to the performance of the subject matter of the Contract will count as Direct Participation toward the Contract Specific Goals.

**"Directory"** means the Directory of Certified "Minority Business Enterprises" and "Women Business Enterprises" maintained and published by the City of Chicago. The Directory identifies firms that have been certified as MBEs and WBEs, and includes both the date of their last certification and the area of specialty in which they have been certified. Contractors are responsible for verifying the current certification status of all proposed MBE, and WBE firms.

**"Good Faith Efforts"** means actions undertaken by a bidder or contractor to achieve a Contract Specific Goal that the CPO or his or her designee has determined, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, can reasonably be expected to fulfill the program's requirements.

**"Indirect Participation"** refers to the value of payments made to MBE or WBE firms for work that is done in their Area of Specialty related to other aspects of the Contractor's business. (Note: no dollar of such indirect MBE or WBE participation shall be credited more than once against a contractor's MBE or WBE commitment with respect to all government contracts held by that contractor.)

**"Joint venture"** means an association of a MBE or WBE firm and one or more other firms to carry out a single, for-profit business enterprise, for which each joint venture partner contributes property, capital, efforts, skills and knowledge, and in which the MBE or WBE is responsible for a distinct, clearly defined portion of the work of the contract and whose share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks, and profits of the joint venture are commensurate with its ownership interest.

**"Mentor-Protégé Agreement"** means an agreement between a prime and MBE or WBE subcontractor pursuant to MCC 2-92-535, that is approved by the City of Chicago and complies with all requirements of MCC 2-92-535 and any rules and regulations promulgated by the Chief Procurement Officer.

**"Minority Owned Business Enterprise" or "MBE"** means a firm awarded certification as a minority owned and controlled business in accordance with City Ordinances and Regulations as well as a firm awarded certification as a minority owned and controlled business by Cook County, Illinois.

**"Municipal Code of Chicago" or "MCC"** means the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago.

**"Supplier" or "Distributor"** refers to a company that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse or other establishment in which materials, supplies, articles or equipment are bought, kept in stock and regularly sold or leased to the public in the usual course of business. A regular distributor or supplier is a firm that owns, operates, or maintains a store, warehouse, or other establishment in which the materials or supplies required for performance of a contract are bought, kept in stock, and regularly sold to the public in the usual course of business. To be a regular distributor the firm must engage in, as its principal business and in its own name, the purchase and sale of the products in question. A regular distributor in such bulk items as steel, cement, gravel, stone, and petroleum products need not keep such products in stock if it owns or operates distribution equipment.

**"Women Owned Business Enterprise" or "WBE"** means a firm awarded certification as a women owned and controlled business in accordance with City Ordinances and Regulations as well as a firm awarded certification as a women owned business by Cook County, Illinois.

### 1.3. Joint Ventures

The formation of joint ventures to provide MBEs and WBEs with capacity and experience at the prime contracting level, and thereby meet Contract Specific Goals (in whole or in part) is encouraged. A joint venture may consist of any combination of MBEs, WBEs, and non-certified firms as long as one member is an MBE or WBE.

- a. The joint venture may be eligible for credit towards the Contract Specific Goals only if:

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- i. The MBE or WBE joint venture partner's share in the capital contribution, control, management, risks and profits of the joint venture is equal to its ownership interest;
  - ii. The MBE or WBE joint venture partner is responsible for a distinct, clearly defined portion of the requirements of the contract for which it is at risk;
  - iii. Each joint venture partner executes the bid to the City; and
  - iv. The joint venture partners have entered into a written agreement specifying the terms and conditions of the relationship between the partners and their relationship and responsibilities to the contract, and all such terms and conditions are in accordance with the conditions set forth in Items i, ii, and iii above in this Paragraph a.
- b. The Chief Procurement Officer shall evaluate the proposed joint venture agreement, the Schedule B submitted on behalf of the proposed joint venture, and all related documents to determine whether these requirements have been satisfied. The Chief Procurement Officer shall also consider the record of the joint venture partners on other City of Chicago contracts. The decision of the Chief Procurement Officer regarding the eligibility of the joint venture for credit towards meeting the Contract Specific Goals, and the portion of those goals met by the joint venture, shall be final.

The joint venture may receive MBE or WBE credit for work performed by the MBE or WBE joint venture partner(s) equal to the value of work performed by the MBE or WBE with its own forces for a distinct, clearly defined portion of the work.

Additionally, if employees of the joint venture entity itself (as opposed to employees of the MBE or WBE partner) perform the work, then the value of the work may be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals at a rate equal to the MBE or WBE firm's percentage of participation in the joint venture as described in Schedule B.

The Chief Procurement Officer may also count the dollar value of work subcontracted to other MBEs and WBEs. Work performed by the forces of a non-certified joint venture partner shall not be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals.

c. **Schedule B: MBE/WBE Affidavit of Joint Venture**

Where the bidder's Compliance Plan includes the participation of any MBE or WBE as a joint venture partner, the bidder must submit with its bid a Schedule B and the proposed joint venture agreement. These documents must both clearly evidence that the MBE or WBE joint venture partner(s) will be responsible for a clearly defined portion of the work to be performed, and that the MBE's or WBE's responsibilities and risks are proportionate to its ownership percentage. The proposed joint venture agreement must include specific details related to:

- i. The parties' contributions of capital, personnel, and equipment and share of the costs of insurance and bonding;
- ii. Work items to be performed by the MBE's or WBE's own forces and/or work to be performed by employees of the newly formed joint venture entity;
- iii. Work items to be performed under the supervision of the MBE or WBE joint venture partner; and
- iv. The MBE's or WBE's commitment of management, supervisory, and operative personnel to the performance of the contract.

**NOTE:** Vague, general descriptions of the responsibilities of the MBE or WBE joint venture partner do not provide any basis for awarding credit. For example, descriptions such as "participate in the budgeting process," "assist with hiring," or "work with managers to improve customer service" do not identify distinct, clearly defined portions of the work. Roles assigned should require activities that are performed on a regular,

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recurring basis rather than as needed. The roles must also be pertinent to the nature of the business for which credit is being sought. For instance, if the scope of work required by the City entails the delivery of goods or services to various sites in the City, stating that the MBE or WBE joint venture partner will be responsible for the performance of all routine maintenance and all repairs required to the vehicles used to deliver such goods or services is pertinent to the nature of the business for which credit is being sought.

### 1.4. Counting MBE/WBE Participation Toward the Contract Specific Goals

Refer to this section when preparing the MBE/WBE compliance plan and completing Schedule D-1 for guidance on what value of the participation by MBEs and WBEs will be counted toward the stated Contract Specific Goals. The "Percent Amount of Participation" depends on whether and with whom a MBE or WBE subcontracts out any portion of its work and other factors.

Firms that are certified as both MBE and WBE may only be listed on a bidder's compliance plan as either a MBE or a WBE to demonstrate compliance with the Contract Specific Goals. For example, a firm that is certified as both a MBE and a WBE may only be listed on the bidder's compliance plan under one of the categories, but not both. Only Payments made to MBE and WBE firms that meet BOTH the Commercially Useful Function and Area of Specialty requirements above will be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals.

- a. Only expenditures to firms that perform a Commercially Useful Function as defined above may count toward the Contract Specific Goals.
  - i. The CPO will determine whether a firm is performing a commercially useful function by evaluating the amount of work subcontracted, whether the amount the firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the work it is actually performing and the credit claimed for its performance of the work, industry practices, and other relevant factors.
  - ii. A MBE or WBE does not perform a commercially useful function if its participation is only required to receive payments in order to obtain the appearance of MBE or WBE participation. The CPO may examine similar commercial transactions, particularly those in which MBEs or WBEs do not participate, to determine whether non MBE and non WBE firms perform the same function in the marketplace to make a determination.
  - iii. Indications that a subcontractor is not performing a commercially useful function include, but are not limited to, labor shifting and equipment sharing or leasing arrangements with the prime contractor or a first tier subcontractor.
- b. Only the value of the dollars paid to the MBE or WBE firm for work that it performs in its Area of Specialty in which it is certified counts toward the Contract Specific Goals.
- c. For maintenance, installation, repairs or inspection, or professional services, if the MBE or WBE performs the work itself: 100% of the value of work actually performed by the MBE's or WBE's own forces shall be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals, including the cost of supplies and materials purchased or equipment leased by the MBE or WBE from third parties or second tier subcontractors in order to perform its (sub)contract with its own forces (except supplies and equipment the MBE or WBE subcontractor purchases or leases from the prime contractor or its affiliate). 0% of the value of work at the project site that a MBE or WBE subcontracts to a non-certified firm counts toward the Contract Specific Goals.
- d. If the MBE or WBE is a manufacturer: 100% of expenditures to a MBE or WBE manufacturer for items needed for the Contract shall be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals. A manufacturer is a firm that operates or maintains a factory or establishment that produces on the premises the materials or supplies obtained by the bidder or contractor.
- e. If the MBE or WBE is a distributor or supplier: 60% of expenditures for materials and supplies purchased from a MBE or WBE that is certified as a regular dealer or supplier shall be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals.

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- f. If the MBE or WBE is a broker:
  - i. Zero percent (0%) of expenditures paid to brokers will be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals.
  - ii. As defined above, Brokers provide no commercially useful function.
- g. If the MBE or WBE is a member of the joint venture contractor/bidder:
  - i. A joint venture may count the portion of the total dollar value of the contract equal to the distinct, clearly defined portion of the work of the contract that the MBE or WBE performs with its own forces toward the Contract Specific Goals; or
  - ii. If employees of this distinct joint venture entity perform the work then the value of the work may be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals at a rate equal to the MBE or WBE firm's percentage of participation in the joint venture as described in the Schedule B.
  - iii. A joint venture may also count the dollar value of work subcontracted to other MBEs and WBEs.
- h. If the MBE or WBE subcontracts out any of its work:
  - i. 100% of the value of the work subcontracted to other MBEs or WBEs performing work in its Area of Specialty may be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals.
  - ii. 0% of the value of work that a MBE or WBE subcontracts to a non-certified firm counts toward the Contract Specific Goals (except as allowed by (c) above).
  - iii. The fees or commissions charged for providing a bona fide service, such as professional, technical, consulting or managerial services or for providing bonds or insurance and assistance in the procurement of essential personnel, facilities, equipment, materials or supplies required for performance of the Contract, provided that the fee or commission is determined by the Chief Procurement Officer to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
  - iv. The fees charged for delivery of materials and supplies required on a job site (but not the cost of the materials and supplies themselves) when the hauler, trucker, or delivery service is not also the manufacturer of or a regular dealer in the materials and supplies, provided that the fee is determined by the Chief Procurement Officer to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.
  - v. The fees or commissions charged for providing any bonds or insurance, but not the cost of the premium itself, specifically required for the performance of the Contract, provided that the fee or commission is determined by the Chief Procurement Officer to be reasonable and not excessive as compared with fees customarily allowed for similar services.

### 1.5. Regulations Governing Reductions to or Waiver of MBE/WBE Goals

The following Regulations set forth the standards to be used in determining whether or not a reduction or waiver of the MBE/WBE commitment goals of a particular contract is appropriate. If a bidder determines that it is unable to meet the MBE and/or WBE Contract-Specific Goals on a City of Chicago contract, a written request for the reduction or waiver of the commitment must be included in the bid or proposal.

The written request for reduction or waiver from the commitment must be in the form of a signed petition for grant of relief from the MBE/WBE percentages submitted on the bidder's letterhead, and must demonstrate that all required efforts as set forth in this document were taken to secure eligible Minority and Women Business Enterprises to meet the commitments. The Chief Procurement Officer or designee shall determine whether the request for the reduction or waiver will be granted.

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A bidder will be considered responsive to the terms and conditions of these Regulations if, at the time of bid, it submits a waiver request and all supporting documentation that adequately addresses the conditions for waiver of MBE/WBE goals, including proof of notification to assist agencies except:

- Bidders responding to Request for Proposals (RFPs) who have been identified as a short listed candidate and/or a prospective awardee will be given a designated time allowance, but no more than fourteen (14) calendar days to submit to the Department of Procurement Services complete documentation that adequately addresses the conditions for waiver described herein; and
- Bidders responding to Request for Information and or Qualifications (RFI/RFQs) deemed by the Chief Procurement Officer or authorized designee to be the most responsive and responsible shall submit documentation that adequately addresses the conditions for waiver described herein during negotiations.

Failure to submit documentation sufficient to support the waiver request will cause the bid/proposal to be found non-responsive by the Chief Procurement Officer, and the bid/proposal will be rejected. In such cases the remedies to be taken by the Chief Procurement Officer, in his or her discretion, may include, but are not limited to, forfeiture of bid deposit; negotiating with the next lowest bidder; or re-advertising the bid/proposal. All bidders must submit all required documents at the time of bid opening to expedite the contract award.

### 1.5.1. Direct / Indirect Participation

Each of the following elements must be present in order to determine whether or not such a reduction or waiver is appropriate.

- a. The bidder has documented the unsuccessful solicitation for either subcontractors or joint venture partners of at least 50% (or at least five when there are more than eleven certified firms in the commodity area) of the appropriate certified MBE/WBE firms to perform any direct or indirect work identified or related to the advertised bid/proposal. Documentation must include but is not necessarily limited to:
  1. A detailed statement of efforts to identify and select portions of work identified in the bid solicitation for subcontracting to certified MBE/WBE firms;
  2. A listing of all MBE/WBE firms contacted that includes:
    - Name, address, telephone number and email of MBE/WBE firms solicited;
    - Date and time of contact;
    - Method of contact (written, telephone, transmittal of facsimile documents, email, etc.)
  3. Copies of letters or any other evidence of mailing that substantiates outreach to MBE/WBE vendors that includes:
    - Project identification and location;
    - Classification/commodity of work items for which quotations were sought;
    - Date, item and location for acceptance of subcontractor bid proposals;
    - Detailed statement which summarizes direct negotiations with appropriate MBE/WBE firms for specific portions of the work and indicates why negotiations were unsuccessful;
    - Affirmation that Good Faith Efforts have been demonstrated by:

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- choosing subcontracting opportunities likely to achieve MBE/WBE goals;
- not imposing any limiting conditions which were not mandatory for all subcontractors;
- providing notice of subcontracting opportunities to M/WBE firms and assist agencies at least five (5) business days in advance of the initial bid due date.

OR

- b. Subcontractor participation will be deemed excessively costly when the MBE/WBE subcontractor proposal exceeds the average price quoted by more than twenty percent (20%). In order to establish that a subcontractor's quote is excessively costly, the bidder must provide the following information:
1. A detailed statement of the work identified for MBE/WBE participation for which the bidder asserts the MBE/WBE quote(s) were excessively costly (in excess of 20% higher).
    - A listing of all potential subcontractors contacted for a quotation on that work item;
    - Prices quoted for the subcontract in question by all such potential subcontractors for that work item.
  2. Other documentation which demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Chief Procurement Officer that the MBE/WBE proposals are excessively costly, even though not in excess of 20% higher than the average price quoted. This determination will be based on factors that include, but are not limited to the following:
    - The City's estimate for the work under a specific subcontract;
    - The bidder's own estimate for the work under the subcontract;
    - An average of the bona fide prices quoted for the subcontract;
    - Demonstrated increase in other contract costs as a result of subcontracting to the M/WBE or other firm.

### **1.5.2. Assist Agency Participation in waiver/reduction requests**

Every waiver and/or reduction request must include evidence that the bidder has provided timely notice of the need for subcontractors to an appropriate association/assist agency representative of the MBE/WBE business community. This notice must be given at least five (5) business days in advance of the initial bid due date.

The notice requirement of this Section will be satisfied if a bidder contacts at least one of the associations on Attachment A to these Regulations when the prime contractor seeks a waiver or reduction in the utilization goals. Attachment B to these Regulations provides the letter format that a prime contractor may use. Proof of notification prior to bid submittal (e.g. certified mail receipt or facsimile transmittal receipt) will be required to be submitted with the bid for any bid/proposal to be deemed responsive. If deemed appropriate, the Contract Compliance Officer may contact the assist agency for verification of notification.

### **1.5.3. Impracticability**

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If the Chief Procurement Officer determines that a lesser MBE and/or WBE percentage standard is appropriate with respect to a particular contract subject to competitive bidding prior to the bid solicitations for such contract, bid specifications shall include a statement of such revised standard.

The requirements set forth in these Regulations (this subsection 1.5 "Regulations Governing Reductions to or Waiver of MBE/WBE Goals") shall not apply where the Chief Procurement Officer determines prior to the bid solicitations that MBE/WBE subcontractor participation is impracticable.

This may occur whenever the Chief Procurement Officer determines that for reasons of time, need, industry practices or standards not previously known by the Chief Procurement Officer, or such other extreme circumstances as may be deemed appropriate, such a Waiver is in the best interests of the City. This determination may be made in connection with a particular contract, whether before the contract is let for bid, during the bid or award process, before or during negotiation of the contract, or during the performance of the contract.

For all notifications required to be made by bidders, in situations where the Chief Procurement Officer has determined that time is of the essence, documented telephone contact may be substituted for letter contact.

### 1.6. Procedure to Determine Bid Compliance

A bid may be rejected as non-responsive if it fails to submit one or more of the following with its bid demonstrating its Good Faith Efforts to meet the Contract Specific Goals by reaching out to MBEs and WBEs to perform work on the contract:

- An MBE/WBE compliance plan demonstrating how the bidder plans to meet the Contract Specific Goals; and/or
- A request for reduction or waiver of the Contract Specific Goals in accordance with Section 2-92-450 of the MCC.

Only compliance plans utilizing MBE and WBE firms that meet BOTH the Commercially Useful Function and Area of Specialty requirements will be counted toward the Contract Specific Goals.

The following Schedules and described documents constitute the bidder's MBE/WBE proposal, and must be submitted in accordance with the guidelines stated:

#### (1) **Schedule C-1: Letter of Intent from MBE/WBE to Perform as Subcontractor, Supplier and/or Consultant.**

The bidder must submit the appropriate Schedule C-1 with the bid for each MBE and WBE included on the Schedule D-1. Suppliers must submit the Schedule C-1 for Suppliers, first tier subcontractors must submit a Schedule C-1 for Subcontractors to the Prime Contractor and second or lower tier subcontractors must submit a Schedule C-1 for second tier Subcontractors. The City encourages subcontractors to utilize the electronic fillable format Schedule C-1, which is available at the Department of Procurement Services website, <http://cityofchicago.org/forms>. Each Schedule C-1 must be executed by each MBE and WBE and accurately detail the work to be performed by the MBE or WBE and the agreed upon rates/prices. Each Schedule C must also include a separate sheet as an attachment on which the MBE or WBE fully describes its proposed scope of work, including a description of the commercially useful function being performed by the MBE or WBE in its Area of Specialty. If a facsimile copy of the Schedule C-1 has been submitted with the bid, an executed original Schedule C-1 must be submitted by the bidder for each MBE and WBE included on the Schedule D-1 within five business days after the date of the bid opening.

Failure to submit a completed Schedule C-1 in accordance with this section shall entitle the City to deem the bid/proposal non-responsive and therefore reject the bid/proposal.

#### (2) **Letters of Certification.**

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A copy of each proposed MBE/WBE firm's current Letter of Certification from the City of Chicago or Cook County Illinois, must be submitted with the bid/proposal. All Letters of Certification issued by the City of Chicago and Cook County include a statement of the MBE/WBE firm's Area of Specialty. The MBE/WBE firm's scope of work, as detailed by their Schedule C-1, must conform to their stated Area of Specialty.

**(3) Schedule B: Affidavit of Joint Venture, and Joint Venture Agreements (if applicable).**

If the bidder's MBE/WBE proposal includes the participation of a MBE/WBE as joint venture on any tier (either as the bidder or as a subcontractor), the bidder must provide a copy of the joint venture agreement and a Schedule B along with all other requirements listed in Section 1.3, "Joint Ventures," above. In order to demonstrate the MBE/WBE partner's share in the ownership, control, management responsibilities, risks and profits of the joint venture, the proposed joint venture agreement must include specific details related to: (1) contributions of capital and equipment; (2) work responsibilities or other performance to be undertaken by the MBE/WBE; and (3) the commitment of management, supervisory and operative personnel employed by the MBE/WBE to be dedicated to the performance of the contract. The joint venture agreement must also clearly define each partner's authority to contractually obligate the joint venture and each partner's authority to expend joint venture funds (e.g., check signing authority).

**(4) Schedule D-1: Required Schedules Regarding MBE/WBE Utilization**

Bidders must submit, together with the bid, a completed Schedule D-1 committing them to the utilization of each listed MBE/WBE firm. The City encourages bidders to utilize the electronic fillable format Schedule D-1, which is available at the Department of Procurement Services website, <http://cityofchicago.org/forms>. Except in cases where the bidder has submitted a request for a complete waiver of or variance from the MBE/WBE commitment in accordance with Section 1.5 "Regulations Governing Reductions to or Waiver of MBE/WBE Goals" herein, the bidder must commit to the expenditure of a specific dollar amount of participation by each MBE/WBE firm included on their Schedule D-1. The total dollar commitment to proposed MBEs must at least equal the MBE goal, and the total dollar commitment to proposed WBEs must at least equal the WBE goal. Bidders are responsible for calculating the dollar equivalent of the MBE and WBE goals as percentages of their total base bids or in the case of Term Agreements, depends upon requirements agreements and blanket agreements, as percentages of the total estimated usage. All commitments made by the bidder's Schedule D-1 must conform to those presented in the submitted Schedule C-1. If Schedule C-1 is submitted after the opening, the bidder may submit a revised Schedule D-1 (executed and notarized to conform with the Schedules C-1). Bidders shall not be permitted to add MBEs or WBEs after bid opening to meet the Contract Specific Goals, however, contractors are encouraged to add additional MBE/WBE vendors to their approved compliance plan during the performance of the contract when additional opportunities for participation are identified. Except in cases where substantial and documented justification is provided, bidders will not be allowed to reduce the dollar commitment made to any MBE or WBE in order to achieve conformity between the Schedules C-1 and D-1.

All commitments for joint venture agreements must be delineated in the Schedule B.

**(5) Application for Approval of Mentor Protégé Agreement**

Any applications for City approval of a Mentor Protégé agreement must be included with the bid. If the application is not approved, the bidder must show that it has made good faith efforts to meet the contract specific goals.

**1.7. Reporting Requirements During the Term of the Contract**

- a. The Contractor will, not later than thirty (30) calendar days from the award of a contract by the City, execute formal contracts or purchase orders with the MBEs and WBEs included in their

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approved MBE/WBE Utilization Plan. These written agreements will be made available to the Chief Procurement Officer upon request.

- b. The Contractor will be responsible for reporting payments to all subcontractors on a monthly basis in the form of an electronic report. Upon the first payment issued by the City of Chicago to the contractor for services performed, on the first day of each month and every month thereafter, email and or fax audit notifications will be sent out to the Contractor with instructions to report payments that have been made in the prior month to each subcontractor. The reporting of payments to all subcontractors must be entered into the Certification and Compliance Monitoring System (C2), or whatever reporting system is currently in place, on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of each month.
- c. Once the prime Contractor has reported payments made to each subcontractor, including zero dollar amount payments, the subcontractor will receive an email and or fax notification requesting them to log into the system and confirm payments received. All monthly confirmations must be reported on or before the 20th day of each month. Contractor and subcontractor reporting to the C2 system must be completed by the 25th of each month or payments may be withheld.
- d. All subcontract agreements between the contractor and MBE/WBE firms or any first tier non-certified firm and lower tier MBE/WBE firms must contain language requiring the MBE/WBE to respond to email and/or fax notifications from the City of Chicago requiring them to report payments received for the prime or the non-certified firm.  
  
Access to the Certification and Compliance Monitoring System (C2), which is a web based reporting system, can be found at: <https://chicago.mwdbe.com>
- e. The Chief Procurement Officer or any party designated by the Chief Procurement Officer, shall have access to the contractor's books and records, including without limitation payroll records, tax returns and records and books of account, to determine the contractor's compliance with its commitment to MBE and WBE participation and the status of any MBE or WBE performing any portion of the contract. This provision shall be in addition to, and not a substitute for, any other provision allowing inspection of the contractor's records by any officer or official of the City for any purpose.
- f. The Contractor shall maintain records of all relevant data with respect to the utilization of MBEs and WBEs, retaining these records for a period of at least five years after project closeout. Full access to these records shall be granted to City, federal or state authorities or other authorized persons.

### 1.8. Changes to Compliance Plan

#### 1.8.1. Permissible Basis for Change Required

No changes to the Compliance Plan or contractual MBE and WBE commitments or substitution of MBE or WBE subcontractors may be made without the prior written approval of the Contract Compliance Officer. Unauthorized changes or substitutions, including performing the work designated for a subcontractor with the contractor's own forces, shall be a violation of these Special Conditions and a breach of the contract with the City, and may cause termination of the executed Contract for breach, and/or subject the bidder or contractor to contract remedies or other sanctions. The facts supporting the request for changes must not have been known nor reasonably could have been known by the parties prior to entering into the subcontract. Bid shopping is prohibited. The bidder or contractor must negotiate with the subcontractor to resolve the problem. If requested by either party, the Department of Procurement Services shall facilitate such a meeting. Where there has been a mistake or disagreement about the scope of work, the MBE or WBE can be substituted only where an agreement cannot be reached for a reasonable price for the correct scope of work.

Substitutions of a MBE or WBE subcontractor shall be permitted only on the following basis:

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- a) Unavailability after receipt of reasonable notice to proceed;
- b) Failure of performance;
- c) Financial incapacity;
- d) Refusal by the subcontractor to honor the bid or proposal price or scope;
- e) Mistake of fact or law about the elements of the scope of work of a solicitation where a reasonable price cannot be agreed;
- f) Failure of the subcontractor to meet insurance, licensing or bonding requirements;
- g) The subcontractor's withdrawal of its bid or proposal; or
- h) De-certification of the subcontractor as a MBE or WBE (graduation from the MBE/WBE program does not constitute de-certification).
- i) Termination of a Mentor Protégé Agreement.

### **1.8.2. Procedure for Requesting Approval**

If it becomes necessary to substitute a MBE or WBE or otherwise change the Compliance Plan, the procedure will be as follows:

- a) The bidder or contractor must notify the Contract Compliance Officer and Chief Procurement Officer in writing of the request to substitute a MBE or WBE or otherwise change the Compliance Plan. The request must state specific reasons for the substitution or change. A letter from the MBE or WBE to be substituted or affected by the change stating that it cannot perform on the contract or that it agrees with the change in its scope of work must be submitted with the request.
- b) The City will approve or deny a request for substitution or other change within 15 business days of receipt of the written request.
- c) Where the bidder or contractor has established the basis for the substitution to the satisfaction of the Chief Procurement Officer, it must make Good Faith Efforts to meet the Contract Specific Goal by substituting a MBE or WBE subcontractor. Documentation of a replacement MBE or WBE, or of Good Faith Efforts, must meet the requirements in section 5. If the MBE or WBE Contract Specific Goal cannot be reached and Good Faith Efforts have been made, as determined by the Chief Procurement Officer, the bidder or contractor may substitute with a non-MBE or non-WBE.
- d) If a bidder or contractor plans to hire a subcontractor for any scope of work that was not previously disclosed in the Compliance Plan, the bidder or contractor must obtain the approval of the Chief Procurement Officer to modify the Compliance Plan and must make Good Faith Efforts to ensure that MBEs or WBEs have a fair opportunity to bid on the new scope of work.
- e) A new subcontract must be executed and submitted to the Contract Compliance Officer within five business days of the bidder's or contractor's receipt of City approval for the substitution or other change.

The City shall not be required to approve extra payment for escalated costs incurred by the contractor when a substitution of subcontractors becomes necessary to comply with MBE/WBE contract requirements.

### **1.9. Non-Compliance and Damages**

Without limitation, the following shall constitute a material breach of this contract and entitle the City to declare a default, terminate the contract, and exercise those remedies provided for in the contract, at law or in equity: (1) failure to demonstrate Good Faith Efforts; and (2) disqualification as a MBE or WBE of the

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contractor or any joint venture partner, subcontractor or supplier if its status as an MBE or WBE was a factor in the award of the contract and such status was misrepresented by the contractor.

Payments due to the contractor may be withheld until corrective action is taken.

Pursuant to MCC 2-92-445 or 2-92-740, as applicable, remedies or sanctions may include a penalty in the amount of the discrepancy between the amount of the commitment in the Compliance Plan, as such amount may be amended through change orders or otherwise over the term of the contract, and the amount paid to MBEs or WBEs, and disqualification from contracting or subcontracting on additional City contracts for up to three years. The consequences provided herein shall be in addition to any other criminal or civil liability to which such entities may be subject.

The contractor shall have the right to protest the final determination of non-compliance and the imposition of any penalty by the Chief Procurement Officer pursuant to MCC 2-92-445 or 2-92-740, within 15 business days of the final determination.

### **1.10. Arbitration**

- a) In the event a contractor has not complied with the contractual MBE/WBE percentages in its Schedule D, underutilization of MBEs/WBEs shall entitle the affected MBE/WBE to recover from the contractor damages suffered by such entity as a result of being underutilized; provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to the extent such underutilization occurs pursuant to a waiver or substitution approved by the City. The Ordinance and contracts subject thereto provide that any disputes between the contractor and such affected MBEs/WBEs regarding damages shall be resolved by binding arbitration before an independent arbitrator other than the City, with reasonable expenses, including attorney's fees, being recoverable by a prevailing MBE/WBE in accordance with these regulations. This provision is intended for the benefit of any MBE/WBE affected by underutilization and grants such entity specific third party beneficiary rights. Any rights conferred by this regulation are non-waivable and take precedence over any agreement to the contrary, including but not limited to those contained in a subcontract, suborder, or communicated orally between a contractor and a MBE/WBE.
- b) An MBE/WBE desiring to arbitrate shall contact the contractor in writing to initiate the arbitral process. Except as otherwise agreed to in writing by the affected parties subject to the limitation contained in the last sentence of the previous paragraph, within ten (10) calendar days of the contractor receiving notification of the intent to arbitrate from the MBE/WBE the above-described disputes shall be arbitrated in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association (AAA), a not-for-profit agency, with an office at 225 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 2527, Chicago, Illinois 60601-7601 [Phone: (312) 616-6560; Fax: (312) 819-0404]. All such arbitrations shall be initiated by the MBE/WBE filing a demand for arbitration with the AAA; shall be conducted by the AAA; and held in Chicago, Illinois.
- c) All arbitration fees are to be paid pro rata by the parties, however, that the arbitrator is authorized to award reasonable expenses, including attorney and arbitrator fees, as damages to a prevailing MBE/WBE.
- d) The MBE/WBE must send the City a copy of the Demand for Arbitration within ten (10) calendar days after it is filed with the AAA. The MBE/WBE also must send the City a copy of the decision of the arbitrator within ten (10) calendar days of receiving such decision. Judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court of competent jurisdiction.

### **1.11. Equal Employment Opportunity**

Compliance with MBE and WBE requirements will not diminish or supplant equal employment opportunity and civil rights provisions as required by law.

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### 1.12. Attachments and Schedules

The following attachments and schedules follow, they may also be downloaded from the Internet at:

<http://www.cityofchicago.org/forms>

- Attachment A: Assist Agencies
- Attachment B: Sample Format for Requesting Assist Agency Comments on Bidder's Request for Reduction or Waiver of MBE/WBE Goals
- Schedule B: Affidavit of Joint Venture (MBE/WBE)
- Schedule C-1: Letter of Intent From MBE/WBE To Perform As Subcontractor, Supplier and/or Consultant
- Schedule D-1: Compliance Plan Regarding MBE/WBE Utilization

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### Attachment A – Assist Agency List



## CITY OF CHICAGO ASSIST AGENCY LIST

Assist Agencies are comprised of not-for-profit agencies and/or chamber of commerce agencies that represent the interest of small, minority and/or women owned businesses.

<p><b>American Brotherhood of Contractors</b> 935 West 175<sup>th</sup> Street Homewood, Illinois 60430 Phone: (773) 491-5640 Email: <a href="mailto:arba@constructive-business.com">arba@constructive-business.com</a></p> <p><b>Asian American Business Expo</b> 207 East Ohio St. Suite 218 Chicago, IL 60611 Phone: 312-233-2810 Fax: 312-268-6388 Email: <a href="mailto:Janny@AsianAmericanBusinessExpo.org">Janny@AsianAmericanBusinessExpo.org</a></p> <p><b>Asian American Institute</b> 4753 N. Broadway St. Suite 904 Chicago, IL 60640 Phone: (773) 271-0899 Fax: (773) 271-1982 Email: <a href="mailto:kfernicola@aaichicago.org">kfernicola@aaichicago.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.aaichicago.org">www.aaichicago.org</a></p> <p><b>Association of Asian Construction Enterprises</b> 333 N. Ogden Avenue Chicago, IL 60607 Phone: (847) 525-9693 Email: <a href="mailto:nakmancorp@aol.com">nakmancorp@aol.com</a></p> <p><b>Black Contractors United</b> 400 W. 76<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200 Chicago, IL 60620 Phone: (773) 483-4000 Fax: (773) 483-4150 Email: <a href="mailto:bcunewera@att.net">bcunewera@att.net</a> Web: <a href="http://www.blackcontractorsunited.com">www.blackcontractorsunited.com</a></p> <p><b>Cosmopolitan Chamber of Commerce</b> 203 N. Wabash, Suite 518 Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: (312) 499-0611 Fax: (312) 332-2688 Email: <a href="mailto:c Carey@cosmococ.org">c Carey@cosmococ.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.cosmochamber.org">www.cosmochamber.org</a></p> <p><b>Eighteenth Street Development Corporation</b> 1843 South Carpenter Chicago, Illinois 60608 Phone: (312) 733-2287 Fax: (773)-353-1683 <a href="mailto:asoto@eighteenthstreet.org">asoto@eighteenthstreet.org</a> <a href="http://www.eighteenthstreet.org">www.eighteenthstreet.org</a></p>	<p><b>Chatham Business Association Small Business Development, Inc.</b> 8441 S. Cottage Grove Avenue Chicago, IL 60619 Phone: (773)994-5006 Fax: (773)994-9871 Email: <a href="mailto:melkelcba@sbcglobal.net">melkelcba@sbcglobal.net</a> Web: <a href="http://www.cbaworks.org">www.cbaworks.org</a></p> <p><b>Chicago Area Gay &amp; Lesbian Chamber of Commerce</b> 3656 N. Halsted Chicago, IL 60613 Phone: (773) 303-0167 Fax: (773) 303-0168 Email: <a href="mailto:info@glchamber.org">info@glchamber.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.glchamber.org">www.glchamber.org</a></p> <p><b>Chicago Minority Supplier Development Council, Inc.</b> 105 W. Adams, Suite 2300 Chicago, IL 60603-6233 Phone: (312) 755-8880 Fax: (312) 755-8890 Email: <a href="mailto:pbarreda@chicagomsgdc.org">pbarreda@chicagomsgdc.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.chicagomsgdc.org">www.chicagomsgdc.org</a></p> <p><b>Chicago Urban League</b> 4510 S. Michigan Ave. Chicago, IL 60653 Phone: (773) 285-5800 Fax: (773) 285-7772 Email: <a href="mailto:president@thechicagourbanleague.org">president@thechicagourbanleague.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.cul-chicago.org">www.cul-chicago.org</a></p> <p><b>Chicago Women in Trades (CWIT)</b> 4425 S. Western Blvd. Chicago, IL 60609-3032 Phone: (773) 376-1450 Fax: (312) 942-0802 Email: <a href="mailto:cwitinfo@cwit2.org">cwitinfo@cwit2.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.chicagowomenintrades.org">www.chicagowomenintrades.org</a></p> <p><b>Coalition for United Community Labor Force</b> 1253 W. 63<sup>rd</sup> Street Chicago, IL 60636 Phone: (312) 243-5149 Email: <a href="mailto:johnrev.hatchett@comcast.net">johnrev.hatchett@comcast.net</a></p>
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<p><b>Federation of Women Contractors</b> 5650 S. Archer Avenue Chicago, IL 60638 Phone: (312) 360-1122 Fax: (312) 360-0239 Email: <a href="mailto:fwcchicago@aol.com">fwcchicago@aol.com</a> Web: <a href="http://www.fwcchicago.com">www.fwcchicago.com</a></p> <p><b>Hispanic American Construction Industry Association (HACIA)</b> 650 West Lake Street Chicago, IL 60661 Phone: (312) 666-5910 Fax: (312) 666-5692 Email: <a href="mailto:info@haciaworks.org">info@haciaworks.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.haciaworks.org">www.haciaworks.org</a></p> <p><b>Illinois Hispanic Chamber of Commerce</b> 855 W. Adams, Suite 100 Chicago, IL 60607 Phone: (312) 425-9500 Fax: (312) 425-9510 Email: <a href="mailto:oduque@ihccbusiness.net">oduque@ihccbusiness.net</a> Web: <a href="http://www.ihccbusiness.net">www.ihccbusiness.net</a></p> <p><b>Latin American Chamber of Commerce</b> 3512 West Fullerton Avenue Chicago, IL 60647 Phone: (773) 252-5211 Fax: (773) 252-7065 Email: <a href="mailto:d.lorenzopadron@latinamericanchamberofcommerce.com">d.lorenzopadron@latinamericanchamberofcommerce.com</a> Web: <a href="http://www.latinamericanchamberofcommerce.com">www.latinamericanchamberofcommerce.com</a></p> <p><b>National Organization of Minority Engineers</b> 33 West Monroe Suite 1540 Chicago, Illinois 60603 Phone: (312) 425-9560 Fax: (312) 425-9564 Email: <a href="mailto:shandy@infrastructure-eng.com">shandy@infrastructure-eng.com</a> Web: <a href="http://www.nomeonline.org">www.nomeonline.org</a></p> <p><b>National Association of Women Business Owners</b> Chicago Chapter 230 E. Ohio, Suite 400 Chicago, IL 60611 Phone: (312) 224-2605 Fax: (312) 6448557 Email: <a href="mailto:info@nawbochicago.org">info@nawbochicago.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.nawbochicago.org">www.nawbochicago.org</a></p>	<p><b>Rainbow/PUSH Coalition</b> International Trade Bureau 930 E. 50<sup>th</sup> Street Chicago, IL 60615 Phone: (773) 256-2781 Fax: (773) 373-4104 Email: <a href="mailto:bevans@rainbowpush.org">bevans@rainbowpush.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.rainbowpush.org">www.rainbowpush.org</a></p> <p><b>South Shore Chamber, Incorporated</b> Black United Funds Bldg. 1750 E. 71<sup>st</sup> Street Chicago, IL 60649-2000 Phone: (773) 955- 9508 Email: <a href="mailto:sshorechamber@sbcglobal.net">sshorechamber@sbcglobal.net</a> Web: <a href="http://www.southshorechamberinc.org">www.southshorechamberinc.org</a></p> <p><b>Suburban Minority Contractors Association</b> 1250 Grove Ave. Suite 200 Barrington, IL 60010 Phone: (847) 852-5010 Fax: (847) 382-1787 Email: <a href="mailto:aprilcobra@hotmail.com">aprilcobra@hotmail.com</a> Web: <a href="http://www.suburbanblackcontractors.org">www.suburbanblackcontractors.org</a></p> <p><b>Women Construction Owners &amp; Executives (WCOE)</b> Chicago Caucus 308 Circle Avenue Forest Park, IL 60130 Phone: (708) 366-1250 Fax: (708) 366-5418 Email: <a href="mailto:mkm@mkmservices.com">mkm@mkmservices.com</a> Web: <a href="http://www.wcoeusa.org">www.wcoeusa.org</a></p> <p><b>Women's Business Development Center</b> 8 South Michigan Ave., Suite 400 Chicago, IL 60603 Phone: (312) 853-3477 Fax: (312) 853-0145 Email: <a href="mailto:fcurry@wbdc.org">fcurry@wbdc.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.wbdc.org">www.wbdc.org</a></p>
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**Attachment B - Sample Format for Requesting Assist Agency Comments on Bidder’s Request for Reduction or Waiver of MBE/WBE Goals**

**On Bidder/Proposer’s Letterhead – SEND TO THE ASSIST AGENCIES – DO NOT SEND TO THE CITY**

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

(Date)

**Specification No.:** {Specification Number}  
**Project Description:** {PROJECT DESCRIPTION}

(Assist Agency Name and Address – **SEND TO THE ASSIST AGENCIES – DO NOT SEND TO THE CITY**)

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Bidder/Proposer) intends to submit a bid/proposal in response to the above referenced specification with the City of Chicago. Bids are due \_\_\_\_\_ advertised specification with the City of Chicago.

The following areas have been identified for subcontracting opportunities on both a direct and indirect basis:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Our efforts to identify potential subcontractors have not been successful in order to meet the Disadvantaged/Minority/Women Business Enterprise contract goal. **Due to the inability to identify an appropriate DBE/MBE/WBE firm certified by the City of Chicago to participate as a subcontractor or joint venture partner, a request for the waiver of the contract goals will be submitted.** If you are aware of such a firm, please contact

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Company Representative at Address/Phone

within (10) ten business days of receipt of this letter.

Under the City of Chicago’s MBE/WBE/DBE Ordinance, your agency is entitled to comment upon this waiver request to the City of Chicago. Written comments may be directed within ten (10) working days of your receipt of this letter to:

Monica Jimenez, Deputy Procurement Officer  
Department of Procurement Services  
City of Chicago  
121 North La Salle Street, Room 806  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

If you wish to discuss this matter, please contact the undersigned at \_\_\_\_\_.

Sincerely,

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**Schedule B – Affidavit of Joint Venture**

**SCHEDULE B: Affidavit of Joint Venture (MBE/WBE)**

This form need not be submitted if all joint venturers are MBEs and/or WBEs. In such a case, however, a written joint venture agreement among the MBE and WBE venturers must be submitted. In all proposed joint ventures, each MBE and/or WBE venturer must submit a copy of their current Letter of Certification.

All Information Requested by this Schedule must Be Answered in the Spaces Provided. Do Not Refer to Your Joint Venture Agreement Except to Expand on Answers Provided on this Form. If Additional Space Is Required, Additional Sheets May Be Attached.

- I. Name of joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number of joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- II. Identify each non-MBE/WBE venturer(s):  
Name of Firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person for matters concerning MBE/WBE compliance: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- III. Identify each MBE/WBE venturer(s):  
Name of Firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact person for matters concerning MBE/WBE compliance: \_\_\_\_\_
  
- IV. Describe the role(s) of the MBE and/or WBE venturer(s) in the joint venture: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
- V. Attach a copy of the joint venture agreement. In order to demonstrate the MBE and/or WBE venturer's share in the ownership, control, management responsibilities, risks and profits of the joint venture, the proposed joint venture agreement must include specific details related to: (1) the contributions of capital and equipment; (2) work items to be performed by the MBE/WBE's own forces; (3) work items to be performed under the supervision of the MBE/WBE venturer; and (4) the commitment of management, supervisory and operative personnel employed by the MBE/WBE to be dedicated to the performance of the project.
  
- VI. Ownership of the Joint Venture.
  - A. What are the percentage(s) of MBE/WBE ownership of the joint venture?  
MBE/WBE ownership percentage(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Non-MBE/WBE ownership percentage(s) \_\_\_\_\_
  
  - B. Specify MBE/WBE percentages for each of the following (provide narrative descriptions and other detail as applicable):
    - 1. Profit and loss sharing: \_\_\_\_\_
  
    - 2. Capital contributions:  
(a) Dollar amounts of initial contribution: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

(b) Dollar amounts of anticipated on-going contributions: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Contributions of equipment (Specify types, quality and quantities of equipment to be provided by each venturer): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Other applicable ownership interests, including ownership options or other agreements which restrict or limit ownership and/or control: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

5. Provide copies of all written agreements between venturers concerning this project.

6. Identify each current City of Chicago contract (and each contract completed during the past two (2) years) by a joint venture of two or more firms participating in this joint venture:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

VII. Control of and Participation in the Joint Venture. Identify by name and firm those individuals who are, or will be, responsible for, and have the authority to engage in the following management functions and policy decisions. (Indicate any limitations to their authority such as dollar limits and co-signatory requirements.):

A. Joint venture check signing:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

B. Authority to enter contracts on behalf of the joint venture:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

C. Signing, co-signing and/or collateralizing loans:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

D. Acquisition of lines of credit:

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- E. Acquisition and indemnification of payment and performance bonds:
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- F. Negotiating and signing labor agreements:
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- G. Management of contract performance. (Identify by name and firm only):
1. Supervision of field operations: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Major purchases: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Estimating: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Engineering: \_\_\_\_\_
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- VIII. Financial Controls of joint venture:
- A. Which firm and/or individual will be responsible for keeping the books of account?
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- B. Identify the managing partner, if any, and describe the means and measure of their compensation:
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- C. What authority does each venturer have to commit or obligate the other to insurance and bonding companies, financing institutions, suppliers, subcontractors, and/or other parties participating in the performance of this contract or the work of this project?
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- IX. State the approximate number of operative personnel (by trade) needed to perform the joint venture's work under this contract. Indicate whether they will be employees of the non-MBE/WBE firm, the MBE/WBE firm, or the joint venture.

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**Schedule B: Affidavit of Joint Venture (MBE/WBE)**

Trade	Non-MBE/WBE Firm (Number)	MBE/WBE (Number)	Joint Venture (Number)

If any personnel proposed for this project will be employees of the joint venture:

- A. Are any proposed joint venture employees currently employed by either venturer?  
 Currently employed by non-MBE/WBE (number) \_\_\_\_ Employed by MBE/WBE \_\_\_\_
- B. Identify by name and firm the individual who will be responsible for hiring joint venture employees:  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Which venturer will be responsible for the preparation of joint venture payrolls:  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- X. Please state any material facts of additional information pertinent to the control and structure of this joint venture.

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**Schedule B: Affidavit of Joint Venture (MBE/WBE)**

The undersigned affirms that the foregoing statements are correct and include all material information necessary to identify and explain the terms and operations of our joint venture and the intended participation of each venturer in the undertaking. Further, the undersigned covenant and agree to provide to the City current, complete and accurate information regarding actual joint venture work and the payment therefore, and any proposed changes in any provision of the joint venture agreement, and to permit the audit and examination of the books, records and files of the joint venture, or those of each venturer relevant to the joint venture by authorized representatives of the City or the Federal funding agency.

Any material misrepresentation will be grounds for terminating any contract which may be awarded and for initiating action under federal or state laws concerning false statements.

Note: If, after filing this Schedule B and before the completion on the joint venture's work on the project, there is any change in the information submitted, the joint venture must inform the City of Chicago, either directly or through the prime contractor if the joint venture is a subcontractor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of MBE/WBE Partner Firm

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Non-MBE/WBE Partner

Firm

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title of Affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title of Affiant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

On this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_, the above-signed officers

\_\_\_\_\_  
(names of affiants)

personally appeared and, known to me be the persons described in the foregoing Affidavit, acknowledged that they executed the same in the capacity therein stated and for the purpose therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL)

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**Schedule C-1: Letter of Intent From MBE/WBE To Perform As Subcontractor, Supplier and/or Consultant**



**FOR  
NON-CONSTRUCTION  
PROJECTS ONLY**

**SCHEDULE C-1**  
MBE/WBE Letter of Intent to Perform as a  
Subcontractor, Supplier, or Consultant

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Specification No.: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of MBE/WBE Firm)

To: \_\_\_\_\_ and the City of Chicago.  
(Name of Prime Contractor)

The MBE or WBE status of the undersigned is confirmed by the attached City of Chicago or Cook County, Illinois Certification Letter. 100% MBE or WBE participation is credited for the use of a MBE or WBE "manufacturer." 60% participation is credited for the use of a MBE or WBE "regular dealer."

The undersigned is prepared to perform the following services in connection with the above named project/contract. If more space is required to fully describe the MBE or WBE proposed scope of work and/or payment schedule, including a description of the commercially useful function being performed. Attach additional sheets as necessary:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

The above described performance is offered for the following price and described terms of payment:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**SUB-SUBCONTRACTING LEVELS**

A zero (0) must be shown in each blank if the MBE or WBE will not be subcontracting any of the work listed or attached to this schedule.

\_\_\_\_\_ % of the dollar value of the MBE or WBE subcontract that will be subcontracted to non MBE/WBE contractors.

\_\_\_\_\_ % of the dollar value of the MBE or WBE subcontract that will be subcontracted to MBE or WBE contractors.

**NOTICE: If any of the MBE or WBE scope of work will be subcontracted, list the name of the vendor and attach a brief explanation, description and pay item number of the work that will be subcontracted. MBE/WBE credit will not be given for work subcontracted to Non-MBE/WBE contractors, except for as allowed in the Special Conditions Regarding Minority Business Enterprise Commitment and Women Business Enterprise Commitment.**

The undersigned will enter into a formal written agreement for the above work with you as a Prime Contractor, conditioned upon your execution of a contract with the City of Chicago, within three (3) business days of your receipt of a signed contract from the City of Chicago.

The undersigned has entered into a formal written mentor protégé agreement as a subcontractor/protégé with you as a Prime Contractor/mentor: ( ) Yes ( ) No

**NOTICE: THIS SCHEDULE AND ATTACHMENTS REQUIRE ORIGINAL SIGNATURES.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of President/Owner/CEO or Authorized Agent of MBE/WBE) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name/Title-Please Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Email & Phone Number)

**SPECIAL CONDITION REGARDING MBE/WBE COMMITMENT**

**Schedule D-1: Affidavit of Implementation of MBE/WBE Goals and Participation Plan**



**SCHEDULE D-1**  
Compliance Plan Regarding MBE/WBE Utilization  
Affidavit of Prime Contractor

**FOR  
NON-CONSTRUCTION  
PROJECTS ONLY**

**MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID. FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE SCHEDULE D-1 WILL CAUSE THE  
BID TO BE REJECTED. DUPLICATE AS NEEDED.**

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Specification No.: \_\_\_\_\_

In connection with the above captioned contract, I HEREBY DECLARE AND AFFIRM that I am a duly authorized representative of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Prime Consultant/Contractor)

and that I have personally reviewed the material and facts set forth herein describing our proposed plan to achieve the MBE/WBE goals of this contract.

All MBE/WBE firms included in this plan have been certified as such by the City of Chicago and/or Cook County, Illinois (Letters of Certification Attached).

**I. Direct Participation of MBE/WBE Firms:**

**NOTE:** The bidder/proposer shall, in determining the manner of MBE/WBE participation, first consider involvement with MBE/WBE firms as joint venture partners, subcontractors, and suppliers of goods and services directly related to the performance of this contract.

A. If bidder/proposer is a joint venture and one or more joint venture partners are certified MBEs or WBEs, attach copies of Letters of Certification, Schedule B form and a copy of Joint Venture Agreement clearly describing the role of each MBE/WBE firm(s) and its ownership interest in the joint venture.

B. Complete this section for each MBE/WBE Subcontractor/Supplier/Consultant participating on this contract:

1. Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_  
Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed:<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_%  
**Total Participation % \_\_\_\_\_**

2. Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> The Prime Contractor may claim an additional 0.333 percent participation credit (up to a maximum of five (5) percent) for every one (1) percent of the value of the contract performed by the MBE/WBE protégé firm.

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### Schedule D-1: Prime Contractor Affidavit-MBE/WBE Compliance Plan

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed: \_\_\_\_%

**Total Participation %** \_\_\_\_\_

**3.** Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed: \_\_\_\_%

**Total Participation %** \_\_\_\_\_

**4.** Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed: \_\_\_\_%

**Total Participation %** \_\_\_\_\_

**5.** Attach Additional Sheets as Needed

### II. Indirect Participation of MBE/WBE Firms

**NOTE:** This section need not be completed if the MBE/WBE goals have been met through the direct participation outlined in Section I. If the MBE/WBE goals have not been met through direct participation, Contractor will be expected to demonstrate that the proposed MBE/WBE direct participation represents the maximum achievable under the circumstances. Only after such a demonstration will indirect participation be considered.

MBE/WBE Subcontractors/Suppliers/Consultants proposed to perform work or supply goods or services where such performance does not directly relate to the performance of this contract:

**1.** Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed: \_\_\_\_%

**Total Participation % \_\_\_\_\_**

**2.** Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed: \_\_\_\_%

**Total Participation % \_\_\_\_\_**

**3.** Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed: \_\_\_\_%

**Total Participation % \_\_\_\_\_**

**4.** Name of MBE/WBE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar Value of Participation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Percentage of Participation % \_\_\_\_\_

Mentor Protégé Agreement (attach executed copy): ( ) Yes ( ) No Add'l Percentage Claimed: \_\_\_\_%

**Total Participation % \_\_\_\_\_**

**5.** Attach Additional Sheets as Needed

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**Schedule D-1: Prime Contractor Affidavit-MBE/WBE Compliance Plan**

**III. Summary of MBE/WBE Proposal**

**A. MBE Proposal (Direct & Indirect)**

1. MBE Direct Participation

MBE Firm Name	Dollar Amount Participation (\$)	Percent Amount Participation (%)
<b>Total Direct MBE Participation</b>		

2. MBE Indirect Participation

MBE Firm Name	Dollar Amount Participation (\$)	Percent Amount Participation (%)
<b>Total Indirect MBE Participation</b>		

**B. WBE Proposal (Direct & Indirect)**

1. WBE Direct Participation

WBE Firm Name	Dollar Amount Participation (\$)	Percent Amount Participation (%)
<b>Total Direct WBE Participation</b>		

2. WBE Indirect Participation

WBE Firm Name	Dollar Amount Participation (\$)	Percent Amount Participation (%)
<b>Total Indirect WBE Participation</b>		

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The Prime Contractor designates the following person as its MBE/WBE Liaison Officer:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name- Please Print or Type) (Phone)

**I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE FOREGOING DOCUMENT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, THAT NO MATERIAL FACTS HAVE BEEN OMITTED, AND THAT I AM AUTHORIZED ON BEHALF OF THE PRIME CONTRACTOR TO MAKE THIS AFFIDAVIT.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Prime Contractor – Print or Type) State of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) County of: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name/Title of Affiant – Print or Type)

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

On this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, the above signed officer \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Affiant)

personally appeared and, known by me to be the person described in the foregoing Affidavit, acknowledged that (s)he executed the same in the capacity stated therein and for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Notary Public Signature)

SEAL:

Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT 6**

**ONLINE CITY OF CHICAGO ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND AFFIDAVIT (EDS)**

**AND**

**ATTACHMENT A, ONLINE EDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

## **ONLINE CITY OF CHICAGO ECONOMIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND AFFIDAVIT (EDS) INSTRUCTIONS**

WHEN SUBMITTING YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE EXPANSION FOR THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, SPECIFICATION NO. 122737 , THE RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT 2 DOCUMENTS: 1) A **"CERTIFICATE OF FILING"** EVIDENCING COMPLETION OF YOUR ONLINE EDS AND 2) AN EXECUTED **ATTACHMENT A, ONLINE EDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED OFFICER BEFORE A NOTARY.

### **1. ONLINE EDS FILING**

#### **1.1. ONLINE EDS FILING REQUIRED PRIOR TO RESPONSE DUE DATE**

The Respondent shall complete an online EDS prior to the response due date. A Respondent who does not file an electronic EDS prior to the response due date may be found non-responsive and its response rejected. If you are unable to complete the online EDS and print a Certificate of Filing prior to the response due date, the City will accept a paper EDS provided written justification is provided explaining your good faith efforts to complete it before the response due date and the reasons why it could not be completed.

**NOTE: ALWAYS SELECT THE "CONTRACT" (NOT UPDATE) BOX WHEN COMPLETING AN ONLINE EDS TO ENSURE A NEW CONTRACT SPECIFIC ONLINE EDS IS CREATED RELATED TO THE SOLICITATION DOCUMENT. CLICKING THE UPDATE BOX ONLY UPDATES PREVIOUS EDS INFORMATION.**

#### **1.2. ONLINE EDS WEB LINK**

The web link for the Online EDS is <https://webapps.cityofchicago.org/EDSWeb>

#### **1.3. ONLINE EDS NUMBER**

UPON COMPLETION OF THE ONLINE EDS SUBMISSION PROCESS, THE RESPONDENT WILL BE PROVIDED AN EDS NUMBER. RESPONDENT SHOULD RECORD THIS NUMBER HERE:

EDS Number: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **1.4. ONLINE EDS CERTIFICATION OF FILING AND ATTACHMENT A, ONLINE EDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Upon completion of the online submission process, the Respondent will be able to print a hard copy Certificate of Filing. The Respondent should submit the signed Certificate of Filing and Attachment A, Online EDS Acknowledgement form with its response. Please insert your Certification of Filing and Attachment A, Online EDS Acknowledgement form following the Cover Letter. See Section IV,4.2.8, Item 9, Required Contents of Proposal in the RFQ. A Respondent who does not include a signed Certificate of Filing and/or Attachment A, Online EDS Acknowledgement form with its response must provide it upon the request of the Chief Procurement Officer.

#### **1.5. PREPARATION CHECKLIST FOR REGISTRATION**

To expedite and ease your registration process, we recommend that you collect the following information prior to registering for an Online EDS user account:

	1. Invitation number, if you were provided an invitation number.
	2. EDS document from previous years, if available.
	3. Email address to correspond with the Online EDS system.
	4. Company Information:
	a. Legal Name
	b. FEIN/SSN
	c. City of Chicago Vendor Number, if available.
	d. Address and phone number information that you would like to appear on your EDS documents.
	e. EDS Captain. Check for an EDS Captain in your company - this maybe the person that usually submits EDS for your company, or the first person that registers for your company.

**1.6. PREPARATION CHECKLIST FOR EDS SUBMISSION**

To expedite and ease your EDS submission, we recommend that you collect the following information prior to updating your EDS information online.

Items #1 through #7 are needed for both EDS information updates and contract related EDS documents:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Invitation number, if you were provided with an invitation number.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Site address that is specific to this EDS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Contact that is responsible for this EDS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. EDS document from previous years, if available.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Ownership structure, and if applicable, owners' company information:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ a. % of ownership
  - \_\_\_\_\_ b. Legal Name
  - \_\_\_\_\_ c. FEIN/SSN
  - \_\_\_\_\_ d. City of Chicago Vendor Number, if available.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ e. Address
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. List of directors, officers, titleholders, etc. (if applicable).
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. For partnerships/LLC/LLP/Joint ventures, etc.:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ a. List of controlling parties (if applicable).

Items #8 and #9 are needed ONLY for contract related EDS documents:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Contract related information (if applicable):
  - \_\_\_\_\_ a. City of Chicago contract package
  - \_\_\_\_\_ b. Cover page of City of Chicago bid/solicitation package
  - \_\_\_\_\_ c. If EDS is related to a mod, then cover page of your current contract with the City.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. List of subcontractors and retained parties:
  - \_\_\_\_\_ a. Name
  - \_\_\_\_\_ b. Address
  - \_\_\_\_\_ c. Fees – Estimated or paid

### 1.7. EDS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: Where do I file?**

A: The web link for the Online EDS is <https://webapps.cityofchicago.org/EDSWeb>

**Q: How do I get help?**

A: If there is a question mark on a page or next to a field, click on the question mark for help filling out the page or field. You may also consult the User Manual and the Training Videos available on the left menu.

**Q: Why do I have to submit an EDS?**

A: The Economic Disclosure Statement (EDS) is required of applicants making an application to the City for action requiring City Council, City department or other City agency approval. For example, all bidders seeking a City contract are required to submit an EDS. Through the EDS, applicants make disclosures required by State law and City ordinances and certify compliance with various laws and ordinances. An EDS is also required of certain parties related to the applicant, such as owners and controlling parties.

**Q: Who is the Applicant?**

A: "Applicant" means any entity or person making an application to the City for action requiring City Council or other City agency approval. The applicant does not include owners and parent companies.

**Q: Who is the Disclosing Party?**

A: "Disclosing Party" means any entity or person submitting an EDS. This includes owners and parent companies.

**Q: What is an entity or legal entity?**

A: "Entity" or "Legal Entity" means a legal entity (for example, a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited

liability company or trust).

**Q: What is a person for purposes of the EDS?**

A: "Person" means a human being.

**Q: Who must submit an EDS?**

A. An EDS must be submitted in any of the following three circumstances:

<b>Applicants:</b>	An Applicant must always file this EDS. If the Applicant is a legal entity, state the full name of that legal entity. If the Applicant is a person acting on his/her own behalf, state his/her name.
<b>Entities holding an interest:</b>	Whenever a legal entity has a beneficial interest (E. G. direct or indirect ownership) of more than 7.5% in the Applicant, each such legal entity must file an EDS on its own behalf.
<b>Controlling entities:</b>	Whenever a Disclosing Party is a general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership or joint venture that has a general partner, managing member, manager or other entity that can control the day-to-day management of the Disclosing Party, that entity must also file an EDS on its own behalf. Each entity with a beneficial interest of more than 7.5% in the controlling entity must also file an EDS on its own behalf.

**Q: What information is needed to submit an EDS?**

A: The information contained in the Preparation Checklist for EDS submission.

**Q: I don't have a user ID & password. Can I still submit an Online EDS?**

A: No. You must register and create a user ID and password before submitting an Online EDS.

**Q: What information is needed to request a user ID & password for Online EDS?**

A: The information contained in the Preparation Checklist for Registration is needed to request a login for the Online EDS.

**Q: I already have a username and password from another City web site (City Web Portal, Department of Construction and Permits, Department of Consumer Services, etc.). Can I log-in the Online EDS with that account?**

A: Usually not. The Online EDS uses a user ID and password system that is shared by the Public Vehicle Advertising and Water Payment web sites. You may use a username and password from those sites by

answering “Yes” to “Is this an existing City of Chicago user ID?” when registering. Other usernames and passwords will not be automatically recognized. However, you may choose to create an identical username for the Online EDS if it is not already taken.

**Q: I don’t have an email address. How do I submit an Online EDS?**

A: You cannot get an account to submit an online EDS without an email address. If you need an e-mail address, we suggest that you use a free internet email provider such as [www.hotmail.com](http://www.hotmail.com) or [www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com) or [rmail.google.com](http://rmail.google.com) to open an account. The City does not endorse any particular free internet email provider. Public computers are available at all Chicago Public Library branches.

**Q: I forgot my user ID. Can I register again?**

A: No. If you are the EDS Captain of your organization, please contact the Department of Procurement Services at 312-744-4900. If you are an EDS team member, contact your EDS Captain, who can look up your user ID.

**Q: Who is the EDS Captain?**

A: The EDS Captain is a person who performs certain administrative functions for an organization which files an EDS. Each organization registered with the Online EDS has at least one EDS Captain. There may be co-captains, who are all equal. EDS Captains approve new users, change contact information for an organization, and de-active accounts of employees who have left the organization. Please see the User Manual for more information.

**Q: Why do we need EDS Captains?**

A: The Online EDS is designed to be a self-service web application which allows those doing or seeking to do business with the City to perform as many routine functions as possible without City intervention. Because many organizations have multiple staff filing an EDS, the EDS Captain role allows those organizations to self-manage the contact information and users.

**Q: Who is the EDS team?**

A: The EDS team for an organization is everyone who is registered to file an EDS on behalf of the organization.

**Q: I forgot my password. What should I do?**

A: To retrieve a temporary password, click the “Forgot your password?” link on the login page. Enter your user ID that you provided when you registered your account. The system will automatically generate a temporary password and send it to you. When you log-in with your temporary password, you will be asked to create a new password.

**Q: How do I complete an Online EDS?**

A: Click on “Create New” after logging in. The Online EDS system will walk you through the EDS questions. Please see the User Manual for details.

**Q: How do I fill out a Disclosure of Retained Parties?**

A: There is no longer a separate Disclosure of Retained Parties filing. After logging in, click on “Create New”.

Answer (click) “Contract” to “Is this EDS for a contract or an EDS information update?” Click “Fill out EDS”, and click on the “Retained Parties” tab. When finished, click on “Ready to Submit.”

**Q: How do I attach documents?**

A: Attachments are discouraged. If at all possible, please provide a concise explanation in the space provided in the online form. Attachments with pages of officers are not acceptable. Names of officers must be typed into the system. If you must provide an attachment for another reason, please send it to your City of Chicago contact (contract administrator or negotiator for procurements) and they will attach it for you. Documents can be sent in PDF (preferred), Word, or paper format.

**Q: Who can complete an Economic Disclosure Statement online?**

A: Any authorized representative of your business with a user ID and password can complete your EDS online. One person, such as an assistant, can fill in the information and save it, and another person can review and electronically sign the Online EDS.

**Q: What are the benefits of filing my Economic Disclosure statement electronically?**

A: Filing electronically reduces the chance of filing an incomplete EDS and speeds up the processing of contract awards. A certificate of filing can be printed at the completion of the process and inserted into your bid package. The biggest benefit for those who frequently do business with the City is that after the first EDS, each EDS is much easier to fill out because non-contract specific information is pre-filled from the last submitted EDS.

**Q: Will my information be secure?**

A: Yes. When making your internet connection to our Web Server, you will connect through a Secure Socket Layer (SSL for short) to the “Online EDS” login page. All information you type will be protected using strong encryption. Within the login page, you will provide us with a user ID, password, and secret question for user authentication, Only you will have knowledge of this unique identification information.

**Q: I am filing electronically. How do I sign my EDS?**

A: Once you have completed the EDS, you will be prompted to enter your password and answer to your secret question. Together, these will serve as your electronic signature. Although you will also print and physically sign an EDS certification of filing as a notice that your EDS was filed, your EDS is complete as a legal document with only the electronic filing.

**Q: My address has changed. How can I update my information?**

A: You must be an EDS Captain for your organization to update this. Log-in and click on “Vendor Admin, Site Administration.” Select the appropriate site and click edit.

**Q: I have more questions. How can I contact the Department of Procurement Services?**

A: Please contact the contract administrator or negotiator assigned to your solicitation or contract. You may call DPS at 312-744-4900 between 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM Central Time.

**Q: Can I save a partially complete EDS?**

A: Yes. Click "Save". To avoid data loss, we recommend you save your work periodically while filling out your EDS.

**Q: Do I have to re-type my information each time I submit an EDS?**

A: No. The system will remember non-contract specific information from your last submitted EDS for one year. This information will be filled-in for you in your new EDS. You will have an opportunity to correct it if it has changed since your last filing. When you submit your new EDS, the information is saved and the one-year clock begins running anew.

**Q: What are the system requirements to use the Online EDS?**

**A: The following are minimum requirements to use the Online EDS:**

- A PDF viewer such as Adobe Reader is installed and your web browser is configured to display PDFs automatically. You may download and install Adobe Reader free at [www.adobe.com/products/reader](http://www.adobe.com/products/reader)
- Your web browser is set to permit running of JavaScript.
- Your web browser allows cookies to be set for this site. Please note that while we use cookies in the Online EDS, we do not use them to track personally identifiable information, so your privacy is maintained.
- Your monitor resolution is set to a minimum of 1024 x 768.
- While not required to submit an EDS, if you wish to view the training videos, you must have Adobe Flash Plugin version 9 or higher, speakers, and sound. Please note that very old computers may not be able to run Adobe Flash and will not be able to play the training videos. In that case, we encourage you to seek help using the Online EDS Manuals. You may download and install Adobe Flash Plugin free at <http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer>

The Online EDS has been tested on Internet Explorer 6.0 and 7.0 and Firefox 2.0 and 3.0 on Windows XP and Mac OS X. Although it should work on other browsers and operating systems, the City of Chicago cannot guarantee compatibility.

**ATTACHMENT A**

**ONLINE EDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The undersigned, hereby acknowledges having received Specification No.122737 containing a full set of RFQ Documents, including, Addenda Numbers (none unless indicated here) \_\_\_\_\_, and affirms that the Respondent shall be bound by all the terms and conditions contained in the RFQ Documents, regardless of whether a complete set thereof is attached to this response.

Under penalty of perjury, the undersigned: (1) warrants that he/she was authorized to submit an EDS on behalf of the Disclosing Party on-line, (2) warrants that all certifications and statements contained in the EDS are true, accurate and complete as of the date the EDS was submitted on-line, and (3) further warrants that, as of the date of submission of this response, there have been no changes in circumstances since the date that the EDS was submitted that would render any certification in the EDS false, inaccurate or incomplete.

Further, the undersigned being duly sworn deposes and says on oath that no disclosures of ownership interests have been withheld and the information provided therein to the best of its knowledge is current and the undersigned has not entered into any agreement with any other respondent or prospective respondent or with any other person, firm or corporation relating to the price named in this proposal or any other proposal, nor any agreement or arrangement under which any act or omission in restraining of free competition among respondents and has not disclosed to any person, firm or corporation the terms of this proposal or the price named herein.

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or Type)

AUTHORIZED OFFICER SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE OF SIGNATORY: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or Type)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or Type)

State of \_\_\_\_\_ (Affix Corporate Seal)

County of \_\_\_\_\_

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ as President (or other authorized officer) and \_\_\_\_\_ as Secretary of \_\_\_\_\_ (Company Name)

Notary Public Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal)

**EXHIBIT 7**

**CONTRACT INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS AND INSURANCE CERTIFICATE**

**INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**  
Department of Information Technology  
Broadband Infrastructure Expansion Project

The Contractor must provide and maintain at Contractor's own expense or cause to be maintained during the term of the Agreement and during the time period following expiration if Contractor is required to return and perform any additional work or services, the insurance coverages and requirements specified below, insuring all operations related to the Agreement

**A. INSURANCE TO BE PROVIDED**

1) Workers Compensation and Employers Liability

Workers Compensation Insurance, as prescribed by applicable law covering all employees who are to provide a service under this Agreement and Employers Liability coverage with limits of not less than \$500,000 each accident, illness or disease. Coverage must include other states endorsement, alternate employer and voluntary compensation endorsement, when applicable.

2) Commercial General Liability (Primary and Umbrella)

Commercial General Liability Insurance or equivalent with limits of not less than \_\_\_\_\_ \$10,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage liability. Coverages must include the following: All premises and operations, products/completed operations, explosion, collapse, underground, separation of insureds, defense, and contractual liability (not to include Endorsement 21 39 or equivalent). The City of Chicago is to be named as an additional insured on a primary, non-contributory basis for any liability arising directly or indirectly from the work.

Subcontractors performing work for the Contractor must maintain limits of not less than \$5,000,000 for Freight Tunnel access and \$1,000,000 for all other sites with the same terms herein.

3) Railroad Protective Liability

When any work is to be done adjacent to or on railroad or transit property, Contractor must provide, with respect to the operations that Contractor or Subcontractors perform, Railroad Protective Liability Insurance in the name of railroad or transit entity. The policy must have limits of not less than the requirement of the operating railroad as applicable for losses arising out of injuries to or death of all persons and for damage to or destruction of property, including the loss of use thereof.

When Applicable - A certified copy of the Railroad Protective policy is to be submitted to:

Chicago Transit Authority, ATTN: Manager of Benefits Compliance, 567 West Lake Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Chicago, IL. 60661. An insurance binder will be accepted until such time the policy is submitted.

4) Automobile Liability (Primary and Umbrella)

When any motor vehicles (owned, non-owned and hired) are used in connection with work to be performed, the Contractor must provide Automobile Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. The City of Chicago is to be named as an additional insured on a primary, non-contributory basis.

Subcontractors performing work for the Contractor must maintain limits of not less than \$1,000,000 with the same terms herein.

5) Professional Liability

When any architects, engineers, wireless network technicians, system technicians, Project/Program managers, Electronic Data Processing professionals or other professional consultants perform work in connection with this Agreement, Professional Liability Insurance covering acts, errors, or omissions must be maintained with limits of not less than \$2,000,000. (Coverage must include pollution liability if any environmental site assessment will be done). When policies are renewed or replaced, the policy retroactive date must coincide with, or precede start of work on the Agreement. A claims-made policy which is not renewed or replaced must have an extended reporting period of two (2) years.

Subcontractors performing professional work or services for the Contractor must maintain limits of not less than \$1,000,000 with the same terms herein.

6) Valuable Papers

When any plans, designs, drawings, specifications media, data and other documents are produced or used under this Agreement, Valuable Papers Insurance must be maintained in an amount to insure against any loss whatsoever, and must have limits sufficient to pay for the re-creation and reconstruction of such records.

7) Contractors Pollution Liability –If Applicable

When any remediation work is performed which may cause a pollution exposure, Contractors Pollution Liability must be provided or cause to be provided, covering bodily injury, property damage and other losses caused by pollution conditions that arise from the Agreement scope of services with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence. Coverage must include completed operations, contractual liability, defense, excavation, environmental cleanup, remediation and disposal. When policies are renewed or replaced, the policy retroactive date must coincide with or precede start of work on the Agreement. A claims-made policy which is not renewed or replaced must have an extended reporting period of two (2) years. The City of Chicago is to be named as an additional insured.

8) Property

The Contractor is responsible for all loss or damage to City property at full replacement cost during installation, testing, modification, maintenance and/or repairs of the Broadband Network equipment or loss to any City property as a result of this Agreement.

The Contractor is responsible for all loss or damage to personal property (including materials, equipment, tools and supplies) owned, rented or used by Contractor.

**B. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

The Contractor must furnish the City of Chicago, Department of Procurement Services, City Hall, Room 806, 121 North LaSalle Street, Chicago IL 60602, original Certificates of Insurance, or such similar evidence, to be in force on the date of this Agreement, and Renewal Certificates of Insurance, or such similar evidence, if the coverages have an expiration or renewal date occurring during the term of this Agreement. The Contractor must submit evidence of insurance on the City of Chicago Insurance Certificate Form (copy attached) or equivalent prior to execution of the Agreement. The receipt of any certificate does not constitute agreement by

the City that the insurance requirements in the Agreement have been fully met or that the insurance policies indicated on the certificate are in compliance with all requirements of Agreement. The failure of the City to obtain certificates or other insurance evidence from Contractor is not a waiver by the City of any requirements for the Contractor to obtain and maintain the specified coverages. The Contractor must advise all insurers of the Agreement provisions regarding insurance. Non-conforming insurance does not relieve Contractor of the obligation to provide insurance as specified herein. Nonfulfillment of the insurance conditions may constitute a violation of the Agreement, and the City retains the right to stop work until proper evidence of insurance is provided, or the Agreement may be terminated.

The Contractor must provide for 60 days prior written notice to be given to the City in the event coverage is substantially changed, canceled, or non-renewed.

Any deductibles or self- insured retentions on referenced insurance coverages must be borne by Contractor.

The Contractor hereby waives and agrees to require their insurers to waive their rights of subrogation against the City of Chicago, its employees, elected officials, agents, or representatives.

The coverages and limits furnished by Contractor in no way limit the Contractor's liabilities and responsibilities specified within the Agreement or by law.

Any insurance or self- insurance programs maintained by the City of Chicago do not contribute with insurance provided by the Contractor under the Agreement.

The required insurance to be carried is not limited by any limitations expressed in the indemnification language in this Agreement or any limitation placed on the indemnity in this Agreement given as a matter of law.

If Contractor is a joint venture or limited liability company, the insurance policies must name the joint venture or limited liability company as a named insured.

The Contractor must require all Subcontractors to provide the insurance required herein, or Contractor may provide the coverages for Subcontractors. All Subcontractors are subject to the same insurance requirements of Contractor unless otherwise specified in this Agreement.

If Contractor or Subcontractor desire additional coverages, the party desiring the additional coverages is responsible for the acquisition and cost.

Notwithstanding any provisions in the Agreement to the contrary, the City of Chicago Risk Management Department maintains the right to modify, delete, alter or change these requirements.

**EXHIBIT 8  
CITY OF CHICAGO  
STANDARD CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

## **1. Deliverables**

In carrying out its Services, Contractor must prepare or provide to the City various Deliverables. "Deliverables" include work product, such as written reviews, recommendations, reports and analyses, produced by Contractor for the City.

The City may reject Deliverables that do not include relevant information or data, or do not include all documents or other materials specified in this Agreement or reasonably necessary for the purpose for which the City made this Agreement or for which the City intends to use the Deliverables. If the City determines that Contractor has failed to comply with the foregoing standards, it has 30 days from the discovery to notify Contractor of its failure. If Contractor does not correct the failure, if it is possible to do so, within 30 days after receipt of notice from the City specifying the failure, then the City, by written notice, may treat the failure as a default of this Agreement under the default section.

Partial or incomplete Deliverables may be accepted for review only when required for a specific and well-defined purpose for the benefit of the City and when consented to in advance by the City. Such Deliverables will not be considered as satisfying the requirements of this Agreement and partial or incomplete Deliverables in no way relieve Contractor of its obligations under this Agreement.

## **2. Standard of Performance**

Contractor must perform all Services required of it under this Agreement with that degree of skill, care and diligence normally shown by a Contractor performing services of a scope and purpose and magnitude comparable with the nature of the Services to be provided under this Agreement. Contractor acknowledges that it is entrusted with or has access to valuable and confidential information and records of the City and with respect to that information; Contractor agrees to be held to the standard of care of a fiduciary. Any review, approval, acceptance of Services or Deliverables or payment for any of the Services by the City does not relieve Contractor of its responsibility for the professional skill and care and technical accuracy of its Services and Deliverables. This provision in no way limits the City's rights against Contractor under this Agreement, at law or in equity.

Contractor must be appropriately licensed to perform the Services, if required by law, and must ensure that all Services that require the exercise of professional skills or judgment are accomplished by professionals qualified and competent in the applicable discipline and appropriately licensed as may be required by law. Contractor must provide copies of any such licenses. Contractor remains responsible for the professional and technical accuracy of all Services or Deliverables furnished, whether by Contractor or its Subcontractors or others on its behalf. All Deliverables must be prepared in a form and content satisfactory to the Department and delivered in a timely manner consistent with the requirements of this Agreement.

If Contractor fails to comply with the foregoing standards, Contractor must, at the City's option, perform again, at its own expense, all Services required to be re-performed as a direct or indirect result of that failure, unless the reason is failure to have and maintain required licensure. See the subsection in this Agreement regarding failure to comply with licensure requirements.

## **3. Personnel**

i) **Adequate Staffing**

Contractor must, upon receiving a fully executed copy of this Agreement, assign and maintain during the term of this Agreement and any extension of it an adequate staff of competent personnel that is fully equipped, licensed as appropriate, available as needed, qualified and assigned exclusively to perform the Services. Contractor must include among its staff the Key Personnel and positions as identified below. The level of staffing may be revised from time to time by notice in writing from Contractor to the City and with prior written consent of the City.

ii) **Key Personnel**

Contractor must not reassign or replace Key Personnel without the written consent of the City. "Key Personnel" means those job titles and the persons assigned to those positions in accordance with the provisions of this section. The Department may at any time in writing notify Contractor that the City will no longer accept performance of Services under this Agreement by one or more Key Personnel listed. Upon that notice Contractor must immediately suspend the key person or persons from performing Services under this Agreement and must replace him or them in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Key Personnel, if any, are identified in **Exhibit \_**.

iii) **Salaries and Wages**

Contractor and Subcontractors must pay all salaries and wages due all employees performing Services under this Agreement unconditionally and at least once a month without deduction or rebate on any account, except only for those payroll deductions that are mandatory by law or are permitted under applicable law and regulations. If in the performance of this Agreement Contractor underpays any such salaries or wages, the Comptroller for the City may withhold, out of payments due to Contractor, an amount sufficient to pay to employees underpaid the difference between the salaries or wages required to be paid under this Agreement and the salaries or wages actually paid these employees for the total number of hours worked. The amounts withheld may be disbursed by the Comptroller for and on account of Contractor to the respective employees to whom they are due. The parties acknowledge that this section is solely for the benefit of the City and that it does not grant any third party beneficiary rights.

**4. Minority and Women's Business Enterprises Commitment**

In the performance of this Agreement, including the procurement and lease of materials or equipment, Contractor must abide by the minority and women's business enterprise commitment requirements of the Municipal Code of Chicago (AMunicipal Code@), ' ' 2-92-420 et seq. (1990), except to the extent waived by the Chief Procurement Officer and the Special Conditions Regarding MBE/WBE Commitment set forth in **Exhibit \_**. Contractor's completed Schedules C-1 and D-1 in **Exhibit \_**, evidencing its compliance with this requirement, are a part of this Agreement, upon acceptance by the Chief Procurement Officer. Contractor must utilize minority and women's business enterprises at the greater of the amounts listed in those

Schedules C-1 and D-1 or the percentages listed in them as applied to all payments received from the City.

## **5. Indemnification**

(a) Contractor must defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City, its officers, representatives, elected and appointed officials, agents and employees from and against any and all Losses, including those related to:

(i) injury, death or damage of or to any person or property;

(ii) any infringement or violation of any property right (including any patent, trademark or copyright);

(iii) Contractor's failure to perform or cause to be performed Contractor's promises and obligations as and when required under this Agreement, including Contractor's failure to perform its obligations to any Subcontractor;

(iv) the City's exercise of its rights and remedies under the remedies section of this Agreement; and

(v) injuries to or death of any employee of Contractor or any Subcontractor under any workers compensation statute.

(b) "Losses" means, individually and collectively, liabilities of every kind, including losses, damages and reasonable costs, payments and expenses (such as, but not limited to, court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees and disbursements), claims, demands, actions, suits, proceedings, judgments or settlements, any or all of which in any way arise out of or relate to Contractor's breach of this Agreement or to Contractor's negligent or otherwise wrongful acts or omissions or those of its officers, agents, employees, consultants, Subcontractors or licensees.

(c) At the City Corporation Counsel's option, Contractor must defend all suits brought upon all such Losses and must pay all costs and expenses incidental to them, but the City has the right, at its option, to participate, at its own cost, in the defense of any suit, without relieving Contractor of any of its obligations under this Agreement. Any settlement must be made only with the prior written consent of the City Corporation Counsel, if the settlement requires any action on the part of the City.

(d) To the extent permissible by law, Contractor waives any limits to the amount of its obligations to defend, indemnify, hold harmless, or contribute to any sums due under any Losses, including any claim by any employee of Contractor that may be subject to the Workers Compensation Act, 820 ILCS 305/1 et seq. or any other related law or judicial decision (such as, *Kotecki v. Cyclops Welding Corporation*, 146 Ill. 2d 155 (1991)). The City, however, does not waive any limitations it may have on its liability under the Illinois Workers Compensation Act, the Illinois Pension Code, any other statute or judicial decision.

(e) The indemnities in this section survive expiration or termination of this Agreement for matters occurring or arising during the term of this Agreement or as the result of or during Contractor's performance of Services beyond the term. Contractor acknowledges that the

requirements set forth in this section to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City are apart from and not limited by the Contractor's duties under this Agreement, including the insurance requirements in **Exhibit \_** of this Agreement.

## **6. Ownership of Documents**

All Deliverables, data, findings or information in any form prepared, assembled or encountered by or provided to Contractor under this Agreement are property of the City, including, all copyrights inherent in them or their preparation. During performance of its Services, Contractor is responsible for any loss or damage to the Deliverables, data, findings or information while in Contractor's or any Subcontractor's possession. Any such lost or damaged Deliverables, data, findings or information must be restored at the expense of Contractor. If not restorable, Contractor must bear the cost of replacement and of any loss suffered by the City on account of the destruction, as provided in the indemnification section of this Agreement.

## **7. Records and Audits**

### **(a) Records**

(i) Contractor must deliver or cause to be delivered to the City all documents, including all Deliverables prepared for the City under the terms of this Agreement, promptly in accordance with the time limits prescribed in this Agreement, and if no time limit is specified, then upon reasonable demand for them or upon termination or completion of the Services under this Agreement. If Contractor fails to make such delivery upon demand, then Contractor must pay to the City any damages the City may sustain by reason of Contractor's failure.

(ii) Contractor must maintain any such records including Deliverables not delivered to the City or demanded by the City for a period of 5 years after the final payment made in connection with this Agreement. Contractor must not dispose of such documents following the expiration of this period without notification of and written approval from the City in accordance with the notice section of this Agreement.

### **(b) Audits**

(i) Contractor and any of Contractor's Subcontractors must furnish the Department with all information that may be requested pertaining to the performance and cost of the Services. Contractor must maintain records showing actual time devoted and costs incurred. Contractor must keep books, documents, papers, records and accounts in connection with the Services open to audit, inspection, copying, abstracting and transcription and must make these records available to the City and any other interested governmental agency, at reasonable times during the performance of its Services.

(ii) To the extent that Contractor conducts any business operations separate and apart from the Services required under this Agreement using, for example, personnel, equipment, supplies or facilities also used in connection with this Agreement, then Contractor must maintain and make similarly available to the City detailed records supporting Contractor's allocation to this Agreement of the costs and expenses attributable to any such shared usages.

(iii) Contractor must maintain its books, records, documents and other evidence and adopt accounting

procedures and practices sufficient to reflect properly all costs of whatever nature claimed to have been incurred and anticipated to be incurred for or in connection with the performance of this Agreement. This system of accounting must be in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and practices, consistently applied throughout.

(iv) No provision in this Agreement granting the City a right of access to records and documents is intended to impair, limit or affect any right of access to such records and documents which the City would have had in the absence of such provisions.

(v) The City may in its sole discretion audit the records of Contractor or its Subcontractors, or both, at any time during the term of this Agreement or within five years after the Agreement ends, in connection with the goods, work, or Services provided under this Agreement. Each calendar year or partial calendar year is considered an A audited period. @ If, as a result of any such audit, it is determined that Contractor or any of its Subcontractors has overcharged the City in the audited period, the City will notify Contractor. Contractor must then promptly reimburse the City for any amounts the City has paid Contractor due to the overcharges and also some or all of the cost of the audit, as follows:

- A. If the audit has revealed overcharges to the City representing less than 5% of the total value, based on the Agreement prices, of the goods, work, or Services provided in the audited period, then the Contractor must reimburse the City for 50% of the cost of the audit and 50% of the cost of each subsequent audit that the City conducts;
- B. If, however, the audit has revealed overcharges to the City representing 5% or more of the total value, based on the Agreement prices, of the goods, work, or Services provided in the audited period, then Contractor must reimburse the City for the full cost of the audit and of each subsequent audit.

Failure of Contractor to reimburse the City in accordance with subsection A or B above is an event of default under the default section of this Agreement, and Contractor will be liable for all of the City's costs of collection, including any court costs and attorneys' fees.

## **8. Confidentiality**

(a) All Deliverables and reports, data, findings or information in any form prepared, assembled or encountered by or provided by Contractor under this Agreement are property of the City and are confidential, except as specifically authorized in this Agreement or as may be required by law. Contractor must not allow the Deliverables to be made available to any other individual or organization without the prior written consent of the City. Further, all documents and other information provided to Contractor by the City are confidential and must not be made available to any other individual or organization without the prior written consent of the City. Contractor must implement such measures as may be necessary to ensure that its staff and its Subcontractors are bound by the confidentiality provisions in this Agreement.

(b) Contractor must not issue any publicity news releases or grant press interviews, and except as may be required by law during or after the performance of this Agreement, disseminate any

information regarding its Services or the project to which the Services pertain without the prior written consent of the Corporation Counsel.

(c) If Contractor is presented with a request for documents by any administrative agency or with a subpoena duces tecum regarding any records, data or documents which may be in Contractor's possession by reason of this Agreement, Contractor must immediately give notice to the Corporation Counsel and the Corporation Counsel for the City with the understanding that the City will have the opportunity to contest such process by any means available to it before the records, data or documents are submitted to a court or other third party. Contractor, however, is not obligated to withhold the delivery beyond the time ordered by a court or administrative agency, unless the subpoena or request is quashed or the time to produce is otherwise extended.

(d) HIPAA and AIDS Confidentiality Act. To the extent not defined here the capitalized terms will have the same meaning as set forth in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (Act). See 45 CFR parts 160, 162 and 164. Contractor and all its Subcontractors must comply with the Act and all rules and regulations applicable to it including the Privacy Rule, which sets forth the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information at 45 CFR part 160 and part 164 subparts A and E; the Standards for Electronic Transactions, which are located at 45 CFR parts 160 and 162 and the Security Standards, which are located at 45 CFR parts 160, 162 and 164. Contractor must also comply with the Illinois AIDS Confidentiality Act (410 ILCS 305/1 through 16) and the rules and regulations of the Illinois Department of Public Health promulgated under it. If Contractor fails to comply with the applicable provisions under the ACT or the Illinois AIDS Confidentiality Act, such failure will constitute an event of default under this Agreement for which no opportunity for cure will be provided.

Additionally, if Contractor is a Business Associate it must comply with all requirements of the Act applicable to Business Associates.

## **9. Assignments and Subcontracts.**

Contractor must not assign, delegate or otherwise transfer all or any part of its rights or obligations under the Agreement or any part of it, unless otherwise provided for in the Agreement or without the express written consent of the Chief Procurement Officer and the Department. The absence of such a provision or written consent voids the attempted assignment, delegation or transfer and is of no effect as to the Services or the Agreement. No approvals given by the Chief Procurement Officer operate to relieve Contractor of any of its obligations or liabilities under the Agreement.

All subcontracts and all approvals of Subcontractors are, regardless of their form, considered conditioned upon performance by the Subcontractor in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement. If any Subcontractor fails to observe or perform the terms and conditions of the Agreement to the satisfaction of the Department, the City has the absolute right upon written notification to immediately rescind approval and to require the performance of the Agreement by Contractor personally or through any other City-approved Subcontractor. Any approval for the use of Subcontractors in the performance of the Services under the Agreement under no circumstances operates to relieve Contractor of any of its obligations or liabilities under the Agreement.

Contractor, upon entering into any agreement with a Subcontractor, must furnish the Chief Procurement Officer and the Department with a copy of its agreement. All subcontracts must contain provisions that require the Services be performed in strict accordance with the requirements of the Agreement, provide that the Subcontractors are subject to all the terms of the Agreement and are subject to the approval of the Department and the Chief Procurement Officer. If the agreements do not prejudice any of the City's rights under the Agreement, such agreements may contain different provisions than are provided in the Agreement with respect to extensions of schedule, time of completion, payments, guarantees and matters not affecting the quality of the Services.

Contractor must not transfer or assign any funds or claims due or to become due under the Agreement without the prior written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer. The attempted transfer or assignment of any funds, either in whole or in part, or any interest in them, which are due or to become due to Contractor under the Agreement, without such prior written approval, has no effect upon the City.

Under the Municipal Code of Chicago, ch. 2-92, Section 2-92-245, the Chief Procurement Officer may make direct payments to Subcontractors for Services performed under the Agreement. Any such payment has the same effect as if the City had paid Contractor that amount directly. Such payment by the City to Contractor's Subcontractor under no circumstances operates to relieve Contractor of any of its obligations or liabilities under the Agreement. This section is solely for the benefit of the City and does not grant any third party beneficiary rights.

The City expressly reserves the right to assign or otherwise transfer all or any part of its interests under this Agreement to any successor.

#### **10. Term of Performance**

The Agreement takes effect as of the date in the preamble and continues until or until the Agreement is terminated in accordance with its terms, whichever occurs first.

#### **11. Timeliness of Performance**

(a) Contractor must provide the Services and Deliverables within the term and within the time limits required under the Agreement. **Further, Contractor acknowledges that TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE and that the failure of Contractor to comply with the time limits described in this section may result in economic or other losses to the City.**

(b) Neither Contractor nor Contractor's agents, employees or Subcontractors are entitled to any damages from the City, nor is any party entitled to be reimbursed by the City, for damages, charges or other losses or expenses incurred by Contractor by reason of delays or hindrances in the performance of the Services, whether or not caused by the City.

#### **12. Basis of Payment**

The City will pay Contractor according to the Cost Proposal in the attached Exhibit\_\_ for the completion of the Services in accordance with this Agreement, including the standard of performance in Section \_\_.

**13. Method of Payment**

Contractor must submit monthly invoices to the City for costs billed, as outlined in the Cost Proposal in Exhibit \_\_\_\_. The invoices must be in such detail as the City requests. The City will process payment within 60 days after receipt of invoices and all supporting documentation necessary for the City to verify the Services provided under this Agreement.

“Contractor may be paid, at the City's option, by electronic payment method. If the City elects to make payment through this method, it will so notify the Contractor, and Contractor agrees to cooperate to facilitate such payments by executing the City's electronic funds transfer form, available for download from the City's website at: [http://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/fin/supp\\_info/DirectDepositCityVendor.pdf](http://www.cityofchicago.org/content/dam/city/depts/fin/supp_info/DirectDepositCityVendor.pdf).

**14. Funding**

The source of funds for payments under this Agreement is Fund number\_\_\_\_\_. Payments under this Agreement must not exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_without a written amendment in accordance with Section 38. Funding for this Agreement is subject to the availability of funds and their appropriation by the City Council of the City.

**15. Non-Appropriation**

If no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated and budgeted in any fiscal period of the City for payments to be made under the Agreement, then the City will notify Contractor in writing of that occurrence, and the Agreement will terminate on the earlier of the last day of the fiscal period for which sufficient appropriation was made or whenever the funds appropriated for payment under the Agreement are exhausted. Payments for Services completed to the date of notification will be made to Contractor. No payments will be made or due to Contractor and under the Agreement beyond those amounts appropriated and budgeted by the City to fund payments under the Agreement.

**16. Subcontractor Payments**

“The Contractor will be responsible for reporting payments to all Subcontractors on a monthly basis in the form of an electronic audit. Upon the first payment issued by the City of Chicago to the Contractor for services performed, on the first day of each month and every month thereafter, e-mail and/or fax audit notifications will be sent out to the Contractor with instructions to report payments that have been made in the prior month to each Subcontractor. The reporting of payments to all Subcontractors must be entered into the Certification and Compliance Monitoring System (C2), or whatever reporting system is currently in place, on or before the fifteenth (15th) day of each month.

Once the Contractor has reported payments made to each MBE and WBE, including zero dollar amount payments, the MBE and WBE will receive an e-mail and/or fax notification requesting them to log onto the system and confirm payments received. All monthly confirmations must be reported on or before the 20th day of each month. Contractor and Subcontractor reporting to the C2 system must be completed by the 25th of each month or payments may be withheld.

Access to the Certification and Compliance Monitoring System (C2), which is a web based reporting system, can be found at <https://chicago.mwdbe.com>.”

(Note: This site works for reporting all Subcontractor payments regardless of whether they are MBE/WBE/DBE or non- certified entities.)

If a Subcontractor has satisfactorily performed in accordance with the requirements of the Contract, Contractor must pay Subcontractor for such work, services, or materials within (14) calendar days of Contractor receiving payment from the City. Failure to comply with the foregoing will be deemed an event of default.”

## **17. Disputes**

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, Contractor must and the City may bring any dispute arising under this Agreement which is not resolved by the parties to the Chief Procurement Officer for decision based upon the written submissions of the parties. (A copy of the "Regulations of the Department of Procurement Services for Resolution of Disputes between Contractors and the City of Chicago" is available in City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle Street, Room 301, Bid and Bond Room, Chicago, Illinois 60602.) The Chief Procurement Officer will issue a written decision and send it to the Contractor by mail. The decision of the Chief Procurement Officer is final and binding. The sole and exclusive remedy to challenge the decision of the Chief Procurement Officer is judicial review by means of a common law writ of certiorari.

## **18. Compliance with All Laws Generally**

(a) Contractor must observe and comply with all applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, statutes, ordinances and executive orders, in effect now or later and whether or not they appear in this Agreement, including those set forth in these general terms and conditions, and Contractor must pay all taxes and obtain all licenses, certificates and other authorizations required by them. Contractor must require all Subcontractors to do so, also. Further, Contractor must execute an Economic Disclosure Statement and Affidavit ("EDS") in the form attached to this Agreement as **Exhibit** \_\_. Notwithstanding acceptance by the City of the EDS, Contractor's failure in the EDS to include all information required under the Municipal Code renders this Agreement voidable at the option of the City. Contractor must promptly update its EDS(s) on file with the City whenever any information or response provided in the EDS(s) is no longer complete and accurate.

Contractor agrees that Contractor's failure to maintain current throughout the term and any extensions of the term, the disclosures and information pertaining to ineligibility to do business with the City under Chapter 1-23 of the Municipal Code, as such is required under Sec. 2-154-020, shall constitute an event of default.

(b) Notwithstanding anything in the Agreement to the contrary, references to a statute or law are considered to be a reference to (i) the statute or law as it may be amended from time to time; (ii) all regulations and rules pertaining to or promulgated pursuant to the statute or law; and (iii) all future statutes, laws, regulations, rules and executive orders pertaining to the same or similar subject matter.

I (c) The Contractor will comply with Section 2-154-020 of the Municipal Code of Chicago.

Failure by the Contractor or any controlling person (as defined in Section 1-23-010 of the Municipal Code of Chicago) thereof to maintain eligibility to do business with the City of Chicago as required by Section 1-23-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago shall be grounds for termination of this Agreement.

## **19. Nondiscrimination**

### **(a) Contractor**

Contractor must comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and related regulations prohibiting discrimination against individuals and groups. If this Agreement is federally funded in whole or in part, additional provisions related to nondiscrimination may be set forth in **Exhibit \_**.

#### **(i) Federal Requirements**

Contractor must not engage in unlawful employment practices, such as (1) failing or refusing to hire or discharging any individual, or otherwise discriminating against any individual with respect to compensation or the terms, conditions, or privileges of the individual's employment, because of the individual's race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap/disability or national origin; or (2) limiting, segregating or classifying Contractor's employees or applicants for employment in any way that would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect the individual's status as an employee, because of the individual's race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap/disability or national origin.

Contractor must comply with, and the procedures Contractor utilizes and the Services Contractor provides under this Agreement must comply with, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. sec. 2000e et seq. (1981), as amended and the Civil Rights Act of 1991, P.L. 102-166. Attention is called to: Exec. Order No. 11246, 30 Fed. Reg. 12,319 (1965), reprinted in 42 U.S.C. 2000e note, as amended by Exec. Order No. 11375, 32 Fed. Reg. 14,303 (1967) and by Exec. Order No. 12086, 43 Fed. Reg. 46,501 (1978); Age Discrimination Act, 42 U.S.C. ' ' 6101-6106 (1981); Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. ' ' 621-34; Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. ' ' 793-794 (1981); Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. ' 12101 et seq.; 41 C.F.R. Part 60 et seq. (1990); and all other applicable federal statutes, regulations and other laws.

#### **(ii) State Requirements**

Contractor must comply with, and the procedures Contractor utilizes and the Services Contractor provides under this Agreement must comply with, the Illinois Human Rights Act, 775 ILCS 5/1-101 et seq. (1990), as amended and any rules and regulations promulgated in accordance with it, including the Equal Employment Opportunity Clause, 44 Ill. Admin. Code ' 750 Appendix A. Furthermore, Contractor must comply with the Public Works Employment Discrimination Act, 775 ILCS 10/0.01 et seq. (1990), as amended, and all other applicable state statutes, regulations and other laws.

**(iii) City Requirements**

Contractor must comply with, and the procedures Contractor utilizes and the Services Contractor provides under this Agreement must comply with, the Chicago Human Rights Ordinance, ch. 2-160, Section 2-160-010 et seq. of the Municipal Code of Chicago (1990), as amended, and all other applicable City ordinances and rules.

**(b) Subcontractors**

Contractor must incorporate all of this section by reference in all agreements entered into with any suppliers of materials, furnisher of services, Subcontractors of any tier, and labor organizations that furnish skilled, unskilled and craft union skilled labor, or that may provide any such materials, labor or services in connection with this Agreement. Further, Contractor must furnish and must cause each of its Subcontractor(s) to furnish such reports and information as requested by the federal, state, and local agencies charged with enforcing such laws and regulations, including the Chicago Commission on Human Relations.

**20. Inspectors General**

**A. Generally.** It is the duty of any bidder, proposer or Contractor, all Subcontractors, every applicant for certification of eligibility for a City contract or program, and all officers, directors, agents, partners and employees of any bidder, proposer, Contractor, Subcontractor or such applicant to cooperate with the Inspector General or the Legislative Inspector General in any investigation or hearing, if applicable, undertaken pursuant to Chapters 2-56 or 2-55 respectively of the Municipal Code of Chicago. Contractor understands and will abide by all provisions of Chapters 2-56 and 2-55 of the Municipal Code of Chicago. All subcontracts must inform Subcontractors of the provisions and require understanding and compliance with.

**21. Business Relationships with Elected Officials**

Pursuant to MCC Sect. 2-156-030(b), it is illegal for any elected official, or any person acting at the direction of such official, to contact either orally or in writing any other City official or employee with respect to any matter involving any person with whom the elected official has any business relationship that creates a financial interest on the part of the official, or the domestic partner or spouse of the official, or from whom or which he has derived any income or compensation during the preceding twelve months or from whom or which he reasonably expects to derive any income or compensation in the following twelve months. In addition, no elected official may participate in any discussion in any City Council committee hearing or in any City Council meeting or vote on any matter involving the person with whom the elected official has any business relationship that creates a financial interest on the part of the official, or the domestic partner or spouse of the official, or from whom or which he has derived any income or compensation during the preceding twelve months or from whom or which he reasonably expects to derive any income or compensation in the following twelve months. Violation of MCC Sect. 2-156-030 by any elected official with respect to this contract will be grounds for termination of this Agreement. The term financial interest is defined as set forth in MCC Chapter 2-156.

## 22. Chicago "Living Wage" Ordinance

(a) Section 2-92-610 of the Municipal Code of Chicago provides for a living wage for certain categories of workers employed in the performance of City contracts, specifically non-City employed security guards, parking attendants, day laborers, home and health care workers, cashiers, elevator operators, custodial workers and clerical workers ("**Covered Employees**"). Accordingly, pursuant to Section 2-92-610 and regulations promulgated under it:

(i) If Contractor has 25 or more full-time employees, and

(ii) If at any time during the performance of the Agreement, Contractor and/or any Subcontractor or any other entity that provides any portion of the Services (collectively "**Performing Parties**") uses 25 or more full-time security guards, or any number of other full-time Covered Employees, then

(iii) Contractor must pay its Covered Employees, and must assure that all other Performing Parties pay their Covered Employees, not less than the minimum hourly rate as determined in accordance with this provision (the "**Base Wage**") for all Services performed under the Agreement.

(b) Contractor's obligation to pay, and to assure payment of, the Base Wage will begin at any time during the term of the Agreement when the conditions set forth in (a)(i) and (a)(ii) above are met, and will continue until the end of the term of the Agreement.

(c) As of July 1, 2013, the Base Wage is \$11.78 per hour, and each July 1 thereafter, the Base Wage will be adjusted, using the most recent federal poverty guidelines for a family of four as published annually by the U.S Department of Health and Human Services, to constitute the following: the poverty guidelines for a family of four divided by 2000 hours or the current base wage, whichever is higher. At all times during the term of this Agreement, Contractor and all other Performing Parties must pay the Base Wage (as adjusted in accordance with the above). If the payment of prevailing wages is required for Services done under the Agreement, and the prevailing wages for Covered Employees are higher than the Base Wage, then Contractor and all other Performing Parties must pay the prevailing wage rates.

(d) Contractor must include provisions in all subcontracts requiring its Subcontractors to pay the Base Wage to Covered Employees. Contractor agrees to provide the City with documentation acceptable to the Chief Procurement Officer demonstrating that all Covered Employees, whether employed by Contractor or by a Subcontractor, have been paid the Base Wage, upon the City's request for such documentation. The City may independently audit Contractor and/or Subcontractors to verify compliance with this section. Failure to comply with the requirements of this section will be an event of default under this Agreement, and further, failure to comply may result in ineligibility for any award of a City contract or subcontract for up to 3 years.

(e) Not-for-Profit Corporations: If Contractor is a corporation having federal tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is recognized under Illinois not-for-profit law, then the provisions of Section (a) through (d) above do not apply.

**23. Warranties and Representations**

In connection with signing and carrying out this Agreement, Contractor:

(a) warrants that Contractor is appropriately licensed under Illinois law to perform the Services required under this Agreement and will perform no Services for which a professional license is required by law and for which Contractor is not appropriately licensed;

(b) warrants it is financially solvent; it and each of its employees, agents and Subcontractors of any tier are competent to perform the Services required under this Agreement; and Contractor is legally authorized to execute and perform or cause to be performed this Agreement under the terms and conditions stated in this Agreement;

(c) warrants that it will not knowingly use the services of any ineligible Contractor or Subcontractor for any purpose in the performance of its Services under this Agreement;

(d) warrants that Contractor and its Subcontractors are not in default at the time this Agreement is signed, and have not been deemed by the Chief Procurement Officer to have, within 5 years immediately preceding the date of this Agreement, been found to be in default on any contract awarded by the City ;

(e) represents that it has carefully examined and analyzed the provisions and requirements of this Agreement; it understands the nature of the Services required; from its own analysis it has satisfied itself as to the nature of all things needed for the performance of this Agreement; this Agreement is feasible of performance in accordance with all of its provisions and requirements, and Contractor warrants it can and will perform, or cause to be performed, the Services in strict accordance with the provisions and requirements of this Agreement, including specific warranties of function in accordance with technical and functional specifications;

(f) represents that Contractor and, to the best of its knowledge, its Subcontractors are not in violation of the provisions of ' 2-92-320 of the Municipal Code , and in connection with it, and additionally in connection with the Illinois Criminal Code, 720 ILCS 5/33E as amended, and the Illinois Municipal Code, 65 ILCS 5/11-42.1-1;

(g) acknowledges that any certification, affidavit or acknowledgment made under oath in connection with this Agreement is made under penalty of perjury and, if false, is also cause for termination under the remedies and early termination sections of this Agreement; and

(h) warrants and represents that neither Contractor nor an Affiliate of Contractor (as defined below) appears on the Specially Designated Nationals List, the Denied Persons List, the unverified List, the Entity List, or the Debarred List as maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury or by the Bureau of Industry and Security of the U.S. Department of Commerce (or their successors), or on any other list of persons or entities with which the City may not do business under any applicable law, rule, regulation, order or judgment. <sup>A</sup>Affiliate of Contractor@means a person or entity that directly (or indirectly through one or more intermediaries) controls, is controlled by or is under common control with Contractor. A person or entity will be deemed to be controlled by another person or entity if it is controlled in any manner whatsoever that results in control in fact by that other

person or entity (either acting individually or acting jointly or in concert with others) whether directly or indirectly and whether through share ownership, a trust, a contract or otherwise.

**24. Ethics**

(a) In addition to the foregoing warranties and representations, Contractor warrants:

(i) no officer, agent or employee of the City is employed by Contractor or has a financial interest directly or indirectly in the Agreement or the compensation to be paid under the Agreement except as may be permitted in writing by the Board of Ethics established under the Municipal Code of Chicago (Chapter 2-156).

(ii) no payment, gratuity or offer of employment will be made in connection with the Agreement by or on behalf of any Subcontractors to the prime Contractor or higher tier Subcontractors or anyone associated with them, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

(b) Contractor further acknowledges that any Agreement entered into, negotiated or performed in violation of any of the provisions of Chapter 2-156 is voidable as to the City.

**25. Joint and Several Liability**

If Contractor, or its successors or assigns, if any, is comprised of more than one individual or other legal entity (or a combination of them), then under the Agreement, each and without limitation every obligation or undertaking in the Agreement to be fulfilled or performed by Contractor is the joint and several obligation or undertaking of each such individual or other legal entity.

**26. Business Documents**

At the request of the City, Contractor must provide copies of its latest articles of incorporation, by-laws and resolutions, or partnership or joint venture agreement, as applicable.

**27. Conflicts of Interest**

(a) No member of the governing body of the City or other unit of government and no other officer, employee or agent of the City or other unit of government who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the Services to which this Agreement pertains is permitted to have any personal interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement. No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States or the Illinois General Assembly and no alderman of the City or City employee is allowed to be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement or to any financial benefit to arise from it.

(b) Contractor represents that it, and to the best of its knowledge, its Subcontractors if any (Contractor and Subcontractors will be collectively referred to in this section as "**Contracting Parties**"), presently have no direct or indirect interest and will not acquire any direct or indirect interest in any project or contract that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its Services under this Agreement.

(c) Upon the request of the City, Contracting Parties must disclose to the City their past client lists and the names of any clients with whom they have an ongoing relationship. Contracting Parties are not permitted to perform any Services for the City on applications or other documents submitted to the City by any of Contracting Parties= past or present clients. If Contracting Parties become aware of a conflict, they must immediately stop work on the assignment causing the conflict and notify the City.

(d) Without limiting the foregoing, if the Contracting Parties assist the City in determining the advisability or feasibility of a project or in recommending, researching, preparing, drafting or issuing a request for proposals or bid specifications for a project, the Contracting Parties must not participate, directly or indirectly, as a prime, subcontractor or joint venture in that project or in the preparation of a proposal or bid for that project during the term of this Agreement or afterwards. The Contracting Parties may, however, assist the City in reviewing the proposals or bids for the project if none of the Contracting Parties have a relationship with the persons or entities that submitted the proposals or bids for that project.

(e) Further, Contracting Parties must not assign any person having any conflicting interest to perform any Services under this Agreement or have access to any confidential information, as described in this Agreement. If the City, by the Corporation Counsel in his reasonable judgment, determines that any of Contracting Parties' services for others conflict with the Services that Contracting Parties are to render for the City under this Agreement, Contracting Parties must terminate such other services immediately upon request of the City.

(f) Furthermore, if any federal funds are to be used to compensate or reimburse Contractor under this Agreement, Contractor represents that it is and will remain in compliance with federal restrictions on lobbying set forth in Section 319 of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1990, 31 U.S.C. ' 1352, and related rules and regulations set forth at 54 Fed. Reg. 52,309 ff. (1989), as amended. If federal funds are to be used, Contractor must execute a Certification Regarding Lobbying, which is part of the EDS and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth here.

## **28. Non-Liability of Public Officials**

Contractor and any assignee or Subcontractor of Contractor must not charge any official, employee or agent of the City personally with any liability or expenses of defense or hold any official, employee or agent of the City personally liable to them under any term or provision of the Agreement or because of the City's execution, attempted execution or any breach of the Agreement.

## **29. EDS / Certification Regarding Suspension and Debarment**

Contractor certifies, as further evidenced in the EDS attached as **Exhibit \_\_**, by its acceptance of this Agreement that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. Contractor further agrees by executing this Agreement that it will include this clause without modification in all lower tier transactions, solicitations, proposals, contracts and subcontracts. If Contractor or any lower tier participant is unable to certify to this statement, it must attach an explanation to the Agreement.

**30. Events of Default Defined**

The following constitute events of default:

- (a) Any material misrepresentation, whether negligent or willful and whether in the inducement or in the performance, made by Contractor to the City.
- (b) Contractor's material failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement including the following:
  - (i) Failure to perform the Services with sufficient personnel and equipment or with sufficient material to ensure the timely performance of the Services;
  - (ii) Failure to have and maintain all professional licenses required by law to perform the Services;
  - (iii) Failure to timely perform the Services;
  - (iv) Failure to perform the Services in a manner reasonably satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel or the Chief Procurement Officer, breach of ant warranty or inability to perform the Services satisfactorily as a result of insolvency, filing for bankruptcy or assignment for the benefit of creditors;
  - (v) Failure to promptly re-perform, as required, within a reasonable time and at no cost to the City, Services that are rejected as erroneous or unsatisfactory;
  - (vi) Discontinuance of the Services for reasons within Contractor's reasonable control;
  - (vii) Failure to comply with Section 18 and 19 above in the performance of the Agreement;
  - (viii) Failure promptly to update EDS(s) furnished in connection with this Agreement when the information or responses contained in it or them is no longer complete or accurate;
  - (ix) Failure to comply with any other material term of this Agreement, including the provisions concerning insurance and nondiscrimination; and
  - (x) Any other acts specifically stated in this Agreement as constituting an act of default.
- (c) Any change in ownership or control of Contractor without the prior written approval of the Chief Procurement Officer (when such prior approval is permissible by law), which approval the Chief Procurement Officer will not unreasonably withhold.
- (d) Contractor's default under any other agreement it may presently have or may enter into with the City for the duration of this Agreement. Contractor acknowledges that in the event of a default under this Agreement the City may also declare a default under any such other agreements.

(e) Contractor's violation of City ordinance(s) unrelated to performance under the Agreement such that, in the opinion of the Chief Procurement Officer, it indicates a willful or reckless disregard for City laws and regulations.

### 31. Remedies

(a) Notices. The occurrence of any event of default permits the City, at the City's sole option, to declare Contractor in default. The Chief Procurement Officer may in his sole discretion give Contractor an opportunity to cure the default within a certain period of time, which period of time must not exceed 30 days unless extended by the Chief Procurement Officer. Whether to declare Contractor in default is within the sole discretion of the Chief Procurement Officer and neither that decision nor the factual basis for it is subject to review or challenge under the Disputes provision of this Agreement.

The Chief Procurement Officer will give Contractor written notice of the default, either in the form of a cure notice ("**Cure Notice**"), or, if no opportunity to cure will be granted, a default notice ("**Default Notice**"). If the Chief Procurement Officer gives a Default Notice, he will also indicate any present intent he may have to terminate this Agreement, and the decision to terminate is final and effective upon giving the notice. If the Chief Procurement Officer decides not to terminate, this decision will not preclude him from later deciding to terminate the Agreement in a later notice, which will be final and effective upon the giving of the notice or on the date set forth in the notice, whichever is later. The Chief Procurement Officer may give a Default Notice if Contractor fails to effect a cure within the cure period given in a Cure Notice. When a Default Notice with intent to terminate is given as provided in this section and the notice section of this Agreement. Contractor must discontinue any Services, unless otherwise directed in the notice, and deliver all materials accumulated in the performance of this Agreement, whether completed or in the process, to the City.

(b) Exercise of Remedies. After giving a Default Notice, the City may invoke any or all of the following remedies:

- (i) The right to take over and complete the Services, or any part of them, at Contractor's expense and as agent for Contractor, either directly or through others, and bill Contractor for the cost of the Services, and Contractor must pay the difference between the total amount of this bill and the amount the City would have paid Contractor under the terms and conditions of this Agreement for the Services that were assumed by the City as agent for Contractor under this section;
- (ii) The right to terminate this Agreement as to any or all of the Services yet to be performed effective at a time specified by the City;
- (iii) The right of specific performance, an injunction or any other appropriate equitable remedy;
- (iv) The right to money damages;
- (v) The right to withhold all or any part of Contractor's compensation under this Agreement;

(vi) The right to deem Contractor non-responsible in future contracts to be awarded by the City;

(vii) The right to declare default on any other contract or agreement Contractor may have with the City.

(c) City's Reservation of Rights. If the Chief Procurement Officer considers it to be in the City's best interests, the CPO may elect not to declare default or to terminate this Agreement. The parties acknowledge that this provision is solely for the benefit of the City and that if the City permits Contractor to continue to provide the Services despite one or more events of default, Contractor is in no way relieved of any of its responsibilities, duties or obligations under this Agreement, nor does the City waive or relinquish any of its rights.

(d) Non-Exclusivity of Remedies. The remedies under the terms of this Agreement are not intended to be exclusive of any other remedies provided, but each and every such remedy is cumulative and is in addition to any other remedies, existing now or later, at law, in equity or by statute. No delay or omission to exercise any right or power accruing upon any event of default impairs any such right or power, nor is it a waiver of any event of default nor acquiescence in it, and every such right and power may be exercised from time to time and as often as the City considers expedient.

## **32. Early Termination**

(a) In addition to termination under the default and remedies sections of this Agreement, the City may terminate this Agreement, or all or any portion of the Services to be performed under it, at any time by a notice in writing from the City to Contractor. The City will give notice to Contractor in accordance with the provisions of the notice section of this Agreement. The effective date of termination will be the date the notice is received by Contractor or the date stated in the notice, whichever is later. If the City elects to terminate this Agreement in full, all Services to be provided under it must cease and all materials that may have been accumulated in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in the process, must be delivered to the City effective 10 days after the date the notice is considered received as provided under the notice section of this Agreement (if no date is given) or upon the effective date stated in the notice.

(b) After the notice is received, Contractor must restrict its activities, and those of its Subcontractors, to winding down any reports, analyses, or other activities previously begun. No costs incurred after the effective date of the termination are allowed. Payment for any Services actually and satisfactorily performed before the effective date of the termination is on the same basis as set forth in the compensation section of this Agreement, but if any compensation is described or provided for on the basis of a period longer than 10 days, then the compensation must be prorated accordingly. No amount of compensation, however, is permitted for anticipated profits on unperformed Services. The City and Contractor must attempt to agree on the amount of compensation to be paid to Contractor, but if not agreed on, the dispute must be settled in accordance with the disputes section of this Agreement. The payment so made to Contractor is in full settlement for all Services satisfactorily performed under this Agreement.

(c) Contractor must include in its contracts with Subcontractors an early termination provision in form and substance equivalent to this early termination provision to prevent claims against the

City arising from termination of subcontracts after the early termination. Contractor will not be entitled to make any early termination claims against the City resulting from any Subcontractor's claims against Contractor or the City.

(d) If the City's election to terminate this Agreement for default under the default and remedies sections is determined in a court of competent jurisdiction to have been wrongful, then in that case the termination is to be considered to be an early termination under this section.

### **33. Suspension**

The City may at any time request that Contractor suspend its Services, or any part of them, by giving 15 days prior written notice to Contractor or upon informal oral, or even no notice, in the event of emergency. No costs incurred after the effective date of such suspension are allowed. Contractor must promptly resume its performance of the Services under the same terms and conditions as stated in this Agreement upon written notice by the Chief Procurement Officer and such equitable extension of time as may be mutually agreed upon by the Chief Procurement Officer and Contractor when necessary for continuation or completion of Services. Any additional costs or expenses actually incurred by Contractor as a result of recommencing the Services must be treated in accordance with the compensation provisions in this Agreement.

No suspension of this Agreement is permitted in the aggregate to exceed a period of 45 days within any one year of this Agreement. If the total number of days of suspension exceeds 45 days, Contractor by written notice to the City may treat the suspension as an early termination of this Agreement under the provision in this Agreement.

### **34. Right to Offset**

(a) In connection with Contractor's performance under this Agreement, the City may offset any incremental costs and other damages the City incurs in any or all of the following circumstances:

- (i) if the City terminates this Agreement for default or any other reason resulting from Contractor's performance or non-performance;
- (ii) if the City exercises any of its remedies under the remedies section of this Agreement;
- (iii) if the City has any credits due or has made any overpayments under this Agreement.

The City may offset these incremental costs and other damages by use of any payment due for Services completed before the City terminated this Agreement or before the City exercised any remedies. If the amount offset is insufficient to cover those incremental costs and other damages, Contractor is liable for and must promptly remit to the City the balance upon written demand for it. This right to offset is in addition to and not a limitation of any other remedies available to the City.

(b) As provided under ' 2-92-380 of the Municipal Code, the City may set off from Contractor's compensation under this Agreement an amount equal to the amount of the fines and penalties

for each *outstanding parking violation* complaint and the amount of any *debt* owed by Contractor to the City as those italicized terms are defined in the Municipal Code.

(c) In connection with any liquidated or unliquidated claims against Contractor, and without breaching this Agreement, the City may set off a portion of the price or compensation due under this Agreement in an amount equal to the amount of any liquidated or unliquidated claims that the City has against Contractor unrelated to this Agreement. When the City's claims against Contractor are finally adjudicated in a court of competent jurisdiction or otherwise resolved, the City will reimburse Contractor to the extent of the amount the City has offset against this Agreement inconsistently with such determination or resolution.

### **35. Entire Agreement**

#### **(a) General**

This Agreement, and the exhibits attached to it and incorporated in it, constitute the entire agreement between the parties and no other terms, conditions, warranties, inducements, considerations, promises or interpretations are implied or impressed upon this Agreement that are not addressed in this Agreement.

#### **(b) No Collateral Agreements**

Contractor acknowledges that, except only for those representations, statements or promises contained in this Agreement and any exhibits attached to it and incorporated by reference in it, no representation, statement or promise, oral or in writing, of any kind whatsoever, by the City, its officials, agents or employees, has induced Contractor to enter into this Agreement or has been relied upon by Contractor, including any with reference to: (i) the meaning, correctness, suitability or completeness of any provisions or requirements of this Agreement; (ii) the nature of the Services to be performed; (iii) the nature, quantity, quality or volume of any materials, equipment, labor and other facilities needed for the performance of this Agreement; (iv) the general conditions which may in any way affect this Agreement or its performance; (v) the compensation provisions of this Agreement; or (vi) any other matters, whether similar to or different from those referred to in (i) through (vi) immediately above, affecting or having any connection with this Agreement, its negotiation, any discussions of its performance or those employed or connected or concerned with it.

#### **(c) No Omissions**

Contractor acknowledges that Contractor was given ample opportunity and time and was requested by the City to review thoroughly all documents forming this Agreement before signing this Agreement in order that it might request inclusion in this Agreement of any statement, representation, promise or provision that it desired or on that it wished to place reliance. Contractor did so review those documents, and either every such statement, representation, promise or provision has been included in this Agreement or else, if omitted, Contractor relinquishes the benefit of any such omitted statement, representation, promise or provision and is willing to perform this Agreement in its entirety without claiming reliance on it or making any other claim on account of its omission.

**36. Counterparts**

This Agreement is comprised of several identical counterparts, each to be fully signed by the parties and each to be considered an original having identical legal effect.

**37. Changes, Modifications and Amendments**

No change, modification, or amendment of this Agreement, or any part hereof, is valid unless stipulated in writing and signed by the Mayor, Comptroller, and Chief Procurement Officer of the City. The City incurs no liability for Additional Services without a written amendment to this Agreement under this Section 40. This Section, 40, does not apply, however, to Agreement extensions governed by section 12, Agreement Extension Option.

**38. Governing Law and Jurisdiction**

This Agreement is governed as to performance and interpretation in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.

Contractor irrevocably submits itself to the original jurisdiction of those courts located within the County of Cook, State of Illinois, with regard to any controversy arising out of, relating to, or in any way concerning the execution or performance of this Agreement. Service of process on Contractor may be made, at the option of the City, either by registered or certified mail addressed to the applicable office as provided for in this Agreement, by registered or certified mail addressed to the office actually maintained by Contractor, or by personal delivery on any officer, director, or managing or general agent of Contractor. If any action is brought by Contractor against the City concerning this Agreement, the action must be brought only in those courts located within the County of Cook, State of Illinois.

**39. Severability**

If any provision of this Agreement is held or deemed to be or is in fact invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable as applied in any particular case in any jurisdiction or in all cases because it conflicts with any other provision or provisions of this Agreement or of any constitution, statute, ordinance, rule of law or public policy, or for any other reason, those circumstances do not have the effect of rendering the provision in question invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable in any other case or circumstances, or of rendering any other provision or provisions in this Agreement invalid, illegal, inoperative or unenforceable to any extent whatsoever. The invalidity, illegality, inoperativeness or unenforceability of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses or sections in this Agreement does not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part of it.

**40. Assigns**

All of the terms and conditions of this Agreement are binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective legal representatives, successors and assigns.

**41. Cooperation**

Contractor must at all times cooperate fully with the City and act in the City's best interests. If this Agreement is terminated for any reason, or if it is to expire on its own terms, Contractor must make every effort to ensure an orderly transition to another provider of the Services, if any, orderly demobilization of its own operations in connection with the Services, uninterrupted provision of Services during any transition period and must otherwise comply with the reasonable requests and requirements of the Department in connection with the termination or expiration.

**42. Waiver**

Nothing in this Agreement authorizes the waiver of a requirement or condition contrary to law or ordinance or that would result in or promote the violation of any federal, state or local law or ordinance.

Whenever under this Agreement the City by a proper authority waives Contractor's performance in any respect or waives a requirement or condition to either the City's or Contractor's performance, the waiver so granted, whether express or implied, only applies to the particular instance and is not a waiver forever or for subsequent instances of the performance, requirement or condition. No such waiver is a modification of this Agreement regardless of the number of times the City may have waived the performance, requirement or condition. Such waivers must be provided to Contractor in writing.

**43. Independent Contractor**

(a) This Agreement is not intended to and does not constitute, create, give rise to, or otherwise recognize a joint venture, partnership, corporation or other formal business association or organization of any kind between Contractor and the City. The rights and the obligations of the parties are only those set forth in this Agreement. Contractor must perform under this Agreement as an independent Contractor and not as a representative, employee, agent, or partner of the City.

(b) This Agreement is between the City and an independent Contractor and, if Contractor is an individual, nothing provided for under this Agreement constitutes or implies an employer-employee relationship such that:

(i) The City will not be liable under or by reason of this Agreement for the payment of any compensation award or damages in connection with the Contractor performing the Services required under this Agreement.

(ii) Contractor is not entitled to membership in any City Pension Fund, Group Medical Insurance Program, Group Dental Program, Group Vision Care, Group Life Insurance Program, Deferred Income Program, vacation, sick leave, extended sick leave, or any other benefits ordinarily provided to individuals employed and paid through the regular payrolls of the City.

(iii) The City is not required to deduct or withhold any taxes, FICA or other deductions from any compensation provided to Contractor.

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(i) The City is subject to the May 31, 2007 Order entitled “Agreed Settlement Order and Accord” (the “Shakman Accord”) and the June 24, 2011 “City of Chicago Hiring Plan” (the “City Hiring Plan”) entered in Shakman v. Democratic Organization of Cook County, Case No 69 C 2145 (United State District Court for the Northern District of Illinois). Among other things, the Shakman Accord and

the City Hiring Plan prohibit the City from hiring persons as governmental employees in non-exempt positions on the basis of political reasons or factors.

(ii) Contractor is aware that City policy prohibits City employees from directing any individual to apply for a position with Contractor, either as an employee or as a subcontractor, and from directing Contractor to hire an individual as an employee or as a subcontractor. Accordingly, Contractor must follow its own hiring and contracting procedures, without being influenced by City employees. Any and all personnel provided by Contractor under this Agreement are employees or subcontractors of Contractor, not employees of the City of Chicago. This Agreement is not intended to and does not constitute, create, give rise to, or otherwise recognize an employer-employee relationship of any kind between the City and any personnel provided by Contractor.

(iii) Contractor will not condition, base, or knowingly prejudice or affect any term or aspect of the employment of any personnel provided under this Agreement, or offer employment to any individual to provide services under this Agreement, based upon or because of any political reason or factor, including, without limitation, any individual’s political affiliation, membership in a political organization or party, political support or activity, political financial contributions, promises of such political support, activity or financial contributions, or such individual’s political sponsorship or recommendation. For purposes of this Agreement, a political organization or party is an identifiable group or entity that has as its primary purpose the support of or opposition to candidates for elected public office. Individual political activities are the activities of individual persons in support of or in opposition to political organizations or parties or candidates for elected public office.

(iv) In the event of any communication to Contractor by a City employee or City official in violation of Section 11.11(c)(ii) above, or advocating a violation of Section 11.11(c)(iii) above, Contractor will, as soon as is reasonably practicable, report such communication to the Hiring Oversight Section of the City’s Office of the Inspector General, and also to the head of the relevant City Department utilizing services provided under this Agreement. Contractor will also cooperate with inquiries by IGO Hiring Oversight or the Shakman Monitor’s Office related to the contract.” Contractor will also cooperate with any inquiries by IGO Hiring Oversight or the Shakman Monitor’s Office related to Contract.

**44. Electronic Ordering and Invoices**

The Contractor shall cooperate in good faith with the City in implementing electronic ordering and invoicing, including but not limited to catalogs, purchase orders, releases, and invoices. Contractor shall accept electronic purchase orders and releases upon request of the Chief Procurement Officer. Contractor shall provide the City electronic catalogs, copies of invoices and other electronic documents upon request. The electronic ordering and invoice documents shall be in a format specified by the City and transmitted by an electronic means specified by

the City. Such electronic means may include, but are not limited to, disks, e-mail, EDI, FTP, web sites, and third party electronic services. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to change the document format and/or the means of transmission upon written notice to the Contractor. Contractor shall ensure that the essential information, as determined by the Chief Procurement Officer, in the electronic document, corresponds to that information submitted by the Contractor in its paper documents. The electronic documents shall be in addition to paper documents required by this contract, however, by written notice to the Contractor, the Chief Procurement Officer may deem any or all of the electronic ordering and invoice documents the official documents and/or eliminate the requirement for paper ordering and invoice documents.

**45. Participation by Other Local Government Agencies**

Other local government agencies may be eligible to participate in this agreement pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Contract if such agencies are authorized, by law or their governing bodies, to execute such purchases, and if such authorization is allowed by the City of Chicago's Chief Procurement Officer, and if such purchases have no net adverse effect on the City of Chicago, and result in no diminished services from the Contractor to the City's user departments pursuant to such purchases. Examples of such Local Government Agencies are: Board of Education, Chicago Park District, City Colleges of Chicago, Chicago Transit Authority, Chicago Housing Authority, Chicago Board of Elections, Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority (McCormick Place, Navy Pier), and the Municipal Courts. Said purchases shall be made upon the issuance of a purchase order directly from the Local Government Agency. The City will not be responsible for payment of any amounts owed by any other Local Government Agencies, and will have no liability for the acts or omissions of any other Local Government Agency.

**46. Environmental Warranties and Representations**

In accordance with Section 11-4-1600(e) of the Municipal Code of Chicago, Contractor warrants and represents that it, and to the best of its knowledge, its subcontractors have not violated and are not in violation of the following sections of the Code (collectively, the Waste Sections):

- 7-28-390 Dumping on public way;
- 7-28-440 Dumping on real estate without permit;
- 11-4-1410 Disposal in waters prohibited;
- 11-4-1420 Ballast tank, bilge tank or other discharge;
- 11-4-1450 Gas manufacturing residue;
- 11-4-1500 Treatment and disposal of solid or liquid waste;
- 11-4-1530 Compliance with rules and regulations required;
- 11-4-1550 Operational requirements; and
- 11-4-1560 Screening requirements.

During the period while the Agreement is executory, Contractor's or any subcontractor's violation of the Waste Sections, whether or not relating to the performance of the Agreement, constitutes a breach of and an event of default under the Agreement, for which the opportunity to cure, if curable, will be granted only at the sole designation of the Chief Procurement Officer. Such breach and default entitles the City to all remedies under the Agreement, at law or in equity.

This section does not limit Contractor's and its subcontractors' duty to comply with all applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, statutes, ordinances and executive orders, in effect now or later, and whether or not they appear in the Agreement.

Non-compliance with these terms and conditions may be used by the City as grounds for the termination of the Agreement, and may further affect Contractor's eligibility for future contract awards.

**47. Firms Owned or Operated by Individuals with Disabilities**

The City encourages contractors to use Subcontractors that are firms owned or operated by individuals with disabilities, as defined by Section 2-92-586 of the Municipal Code of the City of Chicago, where not otherwise prohibited by federal or state law.

**48. Ineligibility to do Business with City**

Failure by the Contractor or any Controlling Person (defined in Section 1-23-010 of the Municipal Code) thereof to maintain eligibility to do business with the City in violation of Section 1-23-030 of the Municipal Code shall render this Contract voidable or subject to termination, at the option of the Chief Procurement Officer. Contractor agrees that Contractor's failure to maintain eligibility (or failure by Controlling Persons to maintain eligibility) to do business with the City in violation of Section 1-23-030 of the Municipal Code shall constitute an event of default.

**49. Deemed Inclusion**

Provisions required by law, ordinances, rules, regulations, or executive orders to be inserted in this Agreement are deemed inserted in this Agreement whether or not they appear in this Agreement or, upon application by either party, this Agreement will be amended to make the insertion; however, in no event will the failure to insert the provisions before or after this Agreement is signed prevent its enforcement.

**50. Authority**

Execution of this Agreement by Contractor is authorized by a resolution of its Board of Directors, if a corporation, or similar governing document, and the signature(s) of each person signing on behalf of Contractor have been made with complete and full authority to commit Contractor to all terms and conditions of this Agreement, including each and every representation, certification and warranty contained in it, including the representations, certifications and warranties collectively incorporated by reference in it.

**51. Definitions**

The following words and phrases have the following meanings for purposes of this Agreement:

"**Additional Services**" means those services which are within the general scope of Services of this Agreement, but beyond the description of services required under the Scope of Services

provision, and all services reasonably necessary to complete the Additional Services to the standards of performance required by this Agreement. Any Additional Services requested by the Department require the approval of the City in a written amendment before Contractor is obligated to perform those Additional Services and before the City becomes obligated to pay for those Additional Services.

**"Agreement"** means this Agreement, including all exhibits attached to it and incorporated in it by reference, and all amendments, modifications or revisions made in accordance with its terms.

**"Chief Procurement Officer"** means the Chief Procurement Officer ("CPO") of the City and any representative duly authorized in writing to act on /the CPO's behalf.

**"Corporation Counsel"** means the Department Head for the City of Chicago Law Department.

**"Department"** means the Chicago Department of Innovation and Technology.

**"Services"** means, collectively, the services, duties and responsibilities described in the Scope of Services in this Agreement and **Exhibit \_** of this Agreement and any and all work necessary to complete them or carry them out fully and to the standard of performance required in this Agreement.

**"Subcontractor"** means any person or entity with whom Contractor contracts to provide any part of the Services, including subcontractors and subconsultants of any tier, suppliers and materials providers, whether or not in privity with Contractor.

## **52. Invoices**

This contract is subject to Centralized Invoice Processing ("CIP"). Invoices must be submitted directly to the Comptroller's office by US Postal Service mail to the following address:

INVOICES  
City of Chicago, Office of the City Comptroller  
121 N. LaSalle St., Room 700  
Chicago, IL 60602

OR

Via email to: [INVOICES@cityofchicago.org](mailto:INVOICES@cityofchicago.org) with the word INVOICE in the subject line.

All invoices must be signed, marked "original," and include the following information or payment will be delayed:

- Invoice number and date
- Contract/Purchase Order number
- Blanket Release number (if applicable)
- Vendor name and/or number

- Remittance address
- Name of City Department that ordered the goods or services
- Name and phone number of your contact at the ordering department
- Invoice quantities, commodity codes, description of deliverable(s)
- Amount due
- Receipt number (provided by the ordering department after delivery of goods/services)

Invoice quantities, service description, unit of measure, pricing and/or catalog information must correspond to the terms of the compensation schedule.

If applicable, if invoicing Price List/Catalog items, indicate Price List/Catalog number, item number, Price List/Catalog date, and Price List/Catalog page number on the invoice. Invoices for over-shipments or items with price/wage escalations will be rejected unless the Contract includes a provision for such an adjustment.

Freight, handling and shipping costs are not to be invoiced; deliveries are to be made F.O.B., City of Chicago. As stated the City of Chicago is exempt from paying State of Illinois sales tax and Federal excise taxes on purchases.

If required, Subcontractor Payment Certification forms must be mailed to the department that ordered the goods or services.

### **53. Taxes**

Federal Excise Tax does not apply to materials purchased by the City of Chicago by virtue of Exemption Certificate No. 36-6005820 and State of Illinois Sales Tax does not apply by virtue of Exemption Certificate No. E9998-1874-07. Illinois Retailers Occupation Tax, Use Tax, and Municipal Retailers Occupation Tax do not apply to materials or services purchased by the City of Chicago by virtue of Statute. The price or prices quoted herein shall include all other Federal and/or State, direct and/or indirect taxes which apply. The prices quoted herein shall comply with all Federal laws and regulations.

**APPENDIX A**

**INNOVATION ZONE MAP**

# CITY OF CHICAGO

## Innovation Zones



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