DEPARTMENTAL INPUT
CONTRACT/PROJECT MEASURE ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION

Rev 1

X New contract  OTR  CO  SS  BW  Emergency

Re-Bid  Other

LIVING WAGE APPLIES: ___YES ___NO

Requisition/Project No: ____________________________

TERM OF CONTRACT: 3-year with 3 three-year options-to-renew

Description: Professional Veterinary Services including 24-hour emergency services for MDPD, Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, Miami-Dade Corrections & Rehabilitation, Miami-Dade Aviation Department

User Department(s): MDPD, FR, CR, MDAD, A30

Issuing Department: MDPD, FR, CR, MDAD, A3D Contact Person: Caroline Burgos Phone: 305-375-2037

Estimated Cost: $1,182,000  Funding Source: General Funds  REVENUE GENERATING: ___

ANALYSIS

Commodity/Service No: 561-86  SIC:

Trade/Commodity/Service Opportunities

Contract/Project History of Previous Purchases For Previous Three (3) Years
Check Here ___If this is a New Contract/Purchase with no Previous History

Contractor:

Small Business Enterprise:

Contract Value:

Comments:

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Basis of Recommendation:


Signed: Caroline Burgos

Date to SBD: 07/07/2016

Date Returned to PM: ____________________________
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) No. 00000
FOR
PROFESSIONAL VETERINARY SERVICES

PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD:

_____, 2016 at ___:00 AM (local time)
111 NW 1st Street, 13th Floor, Conf. Rm. __, Miami, Florida

 ISSUED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY:
Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Services Division
For
Miami-Dade Police Department

COUNTY CONTACT FOR THIS SOLICITATION:
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PROPOSAL RESPONSES DUE:
INSERT DATE AND TIME

IT IS THE POLICY OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY THAT ALL ELECTED AND APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICIALS AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES SHALL ADHERE TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE HONOR CODE (HONOR CODE). THE HONOR CODE CONSISTS OF MINIMUM STANDARDS REGARDING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF ALL PUBLIC SERVANTS IN THE COUNTY. VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE MANDATORY STANDARDS MAY RESULT IN ENFORCEMENT ACTION. (SEE IMPLEMENTING ORDER 7-7)

Electronic proposal responses to this RFP are to be submitted through a secure mailbox at BidSync until the date and time as indicated in this document. It is the sole responsibility of the Proposer to ensure its proposal reaches BidSync before the Solicitation closing date and time. There is no cost to the Proposer to submit a proposal in response to a Miami-Dade County solicitation via BidSync. Electronic proposal submissions may require the uploading of electronic attachments. The submission of attachments containing embedded documents or proprietary file extensions is prohibited. All documents should be attached as separate files. All proposals received and time stamped through the County's third party partner, BidSync, prior to the proposal submittal deadline shall be accepted as timely submitted. The circumstances surrounding all proposals received and time stamped after the proposal submittal deadline will be evaluated by the procuring department in consultation with the County Attorney's Office to determine whether the proposal will be accepted as timely. Proposals will be opened promptly at the time and date specified. The responsibility for submitting a proposal on or before the stated time and date is solely and strictly the responsibility of the Proposer. The County will in no way be responsible for delays caused by technical difficulty or caused by any other occurrence. All expenses involved with the preparation and submission of proposals to the County, or any work performed in connection therewith, shall be borne by the Proposer(s).

A Proposer may submit a modified proposal to replace all or any portion of a previously submitted proposal up until the proposal due date. The County will only consider the latest version of the proposal. For competitive bidding opportunities available, please visit the County's Internal Services Department website at: http://www.miamidade.gov/procurement/.

Requests for additional information or inquiries must be made in writing and submitted using the question/answer feature provided by BidSync at www.bidsync.com. The County will issue responses to inquiries and any changes to this Solicitation if deemed necessary in written addenda issued prior to the proposal due date (see addendum section of BidSync Site). Proposers who obtain copies of this Solicitation from sources other than through BidSync risk the possibility of not receiving addenda and are solely responsible for these risks.
1.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW AND GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.1 Introduction
Miami-Dade County, hereinafter referred to as the County, as represented by the Miami-Dade County Police Department (MDPD), is soliciting proposals for Professional Veterinary Services including 24-hour emergency services for MDPD, Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, Miami-Dade Corrections & Rehabilitation, Miami-Dade Aviation Department and other County departments, on an as needed basis. These Professional Veterinary Services are required to keep the Canine Units healthy to support the MDPD’s mission to promote a safe and secure environment.

Proposer(s) must have a hospital or clinic, hereinafter referred to as “facility”, in the Miami-Dade County target geographic area they are proposing for. The Miami-Dade County target geographic areas are designated as the “North Zone” and the “South Zone” (refer to Section 2.1). Proposers may submit one proposal per zone. Award of one zone does not preclude the selected Proser from being awarded the second zone.

The County anticipates awarding up to two contracts, one per zone, for a three (3) year period, with a one (1) three-year option to renew, at the County’s sole discretion.

The anticipated schedule for this Solicitation is as follows:

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1.2 Definitions
The following words and expressions used in this Solicitation shall be construed as follows, except when it is clear from the context that another meaning is intended:

1. The word “Contractor” to mean the Proposer that receives any award of a contract from the County as a result of this Solicitation, also to be known as “the prime Contractor”.
2. The word “County” to mean Miami-Dade County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida.
3. The word “Proposal” to mean the properly signed and completed written submission in response to this solicitation by a Proposer for the Services, and as amended or modified through negotiations.
4. The word “Proposer” to mean the person, firm, entity or organization, as stated on the Solicitation Submittal Form, submitting a response to this Solicitation.
5. The words “Scope of Services” to mean Section 2.0 of this Solicitation, which details the work to be performed by the Contractor.
6. The word “Solicitation” to mean this Request for Proposals (RFP) or Request for Qualifications (RFQ) document, and all associated addenda and attachments.
7. The word “Subcontractor” to mean any person, firm, entity or organization, other than the employees of the Contractor, who contracts with the Contractor to furnish labor, or labor and materials, in connection with the Services to the County, whether directly or indirectly, on behalf of the Contractor.
8. The words “Work”, “Services”, “Program”, or “Project” to mean all matters and things that will be required to be done by the Contractor in accordance with the Scope of Services and the terms and conditions of this Solicitation.

1.3 General Proposal Information
The County may, at its sole and absolute discretion, reject any and all or parts of any or all responses; accept parts of any and all responses; further negotiate project scope and fees; postpone or cancel at any time this Solicitation process; or waive any irregularities in this Solicitation or in the responses received as a result of this process. In the event that a Proposer wishes to take an exception to any of the terms of this Solicitation, the Proposer shall clearly indicate the exception in its proposal. No exception shall be taken where the Solicitation specifically states that exceptions may not be taken. Further, no exception shall be allowed that, in the County’s sole
discretion, constitutes a material deviation from the requirements of the Solicitation. Proposals taking such exceptions may, in the County’s sole discretion, be deemed nonresponsive. The County reserves the right to request and evaluate additional information from any respondent regarding respondent’s responsibility after the submission deadline as the County deems necessary.

The submittal of a proposal by a Proposer will be considered a good faith commitment by the Proposer to negotiate a contract with the County in substantially similar terms to the proposal offered and, if successful in the process set forth in this Solicitation and subject to its conditions, to enter into a contract substantially in the terms herein. Proposals shall be irrevocable until contract award unless the proposal is withdrawn. A proposal may be withdrawn in writing only, addressed to the County contact person for this Solicitation, prior to the proposal due date or upon the expiration of 180 calendar days after the opening of proposals.

Proposers are hereby notified that all information submitted as part of, or in support of proposals will be available for public inspection after opening of proposals, in compliance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, popularly known as the "Public Record Law." The Proposer shall not submit any information in response to this Solicitation which the Proposer considers to be a trade secret, proprietary or confidential. The submission of any information to the County in connection with this Solicitation shall be deemed conclusively to be a waiver of any trade secret or other protection, which would otherwise be available to Proposer. In the event that the Proposer submits information to the County in violation of this restriction, either inadvertently or intentionally, and clearly identifies that information in the proposal as protected or confidential, the County may, in its sole discretion, either (a) communicate with the Proposer in writing in an effort to obtain the Proposer's written withdrawal of the confidentiality restriction or (b) endeavor to redact and return that information to the Proposer as quickly as possible, and, if appropriate, evaluate the balance of the proposal. Under no circumstances shall the County request the withdrawal of the confidentiality restriction if such communication would in the County’s sole discretion give to such Proposer a competitive advantage over other proposers. The redaction or return of information pursuant to this clause may render a proposal non-responsive.

Any Proposer who, at the time of proposal submission, is involved in an ongoing bankruptcy as a debtor, or in a reorganization, liquidation, or dissolution proceeding or if a trustee or receiver has been appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Proposer under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law, may be found non-responsive. To request a copy of any ordinance, resolution and/or administrative order cited in this Solicitation, the Proposer must contact the Clerk of the Board at (305) 375-5126.

1.4 Aspirational Policy Regarding Diversity

Pursuant to Resolution No. R-1106-15 Miami-Dade County vendors are encouraged to utilize a diverse workforce that is reflective of the racial, gender and ethnic diversity of Miami-Dade County and employ locally-based small firms and employees from the communities where work is being performed in their performance of work for the County. This policy shall not be a condition of contracting with the County, nor will it be a factor in the evaluation of solicitations unless permitted by law.

1.5 Cone of Silence

Pursuant to Section 2-111.1(t) of the Miami-Dade County Code, as amended, a “Cone of Silence” is imposed upon each RFP or RFQ after advertisement and terminates at the time a written recommendation is issued. The Cone of Silence prohibits any communication regarding RFPs or RFQs between, among others:

- potential Proposers, service providers, lobbyists or consultants and the County’s professional staff including, but not limited to, the County Mayor and the County Mayor’s staff, County Commissioners or their respective staffs;
- the County Commissioners or their respective staffs and the County’s professional staff including, but not limited to, the County Mayor and the County Mayor’s staff; or
- potential Proposers, service providers, lobbyists or consultants, any member of the County’s professional staff, the Mayor, County Commissioners or their respective staffs and any member of the respective Competitive Selection Committee.

The provisions do not apply to, among other communications:

- oral communications with the staff of the Vendor Services Section, the responsible Procurement Contracting Officer, provided the communication is limited strictly to matters of process or procedure already contained in the solicitation document;
- oral communications at pre-proposal conferences and oral presentations before Competitive Selection Committees during any duly noticed public meeting, public presentations made to the Board of County Commissioners during any duly noticed public meeting;
- recorded contract negotiations and contract negotiation strategy sessions; or
communications in writing at any time with any county employees, official or member of the Board of County Commissioners unless specifically prohibited by the applicable RFP or RFQ documents.

When the Cone of Silence is in effect, all potential vendors, service providers, bidders, lobbyists and consultants shall file a copy of any written correspondence concerning the particular RFP or RFQ with the Clerk of the Board, which shall be made available to any person upon request. The County shall respond in writing (if County deems a response necessary) and file a copy with the Clerk of the Board, which shall be made available to any person upon request. Written communications may be in the form of e-mail, with a copy to the Clerk of the Board at clerkbof@miamidade.gov.

All requirements of the Cone of Silence policies are applicable to this Solicitation and must be adhered to. Any and all written communications regarding the Solicitation are to be submitted only to the Procurement Contracting Officer with a copy to the Clerk of the Board. The Proposer shall file a copy of any written communication with the Clerk of the Board. The Clerk of the Board shall make copies available to any person upon request.

1.6 Communication with Competitive Selection Committee Members
Proposers are hereby notified that direct communication, written or otherwise, to Competitive Selection Committee members or the Competitive Selection Committee as a whole are expressly prohibited. Any oral communications with Competitive Selection Committee members other than as provided in Section 2.11.1 of the Miami-Dade County Code are prohibited.

1.7 Public Entity Crimes
Pursuant to Paragraph 2(a) of Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a proposal for a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a proposal on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit proposals on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and, may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 for Category Two for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

1.8 Lobbyist Contingency Fees
a) In accordance with Section 2.11.1(s) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, after May 16, 2003, no person may, in whole or in part, pay, give or agree to pay or give a contingency fee to another person. No person may, in whole or in part, receive or agree to receive a contingency fee.

b) A contingency fee is a fee, bonus, commission or non-monetary benefit as compensation which is dependent on or in any way contingent upon the passage, defeat, or modification of: 1) any ordinance, resolution, action or decision of the County Commission; 2) any action, decision or recommendation of the County Mayor or any County board or committee; or 3) any action, decision or recommendation of any County personnel during the time period of the entire decision-making process regarding such action, decision or recommendation which foreseeably will be heard or reviewed by the County Commission or a County board or committee.

1.9 Collusion
In accordance with Section 2.8.1.1.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, where two (2) or more related parties, as defined herein, each submit a proposal for any contract, such proposals shall be presumed to be collusive. The foregoing presumption may be rebutted by the presentation of evidence as to the extent of ownership, control and management of such related parties in preparation and submittal of such proposals. Related parties shall mean Proposer or the principals thereof which have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another Proposer for the same contract or in which a parent company or the principals thereof of one Proposer have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another Proposer for the same contract. Proposals found to be collusive shall be rejected. Proposers who have been found to have engaged in collusion may be considered non-responsible, and may be suspended or debarred, and any contract resulting from collusive bidding may be terminated for default.

1.10 Contract Measures
This Solicitation includes contract measures for Miami-Dade County Certified Small Business Enterprises (SBE's) pursuant to Sections 2.8.1.1.1.1 and 2.1.1.1.2 of the Code of Miami-Dade County as follows:

Set-aside:
This Solicitation is set-aside for SBE's.

**Subcontractor Goal:**

_____% SBE subcontractor goal is applicable. The purpose of a subcontractor goal is to have portions of the work under the prime contract performed by available subcontractors that are certified SBEs for contract values totaling not less than the percentage of the prime contract value set out in this Solicitation. Subcontractor goals may be applied to a contract when estimates made prior to solicitation advertisement identify the quality, quantity and type of opportunities in the contract and SBEs are available to afford effective competition in providing a percentage of these identified services. Proposers shall submit a completed Schedule of Intent Affidavit (Form SBD 504) at the time of proposal identifying all SBEs to be utilized to meet the subcontractor goal. The Schedule of Intent Affidavit shall specify the scope of work and commodity code the SBE will perform. The Schedule of Intent Affidavit constitutes a written representation by the Proposer that to the best of the Proposer's knowledge the SBEs listed are available and have agreed to perform as specified, or that the Proposer will demonstrate unavailability. The Schedule of Intent form can be found at [http://www.miamidade.gov/business/library/forms/sbe-soi.pdf](http://www.miamidade.gov/business/library/forms/sbe-soi.pdf).

The participating SBE firms (or joint ventures) must have a valid Miami-Dade County SBE certification by the proposal submittal deadline of this Solicitation, as well as, meet all other requirements. Additional information regarding Miami-Dade County’s Small Business Enterprise Program, including new amendments to the program, is available on the Small Business Development’s website [http://www.miamidade.gov/business/business-certification-programs-SBE.asp](http://www.miamidade.gov/business/business-certification-programs-SBE.asp).

(If Selection Factor use Section 4.4 and delete above section.)

### 2.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES

**2.1 Background**

Miami-Dade County, hereinafter referred to as the County, as represented by the Miami-Dade County Police Department (MDPD), is soliciting proposals for Professional Veterinary Services including 24-hour emergency services for MDPD, Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, Miami-Dade Corrections & Rehabilitation and other County departments on an as needed basis. These Professional Veterinary Services are required to keep the Canine Units healthy to support the MDPD's mission to promote a safe and secure environment, free from crime and the fear of crime.

Proposer(s) must have a hospital or clinic, hereinafter referred to as "facility", in the Miami-Dade County target geographic area they are proposing for. The Miami-Dade County target geographic areas are designated as the "North Zone" and the "South Zone".

The "North Zone" designated veterinary location must be North of Flagler Street (including Flagler Street) and East of Krome Avenue. Main thoroughfares with easy access are preferred.

The "South Zone" designated veterinary location must be South of Flagler Street and East of Krome Avenue. Main thoroughfares with easy access are preferred.

**2.2 Minimum Qualification Requirement**

The selected Proposer shall, at the time of proposal due date shall:

1) Have on staff at the proposed facility, a Veterinarian, licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Florida to perform the requested veterinary services herein.

2) Be licensed as a Veterinary Establishment (Premises Permit) in the State of Florida.

Note: Documented proof of licenses is required. The above requirements are also a continuing condition of award, as the selected Proposer must maintain these minimum qualifications throughout the duration of the contract.
2.3 **Requirements**

**A. Facility Requirements:**

1) Accommodate the safe processing and treatment of large dogs, such as German Shepherd dogs used by MDPD and other canine units in the County.

2) Include a rear entrance and/or separate waiting area where canines will not be exposed to potentially contagious clients or civilians.

3) Have secure treatment rooms that are not of the ward or observation type floor plan to reduce the stress on the animal and minimize exposure during treatment.

4) Have kennel facilities to handle the presence of trained canines requiring hospitalization.

5) Have on-site digital radiographic equipment and scales of sufficient size to accommodate the processing of large dogs, such as German Shepherd dogs used by MDPD. Radiographs taken with this equipment shall be processed on-site for interpretation by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) standards for evaluation of hip integrity and presence of ununited anconeal process.

   Note: During the evaluation process, the County will inspect the top three (3) ranked facilities per zone, to ensure that the above requirement are met.

**B. Staff Requirements:**

1) Be qualified and experienced in handling police patrol canines.

2) Be knowledgeable of, and perform services in accordance with, all applicable federal, state and local animal laws and regulations.

2.4 **Services to be Provided**

**A. Non-Emergency Routine Care Services To Be Provided During Normal Business Hours:**

The selected Proposer(s) shall:

1) Examine, evaluate, diagnose, treat and provide the necessary veterinary and health care needs of the canines.

2) Prescribe, dispense, and administer prescription medication.

3) Provide basic head-to-toe annual physicals for newly purchased and in-service canines to assess their overall fitness for duty. This includes but is not limited to, recording weight, blood count, chemistry profile for heartworms, urinalysis, blood tests, fecal parasite exams, x-rays and other tests in accordance with industry standards.

4) Provide annual vaccinations, including but not limited to, Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parainfluenza, Rabies, Coronavirus, Parvovirus, Heartworm and Bordetella.

5) Provide pre-purchase testing of prospective canines to include same work up as physical examination in addition to radiographs of elbows and shoulders.

6) Maintain complete veterinary history on County’s canines including treatments, evaluation and prescriptions. Veterinary records stay at the veterinary place of business but will be accessible on request by the County.
7) Provide written documentation of veterinarian treatments provided including time and date services are provided, evaluation, description of services provided, treatment plan, and prescriptions upon request.

8) Provide Health Certificates for travel upon request.

9) Provide small amounts of medical supplies for purchase by the County, including but not limited to, sprays, creams, shampoos, dips, antibiotics and wormers.

10) Provide and administer Anesthesia, surgeries to include Ovariohysterectomy, Castration and other possible surgeries for the well-being of the canines.

11) Provide on-site necessary minor surgery and suturing.

12) Perform major surgery on-site or upon approval by the County, arrange for surgery to be performed at another veterinarian facility or surgical center, if needed. The County will be responsible for the transportation of the canines.

13) Provide referrals to specialists for further diagnosis or treatment on an as needed basis. Specialists should have licenses in their field of expertise and/or special equipment not available at the selected Proposer’s facility.

14) Perform routine office visits and consultations.

B. Emergency Care Services including Services Outside of Normal Business Hours:

The selected Proposer(s) must:

1) Provide emergency services 24 hours, 7 days a week on an as needed basis, including but not limited to, consultation, examination, surgery, dental work for root canal and posts, consumption of foreign object, bloat, lacerations, administration of medicine and all related care.

2) Provide an effective method by which the County can communicate expeditiously with the veterinarian(s) outside of normal business hours.

3) Provide 24-hour emergency veterinary telephone consultation to canine handlers.

2.5 Additional Services
If services are required which are related to, but not included in providing the above services, the County may request the selected Proposer to provide as additional services.

3.0 RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Submittal Requirements
In response to this Solicitation, Proposer should complete and return the entire Proposal Submission Package for each zone being proposed. Proposers should carefully follow the format and instructions outlined therein. All documents and information must be fully completed and signed as required and submitted in the manner described.

The proposal shall be written in sufficient detail to permit the County to conduct a meaningful evaluation of the proposed services. However, overly elaborate responses are not requested or desired.

4.0 EVALUATION PROCESS

4.1 Review of Proposals for Responsiveness
Each proposal will be reviewed to determine if the proposal is responsive to the submission requirements outlined in this Solicitation. A responsive proposal is one which follows the requirements of this Solicitation, includes all documentation, is submitted in the format
outlined in this Solicitation, is of timely submission, and has the appropriate signatures as required on each document. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in the proposal being deemed non-responsive.

4.2 Evaluation Criteria
Proposals will be evaluated by a Competitive Selection Committee which will evaluate and rank proposals on criteria listed below. The Competitive Selection Committee will be comprised of appropriate County personnel and members of the community, as deemed necessary, with the appropriate experience and/or knowledge, striving to ensure that the Competitive Selection Committee is balanced with regard to both ethnicity and gender. The criteria are itemized with their respective weights for a maximum total of one hundred (100) points per Competitive Selection Committee member.

**Technical Criteria**

1. Proposer’s relevant experience, qualifications, and past performance  
   Points: 30

2. Relevant experience and qualifications of key personnel, including key personnel of subcontractors, that will be assigned to this project, and experience and qualifications of subcontractors  
   Points: 25

3. Proposer’s approach to providing the services requested in this Solicitation  
   Points: 15

4. Proposer’s service provider facility  
   Points: 20

**Price Criteria**

5. Proposer’s proposed price  
   Points: 10

Proposals for a zone will be ranked against other proposals for the same zone.

4.3 Oral Presentations
Upon evaluation of the technical criteria indicated above, rating and ranking, the Competitive Selection Committee (or Review Team) may choose to conduct an oral presentation with the Proposer(s) which the Competitive Selection Committee (or Review Team) deems to warrant further consideration based on, among other considerations, scores in clusters and/or maintaining competition. (See Affidavit – “Lobbyist Registration for Oral Presentation” regarding registering speakers in the proposal for oral presentations.) Upon completion of the oral presentation(s), the Competitive Selection Committee (or Review Team) will re-evaluate, re-rate and re-rank the proposals remaining in consideration based upon the written documents combined with the oral presentation.

4.4 Selection Factor
This Solicitation includes a selection factor for Miami-Dade County Certified Small Business Enterprises (SBE’s) as follows. A SBE/Micro Business Enterprise is entitled to receive an additional ten percent (10%) of the total technical evaluation points on the technical portion of such Proposer’s proposal. An SBE/Micro Business Enterprise must be certified by Small Business Development for the type of goods and/or services the Proposer provides in accordance with the applicable Commodity Code(s) for this Solicitation. For certification information contact Small Business Development at (305) 375-2378 or access http://www.miamidade.gov/business/business-certification-programs-SBE.asp. The SBE/Micro Business Enterprise must be certified by proposal submission deadline, at contract award, and for the duration of the contract to remain eligible for the preference. Firms that graduate from the SBE program during the contract may remain on the contract.

OR

A Selection Factor is not applicable to this Solicitation.

OR
Whenever there are two best ranked proposals that are substantially equal and only one of the two so ranked proposals is submitted by a Proposer entitled to a selection factor, the selection factor shall be the deciding factor for award.

4.5 Local Certified Veteran Business Enterprise Preference
This Solicitation includes a preference for Miami-Dade County Local Certified Veteran Business Enterprises in accordance with Section 2-8.5.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. “Local Certified Veteran Business Enterprise” or “VBE” is a firm that is (a) a local business pursuant to Section 2-8.5 of the Code of Miami-Dade County and (b) prior to proposal or bid submittal is certified by the State of Florida Department of Management Services as a veteran business enterprise pursuant to Section 295.187 of the Florida Statutes. A VBE that submits a proposal in response to this solicitation is entitled to receive an additional five percent of the evaluation points scored on the technical portion of such vendor’s proposal. If a Miami-Dade County Certified Small Business Enterprise (SBE) measure is being applied to this Solicitation, a VBE which also qualifies for the SBE measure shall not receive the veteran’s preference provided in this section and shall be limited to the applicable SBE preference. At the time of proposal submission, the firm must affirm in writing its compliance with the certification requirements of Section 295.187 of the Florida Statutes and submit this affirmation and a copy of the actual certification along with the proposal submittal form.

4.6 Price Evaluation
After the evaluation of the technical proposal, in light of the oral presentation(s) if necessary, the County will evaluate the price proposals of those Proposers remaining in consideration.

The price proposal will be evaluated subjectively in combination with the technical proposal, including an evaluation of how well it matches Proposer’s understanding of the County’s needs described in this Solicitation, the Proposer’s assumptions, and the value of the proposed services. The pricing evaluation is used as part of the evaluation process to determine the highest ranked Proposer. The County reserves the right to negotiate the final terms, conditions and pricing of the contract as may be in the best interest of the County.

4.7 Local Preference
The evaluation of competitive solicitations is subject to Section 2-8.5 of the Miami-Dade County Code, which, except where contrary to federal or state law, or any other funding source requirements, provides that preference be given to local businesses. If, following the completion of final rankings by the Competitive Selection Committee (or Review Team) a non-local Proposer is the highest ranked responsive and responsible Proposer, and the ranking of a responsive and responsible local Proposer is within 5% of the ranking obtained by said non-local Proposer, then the Competitive Selection Committee (or Review Team) will recommend that a contract be negotiated with said local Proposer.

4.8 Negotiations
The Competitive Selection Committee (or Review Team) will evaluate, score and rank proposals, and submit the results of the evaluation to the County Mayor or designee with its recommendation. The County Mayor or designee will determine with which Proposer(s) the County shall negotiate, if any, taking into consideration the Local Preference Section above. The County Mayor or designee, at their sole discretion, may direct negotiations with the highest ranked Proposer, negotiations with multiple Proposers, and/or may request best and final offers. In any event the County engages in negotiations with a single or multiple Proposers and/or requests best and final offers, the discussions may include price and conditions attendant to price.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the County and said Proposer(s) cannot reach agreement on a contract, the County reserves the right to terminate negotiations and may, at the County Mayor’s or designee’s discretion, begin negotiations with the next highest ranked Proposer(s). This process may continue until a contract acceptable to the County has been executed or all proposals are rejected. No Proposer shall have any rights against the County arising from such negotiations or termination thereof.

Any Proposer recommended for negotiations shall complete a Collusion Affidavit, in accordance with Sections 2-8.1.1 of the Miami-Dade County Code. (If a Proposer fails to submit the required Collusion Affidavit, said Proposer shall be ineligible for award.)

Any Proposer recommended for negotiations may be required to provide to the County:
a) Its most recent certified business financial statements as of a date not earlier than the end of the Proposer’s preceding official tax accounting period, together with a statement in writing, signed by a duly authorized representative, stating that the present financial condition is materially the same as that shown on the balance sheet and income statement submitted, or with an explanation for a material change in the financial condition. A copy of the most recent business income tax return will be accepted if certified financial statements are unavailable.

b) Information concerning any prior or pending litigation, either civil or criminal, involving a governmental agency or which may affect the performance of the services to be rendered herein, in which the Proposer, any of its employees or subcontractors is or has been involved within the last three years.

4.9 Contract Award
Any proposed contract, resulting from this Solicitation, will be submitted to the County Mayor or designee. All Proposers will be notified in writing of the decision of the County Mayor or designee with respect to contract award. The Contract award, if any, shall be made to the Proposer whose proposal shall be deemed by the County to be in the best interest of the County. Notwithstanding the rights of protest listed below, the County’s decision of whether to make the award and to which Proposer shall be final.

4.10 Rights of Protest
A recommendation for contract award or rejection of all proposals may be protested by a Proposer in accordance with the procedures contained in Sections 2-8.3 and 2-8.4 of the County Code, as amended, and as established in Implementing Order No. 3-21.

5.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The anticipated form of agreement is attached. The terms and conditions summarized below are of special note and can be found in their entirety in the agreement:

a) Vendor Registration
Prior to being recommended for award, the Proposer shall complete a Miami-Dade County Vendor Registration Package. For online vendor registration, visit the Vendor Portal: http://www.miamidade.gov/procurement/vendor-registration.asp. Then, the recommended Proposer shall affirm that all information submitted with its Vendor Registration Package is current, complete and accurate at the time it submitted a response to the Solicitation by completing an Affirmation of Vendor Affidavit form as requested by the County.

b) Insurance Requirements
The Contractor shall furnish to the County, Internal Services Department, Procurement Management Services Division, prior to the commencement of any work under any agreement, Certificates of Insurance which indicate insurance coverage has been obtained that meets the stated requirements.

c) Inspector General Reviews
According to Section 2-1076 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, as amended by Ordinance No. 99-63, Miami-Dade County has established the Office of the Inspector General which may, on a random basis, perform audits on all County contracts, throughout the duration of said contracts, except as otherwise indicated. The cost of the audit, if applicable, shall be one quarter (1/4) of one (1) percent of the total contract amount and the cost shall be included in any proposed price. The audit cost will be deducted by the County from progress payments to the Contractor, if applicable.

d) User Access Program
Pursuant to Section 2-8.10 of the Miami-Dade County Code, any agreement issued as a result of this Solicitation is subject to a user access fee under the County User Access Program (UAP) in the amount of two percent (2%). All sales resulting from this Solicitation and the utilization of the County contract price and the terms and conditions identified therein, are subject to the two percent (2%) UAP.

6.0 ATTACHMENTS

Draft Form of Agreement
Proposer Information Section
Form 1 – Price Proposal Schedule*

*Note – The Proposer Information Section and Form 1 have been posted to BidSync in the form of fillable Microsoft Word documents.