

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP OXFO 26-01)

Solicitation Name	Armed Security Services Proposal
Solicitation Number	OXFO 26-01

Job Summary –Supply Armed Security. (See the Scope of Work for additional details)

Profile – J-Allen Management is an authorized agent of the Housing Alliance HTX, officially known as the Houston Housing Authority (hereinafter referred to as the “Agency”) designated to provide property management services for their affordable housing portfolio. One of our major responsibilities is to procure goods and services on behalf of the Agency.

Due Date - Interested parties who wish to respond to the solicitation must submit the required documents in a sealed envelope to the individual listed below by 4:00 PM CST on 6/17/2026.

J Allen Management
Attn: James Taylor

Re: Armed Security Services Proposal – DO NOT OPEN
Oxford Place Apartments
605 Berry Rd, Houston, Texas 77022

The face of the sealed envelope/package must contain the above information. Once the proposal is received by Management, contents will not be publicly opened or disclosed until after a contract award has been made.

Interested parties are encouraged to review any addenda or updates issued prior to submission to ensure awareness of any amendments affecting this solicitation.

Late submissions may be rejected and deemed non-responsive in accordance with the terms and conditions of this solicitation.

Solicitation Schedule – The anticipated procurement schedule for this solicitation is as follows:

Event	Date
Date Solicitation Issued	5/22/2026
Deadline for Receipt of Bid	6/22/2026
Pre-Bid Conference @ Oxford Place, 605 Berry Rd, Houston, TX 77022	6/4/2026 10:00 AM CST

Submittals - All interested parties are required to include the following documents in their bid submission:

1. Cover Letter
2. Declaration
3. Non-Collusive Affidavit
4. Section 3 Requirement & Commitment
5. Conflict of Interest
6. General Conditions for non-construction contracts (with maintenance work) (HUD 5370-C Section II)
7. Davis Bacon Acknowledgment
8. Davis Bacon Period Payroll Sheet
9. Fee Schedule
10. Three Business References
11. Copy of a current General Liability with minimum of \$1,000,000 coverage
12. Vendor Profile (for bidders who are NOT currently listed in HHA's Vendor List)

Interested bidders who have questions about this solicitation, or who need additional information should send an email to James@jallenmgmt.com RFQ Number in the subject line; by the due date of 6/15/2026.

Any changes to the requirement specified herein in this invitation will be issued by J-Allen Management, via an Amendment. All amendments shall be posted on the website. It is the responsibility of all interested parties to monitor the website to determine if any amendments were issues prior to the submission of their bids.

Included in this solicitation:

- Scope of Work
- Copies of forms that must be included in the Submittal.

Forms should be complete in full and included in the submission of the bid. Bids that are submitted lacking information will be deemed non-responsive and ineligible for any further consideration.

James Taylor

PMC Contact Person Name

J-Allen Management

2/16/2026

Date

SCOPE OF WORK

**Oxford Place
605 Berry Road
Houston, Texas 77022
Housing Alliance HTX**

J. Allen Management – Managing Agent

Scope for Armed Security

Overall Scope: Armed Security

Work to be done in accordance with the supplied scope of work and coordinated with the Property.

Service is expected to begin within 2 weeks of an award of this RFP.

Contractor to provide all labor and materials to complete work.

All schedules will be coordinated with staff to inform residents so that onsite management can (give written notice) of work 48 hours in advance.

All debris will be put immediately into refuse containers for proper disposal according to code and not temporarily left in parking lot or on grass areas. (provided by contractor)

All aspects of work done by contractor will be held to scope by Management. All bids must be submitted on the supplied bid form.

Permits:

Required, to be copied and given to Management Team.

Please submit sealed bids to Oxford Place, 605 Berry Rd, Houston, Texas 77022 (Care of James Taylor)

Thank you for your cooperation. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contract me, James Taylor, **Project Manager at 832-840-4029**. To get this project underway as budgeted, we'll need to **have your bid by the close of business on June 22, 2026.**

Scope of Work – Armed Security Services Specification

Oxford Place Apartments – 605 Berry Rd, Houston, TX 77022

General

Scope

Furnish all labor, supervision, licensing, equipment, and personnel necessary to provide armed security services for Oxford Place Apartments located at 605 Berry Rd, Houston, Texas 77022. The Contractor shall provide professional armed guard coverage to support resident safety, protect property assets, and respond to incidents as needed.

Services shall include armed officer presence, routine patrol, incident response, reporting, coordination with site staff, and the ability to adjust schedules upon request.

Contractor shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Private Security Bureau. Proof of licensing, insurance, and commissioned officer credentials must be provided prior to commencement of services.

Service Requirements

Security Staffing

Contractor shall provide armed, uniformed security officers onsite during all scheduled coverage hours. Officers must maintain active Texas Level III Commission status, be qualified to carry firearms under state law, and present a professional appearance and demeanor at all times.

Officers shall remain alert, attentive, and capable of interacting appropriately with residents, guests, and property staff.

Staffing & Coverage Schedule

Contractor shall provide armed security coverage based on the schedule established by Property Management. All officers assigned to the property must maintain active licensing for armed security services within the State of Texas.

The anticipated schedule shall be as follows:

Monday – Friday

- One (1) Armed Security Officer: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Two (2) Armed Security Officers: 9:00 PM – 1:00 AM

Saturday – Sunday

- Two (2) Armed Security Officers: 1:00 PM – 1:00 AM

Management reserves the right to adjust schedules, add coverage hours, or modify staffing needs based on operational

conditions, criminal activity trends, special events, emergencies, or property concerns.

Officer schedules may be rotated by the Contractor as necessary to avoid overtime charges and maintain uninterrupted coverage..

Patrol and Monitoring

Security officers shall conduct routine patrols throughout the community, including building perimeters, parking areas, common spaces, walkways, and entry/exit points.

Patrols must include a combination of vehicle patrol and foot patrol, with officers performing foot patrol for no less than half of each scheduled shift to ensure active visibility throughout the property.

Officers shall monitor for unauthorized persons, trespassing, disturbances, suspicious activity, vandalism, or other safety concerns and shall take appropriate action consistent with post orders and applicable law.

Operational Requirements

Security officers shall be responsible for providing and maintaining their own transportation vehicle (patrol vehicle, golf cart, or car) necessary to effectively perform site patrols.

Security officers must maintain a working phone at all times to allow immediate communication with Management.

Officers shall be required to sign in and sign out daily at the property front office or other designated location as directed by Management.

Incident Response

Security personnel shall respond immediately to resident or staff requests for assistance, disturbances, criminal activity, or emergency events. When necessary, officers shall contact the Houston Police Department (HPD) and notify Management without delay. Officers shall remain on scene until the situation is stabilized or relieved by appropriate authorities.

Reporting Requirements

Contractor shall provide daily activity documentation and incident reporting as required by Management. This shall include daily logs and written incident reports for any event requiring intervention or emergency response. Incident reports must be submitted within twelve (12) hours of occurrence.

Officer Conduct Standards

Security officers shall maintain professional conduct at all times. Officers shall not leave post unattended, sleep while on duty, engage in misconduct, or use personal devices in a manner that interferes with assigned responsibilities. Any officer deemed unsuitable by Management shall be replaced within twenty-four (24) hours.

Contractor Responsibilities

Contractor shall furnish all items necessary to perform services, including uniforms, identification badges, duty gear compliant with Texas DPS regulations, and tools necessary to complete patrol and reporting responsibilities.

LIST OF
REQUIRED
SUBMITTALS
FROM
BIDDERS

Housing Alliance HTX
NOTICE TO OFFERORS/BIDDERS/CONTRACTORS
COVER SHEET

The required documents for this solicitation are being submitted for review and consideration:

Name of Solicitation:	
Name of Interested Firm/Business/Corporation:	
Contact Person:	
Contact Person Title:	
Firm/Business/Corporation Address:	
Telephone Number:	Email Address:

Check List for Submittals:

- ◇ Cover Letter
- ◇ Declaration
- ◇ Non-Collusive Affidavit
- ◇ Section 3 Requirement & Commitment
- ◇ Conflict of Interest
- ◇ General Conditions for non-construction contracts (with maintenance work) (HUD 5370-C Section II)
- ◇ Davis Bacon Acknowledgment
- ◇ Davis Bacon Period Payroll Sheet
- ◇ Evidence of a minimum of \$1,000,000 of general liability insurance coverage
- ◇ Fee Schedule
- ◇ Three Business References
- ◇ Vendor Profile (*for bidders who are NOT currently listed in HHA's Vendor List*)

If you have chosen not to submit a bid, please e-mail this completed form to James@jallenmgmt.com. Let us know why you are not bidding. (Check all that apply).

- Busy with other commitments
- Specifications are unclear or too restrictive.
- Bonding/Insurance requirements are prohibitive.
- Other (Please specify)

Signature _____

Date _____

ATTACHMENT A DECLARATION

The undersigned declares the following:

- This response is being submitted in good faith, and without collusion or fraud
- The only person(s) interested in the aforementioned solicitation is listed below, and that this response is being submitted without connection or arrangement with any other person
- They have complied with the requirements of the aforementioned solicitation, have read all addenda (if any), and is satisfied that they fully understand the intent of the aforementioned solicitation, along with the terms and conditions that will govern any award issued by J ALLEN as a result of this solicitation
- They agree to execute an agreement with J ALLEN based on the latter accepting the submittals required by the aforementioned solicitation

Persons Interested in this Response:

Name

Identity of Interest

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

NAME OF CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR/FIRM/INDIVIDUAL/CORPORATION

SIGNATURE

TITLE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER / FAX NUMBER

ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP

SUBMITTAL DATE

Note: This form must have a manual signature.

ATTACHMENT H

NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HARRIS

- - - - - ' being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is

(a partner or officer of the firm of, etc.)

the party making the foregoing proposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that said bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference with any person to fix the bid price or amount of any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of said bid price, or of that of any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against

J. ALLEN MANAGEMENT COMPANY OR THE Housing Alliance HTX

of any person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statements in said proposal or bid are true.

Signature of Bidder, if Bidder is an Individual

Signature of Bidder, if Bidder is a Partnership

Signature of Officer, if Bidder is a Corporation

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ___ day of _____, 2016

Notary Public _____

My Commission expires _____

Housing Alliance HTX SECTION 3 REQUIREMENTS & COMMITMENT

Company Name:	
Name of Contact Person for Section 3 Commitment:	
Title:	Contact Number:
Contact Person E-Mail:	
Solicitation Title:	Solicitation #:

I. Background

Section 3 of the Housing & Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (hereinafter “Section 3”) requires the Housing Alliance HTX, to the greatest extent feasible, to provide employment opportunities to residents of HHA and other low-income individuals, within the City of Houston. These employment opportunities are provided by contracts funded by the HHA. The goal is to utilize HHA’s contracts to promote economic self-sufficiency, among low-income populations.

II. Solicitation Requirements

Interested parties responding to a solicitation issued by the HHA are required to include in their submission, this form (Section 3 Requirements & Commitment), which describes the efforts that will be taken to engage Section 3 Participants in employment and training opportunities “to the greatest extent feasible.” While low-income individuals who are not clients of the HHA are eligible candidates for Section 3 opportunities, the HHA expects consideration to be given to individuals who are clients of HHA’s affordable housing programs (public housing & voucher-holders).

III. Section 3 Expectations

Below are examples of acceptable Section 3 opportunities that will comply with HHA’s Section 3 requirements:

1. Preferred Options (All responses to HHA solicitations shall include at least one of these options)

- Hire low-income participants preferably clients of HHA, and/or
- Provide paid job training/apprenticeship opportunities for low-income participants, preferably clients of HHA.

2. Secondary Options (Should be considered only when circumstances impact the availability of jobs/training)

- Subcontract at least 25% of the contract amount to a Section 3 Business which is defined as 51% ownership held by a low-income individual(s), preferably a client of HHA.
- Provide evidence that the company is a Section 3 Certified firm which, demonstrated by the company’s ownership is at least 51% owned by low-income individual(s), preferably a client of HHA.

• In the event employment and training opportunities are not available, a cash contribution shall be provided to HHA’s Self-Sufficiency Fund for support of viable workforce development programs.



IV. Section 3 Contract Expectations

Pursuant to Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, 12 U.S.C. 1701u, and its implementing regulations, 24 CFR Part 135 (“Section 3”), if additional job training, employment and other economic opportunities are generated by a contract administered directly or indirectly by Housing Alliance HTX then, to the greatest extent feasible, these opportunities must be directed to low-income and very low-income persons. In addition to employment and training opportunities, Section 3 also seeks to benefit businesses owned by public housing residents and other low-income persons. The following provisions of 24 CFR 135.38 shall apply to all contracts involving Section 3 covered work with Housing Alliance HTX or its property managers:

- a. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- b. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.
- c. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- d. The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.
- e. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.
- f. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.
- g. With respect to work performed in connection with section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to

the provisions of section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).

V. Section 3 Commitment

Identify what efforts will be taken to comply with HHA’s Section 3 Requirements to the greatest extent feasible:

(Must select at least one option below)

PRIMARY OPTIONS	DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS “TO THE GREATEST EXTENT FEASIBLE”
<p><u>PRIMARY OPTION 1</u> Hire Section 3 participants to fill employment opportunities listed in the solicitation</p>	<p>Title: _____ # of Positions: _____ Pay _____</p> <p>Duties: _____</p> <p>Qualifications: _____</p> <p>Title: _____ # of Positions: _____ Pay _____</p> <p>Duties: _____</p> <p>Qualifications: _____</p>

<p><u>PRIMARY OPTION 2</u> Provide paid job training/ apprenticeship opportunities to train Section 3 participants</p>	<p>Title: _____ # of Positions: _____ Pay _____</p> <p>Duties: _____</p> <p>Qualifications: _____</p> <p>Title: _____ # of Positions: _____ Pay _____</p> <p>Duties: _____</p> <p>Qualifications: _____</p>
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SECONDARY OPTIONS	DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS “TO THE GREATEST EXTENT FEASIBLE”
<p><u>SECONDARY OPTION 3</u> Subcontract at least 25 % of the contract to a Section 3 Business (51% ownership held by a low-income individual(s), preferably a HHA client).</p>	<p>Provide the name of Section 3 company(ies) awarded subcontracts (totaling at least 25% of the contract amount)</p> <p>Company Name _____</p> <p>Contract Amount \$ _____</p> <p>Company _____ Name _____</p> <p>Contract _____ Amount \$ _____</p> <p>Company Name _____</p> <p>Contract Amount \$ _____</p>

<p><u>SECONDARY OPTION 4</u> Demonstrate that the company's ownership (at least 51%) is owned by low-income individual(s), preferably a client of HHA.</p>	<p>The majority of the company (at least 51%) is owned by a low-income individual:</p> <p>Owner's _____ Name: % of _____ Ownership:</p> <p>Owner's _____ Name: % of _____ Ownership:</p>
<p><u>SECONDARY OPTION 5</u> Due to unavailability of jobs/training opportunities, a cash contribution will be provided to a Self-Sufficiency Compliance Fund to support economic self-sufficiency opportunities and/or job training opportunities</p> <p><u>(NOTE: IF THIS OPTION IS SELECTED, HHA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WITHHOLD THE CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT FROM PROGRESS PAYMENTS, IF ANY, OR FROM THE TOTAL AMOUNT OWED TO THE CONTRACTOR.)</u></p>	<p>If this Secondary Option is selected, the Contractor must explain why job/training opportunities are not available:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Contracts awarded up to \$100,000 shall contribute a minimum of 5% of the total contract amount in to the Section 3 Compliance Fund, while contracts exceeding \$100,000 shall contribute a minimum of 3% of the total contract amount into the Section 3 Compliance Fund. Indicate how much will be contributed:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR CONTRACTS VAULUED UP TO \$100,000.00: I pledge to contribute _____% of the total contract amount to comply with a minimum of 5% of the contract amount to be contributed into a Self-Sufficiency Compliance Fund maintained by HHA.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR CONTRACTS VAULUED IN EXCESS OF \$100,000.00: I pledge to contribute _____% of the total contract amount to comply with a minimum of 3% of the contract amount to be contributed into a Self-Sufficiency Compliance Fund maintained by HHA.</p> <p>Indicate how contribution pledge(s) will be fulfilled, during the contract period:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Monthly Payments · Quarterly Payments

I understand the federal regulations governing HHA's Section 3 requirements and commit to honoring the obligations listed in this Section 3 Plan, upon the execution of a contract with the HHA.

 Signature of Owner or Authorized Representative

 Date

Housing Alliance HTX SECTION 3 COMPLIANCE REPORT

This report shall be completed by contractors and/or subcontractors to report completion of tasks that fulfilled Section 3 commitments to hire and/or train low-income individuals, preferably clients of HHA. This report shall be submitted with payment invoice(s) to HHA.

Submission Date:	Reporting Period:
Primary Contractor	____ Subcontractor
Company Name:	
Person completing invoice	
Project Name:	RFP #:
Amount of Contract	Amount of Current Invoice:

Hiring Commitment	# Hired this Report Period	YTD Hired during Contract	List Individuals Employed		
			Name	Title	Gross Salary Paid
# participants hired					

Training Commitment	# Trained this Report Period	YTD Trained during Contract	List Individuals Employed		
			Name	Training Title	Stipend Amount Paid
# of participants engaged in training/ apprenticeship					

Contribution Commitment	Amount Pledged	Amount Paid	Pledge Balance
Amount contributed to Self-Sufficiency Fund	\$	\$	\$

Section 3 Business Concerns	Company Name	Contract Amount Provided
Indicate how at least 25% was subcontracted to Section 3 business(es)		\$
		\$
		\$

Print Name of Person Completing Report

Title

Signature

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code by a person who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006, Local Government Code.

A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

1 Name of person who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.

2 Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.

(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 Name of local government officer with whom filer has employment or business relationship.

Name of Officer

This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.

A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the filer of the questionnaire?

Yes No

B. Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

Yes No

C. Is the filer of this questionnaire employed by a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more?

Yes No

D. Describe each employment or business relationship with the local government officer named in this section.

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Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity

Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at [http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/ Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm](http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm). For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

(2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

(a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);

(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or

(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

(a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

(2) the date that the vendor:

(A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or

(B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

(3) the date the vendor becomes aware:

(A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);

(B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing



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1. Preparation of Offers

(a) Offerors are expected to examine the statement of work, the proposed contract terms and conditions, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the offeror's risk.

(b) Each offeror shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. The offeror shall sign the offer and print or type its name on the cover sheet and each continuation sheet on which it makes an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the offer. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the HA.

(c) Offers for services other than those specified will not be considered.

2. Submission of Offers

(a) Offers and modifications thereof shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (1) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (2) showing the time specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror.

(b) Telegraphic offers will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation; however, offers may be modified by written or telegraphic notice.

(c) Facsimile offers, modifications or withdrawals will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.

3. Amendments to Solicitations

(a) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

(b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendments to this solicitation by

- (1) signing and returning the amendment;
- (2) identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on the form for submitting an offer,
- (3) letter or telegram, or
- (4) facsimile, if facsimile offers are authorized in the solicitation. The HA/HUD must receive the acknowledgment by the time specified for receipt of offers.

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, statement of work, etc., must request it in writing soon enough to allow a reply to reach all prospective offerors before the submission of their offers. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of the contract will not be binding. Any information given to a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an amendment of the solicitation, if that information is necessary in submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any other prospective offerors.

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

(a) The HA shall award a contract only to a responsible prospective contractor who is able to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must -

- (1) Have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, or the ability to obtain them;

- (2) Have a satisfactory performance record;
- (3) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- (4) Have a satisfactory record of compliance with public policy (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity); and
- (5) Not have been suspended, debarred, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for award of contracts by the Department of Housing and Urban Development or any other agency of the U.S. Government. Current lists of ineligible contractors are available for inspection at the HA/HUD.

(b) Before an offer is considered for award, the offeror may be requested by the HA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the foregoing requirements. Failure by the offeror to provide such additional information may render the offeror ineligible for award.

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

(a) Any offer received at the place designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and it -

- (1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);
- (2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the HA/ HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HA/ HUD after receipt at the HA;
- (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
- (4) Is the only offer received.

(b) Any modification of an offer, except a modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer (if this solicitation is a request for proposals), is subject to the same conditions as in subparagraphs (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this provision.

(c) A modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer received after the time and date specified in the request will not be considered unless received before award and the late receipt is due solely to mishandling by the HA after receipt at the HA.

(d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both postmarks must show a legible date or the offer, modification, or withdrawal shall be processed as if mailed late. "Postmark" means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed by employees of the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service on the date of mailing. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's-eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(e) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the HA is the time/date stamp of HA on the offer wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the HA.

(f) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent by Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(g) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this provision, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the HA will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(h) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, proposals may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by an offeror or its authorized representative if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer before award. If this solicitation is an invitation for bids, bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to bid opening.

7. Contract Award

(a) The HA will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the HA, cost or price and other factors, specified elsewhere in this solicitation, considered.

(b) The HA may

- (1) reject any or all offers if such action is in the HA's interest,
- (2) accept other than the lowest offer,
- (3) waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and
- (4) award more than one contract for all or part of the requirements stated.

(c) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, the HA may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

(d) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If this solicitation is a request for proposals, before the offer's specified expiration time, the HA may accept an offer, whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award. Negotiations conducted after receipt of an offer do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the HA.

(e) Neither financial data submitted with an offer, nor representations concerning facilities or financing, will form a part of the resulting contract.

8. Service of Protest

Any protest against the award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation shall be served on the HA by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from the HA at the address shown on the cover of this solicitation. The determination of the HA with regard to such protest or to proceed to award notwithstanding such protest shall be final unless appealed by the protestor.

9. Offer Submission

Offers shall be submitted as follows and shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the office specified in the solicitation. The proposal shall show **the hour and date specified in the solicitation for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror, on the face of the envelope.**

It is very important that the offer be properly identified on the face of the envelope as set forth above in order to insure that the date and time of receipt is stamped on the face of the offer envelope. Receiving procedures are: date and time stamp those envelopes identified as proposals and deliver them immediately to the appropriate contracting official, and only date stamp those envelopes which do not contain identification of the contents and deliver them to the appropriate procuring activity only through the routine mail delivery procedure.

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section I – (With or without Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 1/01/2014)

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Applicability. This form HUD-5370-C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

- 1) **Non-construction contracts** (without maintenance) greater than \$100,000 - use Section I;
- 2) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 968.105) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$100,000 - use Section II; and
- 3) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance), greater than \$100,000 – use Sections I and II.

Section I - Clauses for All Non-Construction Contracts greater than \$100,000

1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

- (a) "Authority or Housing Authority (HA)" means the Housing Authority.
- (b) "Contract" means the contract entered into between the Authority and the Contractor. It includes the contract form, the Certifications and Representations, these contract clauses, and the scope of work. It includes all formal changes to any of those documents by addendum, Change Order, or other modification.
- (c) "Contractor" means the person or other entity entering into the contract with the Authority to perform all of the work required under the contract.
- (d) "Day" means calendar days, unless otherwise stated.
- (e) "HUD" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban development, his delegates, successors, and assigns, and the officers and employees of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development acting for and on behalf of the Secretary.

2. Changes

- (a) The HA may at any time, by written order, and without notice to the sureties, if any, make changes within the general scope of this contract in the services to be performed or supplies to be delivered.
- (b) If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the hourly rate, the not-to-exceed amount of the contract, or the time required for performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, or otherwise affects the conditions of this contract, the HA shall make an equitable adjustment in the not-to-exceed amount, the hourly rate, the delivery schedule, or other affected terms, and shall modify the contract accordingly.
- (c) The Contractor must assert its right to an equitable adjustment under this clause within 30 days from the date of receipt of the written order. However, if the HA decides that the facts justify it, the HA may receive and act upon a

- (d) proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.
- (d) Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under clause Disputes, herein. However, nothing in this clause shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed.
- (e) No services for which an additional cost or fee will be charged by the Contractor shall be furnished without the prior written consent of the HA.

3. Termination for Convenience and Default

- (a) The HA may terminate this contract in whole, or from time to time in part, for the HA's convenience or the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations (default). The HA shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a written Notice of Termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, the Contractor shall: (i) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise); and (ii) deliver to the HA all information, reports, papers, and other materials accumulated or generated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process.
- (b) If the termination is for the convenience of the HA, the HA shall be liable only for payment for services rendered before the effective date of the termination.
- (c) If the termination is due to the failure of the Contractor to fulfill its obligations under the contract (default), the HA may (i) require the Contractor to deliver to it, in the manner and to the extent directed by the HA, any work as described in subparagraph (a)(ii) above, and compensation be determined in accordance with the Changes clause, paragraph 2, above; (ii) take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or otherwise, and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by the HA; (iii) withhold any payments to the Contractor, for the purpose of off-set or partial payment, as the case may be, of amounts owed to the HA by the Contractor.
- (d) If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations (default), it is determined that the Contractor had not failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been effected for the convenience of the HA, and the Contractor shall be entitled to payment as described in paragraph (b) above.
- (e) Any disputes with regard to this clause are expressly made subject to the terms of clause titled Disputes herein.

4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

- (a) The HA, HUD, or Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until 3 years after final payment under this contract, have access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent books, documents, papers, or other records involving transactions related to this contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

- (b) The Contractor agrees to include in first-tier subcontracts under this contract a clause substantially the same as paragraph (a) above. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, excludes purchase orders not exceeding \$10,000.
- (c) The periods of access and examination in paragraphs (a) and (b) above for records relating to:
 - (i) appeals under the clause titled Disputes;
 - (ii) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract; or,
 - (iii) costs and expenses of this contract to which the HA, HUD, or Comptroller General or any of their duly authorized representatives has taken exception shall continue until disposition of such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions.

5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

The HA shall have exclusive ownership of, all proprietary interest in, and the right to full and exclusive possession of all information, materials and documents discovered or produced by Contractor pursuant to the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to reports, memoranda or letters concerning the research and reporting tasks of this Contract.

6. Energy Efficiency

The contractor shall comply with all mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163) for the State in which the work under this contract is performed.

7. Disputes

- (a) All disputes arising under or relating to this contract, except for disputes arising under clauses contained in Section III, Labor Standards Provisions, including any claims for damages for the alleged breach thereof which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this clause.
- (b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the HA. A claim by the HA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the HA.
- (c) The HA shall, with reasonable promptness, but in no event in no more than 60 days, render a decision concerning any claim hereunder. Unless the Contractor, within 30 days after receipt of the HA's decision, shall notify the HA in writing that it takes exception to such decision, the decision shall be final and conclusive.
- (d) Provided the Contractor has (i) given the notice within the time stated in paragraph (c) above, and (ii) excepted its claim relating to such decision from the final release, and (iii) brought suit against the HA not later than one year after receipt of final payment, or if final payment has not been made, not later than one year after the Contractor has had a reasonable time to respond to a written request by the HA that it submit a final voucher and release, whichever is earlier, then the HA's decision shall not be final or conclusive, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (e) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the HA.

8. Contract Termination; Debarment

A breach of these Contract clauses may be grounds for termination of the Contract and for debarment or denial of participation in HUD programs as a Contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 24 CFR Part 24.

9. Assignment of Contract

The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this contract; except that claims for monies due or to become due from the HA under the contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution. If the Contractor is a partnership, this contract shall inure to the benefit of the surviving or remaining member(s) of such partnership approved by the HA.

10. Certificate and Release

Prior to final payment under this contract, or prior to settlement upon termination of this contract, and as a condition precedent thereto, the Contractor shall execute and deliver to the HA a certificate and release, in a form acceptable to the HA, of all claims against the HA by the Contractor under and by virtue of this contract, other than such claims, if any, as may be specifically excepted by the Contractor in stated amounts set forth therein.

11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

- (a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under this contract and a contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that:
 - (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage; or
 - (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award it discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract or any task/delivery order under the contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the contract or task/delivery order for the convenience of the HA if it would be in the best interest of the HA.
- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the Contracting Officer, the HA may terminate the contract for default.
- (d) The terms of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts and consulting agreements wherein the work to be performed is similar to the service provided by the prime Contractor. The Contractor shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.

12. Inspection and Acceptance

- (a) The HA has the right to review, require correction, if necessary, and accept the work products produced by the Contractor. Such review(s) shall be carried out within 30 days so as to not impede the work of the Contractor. Any

product of work shall be deemed accepted as submitted if the HA does not issue written comments and/or required corrections within 30 days from the date of receipt of such product from the Contractor.

- (b) The Contractor shall make any required corrections promptly at no additional charge and return a revised copy of the product to the HA within 7 days of notification or a later date if extended by the HA.
- (c) Failure by the Contractor to proceed with reasonable promptness to make necessary corrections shall be a default. If the Contractor's submission of corrected work remains unacceptable, the HA may terminate this contract (or the task order involved) or reduce the contract price or cost to reflect the reduced value of services received.

13. Interest of Members of Congress

No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States of America or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit to arise therefrom, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

14. Interest of Members, Officers, or Employees and Former Members, Officers, or Employees

No member, officer, or employee of the HA, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, no member of the governing body in which the HA was activated, and no other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the project, shall, during his or her tenure, or for one year thereafter, have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

- (a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

"Agency", as defined in 5 U.S.C. 552(f), includes Federal executive departments and agencies as well as independent regulatory commissions and Government corporations, as defined in 31 U.S.C. 9101(1).

"Covered Federal Action" means any of the following Federal actions:

- (i) The awarding of any Federal contract;
- (ii) The making of any Federal grant;
- (iii) The making of any Federal loan;
- (iv) The entering into of any cooperative agreement; and,
- (v) The extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

Covered Federal action does not include receiving from an agency a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan.

"Indian tribe" and "tribal organization" have the meaning provided in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B). Alaskan Natives are included under the definitions of Indian tribes in that Act.

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal action.

"Local government" means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government.

"Officer or employee of an agency" includes the following individuals who are employed by an agency:

- (i) An individual who is appointed to a position in the Government under title 5, U.S.C., including a position under a temporary appointment;
- (ii) A member of the uniformed services as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.;
- (iii) A special Government employee as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.; and,
- (iv) An individual who is a member of a Federal advisory committee, as defined by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, title 5, appendix 2.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, company, association, authority, firm, partnership, society, State, and local government, regardless of whether such entity is operated for profit or not for profit. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Recipient" includes all contractors, subcontractors at any tier, and subgrantees at any tier of the recipient of funds received in connection with a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. The term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Regularly employed means, with respect to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, an officer or employee who is employed by such person for at least 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person for receipt of such contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. An officer or employee who is employed by such person for less than 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of submission that initiates agency consideration of such person shall be considered to be regularly employed as soon as he or she is employed by such person for 130 working days.

"State" means a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a territory or possession of the United States, an agency or instrumentality of a State, and a multi-State, regional, or interstate entity having governmental duties and powers.

(b) Prohibition.

- (i) Section 1352 of title 31, U.S.C. provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (ii) The prohibition does not apply as follows:

(1) Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.

(a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in paragraph (i) of this section, does not apply in the case of a payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, if the payment is for agency and legislative activities not directly related to a covered Federal action.

(b) For purposes of paragraph (b)(i)(1)(a) of this clause, providing any information specifically requested by an agency or Congress is permitted at any time.

(c) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted at any time only where they are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered Federal action:

(1) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstrations) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and,

(2) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.

(d) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted where they are prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action:

(1) Providing any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action;

(2) Technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official submission; and

(3) Capability presentations by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507 and other subsequent amendments.

(e) Only those activities expressly authorized by subdivision (b)(ii)(1)(a) of this clause are permitted under this clause.

(2) Professional and technical services.

(a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply in the case of-

(i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.

(ii) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a

person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action. Persons other than officers or employees of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action include consultants and trade associations.

(b) For purposes of subdivision (b)(ii)(2)(a) of clause, "professional and technical services" shall be limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline.

(c) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation, or reasonably expected to be required by law or regulation, and any other requirements in the actual award documents.

(d) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivisions (b)(ii)(2)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section are permitted under this clause.

(iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.

(c) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply to the following selling activities before an agency by independent sales representatives, provided such activities are prior to formal solicitation by an agency and are specifically limited to the merits of the matter:

(i) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstration) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and

(ii) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.

(d) Agreement. In accepting any contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or loan resulting from this solicitation, the person submitting the offer agrees not to make any payment prohibited by this clause.

(e) Penalties. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under paragraph (b) of this clause shall be subject to civil penalties as provided for by 31 U.S.C. 1352. An imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.

(f) Cost Allowability. Nothing in this clause is to be interpreted to make allowable or reasonable any costs which would be unallowable or unreasonable in accordance with Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), or OMB Circulars dealing with cost allowability for recipients of assistance agreements. Conversely, costs made specifically unallowable by the requirements in this clause will not be made allowable under any of the provisions of FAR Part 31 or the relevant OMB Circulars.

apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.

- (d) The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135.
- (e) The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR Part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR Part 135.
- (f) Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

22. Procurement of Recovered Materials

- (a) In accordance with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Contractor shall procure items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition. The Contractor shall procure items designated in the EPA guidelines that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable unless the Contractor determines that such items: (1) are not reasonably available in a reasonable period of time; (2) fail to meet reasonable performance standards, which shall be determined on the basis of the guidelines of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, if applicable to the item; or (3) are only available at an unreasonable price.
- (b) Paragraph (a) of this clause shall apply to items purchased under this contract where: (1) the Contractor purchases in excess of \$10,000 of the item under this contract; or (2) during the preceding Federal fiscal year, the Contractor: (i) purchased any amount of the items for use under a contract that was funded with Federal appropriations and was with a Federal agency or a State agency or agency of a political subdivision of a State; and (ii) purchased a total of in excess of \$10,000 of the item both under and outside that contract.

FEE SCHEDULE

The Firm identified below agrees to perform all the services specified in The Scope of Work (SOW), at the following rates:

Property	Bid Amount
Oxford Place 605 Berry Rd Houston, TX 77022	\$ _____ \$ _____ OT/Holiday

Name of Contractor/Offeror/Firm/Individual/Corporation

Name of Authorized Agent

Title of Authorized Agent

Signature of Authorized Agent

Email Address

Date

REFERENCES

Contact Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contact Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contact Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Insurance for this project should meet the below minimum amounts

General Liability

Each \$1,000,000
Occurrence
Personal & Advertising Injury \$1,000,000

Aggregate \$2,000,000
Products-completed \$1,000,000
Operations

Excess Liability

Each \$2,000,000
Occurrence
Aggregate \$2,000,000

Auto Liability

Combined Single Limit \$1,000,000

OR

Bodily Injury Per Person \$500,000
Bodily Injury Per Accident \$500,000
Property Damage Per Accident

Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability

Statutory limits Y

EL Each Accident \$500,000

EL Disease-Each \$500,000

Employee

EL Disease-Policy Limit

Additional Insured Wording

Each supplier will name the PMC and ownership entity and advisors as additional insureds on their liability policies. The following wording should be included on their certificate of insurance:

The Description Box must include the Housing Alliance HTX, the PMC, its affiliates, and the ownership entity and advisors are included as additional insureds on the general liability and automobile policies as their interests may appear in regard to work performed or services provided by the named insured. Such insurance is

primary and non-contributory with any other insurance available to the additional insureds. Excess policy to follow form (if applicable). **Note that the Certificate Holder Box must list the Housing Alliance HTX**

For HHA Use Only
Vendor Number

, the PMC and the ownership entity names as those being notices of any changes in coverage with a minimum of 30 days notice

VENDOR PROFILE FORM

Instructions:

- 1) Complete both pages (2) of this form electronically.
- 2) Print
- 3) Sign on page 2.
- 4) Attach a completed W-9.

GENERAL BUSINESS INFORMATION

Name of Business, Organization, or Name of Person (if payment is to an individual)

Mailing Address for Payments _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone No. _____ Fax No. (mandatory) _____ Toll Free No. _____ E-Mail Address (mandatory) _____

How Long in Business _____ Federal Employment Identification No. _____ Business SIC Code _____
 Type of Ownership: Corporation Partnership Limited Partnership
 Sole Proprietorship Joint Proprietorship
 President/General Manager _____

Number of Employees: Regular (Full Time) _____ Part-Time _____

Account Contacts
 Account Rep: _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____
 Invoice Matters: _____ Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Status (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> If Minority, Black	<input type="checkbox"/> American Hispanic American	<input type="checkbox"/> Native American	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Note: A completed W-9 must accompany this Form when you submit it to HHA.

Please use this space to list the product(s) or service(s) your company offers. Please attach additional pages if necessary.

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Signature of Authorized Representative of Vendor

Date

Solicitation Evaluation Criteria

Proposals submitted for this solicitation shall be evaluated and scored based on the criteria listed below. The maximum possible score shall be one hundred (100) points. Award shall not be based solely on cost, but on the overall value and ability of the Contractor to provide reliable and professional armed security services for the property.

1. Experience and Qualifications – 30 Points

Evaluation of the Contractor's overall experience providing armed security services for multifamily residential communities, affordable housing communities, or similar properties.

Scoring considerations may include:

- Years in business providing armed security services
- Experience with multifamily or affordable housing properties
- Experience handling high-crime or high-traffic communities
- Quality of references and past performance
- Licensing status and officer qualifications
- Demonstrated ability to maintain staffing levels and supervision

Maximum points shall generally be awarded to firms with substantial multifamily experience, strong references, and a demonstrated history of reliable performance.

2. Staffing Plan and Operational Approach – 25 Points

Evaluation of the Contractor's proposed staffing approach and operational plan for the property.

Scoring considerations may include:

- Ability to provide two (2) commissioned armed officers during all required hours
- Ability to accommodate schedule adjustments
- Patrol methodology and visibility strategy
- Officer supervision and management structure
- Communication procedures with Property Management
- Incident response procedures
- Professional appearance and conduct standards

Maximum points shall generally be awarded to firms demonstrating a clear and detailed operational plan with strong supervisory support and responsiveness.

3. Cost Proposal – 25 Points

Evaluation of the proposed pricing for services.

Scoring considerations may include:

- Hourly rates for armed officers
- Pricing transparency and completeness
- Cost competitiveness compared to other proposals
- Ability to provide requested services within budget expectations

- Additional pricing for schedule modifications or additional coverage hours

Lowest cost proposals may not necessarily receive maximum points if pricing appears unrealistic or inconsistent with the required level of service.

4. Responsiveness and Proposal Quality – 10 Points

Evaluation of the completeness, organization, and professionalism of the proposal submission.

Scoring considerations may include:

- Submission of all requested documentation
- Clarity and organization of proposal
- Responsiveness to the scope of work
- Timeliness of submission
- Overall professionalism of presentation

Maximum points shall generally be awarded to proposals that are complete, organized, and fully responsive to all solicitation requirements.

5. Local Presence and Availability – 10 Points

Evaluation of the Contractor's local operational presence and ability to respond quickly to site needs.

Scoring considerations may include:

- Local office presence within the Houston area
- Availability of local supervisory staff
- Ability to respond quickly to emergencies or staffing shortages
- Availability of replacement officers when needed

Maximum points shall generally be awarded to firms demonstrating strong local operational support and rapid response capability.

Total Possible Points: 100