



Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
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October 17, 2018

W. Terry Crocker, Chief Executive Office
c/o Michelle Nielsen, Contracts Manager
Tropical Texas Behavioral Health Center (MHMR)
1901 South 24th Avenue
Edinburg, Texas 78540
P (956) 289-7000

Via email: tcrocker@ttbh.org
mnielsen@ttbh.org
Term: January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

Re: **HB Form 1295 Required/Renewal/Extension Notice**
EC-17-225-08-22 – "Screening Assessments and Psychiatric Evaluation of Inmates Incarcerated at the County Jail" – Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office

Dear Mr. Crocker:

Be advised, that Hidalgo County has chosen the option to exercise the Fourth (4th) of five (5) One **(1) Year term, under the same rates, terms and conditions** with **Tropical Texas Behavioral Health Center (MHMR)** for the above-referenced project. In order to proceed with the extension, the County is required, as of **January 1, 2016**, to comply with the **Texas Government Code, §2252.908**, and the rules issued by the **Texas Ethics Commission** found in Title 1, Section 46.1, 46.3 and 46.5 of the Texas Administrative Code. In accordance with these requirements for the type of contract/renewal being considered, a business must submit a completed **Certificate of Interested Parties Form 1295**, to the County before the County may enter into a contract with the business entity.

Thus, in order for County staff to process the above-referenced extension/renewal; you must complete and file Form 1295 with the Texas Ethics Commission. Form 1295 can be found at the following website:

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm

In **box 3 of Form 1295**, provide **reference No. E-18-257-HGO**. Once completed and filed with the Texas Ethics Commission, Form 1295 must be printed, signed and submitted to our office by the deadline stated below.

In order to proceed with approval of **Renewal/Extension** for the above-referenced project by Commissioners Court, the signed "**HB Form 1295**" and "**Extension Notice**" must be received in our office completed via fax to (956) 292-7612 or via email to heidi.ortiz@co.hidalgo.tx.us **by no later than Monday, October 29, 2018**. Hidalgo County cannot enter into a contract/renewal until Form 1295 is submitted, therefore, failure to timely submit Form 1295 may result in a delay of the award.

In, addition, please include your "**Updated Certificate of Insurance**" with acknowledgment of receipt to this notice by signing below and returning to the Hidalgo County Purchasing Department, via email to heidi.ortiz@co.hidalgo.tx.us by no later than date reflected above.

By: _____

Date: 10-18-18

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department welcomes and appreciates your participation in the contract process. If any further assistance is required, please do not hesitate to call the Purchasing Department 956/318-2626.

Sincerely,


Martha L. Salazar, CPPB
Hidalgo County Purchasing Agent

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