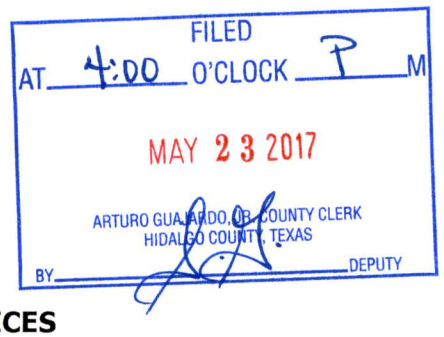


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**AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**
**C-17-125-05-16**

**THIS AGREEMENT** is made, by and between **HIDALGO COUNTY**, acting herein by and through the **Commissioner's Court**, hereinafter called the **"Owner"**, and **CHANIN ENGINEERING, LLC** Professional Engineers of **McALLEN, TEXAS**, hereinafter called the **"Engineer".**

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS,** the **Owner** desires to contract with the **Engineer** to provide professional engineering services required for (**job specific**) *Project:* **"ANALYSIS & ASSESSMENT OF SUNSET FACILITY STRUCTURE"** located within **HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT 1** hereinafter referred to as the **"Project".**

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2254.002, (the "Texas Professional Services Procurement Act"), the **Owner** requested proposals from professional engineering firms to assist the **Owner** by providing the Services;

**WHEREAS,** the County of Hidalgo solicited Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the development and establishment of a yearly pool for "Professional Engineering Services", and;

**WHEREAS,** from which "Professional Engineer" has been selected from the "Pool" of pre-qualified engineering firms from the responses to such Request for Qualifications (RFQ), and;

**WHEREAS, Owner** has selected the **Engineer** to provide the Services within **Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1,** in accordance to Exhibit "A-1" Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Procurement Packet.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the **Owner** and the **Engineer** in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained do mutually agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. Employment of Engineer**. The **Owner** agrees to employ the **Engineer** and the **Engineer** agrees to perform professional engineering services in connection with the **Project** as stated in the articles to follow and for having rendered such services, the owner agrees to pay **the Engineer** compensation as stated in the articles to follow.

**ARTICLE 2. Character and Extent of Services**. This Agreement will provide for the development of the **Project** with the following:

**2.1 Scope of Work**. The **Owner** will furnish items and provide those services for the development of the **Project** and fulfillment of this Agreement, as identified in **EXHIBIT "A"** ***Services to be provided by the Owner,*** attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement.

**2.2 Engineer's Services.** For this Agreement, the professional services to be provided by the **Engineer** are those services more particularly identified in **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto and made part of this Agreement.

**2.3 Schedule of Work**. The **Engineer** shall prepare a schedule of work (hereinafter referred to as "Work Schedule") in accordance with the terms identified in **EXHIBIT "C" - *Work Schedule***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 3. Period of Service**. Upon execution of this Agreement, the **Engineer** shall proceed with the work outlined under Article 2 hereof.

**3.1 Termination Date**. This Agreement is for a period of **one (1) year,** commencing, **MAY 16, 2017,** expiring, **MAY 15, 2018** or *(upon completion of the scope of the project)* (hereinafter referred to as the "**Termination Date**"), unless extended by written supplemental agreement, as provided in Article 8 hereof, duly executed by the **Engineer** and the **Owner** prior

to the **Termination Date**, or otherwise terminated as provided in Article 3.4 herein and below. The **Owner** assumes no liability or obligation for payment to the **Engineer** for work performed or costs incurred by the **Engineer** prior to the date authorized by the **Owner** for the **Engineer** to begin work, during periods when work is suspended, or subsequent to the **Termination Date.**

**3.2 Extension of the Termination Date**. The **Engineer** shall notify the **Owner** in writing as soon as possible if it is determined, or reasonably anticipated, that the work under this Agreement cannot be completed before the **Termination Date,** and the **Owner** may , at the **Owner's** sole discretion, extend the **Termination Date** by written supplemental agreement as provided in Article 8 hereof. The **Engineer** shall allow adequate time for review and approval by the **Owner** of the written notice and request by the **Engineer** to extend the **Termination Date.**

**3.3 Suspension of Work.** Should the **Owner** desire to suspend the work under this Agreement, but not terminate this Agreement, the **Owner** shall provide thirty (30) calendar days verbal notification to the **Engineer**, followed by written confirmation from the **Owner** to the **Engineer** to that effect. The thirty-day notice may be waived as agreed in writing by both the **Owner** and the **Engineer**. The work under this Agreement may be reinstated and resumed in full force and effect within sixty (60) days of receipt of written notice from the **Owner** to the **Engineer**. The sixty-day notice may be waived as agreed in writing by both the **Owner** and the **Engineer.**

If the **Owner** suspends the work, the **Termination Date** as identified above is not affected, and this Agreement will terminate on the date specified, unless extended by written

supplemental agreement, as provided in Article 8 hereof, duly executed by the **Engineer** and the **Owner** prior to the **Termination Date.**

**3.4 Termination of Agreement**. This Agreement may be terminated before the stated **Termination Date** identified in Article 3.1 herein by any of the following conditions:

(1) **Commitment of Current Revenues**. In the event that, during any term hereof, the **Owner** does not appropriate sufficient funds to meet to the obligations of this Agreement, the **Owner** may terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the **Engineer.** The **Owner** agrees, however, to use reasonable efforts to secure funds necessary for the continued performance of this Agreement. The parties intend this provision to be a continuing right to terminate this Agreement at the expiration of each budget period of the **Owner** pursuant to the provisions of Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Ann. §271.903 (Vernon Supp. 1995).

(2) By mutual agreement and consent, in writing, of both the **Engineer** and the **Owner**.

(3) By the **Owner,** upon failure of the **Engineer** to fulfill the **Engineer's** obligations set forth herein in a satisfactory manner as determined by the **Owner** and in sole opinion of the **Owner**, after the **Owner** provides written notice to the **Engineer** of such failure and the **Engineer** has not corrected such failure within (30) days of such written notice by the **Owner.**

(4) By the **Engineer**, upon failure of the **Owner** to fulfill the **Owner's** obligations set forth herein, after the **Engineer** provides written notice to the **Owner** of such failure and the **Owner** has not corrected such failure within thirty (30) days of such written notice by the **Engineer.**

(5) By the **Owner** without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice to the **Engineer.**

(6) By satisfactory completion of all services and obligations described herein.

Should the **Owner** terminate this Agreement as herein provided, no fees other than fees due and payable at the time of termination shall thereafter be paid to the **Engineer**

notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary. In determining the value of the work performed by the **Engineer** prior to termination, the **Owner** shall be the sole judge of the value of such work performed. Compensation for work at termination will be based on a percentage of the work completed at that time. Should the **Owner** terminate this Agreement under (5) of the paragraph above, the amount charged during the thirty (30) day notice period shall not exceed the amount charged during the preceding ninety (90) days.

If the termination of this Agreement is due to the failure of the **Engineer** to fulfill the **Engineer's** obligations under this Agreement, the **Owner** may take over the Project and prosecute the work to completion. In such case, the **Engineer** shall be liable to the Owner for any additional cost occasioned by the Owner.

If the **Engineer** defaults in the performance of this Agreement or if the **Owner** terminates this Agreement for fault on the part of the **Engineer**, the **Owner** will give consideration to payment of an amount in settlement to include: the actual costs incurred by the **Engineer** in performing the work to the date of default, the amount of work required which was satisfactorily completed to date of default, the value of the work which is usable to the **Owner**, the cost to the **Owner** of employing another consultant and/or firm to complete the work required and the time required to do so, and other factors which affect the value to the **Owner** of the work performed at the time of default. This Agreement shall not be considered as specifying the exclusive remedy for any default by the **Engineer,** but all remedies existing at law and in equity may be availed of by either party and shall be cumulative.

The termination of the Agreement and payment of an amount is settlement as prescribed above shall extinguish all rights, duties, and obligations of the **Owner** and the **Engineer** under this Agreement, except the obligations set forth in Articles 11.2, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18.3, 19, 22 and 26 hereto.

**ARTICLE 4. Progress and Coordination**. The **Engineer** shall, from time to time during the progress of the work, confer with the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall prepare and present such information as may be pertinent and necessary, or as may be requested by the **Owner**, in order to evaluate features of the **Engineer's** services and work.

At the request of the **Owner** or the **Engineer**, conferences shall be provided at the **Engineer's** office, the office of the **Owner,** or at other locations designated by the **Owner.** These conferences shall also include evaluation of the **Engineer's** services and work when requested by the **Owner.**

All applicable study reports shall be submitted in preliminary form for approval by the **Owner** before the final report is issued. The **Owner's** comments regarding the **Engineer's** preliminary report will be addressed by the **Engineer** in the final report.

If funds by other agencies or entities are to be used for the development of the project under this Agreement, the **Engineer's** services and work will be subject to periodic review and approval by other agencies or entities, including those of the city, county, state and/or federal agencies.

Should it be determined that the progress in the production of the **Engineer's** services and work does not satisfy the requirements of the approved **Work Schedule** as provided by **Exhibit "C",** attached hereto, the **Owner** shall review the approved **Work Schedule** with the **Engineer** to determine the corrective action needed by either the **Owner** or the **Engineer.**

The **Engineer** shall promptly advise the **Owner** in writing of events which have a significant impact upon the progress of the **Engineer's** services and work and the approved **Work Schedule**, including:

(1) problems, delays, adverse conditions which will materially affect the ability to attain contract objectives, prevent the meeting of time schedules and goals, or preclude the timely completion and submittal of **Project**

deliverables by the **Engineer** within established time periods; this disclosure will be accompanied by a statement by the **Engineer** of recommended or immediate action taken, or contemplated, and any **Owner** or other agency or entity assistance needed to resolve the situation: and

(2) favorable developments or events which enable meeting the **Work Schedule** goals sooner than anticipated.

**ARTICLE 5. Compensation and Fees.** *For and in consideration of the services* to be rendered by the Engineer, the Owner shall compensate the Engineer as follows:

**5.1** ***Basic Services.*** For and in consideration of the ***Services*** to be rendered by the **Engineer**, as identified in Article 2 and more particularly identified in **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto, the maximum amount payable by the **Owner** to the **Engineer** for ***Services***, subject to adjustment in accordance with Article 6.1 herein, will be provided in each work authorization issued. An outline and breakdown of the **Services Fee** is more particularly identified in **EXHIBIT "D1"-*Fee Schedule***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement. Payments to the **Engineer** for ***Services*** shall be made by the **Owner**, upon presentation by the **Engineer** of the monthly **Request for Payment**, in accordance with the terms and provisions of Article 6 herein.

**5.2** ***Special Services.*** Those services that may be required to provided by the **Engineer** as ***Special Services*** are set forth below and more particularly described in **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto. For and in consideration of these ***Special Services*** rendered as required by the **Engineer,** the **Owner** shall pay the **Engineer** a negotiated lump sum fee (hereafter referred to as "**Special Services Fee**") at the hourly labor rates and non-labor rates (hereinafter referred to as "**Contract Rates**") specified in **EXHIBIT "D" - *Contract Rates***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement, and as follows:

1. **RESIDENT OR SITE ENGINEER, INSPECTOR** Actual performance of services of project site engineer, resident engineer and/or inspector, if required by **Owner**.

2. **DOCUMENT COPIES** Actual performance and/or providing of additional copies (over 10) of report; additional copies (over 10) of plans (contract drawings), specifications and estimates (PS&E); additional copies (over 10) of bidding documents: additional copies (over 10) of as-built drawings.

3. **EXTRA TRAVEL** Extra travel required of **Engineer** and authorized by **Owner** to points outside of Hidalgo County.

4. **EXPERT WITNESS** Assistance to the **Owner** as expert witness in any litigation with third parties, arising from the development or construction of the **Project**.

5. **MISCELLANEOUS**. Investigations involving detailed consideration of operation, maintenance and overhead expenses and (unless otherwise agreed) the preparation of rate schedules, earning and expense statements; preparation of feasibility studies; environmental document preparation; appraisals, valuations, and material audits; or inventories required for certification of force account construction performed by the **Owner**; preparation of change orders for extra work done by the **Contractor.**

**ARTICLE 6. Method of Payment.**

**6.1 Request for Payment**. Payments to the **Engineer** for services rendered will be made while work is in progress as executed through a lump sum fee assigned to each work authorization (hereinafter referred to as "**Work Authorization**") in accordance with **Article 7** herein. For each **Work Authorization,** the **Engineer** shall prepare and submit to the **Owner** monthly progress reports in sufficient detail to support the progress of the work and in support of a request for payment (hereinafter referred to as "**Request for Payment**"). The progress report shall indicate the percent completion of the work accomplished by the **Engineer** during the billing period and to the date of the **Request for Payment**. On or before noon of the first Monday of each month during the performance of the services, the **Engineer** shall submit to the **Owner** for approval a **Request for Payment**. Payment of the lump sum fee for each **Work Authorization** identified in the **Request for Payment** will be in proportion to the percent completion of the work tasks identified in such **Work Authorizations** together with a detailed

breakdown of the amount and the sum of all prior payments. The **Owner** shall review each such **Request for Payment** and may make such exceptions as the **Owner** reasonably deems necessary or appropriate under the circumstances then existing. About ten (10) working days after the Commissioners Court of the **Owner** meets approving such payment, the **Owner** shall make payment to the **Engineer** in the amount approved as aforesaid subject to Article 6.4 herein and below.

If the **Project**, or any portion(s) thereof, are deleted or otherwise not constructed, compensation to the **Engineer** by the **Owner** for the **Project** or such portions of the project shall be only the amounts paid the **Engineer** for actual work performed in accordance with the **Work Authorization**(s) approved by the **Owner.**

**6.2 Final Payment**. After final completion of the work and acceptance thereof by the **Owner,** the **Engineer** shall submit a final request for payment (**"Final Request for Payment"**) which shall set forth all amounts due and remaining unpaid to the **Engineer** and upon approval thereof by the **Owner,** the **Owner** shall pay to the **Engineer** the amount due (**"Final Payment"**) under such **Final Request for Payment** in accordance with the provisions of Article 6.1 hereof. The **Final Payment** shall not be made until the **Engineer** delivers to the **Owner** an affidavit that so far as the **Engineer** has knowledge or information any and all amounts due for materials and services over which the **Engineer** has control have been paid.

**6.3 Qualification on Obligations to Pay**. Any provision hereof to the contrary notwithstanding, the **Owner** shall not be obligated to make any payment (whether a payment under Article 6.1 hereof or **Final Payment**) to the **Engineer** hereunder if any one or more of the following conditions precedent exist:

(1) The **Engineer** is in default of any of its obligations hereunder or otherwise is in default under this Agreement or under any contract documents related to this Agreement;

(2) Any part of such payment is attributable to the **Engineer's** services which are not performed in accordance with this Agreement; provided, however, such payment shall be made as to the part thereof attributable to the **Engineer's** services which were performed in accordance with this Agreement.

(3) The **Engineer** has failed to make payments promptly to consultants or other third parties used in connection with the **Project** for which the **Owner** has made payment to the **Engineer;**

(4) If the **Owner,** in good faith judgement, determines that the portion of the compensation then remaining unpaid will not be sufficient to complete the **Engineer's** services in accordance with this Agreement, no additional payments will be due the **Engineer** hereunder unless and until the **Engineer,** at its sole cost, performs a sufficient portion of the **Engineer's** services so that such portion of the compensation then remaining unpaid is determined by the **Owner** to be sufficient to so complete the **Engineer's** services.

**6.4** No partial payment made hereunder shall be or construed to be final acceptance or approval of that part of the **Engineer's** services to which such partial payment related or relieves the **Engineer** of any of its obligations hereunder with respect thereto.

**6.5** The **Engineer** shall promptly pay all bills for labor and material performed and furnished by others in connection with the performance of the **Engineer's** services.

**6.6 Waiver**. The making of the **Final Payment** shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the **Owner** except those arising from (1) faulty or defective services of the **Engineer** appearing after completion of the **Project.** (2) failure of the **Engineer's** services to comply with the requirements of this Agreement or any contracts or Agreements related to the **Project**, or (3) terms of any special warranties required by this Agreement or provided at law or in equity. The acceptance of **Final Payment** shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the **Engineer** except those previously made in writing and identified by the **Engineer** as unsettled at the time of the **Final Request for Payment**.

**ARTICLE 7. Work Authorization**. After execution of this Agreement, the **Engineer** shall proceed with the work outlined under Article 2 hereof, only as authorized by the **Owner** through an agreed **Work Authorization** document in the form identified in **EXHIBIT "E"-*Work Authorization Form***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement. The **Engineer** will identify, as approved by the **Owner,** the needed services for the **Project,** as required through the course of the development to the **Project.** The **Owner** shall authorize the **Engineer** to perform one or more of the agreed tasks identified in **EXHIBIT "B",** attached hereto, in the form of individual work authorizations. Upon authorization from the **Owner,** the **Engineer** will prepare a **Work Authorization** document, which will include a description of the work to be performed, including a description of the tasks and milestones, a work schedule, and an estimated cost proposal agreed upon by the **Owner** and the **Engineer**. The estimated cost proposal shall set forth in detail the computation of the cost of each work task, at the hourly rates established and identified in **EXHIBIT "D",** attached hereto. The **Work Authorizations** shall not waive the **Owner's** and the **Engineer's** responsibilities and obligations established in this Agreement.

The estimated cost proposal for each **Work Authorization**, developed by the **Engineer** and approved by the **Owner** shall be used by the **Owner** to appropriate a purchase order for the **Work Authorization.** Each executed **Work Authorization** shall become a part of this **Agreement**. Upon satisfactory completion of the **Work Authorization**, the **Engineer** shall submit the **Project's** deliverables as specified in the executed **Work Authorization** to the **Owner** for review and acceptance.

Work included in a **Work Authorization** shall not begin until the **Owner** and the **Engineer** have signed the **Work Authorization**. All work must be completed on or before the completion date specified in the **Work Authorization**, unless extended by written agreement by

the **Engineer** and the **Owner.** The **Engineer** shall promptly notify the **Owner** of any event that will affect completion of the **Work Authorization.** All **Work Authorizations** must be executed and completed by both the **Engineer** and the **Owner** within the period established for this Agreement as specified in Article 3 hereof.

The final acceptance by the **Owner** of each **Work Authorization** for the **Project** shall serve as evidence of completion, on the part of the **Engineer,** of all services under this Agreement insofar as they pertain to that portion of work on the **Project** identified in the applicable work authorization.

**ARTICLE 8. Supplemental Agreements.** The terms of this Agreement may be amended by supplemental agreement if the Owner determines that (1) there is a need to extend the **Termination Date** identified in Article 3.1 hereof, (2) there has been a significant change in the scope, complexity or character of the services to be performed by the **Engineer,** and/or (3) for any other reason agreeable to the **Owner** and the Engineer. All supplemental agreements will be developed in the form identified in **EXHIBIT "F"** - ***Supplemental Agreement Form***, attached hereto and made a part of this Agreement, and incorporated herein by reference as **"Supplemental Agreement".**

If determined appropriate by the **Owner,** additional compensation to the **Engineer** for (1), (2) and/or (3) above shall be paid as a negotiated lump sum fee at the **Contract Rates** specified in **EXHIBIT "D"**, attached hereto. The negotiated lump sum fee shall be incorporated into the **Supplemental Agreement.**

Any **Supplemental Agreement** must be executed by both the **Engineer** and the **Owner** prior to the **Termination Date** specified in Article 3 hereof.

It is distinctly understood and agreed that no claim by the **Engineer** for additional work, as identified in Article 9 hereof, or changes or revisions in work, as identified in Article 10 hereof,

shall be made by the **Engineer** until full execution of the **Supplemental Agreement** and authorization to proceed is granted by the **Owner**. The **Owner** reserves the right to withhold payment to the **Engineer** pending verification of satisfactory work performed by the **Engineer.**

**ARTICLE 9. Additional Work**. If the **Engineer** is of the opinion that any work it has been directed to perform is beyond the scope of this Agreement and constitutes extra work, the **Engineer** shall promptly notify the **Owner** in writing, In the event the **Owner** finds that such work does constitute extra work, the **Owner** shall so advise the **Engineer** and a written supplemental agreement will be executed between the **Owner** and the **Engineer** as provided herein. The **Engineer** shall not perform any proposed additional work or incur any additional cost prior to the execution by both the **Engineer** and the **Owner** of a supplemental agreement. Additional compensation from the **Owner** to the **Engineer** shall be paid as a negotiated lump sum fee at the Contract Rates specified in **EXHIBIT "D"** attached hereto. The negotiated lump sum fee shall be incorporated into the supplemental agreement as specified in Article 8 hereof. The **Owner** shall not be liable or under any obligation to compensate the **Engineer** for work performed or costs incurred by the **Engineer** relating to additional work not directly associated with the performance of the work authorized in this Agreement or as amended through supplemental agreement.

**ARTICLE 10. Changes or Revisions in Work**. If the **Owner** finds it necessary to request changes to the work, and the changes are within the applications of sound engineering principles, the **Engineer** shall make such revisions if requested and directed by the **Owner.**

**10.1 Preliminary Work.** The **Engineer** will make, without expense to the **Owner,** such revisions of any preliminary reports or drawings as may be required to meet the needs of the **Owner** and the applications of sound engineering principles.

**10.2 Previously Approved or Satisfactorily Completed Work.** If the **Owner** funds it necessary to request the **Engineer** to make changes to work previously approved by the **Owner** or work satisfactorily completed for which the **Owner** approves or, after a definite plan has been approved by the **Owner**, if a decision is subsequently made by the **Owner**, which for proper execution involves extra services and expenses for changes in or additions to the drawings specifications or other documents, this will be considered as additional work, and compensation from the **Owner** to the Engineer will be in accordance with Article 9 hereof.

**10.3 Project Delays**. If the **Engineer** is required to perform additional work due to delays by the imposition of causes not within the **Engineer's** control, such as by the re-advertisement of bids or by the delinquency or insolvency of contractors, such work associated with these delays shall be considered additional work, and the **Engineer** shall be compensated by the **Owner** for such extra services and expense in accordance with Article 9 hereof.

**10.4 Reduction of Project Cost**. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, in the event it is necessary for the **Owner** to require changes in the final plan of the **Project** to enable it to the reduce the construction cost of the **Project** to an amount within the sum estimated by the **Engineer,** the **Engineer** will be required to make such revisions or changes. These changes will only be considered additional work by the **Engineer,** if the **Engineer** previously provided these same changes as options to the **Owner** at the stage of preliminary work or prior to the approval of the final plan for the Project, and the option or options were not selected or approved by the **Owner** to be incorporated into the final plan of the Project. Payment for this additional work will then be made to the **Engineer** in accordance with Article 9 hereof. If **the Engineer** failed to provide these changes as an option or options to the **Owner** at the stage of preliminary work or prior to the approval of the final plan of the **Project**, these

changes will not be considered additional work and no additional compensation will be made to the **Engineer.**

**ARTICLE 11. Ownership** and **Release of Documents**.

**11.1 Ownership of Documents**. Original drawings and specifications are the property of the **Engineer** however the **Project** is the property of the **Owner**, and the **Engineer** may not use the drawings and specifications thereof for any purpose not relating to the **Project** with the **Owner's** consent. The **Owner** shall be furnished with such reproductions of drawings and specifications as the **Owner** may reasonably require. Upon completion of the work or any earlier termination of this Agreement under Article 3.4 hereof, the **Engineer** will revise drawings to reflect changes made during construction and will promptly furnish the **Owner** with one complete set of reproducible record prints. Prints shall be furnished by the **Engineer,** as an additional service, at any other time requested by **Owner.** All such reproductions shall be the property of the **Owner** who may use them without the **Engineer's** permission for any proper purpose relating to the **Project,** including but not limited to additions to or completion of the **Project.** Any additions or revisions by the **Owner** to a drawing signed, sealed, and dated by a registered professional engineer, shall be made in accordance with the Texas Engineering practice Act and the Rules of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers.

All documents furnished to the **Engineer** by the **Owner** shall be delivered to the **Owner** upon completion or termination of this Agreement. The **Engineer,** at the **Engineer's** own expense, may retain copies of such documents or any other data under this Agreement.

**11.2 Release of Documents or Information**. Release of information to the public or others regarding the **Project** will be accordance with the Texas Public Information Act.

**ARTICLE 12 Discounts, Rebates and Refunds**. In connection with procurement services rendered by the **Engineer,** if procurement services are required of the **Engineer**

hereunder, all discounts, rebates and refunds shall accrue to the **Owner**. For some purchases, the **Engineer** may deem that payment within the discount period is not safe; and/or inspection, guarantees, or other considerations may dictate delay. In such cases, the **Engineer** shall promptly notify the **Owner** so that a course of action may be mutually agreed upon by the **Owner** and the **Engineer.**

**ARTICLE 13. Records, Accounting, Inspection.** The **Engineer** shall keep full and detailed records and accounts in a manner approved by the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall afford the **Owner's** authorized personnel and independent auditors, if any, full access to the work performed by the **Engineer** regarding the Project and to all of the **Engineer's** books, records, correspondence, instructions, drawings, receipts, vouchers and other documents relating to such work under this Agreement and the **Engineer** shall preserve all such records for three (3) years after final payment. The **Engineer** shall deliver to the **Owner** upon completion of such work, a statement of the cost of such work detailed according to the accounting procedure and requirements of the **Owner**.

**ARTICLE 14. Subcontracting and Assignment**. The **Engineer** shall not assign, subcontract or transfer the **Engineer's** interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the **Owner.** The **Engineer** shall bind every subconsultant by written subcontract to observe all the terms of this Agreement to the extent that they may be applicable to each subconsultant. No subcontract relieves the **Engineer** of any responsibilities under this Agreement.

The **Engineer,** and the **Owner,** do hereby bind themselves, their successors, executors, administrators and assigns to each other party of this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators, and assigns of such other party in respect to all covenants of this contract.

**ARTICLE 15. Patents**. The **Engineer** shall indemnify and save the **Owner** harmless from all liability for alleged or actual infringement of any patent resulting from the use of apparatus or equipment furnished or designed by the **Engineer** or from the use of any process designed by the **Engineer** or effected by said apparatus or equipment, and the **Engineer** shall indemnify and save the **Owner** harmless from and against all costs, legal fees, expenses and liabilities incurred in or about any claim of or action for such infringement: provided, however, that the **Owner** shall promptly transmit to the **Engineer** all papers served on the **Owner** in any suit involving such claim of infringement, and provided further, that the **Owner** permits the **Engineer** to have entire charge and control of the defense of any such suit. If because of actual infringement the use of such apparatus, equipment, or process is enjoined, the **Engineer** shall refund the purchase price thereof in proportion to the length of service uncompleted, the life of such apparatus or equipment being assumed as five years. The **Engineer** hereby grants to the **Owner** a non-exclusive, royalty-free license under patents now or hereafter owned by the **Engineer** covering any machines, apparatus, processes, articles, or products included in the **Engineer's** work hereunder.

**ARTICLE 16. Confidential Information, Inventions and Other Restrictions.**

**16.1 Confidential Information**. The **Engineer** shall not use in any way, commercial or otherwise, except to the extent required by the proper performance of this Agreement; and shall hold in confidence and not disclose to any person, for any reason or at any time, any information relating to the secret processes, products, compositions, machinery, apparatus or trade secrets of the **Owner**, or any other confidential information given to the **Engineer** by any of the **Owner's** commissioners, elected officials, employees, or representatives or acquired by the **Engineer** during the term of or as a result of this Agreement. Any information not generally available to the public shall be considered secret and confidential for the foregoing purposes;

provided, however, that any technical information which was lawfully in the **Engineer's** possession prior to such disclosure to the **Engineer** by the **Owner** or which is or shall lawfully be published or become part of general knowledge from sources other than the **Engineer** or which otherwise shall lawfully become available to the **Engineer** from a source other than the **Owner**, shall not be subject to these provisions. All the foregoing stipulations shall apply to such information and work hereunder as well as to any information and ideas originated or developed by the **Engineer** in performing such work. Such information may, of course, be disclosed to the proper officials or employees of the **Owner** if necessary to perform the work hereunder. The **Engineer** shall, however, inform each of its employees who receive such information of these restrictions and the **Engineer** shall take all reasonable precautions and exert all reasonable efforts to assure conformance with such restrictions by all of its officers, employees, and agents, obtaining from them if necessary, agreements satisfactory to the **Owner,** effectuating the purposes of this Article.

**16.2 Inventions**. The **Engineer** shall communicate to the **Owner** at once, and require the **Engineer's** employees assigned to this **Project** to communicate to the **Owner** all inventions and improvements which any of the **Engineer's** employees, either alone or in conjunction with any of the **Owner's** employees may conceive, make or discover during the course of or as a result of work on this **Project** under this or any ensuing agreement with the **Owner** that relates to the processes, products, compositions, machinery or plants of the **Owner**, or relating in any way to any of the operations in which the **Owner** may be obligated to pay to the **Engineer** as compensation for services rendered by the **Engineer** under contract with the **Owner**. The **Engineer** shall require its employees to execute patent applications and assignments thereof to the **Owner** or its nominees, and powers of attorney relating thereto for any country the **Owner** may designate, and shall take all other actions as the **Owner** may request to maintain and protect

such inventions and improvements. The **Owner** shall pay all costs or charges incurred in protecting such inventions and improvements if the **Owner** desires to protect them. Before assigning any of the **Engineer's** employees to work under any contract with the **Owner** concerning this **Project,** the **Engineer** shall obtain from them agreements satisfactory to **Owner** complying in all respects with the terms and provisions of this Article.

**16.3** The rights and obligations set forth in Article 16 shall survive the performance of this Agreement, or any termination, discharge or cancellation thereof

**ARTICLE 17. Engineer's Seal, Responsibility and Warranties.**

**17.1 Engineer's Seal.** The **Engineer** shall assign a responsible engineer or engineers licensed to practice in the State of Texas, who shall sign, seal and date all appropriate engineering submissions to the **Owner** in accordance with the Texas Engineering Practice Act and the Rules of the Stare Board of Registration for Professional Engineers.

**17.2 Engineer's Responsibility.** The **Engineer** shall be responsible for the accuracy of the work for the **Project** and shall promptly make necessary revisions or corrections resulting from errors, omissions, or negligent acts by the **Engineer.** No additional compensation will be made to the **Engineer** for any necessary revisions or corrections resulting from errors, omissions, or negligent acts by the **Engineer.**

The **Engineer's** responsibility for all questions arising from design errors and/or omissions will be determined by the **Owner** or a designee appointed by the **Owner.** The **Engineer** will not be relieved of the responsibility for subsequent correction of any such errors or omissions or for clarification of any ambiguities until after the construction phase of the **Project** has been completed.

**17.3 Warranties.**

(a) The **Engineer** warrants that engineering design work performed by the **Engineer** hereunder shall be in accordance with sound engineering design practices and in conformance with applicable code and standards established for such work.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the **Owner** and the **Engineer** agree and acknowledge that the **Owner** is entering into this Agreement in reliance on the **Engineer's** experience and abilities with respect to performing the **Engineer's** services hereunder. The **Engineer** accepts the relationship of trust and confidence established between it and the **Owner** by this Agreement. The **Engineer** covenants with the **Owner** to use the **Engineer's** best efforts, skill, judgement and abilities to design the **Project** and to further the interests of the **Owner** in accordance with the **Owner's** requirements and procedures, in accordance with all professional standards, and in compliance with all applicable national, federal, state, county and municipal laws, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders and with those of any other body having jurisdiction. If the development of plans, specifications and estimates (hereinafter referred to as **"PS&E"**) are identified in this Agreement under Article 2 hereof or **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto, as part of the services to be provided by the **Engineer** for the **Project**, prior to the commencement of construction, the **Engineer** shall certify in writing to the **Owner** that the **PS&E** for the **Project**, and the improvements when built in accordance therewith, conform to all applicable governmental regulations, statutes and ordinances then in effect. The **Engineer** represents covenants and agrees that there are no obligations, commitments or impediments of any kind that will limit or prevent performance of the **Engineer's** services.

(c) The **Engineer** represents, covenants and agrees that all of **Engineer's** services to be furnished by the **Engineer** under or pursuant to this Agreement form the inception of the Agreement until the **Project** has been fully completed, shall be of the standard and quality which

prevail among engineers of similar experience, knowledge, skill and ability engaged in engineering practice throughout Texas under the same or similar circumstances involving the design and construction of **Project.**

(d) The **Engineer** represents, covenants and agrees that the **Engineer's** special talent, training and experience cause the **Engineer** to be the prime professional on the **Project;** that because of such talent and training, the **Engineer** envisions the construction of the **Project** in its entirely and possesses the special skills which enable the **Enginee**r to recognize dangerous conditions that a reasonable, prudent engineer having such special skills could anticipate may arise from the proper use of the **Project** after acceptance by **Owner;** and that the **Engineer** recognizes that any commissioners, elected officials, employees and agents of the **Owner,** plus residents and owners of property within the area affected by the **Project** are within a class of foreseeable persons who will be relying on the project being designed in a professional and safe manner.

(e) If the development of **PS&E** is identified in this Agreement under Article 2 hereof or **EXHIBIT "B"**, attached hereto, as part of the services to be provided by the **Engineer** for the **Project,** the **Engineer** represents, covenants and agrees that the **PS&E** of the **Project** will be accurate and free from any material errors. The **Engineer** additionally represents, covenants and agrees to the following: that the design of the **Project** will conform to its foreseeable use as a **Project** with all the amenities as set forth in any **PS&E** developed by the **Engineer** for the **Project;** that the result of such **PS&E**, if built in accordance therewith, will be suitable for purposes for which the **Project** is designed; and the **Project** will be inspected in a workmanlike, professional manner and will be suitable for the **Project's** intended purpose. The **Engineer's** responsibilities as set forth herein shall at no time be in any way diminished by reason of any approval by the **Owner** of any **PS&E** developed by the **Engineer** for the **Project**, nor

shall the **Engineer** be released from any liability by reason of such approval by the **Owner**, it being understood that the **Owner** at all times is ultimately relying upon the **Engineer's** skill and knowledge in preparing such **PS&E.**

(f) In connection with the **Engineer's** performance of procurement services hereunder, if any, the **Engineer** use its best efforts to obtain from all vendors of equipment and materials, fullest possible warranties against defective materials and workmanship for the benefit of the **Owner.**

**ARTICLE 18.Engineer's Resources**. The **Engineer** shall furnish and maintain, at the **Engineer's** own expense, office space for the performance of all services, skilled and sufficient personnel, as well as adequate and sufficient equipment to perform the services as required under this Agreement.

**18.1 Project Manager.** The **Engineer** shall provide a manager **(Project Manager)** for the **Project** that is a registered professional engineer in the State of Texas. The **Project** manager shall have such knowledge and experience as will enable that **Project Manager** during the course of the **Project** without prior consent of the **Owner.** If, due to situations beyond the control of the **Engineer,** the **Engineer** must change the **Project Manager** prior to the completion and acceptance of the **Project,** the **Engineer** will submit a request to change the **Project Manager** to the **Owner** for approval.

**18.2 Employees of the Engineer.** All employees of the **Engineer** shall have such knowledge and experience as will enable them to perform the duties assigned to them and required for the services under this Agreement. Any employee of the **Engineer** who, in the opinion of the **Owner**, is incompetent, or whose conduct becomes detrimental to the work required under this Agreement, shall immediately be removed form association with the **Project** when so instructed by the **Owner.** The **Engineer** certifies that the **Engineer** presently has

employed sufficient and qualified personnel, and will maintain sufficient and qualified personnel for performance of the services under this Agreement.

**18.3 Documents/Information Exchange** The purpose of this Article is to define the required automated resources, format for graphics files, and information exchange pertaining to the **Project.** Taking into consideration that the **Owner** has a significant investment is the development of the **Project,** there is a need for the **Engineer** to provide consistency in document development for information exchange. Consistency in document development for information exchange and production will help facilitate an economically efficient **Project**. Therefore, the **Engineer** shall provide the **Owner** with documents and information in accordance with the special requirement outlined in **EXHIBIT "B"** attached hereto.

**ARTICLE 19. Indemnification**. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the **Engineer** and its agents, partners, subcontractors, and consultants (collectively **"Indemnitors"**) shall and do agree to indemnify, and hold harmless the **Owner**, the **Owner's** respective directors, elected officials, employees and agents (collectively **"Indemnitees"**) from and against all claims, damages, losses, liens, causes of action, suits, judgments and expenses, including attorney fees, of any nature, kind or description (collectively "Liabilities") of any person or entity whomsoever arising out of, caused by or resulting from the negligent performance of the **Engineer's** services through activities of the **Enginee**r, its agents, partners, subcontractors and/or consultants performed under this Agreement, and which are caused by or result from error, omission, or negligent act of the **Engineer** or of any person employed or contracted by the **Engineer** provided that any such **Liabilities** (1) are attributable to bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease or death of any person, or to the injury to or destruction of tangible personal property including the loss of use and consequential damages resulting there from and (2) are caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of the **Engineer,** anyone directly or indirectly employed by the

**Engineer** or anyone for whose acts the **Engineer** may be legally liable. The **Engineer** shall also save harmless the **Owner** from any and all expense, including but not limited to, attorney fees which may be incurred by the **Owner** in litigation or otherwise resisting said claim or liabilities which may be imposed on the **Owner** as a result of such activities by the **Engineer,** its agents partners, subcontractors and/or consultants. In this connection, it is agreed and understood that the **Engineer** shall not be responsible for any portion of the liability proximately caused by the **Owner's** negligence.

**ARTICLE 20.Joint and Several Liability.** In the event more than one of the **Indemnitors** are connected with an accident or occurrence covered by the indemnification in Article 19 hereof, then each of such **Indemnitors** shall be jointly and severally responsible to the **Indemnitees** for indemnification and the ultimate responsibility among such **Indemnitors** for the loss and expense of any such indemnification shall be settled by separate proceedings and without jeopardy to any **Indemnitee**. The provisions of this Article shall not be construed to eliminate or reduce any other indemnification or right which the **Owner** or any of the **Indemnitees** has by law.

**ARTICLE 21. Insurance.** The **Engineer** shall obtain and maintain insurance in the limits of liability for each of the types of insurance coverage identified as follows.

(1) **Workers' Compensation**, endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the **Owner** in accordance with the statutory obligations imposed by Worker's Compensation or Occupational Disease laws under the Texas Workers' Compensation Law (**"Statutory Texas")**

(2) **Commercial General Liability**, endorsed with the **Owner** as an additional insured and endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the **Owner** ***all to the extent of the liabilities assumed by the Engineer under Article 19 and Article 20*** herein, in limits of liability not less than one million dollars

(**$1,000,000**) combined single limit each occurrence and in the aggregate for bodily injury and property damage.

(3) **Texas Business Automobile Policy**, endorsed with the **Owner** as an additional insured and endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the **Owner** *all to the extent of the liabilities assumed by the Engineer under Article 19 and Article 20 herein*, in limits of liability not less than two hundred fifty thousand dollars (**$250,000**) each person for bodily injury, five hundred thousand dollars (**$500,000**) each occurrence for bodily injury, and one hundred thousand dollars (**$100,000**) each occurrence for property damage.

(4) **Professional Liability** in limits of **$1,000,000** each claim and aggregate.

The **Engineer** covenants and agrees to maintain an insurance policy in the minimum limits of liability for each of the types of insurance coverage identified above. The **Engineer** shall furnish the **Owner** with a certificate of insurance (***Hidalgo County* Certificate of Insurance**) showing the said policy to be in full force and effect during the period of service, identified in Article 3 hereto, for this Agreement. The completed Hidalgo County Certificate of Insurance shall be attached hereto and identified as **EXHIBIT "G"**- *Hidalgo County Certificate of Insurance*. The **Engineer** will be considered in breach of contract should the **Engineer** fail to maintain an insurance policy in the minimum limits of liability and requirements identified above while performing services for and under this Agreement, and will be subject to default and termination of the Agreement as outlined in Article 3.4 hereto. Additionally, the **Engineer** covenants and agrees to use its best efforts to maintain an insurance policy in the minimum limits of liability and requirements identified above until one year following the date of the acceptance of the **Project** by **Owner.**

**ARTICLE 22. Compliance with Laws**. The **Engineer** shall comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations and the orders and decrees of any court, or administrative bodies or tribunals in any manner affecting the performance

of this Agreement including, without limitation, worker's compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations and licensing laws and regulations. When required the **Engineer** shall furnish the **Owner** with satisfactory proof of its compliance therewith.

**ARTICLE 23. Non-Collusion.** The **Engineer** warrants that the **Engineer** has not employed or retained any company or persons, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the **Engineer**, to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that the **Engineer** has not paid or agreed to pay any company, engineer or any other person or entity any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gifts or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or execution of this Agreement. For breach or violation of this warranty the **Owner** shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or, in the **Owner's** discretion, to deduct from the *Services Fee*, or otherwise recover, the full amount of each fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or contingent fee.

**ARTICLE 24. Gratuities.** The **Owner** mandates that employees of the **Owner** shall not accept any benefits, gifts or favors from any person doing business or who reasonably speaking may do business with the **Owner** under this Agreement; the only exceptions allowed are ordinary business meals. Any person doing business with or who may reasonably seeking to do business with the **Owner** under this Agreement may not make any offer of benefits, gifts or favors to **Owner** employees, except as mentioned herein above. Failure on the part of the **Engineer** to adhere to this provision may result in the termination of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 25. Payment of Franchise Tax.** The **Engineer** hereby certifies that the **Engineer** is not delinquent in Texas franchise tax payments, or that the **Engineer** is exempt from, or not subject to, such as tax. A false statement concerning corporation's franchise tax status shall constitute grounds for termination of the Agreement at the sole option of the **Owner.**

**ARTICLE 26. Disputes.** The **Engineer** shall be responsible for the settlement of all contractual and administrative issues arising out of any procurement made by the **Engineer** in support of the services under this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 27. Severability.** In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason, be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision thereof and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein .

**ARTICLE 28. Notices.** All notices to either party by the other required under this Agreement shall be personally delivered or mailed to such party at the following respective addresses:

**OWNER:**
**Hidalgo County**
Attn: County Judge
100 East Cano, 2nd Floor
Edinburg, Texas 78539

**ENGINEER:**
**Chanin Engineering, LLC.**
Attn: Miguel Chanin, P.E.
400 Nolana, Suite H2
McAllen, Texas 78504

The Address may be changed by either party by written notice and notice sol mailed shall be effective upon mailing.

**ARTICLE 29. Miscellaneous Provisions.**

(a) This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the **Engineer** and the **Owner** relating to the work herein described and supersedes any prior understanding or written or oral contracts between the parties respecting the subject matter defined herein. These are no previous or contemporary representations or warranties of the **Owner** or the **Engineer** not set forth herein.

(b) Except as specifically provided herein no modification, waiver, termination, rescission, discharge or cancellation of this Agreement or of any terms thereof shall be binding on the **Owner** unless in writing and executed by an officer or employee of the **Owner** specifically authorized to do so.

(c) No waiver of any provision of or a default under this Agreement shall affect the right of the **Owner** thereafter to enforce said provision or to exercise any right or remedy in the event of any other default whether or not similar.

(d) No modification, waiver, termination, discharge or cancellation of this Agreement or of any terms thereof shall impair the **Owner's** right with respect to any liabilities whether or not liquidated of the **Engineer** to the **Owner** theretofore accrued.

(e) All rights and remedies of the **Owner** specified in this Agreement are in addition to the Owner's other rights and remedies.

(f) The **Engineer** shall remain an independent contractor and shall have no power nor shall the **Engineer** represent that the **Engineer** has any power to bind the **Owner** or to assume or to create any obligation express or implied on behalf of the **Owner** except as specifically authorized in advance by the **Owner.**

(g) The Agreement shall be construed under the laws of the State of Texas and is performable in Hidalgo County, Texas.

(h) This Agreement may only be amended by a written document executed by the Owner and the **Engineer** as provided by Article 8 herein.

**ARTICLE 30. Signatory Warranty** The undersigned signatory or signatories for the **Engineer** hereby represent and warrant that the signatory is an officer of the organization for which he or she has executed this Agreement and that he or she has full and complete authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the **Engineer.** The above-stated representations and warranties are made for the purpose of inducing the **Owner** to enter into this Agreement.

**WITNESS WHEREOF**, the **Engineer** and the **Owner** have caused this **Agreement for Professional Services** to be effective as of the 16th day of MAY, **2017.**

**ENGINEER:**
**CHANIN ENGINEERING, LLC**

**BY:** _____
Miguel Chanin, P.E.

**OWNER:**
**HIDALGO COUNTY**

**BY:** Ramon Garcia
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON: 5/16/17

**ATTEST:**
Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

COMMISSIONERS COURT HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS

*Approved by Commissioners' Court on:* MAY 16, *2017.*

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**
Atlas, Hall & Rodriguez, L.L.P.

By: _____
Stephen L. Crain, Attorney

**ATTACHMENTS:**

**LOCATION MAP**
**EXHIBIT A-1-**Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Procurement Packet
**EXHIBIT A -**Scope of Services to be provided by the Owner
**EXHIBIT B -**Scope of Services to be provided by the Engineer
**EXHIBIT C -**Work Schedule
**EXHIBIT D -**Contract Rates
**EXHIBIT D-1**-Estimated Project Fee Schedule
**EXHIBIT E -**Sample Work Authorization Form
**EXHIBIT F -**Sample Supplemental Agreement Form
**EXHIBIT G -**Certificate of Insurance (*Hidalgo County)*

# EXHIBIT A-1

-Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Procurement Packet

Hidalgo County Purchasing Office
2812 S. Business Highway 281
Administration Building
Edinburg, Texas 78539
(956) 318-2626/ Fax: (956) 292-7612

January 17, 2017

_____
Bidder's name

_____
Address

_____
City

_____
State, Zip Code

Re: **HIDALGO COUNTY (all funding sources, programs & entities)**
Request for Qualifications -**"Professional Engineering Services Pool"**
**RFQ Bid No: 2017-006-02-01-YSS**

Dear Gentleman/Ladies:

Enclosed, please find the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) packet. Modifications and new requirements have been added and implemented. Carefully read and review all instructions, Requirements and Specifications.

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department welcomes and appreciates your participation in the Request for Qualifications process.

If any further assistance is required, please do not hesitate to call the Purchasing Department 956/318-2626 x 4874.

Sincerely,

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB
Hidalgo County Purchasing Agent

MLS/yss
Enclosures

# HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING OFFICE
## 2812 S. Business Highway 281
## Administration Building
## Edinburg, Texas 78539
## (956) 318-2626/ Fax: (956) 292-7612


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The above mentioned items shall be found in this Request for Qualifications-RFQ packet that is attached herewith. Should you find that any of the listed items are not attached in its entirety, please contact Purchasing by calling (956) 318-2626 or e-mail, to advise us of the missing documentation, and Purchasing will forward information either through facsimile, e-mail or by U.S. Mail.

Thank you.

Martha L Salazar

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

01-17-17
Date

# REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)

## HIDALGO COUNTY

(Including all funding sources, programs, and entities)

***"Professional Engineering Services Pool"***

**RFQ NO: 2017-006-02-01-YSS**

Acceptance Due Date: **February 01, 2017**

Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department

Project Buyer Contact Information:

Yvette Salinas, Buyer III
(956) 318-2626 Ext. 4874
yvette.salinas@co.hidalgo.tx.us

1. Sealed qualifications will be received for **"Hidalgo County (Including all funding sources, programs, and entities) Professional Engineering Services Pool",** *in* accordance with the requirements attached hereto as Exhibit "A." Qualifications should address all requirements set forth. Respondents may suggest substitutions of features which they feel would be in the best interest of Hidalgo County ("County"). Strong rationale must be presented for any deviation from the requirements. Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject the deviation and its effect on the overall qualifications.

2. **One (1) original, three (3) copies** of all qualifications and **eight (8) CDs in PDF Format** are required with the respondent's name and address clearly typed/printed on upper left hand corner and the proper notation clearly typed/printed on the lower left hand corner of the envelope and/or package, **RFQ: 2017-006-02-01-YSS Hidalgo County** (Including all funding sources, programs, and entities) **Professional Engineering Services Pool",** and in County's Purchasing Department, Physical Location: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281 Postal/ Mailing: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281 Administration Building, Edinburg, Texas, **ON OR BEFORE 9:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 01, 2017.**

   **NO FACSIMILES, EMAILS OR LATE ARRIVALS WILL BE ACCEPTED. ANY QUALIFICATION RECEIVED AFTER THAT TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND WILL BE RETURNED. OVERNIGHT MAIL MUST ALSO BE PROPERLY LABELED ON THE OUTSIDE OF EXPRESS ENVELOPE OR PACKAGE IN REFERENCE TO QUALIFICATION. Hidalgo County reserves the right to refuse and reject any/all qualifications and to waive any/all formalities or technicalities, or to accept the proposal considered the best and most advantageous to Hidalgo County.**

   Additionally, all forms listed below must be properly executed and included with your RFQ:

   1. **Legal Notice (See page10);**
   2. **Attachment B**
   3. ***Insurance pages with Acknowledgment Forms (See Exhibit "C");***
   4. **Form CIQ-Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (See Exhibit "D");**
   5. **Vendor Bidder Application & W-9 forms (See Exhibit "E");**
   6. **Certification Regarding Debarment (See Exhibit "F");**
   7. **Proposer's Affidavit (See Exhibit "H";**
   8. **SAMS.gov Registration Acknowledgement (See Number 17 below).**

3. Hidalgo County reserves the right to separate and accept, or eliminate any item(s) listed under this qualification that it deems necessary to accommodate budgetary and/or operational requirements. Hidalgo County also reserves the right to reject any or all qualifications submitted and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best qualification for approval. Receipt of any qualification shall under no circumstances obligate County to accept the lowest dollar qualification. The award of this contract shall be made to the responsible offeror whose qualification is determined to be the best evaluated offer resulting from negotiation, taking into consideration the relative importance of price and other evaluation factors as herein set forth.

4. Failure of the delivered item to perform as specified or failure to meet the stated delivery schedule shall release Hidalgo County from all obligations to the contracting party with regard to the item(s) in question. In such event, County may elect to award the contract to the next-lowest responsible respondent, or to reject all qualifications and re-advertise.

5. For work to be performed at a County owned or operated location, each respondent shall, in its sole discretion, visit the job site before preparing the qualification and thoroughly familiarize himself/herself with existing conditions. Respondent should take field dimensions and note all circumstances which affect the dollar amount of the qualification.

6. Descriptive specifications are referenced in this document to indicate the general kind and quality of equipment desired by Hidalgo County. Due to various styles and models of equipment, respondents are required to include illustrations, specifications, explanation of warranties, and service data with their qualification including catalogue numbers and any necessary references.

7. Proposed prices are to remain firm for a minimum of ninety (90) days after priced qualification opening.

8. County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all qualifications.

9. Any interpretations, amendments, corrections or changes to this qualification document must be in a written addendum and signed by the County Judge or his designee. Addenda will be mailed to all who are known to have received a copy of the Request for Qualifications. Respondents shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda as a part of their qualification.

10. Costs are to be net F.O.B., County Prepaid.

11. County is exempt from Federal Excise Tax, State Tax and Local Tax. DO NOT include tax in cost figure. If it is determined that tax was included in the cost figure it will not be included in the tabulation of any awards. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.

12. Funds for this procurement have been provided through the County budget for this fiscal year only. County, on an annual basis, has the right to reconsider a contract during the budget process for ensuing years if financial resources of County are insufficient to meet the liabilities of said contract. The award of a qualification or contract hereunder will not be construed to create a debt of the County which is payable out of funds beyond the current fiscal year.

13. **DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS:**
    - No deliveries accepted after 3:00 P.M., Monday-Friday.
    - At least seventy two (72) hours prior notice of delivery must be given to Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent before delivery will be accepted.
    - If you need additional information call the office listed below:

Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
(956) 318-2626

14. **BILLING AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS:**
    - Invoices must include:
        a) Name and address of successful respondent
        b) Name and address of receiving department or official

c) Purchase Order Number and Contract number (if any)
d) Notation- "Hidalgo County RFQ: **2017-006-02-01-YSS-HIDALGO COUNTY** (Including all funding sources, programs, and entities) **"Professional Engineering Services Pool",**
e) Descriptive information as to the items or services delivered, including product code, item number, quantity, etc.

- Discount payments will be considered when offered.

- Contact person for Billing and Payment questions:

**HIDALGO COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE**
Postal/Mailing 2808 S. Business Hwy. 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539
956-318-2511

## 15. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

| | |
|---|---|
| **Qualification Opening, 9:30 A.M.** | **February 01, 2017** |
| Award of Contract: | 2017 |
| Commence Work or Deliver Products: | 2017 |

## 16. HIDALGO COUNTY HOLIDAYS:

| 2017 YEAR | |
|---|---|
| New Year's Day | 01/02/17 |
| Martin Luther King Day | 01/16/17 |
| President's Day | 02/20/17 |
| Good Friday | 04/14/17 |
| Memorial Day | 05/29/17 |
| Independence Day | 07/04/17 |
| Labor Day | 09/04/17 |
| Columbus Day | 10/09/17 |
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| Christmas Day | 12/25/17-12/26/17 |
| New Year's Eve | 12/29/17 |

## ~~17. BID OR PERFORMANCE BOND AND DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION; PAYMENT UNDER CONTRACT:~~

- ~~If the contract proposed is for the construction of public works or is for a contract for goods and services exceeding $100,000, all bidders shall furnish a good and sufficient bid bond in the amount of five percent of the total contract price. A bid bond must be executed with a surety company authorized to do business in Texas.~~ All respondents are also required to furnish a certification or acknowledgment stating that the contractor or vendor is free from suspension or debarment pursuant to federal regulation 45CFR76. Register at SAMs System for Award Management @ www.sam.gov.

- ~~Together with the signing of a contract or issuance of a purchase order following the acceptance of a qualification, and prior to commencement of the actual work, the respondent shall furnish a performance bond to the County for the full amount of the contract, if that contract exceeds $50,000.~~

- ~~If the contract is for $50,000 or less, no money will be paid to the contractor until completion and acceptance of the work or the fulfillment of the purchase obligation to the County, and, if applicable, the receipt by County of satisfactory evidence that all subcontractors and materialmen have been paid.~~

- ~~If a contract is for the construction, alteration or repair of public buildings or public works, the contractor *shall* provide a payment bond for a contract in excess of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars ($25,000.00), as required by Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 2253.~~

- ~~For requirements contracts, bond requirements are determined by applying the proposed unit price to the estimated quantities included in the specifications.~~

## 18. TITLE VI NOTICE/ NONDISCRIMATION

a. "The County of Hidalgo, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat.252, 42 U.S.C. §§2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award."

b. The appropriate clauses of Appendices "A" through "E" as delineated in the USDOT Standard Title VI/Nondiscrimination Assurances - Specific Assurances are hereby incorporated by reference as applicable. Title VI Appendices "A" through "E" are attached as **Exhibit "G".**

c. Bidder will attach all applicable notices to which it is obligated to provide or submit as part of the bid, including Form FHWA 1273 to be submitted by all contractors and subcontractors in relation to construction contracts.

## 19. ETHICAL STANDARDS:

- It shall be a breach of ethics to offer, give or agree to give any elected official, department head or employee, or former elected official, department head or employee, of the County, or for any elected official, department head or employee or former elected official, department head or employee of the County, to solicit, demand, accept or agree to accept from another person, entity or organization, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation or any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract, or to any solicitation or qualification therefore pending before any department or agency of the County.

- It shall be a breach of ethics for any payment, gratuity or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor for any contract for the County, or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

- No public official shall have an interest in a contract awarded hereunder except in accordance with Tex. Loc. Govt. Code Chapter 171.

- **NOTICE:**

  **ALL COMMUNICATIONS BY A VENDOR TO THE COUNTY, ITS OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS REGARDING THIS PROCUREMENT SHALL BE DONE THROUGH THE HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.**

  No vendor, its representative, agent, or employee shall engage in private communication with a member of the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court or county department heads regarding any procurement of goods or services by the County from the date that the bid, RFP, or RFQ is released. No private communication regarding the purchase shall be permitted until the procurement process is complete and a purchase order is granted or a contract is entered into. Members of the commissioners court are required to make a reasonable effort to inform themselves regarding potential procurements and have a duty to inquire of vendors, their representatives or employees, the nature of any private communication being sought prior to engaging in any communication. "Private Communication" means communication with any vendor outside of a posted meeting of the governing body, a regular meeting of a standing or appointed committee, or a negotiation with a vendor which has been specifically authorized by the governing body.

**20. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**Effective January 1, 2016, Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires that any vendor, person, consultant or contractor considering doing business with Hidalgo County ("the County") to disclose in the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (the "CIQ") attached as Exhibit D, the vendor, person, consultant or contractor's affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest with the County. By law, the CIQ must be filed with the Hidalgo County Clerk's Office no later than the seventh business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require that statement to be filed. The disclosure requirement applies to a person or business that contracts or seeks to** contract with Hidalgo County for the sale or purchase of property, goods or service. **Any purchase order or contract resulting from this process shall be considered null and void if the successful respondent fails to comply with Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176. Vendors, consultants, contractors and others who desire to conduct business with Hidalgo County are encouraged to refer to**

**Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 for details of this law. An offense under Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 is a Class C Misdemeanor.**

**Completed Form CIQ must be submitted to the Hidalgo County Clerk's Office located at 100 N. Closner, Edinburg, Texas 78539 - Hidalgo County Courthouse.**

**COMPLETION AND SUBMISSION OF FORM CIQ IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROSPECTIVE RESPONDENT. QUESTIONS REGARDING COMPLIANCE SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO YOUR LEGAL COUNSEL.**

21. **CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES (FORM HB1295)**

**As of January 1, 2016, to comply with Texas Government Code Section §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, we have updated and revised our RFQ packet. In accordance with these requirements, 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. In box 3 of Form 1295, you will provide the RFQ No. 2017-006, as shown on the packet. Once completed and filed with the Texas Ethics Commission, Form 1295 must be printed and signed in the presence of a notary and submitted to our office either by facsimile transmission to (956) 292-7612 or via email to yvette.salinas@co.hidalgo.tx.us Hidalgo County cannot enter into a contract until Form 1295 is submitted. Therefore, failure to timely submit Form 1295 signed and notarized may result in delay of award. Full instructions for completion and submittal of Form 1295 may be found on the Texas Ethics Commission website:**

**https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/tec/1295-Info.htm**

THE AWARDED VENDOR WILL HAVE THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE THE HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT APPROVES THIS AGREEMENT TO SUBMIT THE SIGNED NOTARIZED FORM 1295. *HIDALGO COUNTY CANNOT ENTER INTO A CONTRACT UNTIL FORM 1295 IS SUBMITTED.*

22. If, during the life of any contract or qualification awarded, the successful respondents' net prices generally available to other customers for items awarded herein are reduced below the contracted price, it is understood and agreed that the benefits of such reduction shall be extended to County.

23. Qualifications, and all goods and services provided thereunder, shall comply with all federal, state and local laws concerning this type(s) of goods and/or services.

24. Minimum Standards for Responsible Prospective Respondents: A prospective respondent must affirmatively demonstrate respondent's responsibility. A prospective respondent, by submitting a qualification, represents to County that it meets the following requirements:

- Possess or is able to obtain adequate financial resources as required to perform under the qualification;
- Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery schedule;
- Have a satisfactory record of performance;
- Have a satisfactory record of integrity and ethics;

- Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.

**25.** Successful respondent will pay or cause to be paid, without cost or expenses to County, all FICA, FUTA/SUTA and Federal Income Withholding Taxes of all employees, and all wages and benefits as required by Federal or State law. Successful respondents' officers, agents and/or employees will not be entitled to any benefits of an employee or elected official of County, including, but not limited to, benefits associated with Countys' civil service system.

**26.** Any contract award to a successful respondent will be in effect until (a) the contract expires, (b) delivery and acceptance of products, and/or performance of services ordered, or (c) terminated by County with thirty (30) day's written notice prior to cancellation.

**27.** County reserves the right to enforce performance of any contract awarded hereunder in any manner prescribed by law or deemed to be in the best interest of the County. County reserves the right to terminate contract immediately in the event of breach or default by successful respondent, or in the event a successful respondent fails to:

A. Meet schedules;
B. Pay any required fees or taxes; or
C. Otherwise perform in accordance with the requirements.

**28.** Successful respondent shall defend, indemnify and save harmless County and all its elected officials, officers, agents and employees from all suits, actions, or other claims of any character, name and description brought for or on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property on account of any negligent act or fault of the successful respondent, or of any agent, employee, subcontractor or supplier in the execution of, or performance under, any contract which may result from qualification award. Successful respondent indemnifies and will indemnify and save harmless County from liability, claim or demand on their part, agents, servants, customers, and/or employees whether such liability, claim or demand arise from event or casualty happening on or within the occupied premises themselves or happening upon or in any of the halls, elevators, entrances, stairways or approaches to the facilities within which the occupied premises are located. Successful respondent shall pay any judgment with costs which may be obtained against county growing out of such injury or damages, and shall, upon request, provide a defense to County by counsel reasonably acceptable to County. Successful respondents' indemnity hereunder shall include, but is not limited to, claims relating to patent, copyright or trademark infringement, and the like, arising out of the goods or services provided by successful respondent.

**29.** Successful respondent shall warrant that all items/services shall conform to the specifications and/or all warranties provided under the Uniform Commercial Code and be free from all defects in material, workmanship and the like. Items supplied under a contract pursuant to this Request for Qualifications shall be subject to Countys' approval. Items found to be defective or not meeting specifications shall be replaced by successful respondent within two business days at no expense to County. Items not picked up within one (1) week after notification shall be deemed a donation to County and may be used or disposed of at County's discretion and without waiver of any other rights of County as to the items' nonconformity.

**30.** This document and any disputes arising hereunder shall be governed and construed according to the laws of the State of Texas, and will be performable exclusively in Hidalgo County, Texas.

**31.** The successful respondent shall not assign, sell, transfer or convey its rights under any awarded contract, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County.

32. Respondents shall provide with the qualification response, a list of at least three (3) references where like services have been supplied by their firm. Include the name of the business or government, address, telephone number and name of representative or contact person.

33. Respondents must provide all documentation requested with this Qualification in their response (except for CIQ Form, if NOT APPLICABLE). Failure to provide this information may result in rejection of the qualification as none conforming.

Request for Qualifications
For
**HIDALGO COUNTY**
(Including all funding sources, programs, and entities)
**"Professional Engineering Services Pool"**
**RFQ NO: 2017-006-02-01-YSS**

To: Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Physical Location: 2802 S. Business Hwy. 281
Postal/ Mailing: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539

In accordance with the Requirements, and subject to all laws and regulations of the United States and state and local laws, the undersigned respondent proposes and commits to furnish all labor, equipment, material, software and services as set forth in the documents hereinbefore mentioned. The undersigned further agrees, upon acceptance of its qualification, to execute a contract and/or Purchase Order issued by Hidalgo County for performing and completing the work described in the Requirements within the time stated and for the prices proposed in the documents attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Respondent acknowledges receipt of all of the pages of the documents referenced in the Request for Qualification Checklist presented in connection with this procurement. Respondent understands that Hidalgo County reserves the right to reject any or all qualifications and further reserves the right to design the evaluation criteria to be used in selecting the lowest and best qualification.

Respondent agrees that this qualification shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving qualifications, as contained in the Requirements.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Firm:** _____

**Address:** _____

**By:** _____

**Printed Name:** _____

**Title:** _____

The County of Hidalgo will be accepting Statements of Qualifications from qualified State of Texas registered Professional Engineering firms in order to establish a pre-qualified pool of Engineers on an "As Needed Basis" per project by all County Departments and/or applicable Programs requiring said services as set forth in the requirements. Upon approval and acceptance by Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court, the term of the pre-qualified pool of Engineers will be for a period starting **March 16, 2017 and ending March 15, 2018**. The Hidalgo County Purchasing Department will receive sealed envelopes containing Statements of Qualifications for the provision of **"PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL"-HIDALGO COUNTY** (including all funding sources, Programs, and Entities as specified herein. Statements of Qualifications will be accepted until **9:30 A.M., Wednesday, FEBRUARY 01, 2017. ANY RFQ RECEIVED AFTER THAT TIME WILL NOT BE OPENED AND WILL BE RETURNED.**

The following outlines the Request for Qualifications:

## SECTION I - GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**RFQ DOCUMENT SUBMITTALS/DELIVERY:**

A total of **one (1) original, three (3) copies and eight (8) CD's in PDF format** of the RFQ shall be submitted as part of your response.

Respondents must complete and include in their response, all documentation requested in this RFQ. Refer to enclosed RFQ Check List form for documents to be included with your response.

**Hidalgo County is requesting that statements of qualifications responses be sealed, clearly marked and/or labeled with the Company's name, RFQ Number, Project Title, and Opening Date, and be delivered to Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent, at:**

US Postal Mail Address:
Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Administration Building
2812 S. Business Hwy 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539

Physical Address:
Martha L. Salazar, CPPB, Purchasing Agent
Hidalgo County Purchasing Department
Administration Building
2802 S. Business Hwy. 281
Edinburg, Texas 78539

Hidalgo County requires respondents, when hand delivering statements of qualifications, to have a Purchasing Department representative time/date stamp and initial the envelope when dropping RFQ off.

All costs and expenses associated with the preparation and submission of (rfq's, bids, proposals and/or quotes) shall be the responsibility of the respondent and no reimbursement for such charges or expenses shall be passed onto Hidalgo County.

**PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT:**
Respondents to this RFQ must submit a signed Proposer's Affidavit (attached herein in Exhibit E) certainly that the submission is (1) not the result of Collusion as described in the Proposer's Affidavit, (2) that the Respondent does not have a Conflict of Interest as described in the Proposer's Affidavit, or (3) that the Respondent has not and will not attempt to lobby directly or indirectly as described in

the Proposer's Affidavit.

**NON-DISCRIMINATION:**
Respondents, during the performance of this contract, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, sex, national origin or disability except where religion, sex, national origin or disability is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor.

**PROCESSING TIME FOR PAYMENT:**
Respondents are advised that a minimum of thirty (30) days is required to process invoices for payment.

**ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF RFQ's:**
Hidalgo County's Purchasing Department will not accept telegraphic or electronically transmitted submissions.

**PROOF OF FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS CAPABILITY:**
Respondents must, upon request, furnish satisfactory evidence of their ability to furnish products or services in accordance with the terms and conditions of these requirements. Hidalgo County will make the final determination as to the vendor's ability.

**RESPONDENT DEFAULT:**
Hidalgo County reserves the right, in case of respondent default, to procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the defaulting respondent responsible for any excess costs occasioned thereby.

**RESTRICTIVE OR AMBIGUOUS REQUIREMENTS:**
It is the responsibility of the respondent to review the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) packet and to notify in writing the Purchasing Department if the requirements are formulated in a manner that would unnecessarily restrict competition. These criteria also apply to requirements that are ambiguous.

**RFQ QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:** Any protest(s) or question(s) regarding the requirements or request for qualifications procedures must be received in the Purchasing Department **via e-mail to yvette.salinas@co.hidalgo.tx.us NO LATER THAN Monday, January 23, 2017** at 5:00 p.m. Responses will be sent to all applicants by **Wednesday, January 25, 2017 TELEPHONE INQUIRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

**SIGNING OF QUALIFICATIONS:**
In order to be considered, all submittals **must** be signed. **Please sign the original in blue ink.**

**WAIVING OF INFORMALITIES:**
Hidalgo County reserves the right to waive minor informalities or technicalities when it is in the best interest of Hidalgo County.

**SUBCONTRACTING:**
The successful submitter may not subcontract the award without the written consent of the Commissioners' Court of Hidalgo County.

**TERM OF POOL:**

The pool term is for a period of one (1) year or upon completion of project(s) unless project specific for more than one (1) year.

**DAVIS BACON ACT: (If Applicable)**
All selected and awarded firms are required to include the Davis-Bacon Act when advertising and developing project specifications.

## SECTION II - RFQ REQUIREMENTS

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS:**
The required contents and limitations for the preparation of the RFQ are described in this section. Failure to provide the requested information or adhere to any County limitations will result in disqualification of the submitted RFQ.

**UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROJECT:**
This section should demonstrate the respondent's understanding of the project needs, the work required, and any local issues or concerns. This description should be concise, candid, and limited to 3 pages in length.

**FIRM QUALIFICATIONS:**
The County of Hidalgo is seeking to contract with a competent engineering firm(s), registered and licensed to practice in the State of Texas that has had experience in, but not limited to, the following areas:

- Roadway, Bridge and General Design and Construction
- Federal, State and County-funded construction projects
- Solid Waste related projects
- Mechanical Engineering Projects

Additionally, this section should include a description of the firm's project personnel and their most recent (and varied) projects. For each project, a client contact name and phone number should be included for reference purposes. Additionally, the names of the personnel proposed for this project who participated in the listed projects should be provided. This project list is limited to 5 pages and should include the following;

1) Area firm specializes in
2) Minimum years of experience
3) Project(s)

**PERSONNEL AND STAFFING:**
The firm should provide an organizational chart for the project and a summary paragraph of the project work to be performed by each proposed staff member. Biographic summaries that highlight the experience relevant to the specific project responsibilities should be provided for all proposed personnel. There is a one (1) page limitation for each biographic summary provided.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

The engineering services contract will encompass all project-related engineering services to the County of Hidalgo including, but not limited to, the following:

**A.**

- Route and Design Studies
- Social, Economic, Environmental Studies and Public Involvement
- Right of Way Maps and Data
- Utility Adjustments
- Surveying
- Pre-Design

**B.**

- Roadway Design
- Drainage Design
- Solid Waste
- Signing, Markings and Signalization
- Traffic Control Plans
- Bridge Design
- Plans and Specifications
- Bid Preparation

**C.**

- Building Design
- Plans, Drawings and Specifications
- Bid Package Preparation

**D.**

- Construction Contract Management
- Conduct Construction Materials Engineering and Testing Services
- Design for New Construction
- Design for Alterations/Renovations
- Needs Assessment
- ADA Compliance
- Code Analysis

- Cost Estimating

**E.**

- Soil/Rock and Foundation Studies
- Excavations and Trenches
- Dams and Cut or Filled Slopes
- Pavements
- Water and Waste Retention/Disposal
- Specialized Testing and Instrumentation

**Other Engineering Services include:**
Project Development Management, Facility Analysis & Master Planning, Site Planning & Analysis, Roof Design, Parking Design, Security Design, Energy Conservation, Ventilation Design, Acoustical Design, Asbestos Abatement Monitoring, etc.

**Additionally, this section should include, but not restricted to the following information:**

A. Firm name, address, phone number and person(s) to contact regarding the Statement of Qualifications.

B. Qualifications and recent experience of the firm and key personnel relative to the performance of similar services for public entities. This should also include the following information:

    1. Copy of current license certification with state seal
    2. History of engineering certification from the State of Texas.
    3. List of projects related to the subject areas within the past year.

C. List of in-State references including the name, address and phone number of the person most closely associated with the firm's prior project performance.

D. Ability to commence services immediately after successfully negotiating a contract for services.

E. Statement regarding an Affirmative Action Program.

**PARTICIPATING FIRMS ARE NOT TO PROVIDE A FEE PROPOSAL WITH THIS SUBMITTAL:**
The fee will be negotiated in accordance with the Professional Services Procurement Act, Tex. Govt. Code Ann. 2254.001, et seq.

# PART III–SELECTION / EVALUATION

**SELECTION PROCEDURES/EVALUATION PROCESS:**
The evaluation system consists of a 100-point system.

1. **PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF PROJECT TEAM (20)**
   The firms should provide information on their proposed professional team members, i.e. applicable certifications/registrations and other pertinent information that demonstrates their qualifications to perform the contract. The professional team members responsible/assigned to assist County projects shall be identified in the organizational chart. Team members shall have experience in performing various types of contracts for counties, cities, irrigation districts, TX DOT or other clients as stated in the Request for Qualifications. A list of, and scope of, the various projects, for comparative purposes, shall be included in an appendix.

2. **EXPERIENCE OF PROJECT TEAM/ABILITY TO COMMIT RESOURCES (25)**
   In addition to the Project Manager and the Professional Team Member(s), the provider shall designate experienced engineering staff to completely and efficiently perform the work, either through their own personnel, sub-providers or commitment to hire additional staff. The proposal shall identify the project team composition, project leadership, reporting responsibilities and address how sub-providers, if any, will fit into the management structure. Résumés of the key technical staff members, limited to two (2) pages per person must be included in an appendix, as well as narrative descriptions of projects proposed as similar work experience.

3. **METHODOLOGY (20)**
   The RFQ should provide a description of the firm's approach to the methodology and management to the scope of services for the project.

4. **UNDERSTANDING OF PROJECT/SIMILAR PROJECTS (25)**
   The proposal shall include the following:
   * demonstrate an understanding of the scope of services
   * address appropriate Federal/State/Local regulations and policies
   * identify information to be gathered or obtained

   **Responsiveness to RFQ:**
   * Response is Clear;
   * Response is Well Organized;
   * Easy to Evaluate;
   * Appropriate to this RFQ

   The firms should provide as much background information as to its experience in providing similar services to State, City, County or any other governmental agencies. Reference information should be as current as possible, especially contact persons and telephone numbers.

5. **FAMILIARITY WITH APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS (10)**
   The RFQ should indicate through past experience of the proposed Team that they possess

sufficient knowledge of governmental regulations, appropriate codes, guidelines, professional standards and policies (as required).

**STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS GRADING AND RANKING PROTOCOL:**

Once a Project has been identified and it is determined that Engineering services are required, approval to seek engagement for professional services is sought from Hidalgo County Commissioners Court. The following protocol and procedures are utilized;

1. Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court, Elected Official and/or the User Department in need of Engineering Services will nominate (at the minimum) three (3) firms from Hidalgo County's approved pool of firm, thereafter, will review, score and evaluate the statement of qualifications received in response to this Hidalgo County Request for Qualifications;

2. A grid of the scores will be presented to Commissioners' Court for the purpose of **ranking and approval** for the Purchasing Department to enter into negotiations with the number one (1) ranked firm;

**NEGOTIATION PROCESS:**

Negotiations will commence with Commissioners' Court approved number one ranked firm;

1. Firm(s) will be asked to submit (as part of those negotiations) a "scope of service" including fees;

2. The negotiated contract including best and final offer with the successful firm will be presented to Commissioners' Court (including compliance with all requirements as well as insurances) for consideration and final approval.

3. If negotiations with the number one (1) ranked firm fail, the Purchasing Department will recommend to Commissioners' Court that negotiations cease with the number one (1) ranked firm and commence to negotiate with the next highest ranked firm.

# EVALUATION CRITERIA
# PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL
# RFQ No. 2017-006-02-01-YSS

## EXHIBIT "B"

| Selection Criteria | Points | Score |
|---|---|---|
| **1. Professional Qualifications of Project Team** (20 pts maximum) | | |
| ➢ Registered and licenses to practice in the State of Texas (i.e. certifications/registrations and other pertinent information that demonstrates their qualifications to perform the contract) | 10 | |
| ➢ Provides information on proposed professional Team qualifications to perform various types of contracts | 5 | |
| ➢ Team members identified in the organizational chart. | 5 | |
| Comments/Rationale For Points: | | **TOTAL** |
| | | |
| **2. Experience of Project Team/Ability to Commit Resources** (25 pts maximum) | | |
| ➢ Designate engineering staff members in an appendix form | 5 | |
| ➢ Identifying the project composition, project leadership, reporting responsibilities | 10 | |
| ➢ Experience of engineering staff to completely and efficiently perform the work. | 10 | |
| ➢ | | |
| Comments/Rationale For Points: | | **TOTAL** |
| | | |
| **3. Methodology/Experience/Availability of Project Manager** (20 pts maximum) | | |
| ➢ Firm's approach to the methodology and management to the scope of services for the project(s). | 5 | |
| ➢ Must be a Professional Engineer registered in the State of Texas and must be included in Appendix | 5 | |
| ➢ Project Manager must have five (5) types of projects plus be 85-100 % involvement with technical development of project | 10 | |
| Comments/Rationale For Points: | | **TOTAL** |
| | | |
| **4. Understanding of Project/Similar Projects** (25 pts maximum) | | |
| ➢ Demonstrate and understanding of the scope of services | 5 | |
| ➢ Address appropriate Federal/ State/ Local regulations and policies. Knowledge and experience of working with multiple entities, counties, cities, etc. | 5 | |
| ➢ Identify information to be gathered or obtained/proposed approach to complete the scope | 5 | |
| ➢ RFQ responsiveness. Response is clear, well organized, easy to evaluate, and appropriate to this RFQ. | 5 | |
| ➢ Reference Information including contact persons and telephone numbers. | 5 | |
| Comments/Rationale For Points: | | **TOTAL** |
| | | |
| **5. Familiarity with Applicable Rules and Regulations** (10 pts maximum) | | |
| ➢ Indicate passed experience of the proposed Firm knowledge of governmental regulations, appropriate codes, guidelines, professional standards and policies | 5 | |
| ➢ Must contain a narrative that outlines applicable regulations, guideline, standards, and policies | 5 | |
| Comments/Rationale For Points: | | **TOTAL** |
| **Total Score** | | |

Firm/Participant's Name:_____

Evaluator: _____ Department: _____

Project Name:_____ Date:_____

**PROCUREMENT FORM**
**ATTACHMENT B**
**HIDALGO COUNTY-PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL**
**RFQ NO: 2017-006-02-01-YSS**

| | |
|---|---|
| Name and Address of Firm: | _____<br>_____<br>_____ |
| Principals of Firm and Titles: | _____<br>_____<br>_____ |
| Firm's Registration No.: | _____ |

Area of Specialization:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Civil Engineering | | Electrical Engineering |
| | Structural Engineering | | Highway Engineering |
| | MEP Engineering (Mech/Elec/Plumb) | | |
| | Mechanical Engineering | | |
| | Environmental Engineering | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |

Local References (Rio Grande Valley) List Four (4) Only:

Reference #1: _____

Reference #2: _____

Reference #3: _____

Reference #4: _____

Recent Projects (Within Two [2] Years) List Four (4) Only:

Project #1: _____

Project #2: _____

Project #3: _____

Project #4: _____

Submitted By: _____

Signature: _____

Typed Name: _____

# EXHIBIT "C"

## Insurance Requirements
## Professional Services
## (i.e...Engineers, Architects, Appraisers & Surveyors)

The proposer awarded the contract shall furnish proof of insurance, which will also include any subcontractor that is subcontracted by the proposer in at least the following limits, to be in place prior to providing any services under this Contract and to continue at all times in force in effect during the term of this Contract:

1. Professional liability insurance policy with limits of at least One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence, or limited to claims made, include at least a five (5) year extended reporting period.

2. A Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00) Comprehensive General Liability insurance policy providing additional coverage to all underlying liabilities of County.

3. Automobile liability insurance policy with limits of at least Three Hundred Thousand Dollars ($300,000.00) per person and Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00) per occurrence. Coverage should include injury to or death of persons and property damage claims with limits up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000.00) arising out of the services provided to County hereunder.

4. Uninsured/Underinsured motorist coverage in an amount equal to the bodily injury limits set forth immediately above;

5. Workers compensation insurance in amounts established by Texas law, unless the Bidder is specifically exempted from the Texas Workers Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code Chapter 401, et. seq.

<u>Hidalgo County will only accept certificates of insurance on an Acord form (as attached hereto).</u> Certificates of insurance naming County as an additional insured shall be submitted to County for approval prior to any services being performed by Contractor. Each policy of insurance required hereunder shall extend for a period equivalent to, or longer than the term of the Contract, and any insurer hereunder shall be required to give at least thirty (30) days written notice to the County prior to the cancellation of any such coverage on the termination date, or otherwise. This Contract shall be automatically suspended upon the cancellation, or other termination, of any required policy of insurance hereunder, and such suspension shall continue until evidence adequate replacement coverage is provided to County. If replacement coverage is not provided within thirty (30) days following suspension of the Contract, this Contract shall automatically terminate.

# ACORD CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YY)

PRODUCER

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW.

INSURERS AFFORDING COVERAGE

INSURED

INSURER A:

INSURER B:

INSURER C:

INSURER D:

INSURER E:

## COVERAGES

THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THER TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. AGGREGATE LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

| INSR LTR | TYPE OF INSURANCE | POLICY NUMBER | POLICY EFFECTIVE DATE (MM/DD/YY) | POLICY EXPIRATION DATE (MM/DD/YY) | LIMITS | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | **GENERAL LIABILITY**<br>☐ COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY<br>☐ CLAIMS MADE ☐ OCCUR<br>☐ OWNER'S & CONT. PROT<br>☐ OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY<br>GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:<br>☐ POLICY ☐ PROJECT ☐ LOC | | | | EACH OCCURRENCE | $ |
| | | | | | FIRE DAMAGE (Any one fire) | $ |
| | | | | | MED (Any one person) | $ |
| | | | | | PER & ADV INJURY | $ |
| | | | | | AL AGGREGATE | $ |
| | | | | | ODUCTS – COMP/OP AGG | $ |
| B | **AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY**<br>☐ ANY AUTO<br>☐ ALL OWNED AUTOS<br>☐ SCHEDULED AUTOS<br>☐ HIRED AUTOS<br>☐ NON-OWNED AUTOS | | | | COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) | $ |
| | | | | | BODILY INJURY (Per person) | $ |
| | | | | | BODILY INJURY (Per accident) | $ |
| | | | | | PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) | $ |
| | **GARAGE LIABILITY**<br>☐ ANY AUTO | | | | AUTO ONLY-EA ACCIDENT | $ |
| | | | | | OTHER THAN AUTO ONLY EA ACC | $ |
| | | | | | AGG | $ |
| C | **EXCESS LIABILITY**<br>☐ OCCUR ☐ CLAIMS MADE<br>☐ DEDUCTIBLE<br>☐ RETENTION $ | | | | EACH OCCURENCE | $ |
| | | | | | AGGREGATE | $ |
| | | | | | | $ |
| | | | | | | $ |
| | | | | | | $ |
| D | **WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY** | | | | WC STATU-TORY LIMITS ☐ OTHER | |
| | | | | | E.L. EACH ACCIDENT | $ |
| | | | | | E.L. DISEASE-EA EMPLOYEE | $ |
| | | | | | E.L. DISEASE-POLICY LIMIT | $ |
| | **OTHER** | | | | | |

SAMPLE

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATION / VEHICLES / EXCLUSIONS ADDED BY ENDORSEMENT / SPECIAL PROVISIONS

**County of Hidalgo shall be named as additional insured on all Commercial General Liability policies.**

| CERTIFICATE HOLDER | ADDITIONAL INSURED; INSURER LETTER: _____ CANCELLATION |
|---|---|
| **Hidalgo County**<br>**Attn: Purchasing Department**<br>**2812 S Highway Bus. 281**<br>**Edinburg, Texas 78539** | SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BY CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, THE ISSUING INSURER WILL ENDEAVOR TO MAIL ***30*** DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER NAMED TO THE LEFT, BUT FAILURE TO DO SO SHALL IMPOSE NO OBLIGATION OR LIABILITY OF ANY KIND UPON THE INSURER, ITS AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES.<br>AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE |

# Insurance Requirement Acknowledgment

I, _____, authorized representative for _____,
Company/Vendor

hereby acknowledge receipt of the County's required insurance limits. Said requirements:

- will be acquired within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of award of project by the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court;

- will acquire additional amounts required to meet the County's requirements within 10 working days after notification from Purchasing Department of award of project by the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court; currently carry the following

  Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions): $_____

  Automobile Liability: $_____ General Liability: $_____

- have already been met, see attached copy of insurance certificate.

_____ _____
Authorized Representative Date

## Notice to Proposer:

A certificate of insurance for the required insurance limits shall be provided to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers in order to qualify for award and to execute a contract between your Company and the County

Failure to provide Certificates of Insurance to the Purchasing Department's Contract Managers will cause the award to be rescinded and re-awarded to next qualified vendor. Certificates of Insurance will be monitored and verified on a **quarterly basis** to ensure coverage policy is in place. It is the Company's obligation to maintain the appropriate insurance coverage throughout the term of the contract.

## THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR PACKET

# PROJECT REQUIREMENTS ACKNOWLEDGMENT

This is to certify that I, _____, possess all of the **APPLICABLE**:

1. Licenses: _____
2. Bonds: _____
3. Certificates: _____
4. Permits: _____
5. Other: _____

necessary to carry out the required project. Furthermore, I am providing copies of the required documentation so that, if my company is awarded this project, I may be eligible to enter into a contract with Hidalgo County and proceed to complete the project in a timely manner.

*** Any licenses, bonds, certificates, permits, etc. which are required must be presented as part of the packet in order to expedite the evaluation process. Failure to provide said documentation will result in the disqualification of your proposal/qualification.**

_____ _____

Authorized Signature Date

_____

Company

_____

Address

_____

City, State, Zip

# CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

## For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

**FORM CIQ**

**This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.**

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

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. *See* Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.

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

**OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date Received

1 **Name of vendor 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 on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 **Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.**

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Name of Officer

4 **Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.**

A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

☐ Yes ☐ No

B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

☐ Yes ☐ No

5 **Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.**

6 ☐ Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

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_____ _____

Signature of vendor 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. 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:

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(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:

(1) 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

(2) 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.

# HIDALGO COUNTY
# PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
# Bidder/Vendor Application

**Complete in print or type. Please return this application to the Hidalgo County Purchasing Department thru Facsimile: (956) 318-2629 or (956) 292-7612 in person or regular mail to: 2812 S. Business Hwy. 281 , Edinburg, Texas 78539 or email: purchasing@co.hidalgo.tx.us**

**Company Name:** **Telephone No. ( )**

**dba Name:**

**Legal Name:**

**Mailing Address :** **Fax No. ( )**

**Physical Address:**

**City, State, Zip** **Tax I.D. No.**

**Remit to Address :** **City, State, Zip**

**E-Mail Address:**

**Representative(s) Name(s) & Title(s)**

**Type of Organization (check one):** _____ **Individual** _____ **Partnership** _____ **Corporation** _____**Non-Profit** _____ **LLC** _____ **Sole Proprietor** _____ **Other, Specify**

State Identification No._____ (Please attached completed W-9 form with this application)

**Federal Identification No. or (if individual) SS No.**

**State of Incorporation:** _____ **Date:**_____ **Other:**

**Type of Business (check one):** _____ **Manufacturer** _____ **Wholesaler** _____ **Retailer** _____ **Broker** _____ **Distributor** _____ **Service Organization** _____ **Other, Specify**

**Name & Title of Person(s) Authorized to Sign Bids, Proposals, and/or Contracts:**

**Small and/or Disadvantaged Business Information (check application criteria)**

**Small Business:** **Disadvantaged Business (At Least 51% Ownership)**

☐ Less than 125,000 annual gross receipt
☐ Less than 250,000 annual gross receipt
☐ Less than 499,000 annual gross receipt
☐ More than 500,000 annual gross receipt

☐ Black American
☐ Hispanic American
☐ Asian Pacific American

☐ Native American
☐ Women
☐ Other

**Have you been certified as a HUB or an MBE/WBE source?:** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Indicate Certification No.(s):**_____ **or are Certificate(s) attached?:** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**What type of product(s) is/are solicited by your company?:**

**Would you like to be provided with specifications for procurements of such products?:** ☐ Yes ☐ No

**To Be Completed by the County: Rec'd by (Purchasing):**_____ **Date Rec'd by (Purchasing):**

**Date Forwarded Information to Auditor's Office:**_____**Entry Date:** _____ **Vendor No.:**

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## HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED BUSINESS (HUB) DECLARATION

The primary objective of the Hidalgo County HUB Program is to ensure Historically Underutilized Businesses receive a fair and equal opportunity for participation in the County's procurement process. This fact holds true for Services (Professional & Non-Professional), Commodities, and Construction contracts and any subcontracts thereto. The program strongly encourages Prime Contractors to provide subcontracting opportunities to Certified Hub Contractors/Vendors. Our goal for HUB contractor/vendor participation, as well as HUB subcontractor participation is 30%. To be considered as a "Certified HUB Contractor/Vendor" the contractor/vendor must have been certified by, and hold a current and valid certification with any of the three agencies listed below.

Have you been Certified as a HUB or an MBE/WBE source?: ☐Yes ☐ No

If yes, by whom?: ☐ Texas Building & Procurement Commission ☐ Other_____

Indicate Certification No(s).:_____ or Are Certificate(s) Attached?: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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## LIST OF CERTIFIED HUB SUBCONTRACTORS

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

What percentage of the Bid, RFP,or RFQ is to be subcontracted with Certified HUB sources?: _____%
(List HUB Subcontractor information below).

HUB Subcontractor Name: _____ HUB Status:
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): ☐Texas Building & Procurement Commission ☐ Other
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip:
Contact Person: _____ Title: _____ Phone No.: ( )
Subcontract Amount: $_____ Description of Work to be Performed:

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HUB Subcontractor Name: _____ HUB Status:
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): ☐Texas Building & Procurement Commission ☐ Other
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip:
Contact Person: _____ Title: _____ Phone No.: ( )
Subcontract Amount: $_____ Description of Work to be Performed:

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HUB Subcontractor Name: _____ HUB Status:
Certifying Agency (Check all applicable): ☐Texas Building & Procurement Commission ☐ Other
Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip:
Contact Person: _____ Title: _____ Phone No.: ( )
Subcontract Amount: $_____ Description of Work to be Performed:

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Form **W-9**
(Rev. December 2014)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.**

Print or type
See Specific Instructions on page 2.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only **one** of the following seven boxes:

☐ Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____

**Note.** For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner.

☐ Other (see instructions) ▶

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any) _____

Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____

*(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)*

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)

Requester's name and address (optional)

6 City, state, and ZIP code

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

## Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

**Note.** If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

**Social security number**

| | | | – | | – | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | | | |

**or**

**Employer identification number**

| | | – | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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## Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

**Sign Here** | **Signature of U.S. person** ▶ | **Date** ▶

## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

**Future developments.** Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at *www.irs.gov/fw9*.

### Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

*If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding.* See *What is backup withholding?* on page 2.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
4. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

**Note.** If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax under section 1446 on any foreign partners' share of effectively connected taxable income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, the rules under section 1446 require a partnership to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the section 1446 withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid section 1446 withholding on your share of partnership income.

In the cases below, the following person must give Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States:

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the entity;
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the trust; and
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

**Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien.** Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a "saving clause." Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

***Example.*** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

## Backup Withholding

**What is backup withholding?** Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 28% of such payments. This is called "backup withholding." Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

**Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:**

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code* on page 3 and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* above.

## What is FATCA reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all United States account holders that are specified United States persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code* on page 3 and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

## Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account; for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

## Penalties

**Failure to furnish TIN.** If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of $50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a $500 penalty.

**Criminal penalty for falsifying information.** Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

# Specific Instructions

## Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9.

a. **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

**Note. ITIN applicant:** Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040/1040A/1040EZ you filed with your application.

b. **Sole proprietor or single-member LLC.** Enter your individual name as shown on your 1040/1040A/1040EZ on line 1. You may enter your business, trade, or "doing business as" (DBA) name on line 2.

c. **Partnership, LLC that is not a single-member LLC, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name as shown on the entity's tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

d. **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

e. **Disregarded entity.** For U.S. federal tax purposes, an entity that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner is treated as a "disregarded entity." See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iii). Enter the owner's name on line 1. The name of the entity entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner's name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on line 2, "Business name/disregarded entity name." If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

## Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, you may enter it on line 2.

## Line 3

Check the appropriate box in line 3 for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box in line 3.

**Limited Liability Company (LLC).** If the name on line 1 is an LLC treated as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and enter "P" in the space provided. If the LLC has filed Form 8832 or 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, check the "Limited Liability Company" box and in the space provided enter "C" for C corporation or "S" for S corporation. If it is a single-member LLC that is a disregarded entity, do not check the "Limited Liability Company" box; instead check the first box in line 3 "Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC."

## Line 4, Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space in line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

**Exempt payee code.**

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys' fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space in line 4.

1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2)

2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities

5—A corporation

6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or possession

7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

8—A real estate investment trust

9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a)

11—A financial institution

12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian

13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

| IF the payment is for . . . | THEN the payment is exempt for . . . |
|---|---|
| Interest and dividend payments | All exempt payees except for 7 |
| Broker transactions | Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012. |
| Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends | Exempt payees 1 through 4 |
| Payments over $600 required to be reported and direct sales over $5,000[1] | Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5[2] |
| Payments made in settlement of payment card or third party network transactions | Exempt payees 1 through 4 |

[1] See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

[2] However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

**Exemption from FATCA reporting code.** The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) written or printed on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37)

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or possession, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i)

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state

G—A real estate investment trust

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a)

J—A bank as defined in section 581

K—A broker

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1)

M—A tax exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan

**Note.** You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

## Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns.

## Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

# Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

**Enter your TIN in the appropriate box.** If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on this page), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

**Note.** See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at *www.ssa.gov*. You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at *www.irs.gov/businesses* and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting IRS.gov or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

**Note.** Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

**Caution:** *A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.*

## Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if items 1, 4, or 5 below indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code* earlier.

**Signature requirements.** Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

**1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

**2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983.** You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

**3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

**4. Other payments.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

**5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

## What Name and Number To Give the Requester

| For this type of account: | Give name and SSN of: |
|---|---|
| 1. Individual | The individual |
| 2. Two or more individuals (joint account) | The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account[1] |
| 3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act) | The minor[2] |
| 4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) | The grantor-trustee[1] |
| b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law | The actual owner[1] |
| 5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual | The owner[3] |
| 6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A)) | The grantor* |
| **For this type of account:** | **Give name and EIN of:** |
| 7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual | The owner |
| 8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust | Legal entity[4] |
| 9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553 | The corporation |
| 10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization | The organization |
| 11. Partnership or multi-member LLC | The partnership |
| 12. A broker or registered nominee | The broker or nominee |
| 13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments | The public entity |
| 14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B)) | The trust |

[1] List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

[2] Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

[3] You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

[4] List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 2.

*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

**Note.** If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

## Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

**Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.** Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to *phishing@irs.gov*. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: *spam@uce.gov* or contact them at *www.ftc.gov/idtheft* or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit IRS.gov to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

## Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.

**Certification**
**Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Ineligibility**

As is required by the Federal Regulations Implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 45 CFR Part 76, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension, the applicant certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that both it and its principals:

a. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency;

b. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction, violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

c. Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity with commission of any of the offenses enumerated herein; and

d. Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid proposal and/or application had one or more public transactions terminated for cause or default.

Signature:_____
Print Name:_____
Title:_____
Telephone Number:_____
Date:_____

If the bidder is unable to certify to all of the statements in this Certification, such bidder should attach an explanation to this proposal.

## APPENDIX A

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees as follows:

1. **Compliance with Regulations**: The contractor (hereinafter includes consultants)will comply with the Acts and the Regulations relative to Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.

2. **Nondiscrimination**: The contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Acts and the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of49 CFR Part 21.

3. **Solicitations for Subcontracts, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment**: In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding, or negotiation made by the contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Acts and the Regulations relative to Nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

4. **Information and Reports**: The contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the Recipient or the Federal Highway Administration to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Acts, Regulations, and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the contractor will so certify to the Recipient or the Federal Highway Administration, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.

5. **Sanctions for Noncompliance**: In the event of a contractor's noncompliance with the Nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the Recipient will impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:

   a. withholding payments to the contractor under the contract until the contractor complies; and/or
   b. cancelling, terminating, or suspending contract, in whole or in part.

6. **Incorporation of Provisions**: The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations and directives issued pursuant thereto. The contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the Recipient or the Federal Highway Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the contractor may request the Recipient to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the Recipient. In addition, the contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

## APPENDIX B

## CLAUSES FOR DEEDS TRANSFERRING UNITED STATES PROPERTY

The following clauses will be included in deeds effecting or recording the transfer of real property, structures, or improvements thereon, or granting interest therein from the United States pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 4:

NOW, THEREFORE, the U.S. Department of Transportation as authorized by law and upon the condition that the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** will accept title to the lands and maintain the project constructed thereon in accordance with all applicable federal statutes, the Regulations for the Administration of all Department of Transportation programs, and the policies and procedures prescribed by the Federal Highway Administration of the U.S. Department of Transportation in accordance and in compliance with all requirements imposed by Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation pertaining to and effectuating the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252; 42 U.S.C. § 2000d to 2000d-4), does hereby remise, release, quitclaim and convey unto the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** all the right, title and interest of the U.S. Department of Transportation in and to said lands described in Exhibit 1 attached hereto and made a part hereof.

(HABENDUM CLAUSE)

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said lands and interests therein unto **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** and its successors forever, subject, however, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservations herein contained as follows, which will remain in effect for the period during which the real property or structures are used for a purpose for which Federal financial assistance is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits and will be binding on the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO**, its successors and assigns.

The **COUNTY OF HIDALGO**, in consideration of the conveyance of said lands and interests in lands, does hereby covenant and agree as a covenant running with the land for itself, its successors and assigns, that (1) no person will on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to any facility located wholly or in part on, over ,or under such lands hereby conveyed [,] [and]* (2) that the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** will use the lands and interests in lands and interests in lands so conveyed, in compliance with all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, U.S. Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and as said Regulations and Acts may be amended[, and(3) that in the event of breach of any of the above-mentioned nondiscrimination conditions, the Department will have a right to enter or re-enter said lands and facilities on said land ,and that above described land and facilities will thereon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the U.S. Department of Transportation and its assigns as such interest existed prior to this instruction].*

(*Reverted clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

## APPENDIX C

## CLAUSES FOR TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED OR IMPROVED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY, OR PROGRAM

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, leases, permits, or similar instruments entered into by the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(a):

A. The (grantee, lessee, permittee, etc. as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree [in the case of deeds and leases add "as a covenant running with the land"] that:

   1. In the event facilities are constructed, maintained, or otherwise operated on the property described in this (deed, license, lease, permit, etc.) for a purpose for which a U.S. Department of Transportation activity, facility, or program is extended or for another purpose involving the provision of similar services or benefits, the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permitted, etc.) will maintain and operate such facilities and services in compliance with all requirements imposed by the Acts and Regulations (as may be amended)such that no person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.

B. With respect to licenses, leases, permits, etc., in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** will have the right to terminate the (lease, license, permit, etc.) and to enter, re-enter, and repossess said lands and facilities thereon, and hold the same as if the (lease, license, permit, etc.) had never been made or issued.*

C. With respect to a deed, in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** will have the right to enter or re-enter the lands and facilities thereon, and the above described lands and facilities will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** and its assigns.*

(*Reverted clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

## APPENDIX D

## CLAUSES FOR CONSTRUCTION/USE/ACCESS TO REAL PROPERTY ACQUIRED UNDER THE ACTIVITY, FACILITY OR PROGRAM

The following clauses will be included in deeds, licenses, permits, or similar instruments/agreements entered into by **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** pursuant to the provisions of Assurance 7(b):

A. The (grantee, licensee, permittee, etc., as appropriate) for himself/herself, his/her heirs, personal representatives, successors in interest, and assigns, as a part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree (in the case of deeds and leases add, "as a covenant running with the land") that (1) no person on the ground of race, color ,or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities, (2) that in the construction of any improvements on, over, or under such land, and the furnishing of services thereon, no person on the ground of race, color, or national origin, will be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination, (3) that the (grantee, licensee, lessee, permittee, etc.) will use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed by or pursuant to the Acts and Regulations, as amended, set forth in this Assurance.

B. With respect to (licenses, leases, permits, etc.), in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** will have the right to terminate the (license, permit, etc., as appropriate) and to enter or re-enter and repossess said land and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if said(license, permit, etc., as appropriate) had never been made or issued.*

C. With respect to deeds, in the event of breach of any of the above Nondiscrimination covenants, **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** will there upon revert to and vest in and become the absolute property of **COUNTY OF HIDALGO** and its assigns.*

(*Reverted clause and related language to be used only when it is determined that such a clause is necessary in order to make clear the purpose of Title VI.)

## APPENDIX E

During the performance of this contract, the contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "contractor") agrees to comply with the following nondiscrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

**Pertinent Nondiscrimination Authorities:**

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin); and 49CFR Part 21.
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of1970, (42U.S.C. § 4601), (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973, (23U.S.C. § 324et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, (29U.S.C. § 794 et seq.), as amended, (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49CFRPart 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended,(42U.S.C. § 6101 et seq.), (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982, (49U.S.C. § 4 71, Section 4 7123),as amended, (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987,(PL 100-209), (Broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, The Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 U.S.C. §§ 12131-12189)as implemented by Department of Transportation regulations at 49C.F.R. parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Nondiscrimination statute (49U.S.C. § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures discrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;
- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);
- Title IX of the Education Amendments of1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 U .S.C. 1681 et seq).

# EXHIBIT "F"
# PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT

**PROPOSER'S AFFIDAVIT OF NON-COLLUSION
NON-CONFILICT OF INTERST, AND ANTI-LOBBYING FOR
"PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES POOL"**

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO

Affiant, _____, being first duly sworn, deposes that:

(1) Affiant does hereby state neither the Proposer nor any of the Proposer's officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, has in any way colluded, conspired, agreed, directly or indirectly with any person, firm, corporation, or other proposer, or potential proposer, to provide any money or other valuable consideration for assistance in procuring or attempting to procure a contract or fix the prices in the attached proposed or the proposal of any other proposer, and further states that no such money or other reward will be hereinafter paid.

(2) Affiant further states they have neither recommended or suggested to Hidalgo County or nay of its officials or employees, any of the terms or provisions set forth in their Request for Proposal and subsequent agreement, except at a meeting open to all interested proposers, of which proper notice was given.

(3) Affiant, further states their officers, employees, or agents have not, and will not attempt to lobby, directly or indirectly, the Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court between proposal submission date and award by the Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court.

(4) Affiant further states no officer, or stockholder of the Proposer is a member of the staff, or related to any employee of the Hidalgo County except as noted herein below:

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Signature/Title: _____

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____day of _____, 20____.

_____

Notary Public

My commission expires:_____, 20____

**HIDALGO COUNTY**
(Including all funding sources, programs, and entities)
**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**
**"Professional Engineering Services Pool"**

**RFQ No.: 2017-006-02-01-YSS**

# RFQ SUBMITTAL CHECK LIST

**All forms listed below must be included in the RFQ response.**

**Indicate with a check mark (✓) the Forms completed and included in this response:**

_____ Page 10 of Legal Notice

_____ Attachment B

_____ Exhibit "C" - Insurance & Project Acknowledgement forms

_____ Exhibit "D" - CIQ Form -Copy of Co. Clerk Recording fee receipt (if applicable)

_____ Exhibit "E" - Vendor Bidder Applications and IRS form W-9

_____ Exhibit "F" - Certification Regarding Debarment

_____ Exhibit "H" - Proposer's Affidavit

_____ SAMS.gov Registration - Acknowledgement www.sam.gov

_____ One (1) Original, Three (3) Copies of Bid(s) and 8 CD's in PDF format (see number 2 of Legal Notice).

# EXHIBIT A

## -Scope of Services to be provided by the Owner

The following provides an outline of the services to be provided by the Owner in the development of Projects (as defined and more particularly identified in Exhibit "A" attached to this Agreement).

**General:**

The Owner will provide to the Engineer the following:

1) Provide the authorization to proceed with services through coordination with the project consulting and design Engineer.
2) Payment for work performed by the Engineer and accepted by the Owner in accordance with Article 3 of this Agreement.
3) Assistance to the Engineer, as necessary, to obtain the required data and information from other local, regional, State and Federal agencies the Engineer cannot easily obtain.
4) Provide any available relevant data the Owner may have on file concerning the projects.
5) Provide timely review and decisions in response to the Engineer's request for information and/or required submittals and deliverables, in order for the Engineer to maintain the agreed upon work schedule prepared in accordance with Exhibit "A" attached to this Agreement.
6) Attend and participate in progress meetings as required and as coordinated and conducted by Engineer.
7) Provide the authorization to proceed with services on project by project basis through consulting design and construction Engineer.

# EXHIBIT B

-Scope of Services to be provided by the Engineer

CHANIN
ENGINEERING, LLC

# EXHIBIT B

Scope of Services to be Provided by the Engineer

**Project Understanding**:

We understand the facility is an existing metal building structure at the Precinct 1 Maintenance Site.

We further understand the structure is approximately 70 feet by 100 feet in size.

We also understand the facility is currently not in use.

We understand the structural system is a pre-engineered metal building with a concrete foundation.

We also understand the current building materials include some CMU walls.

We understand the exterior walls and roof are framed with steel purlins and metal panels.

We further understand the client has a desire to re-occupy the building for office use.

We understand the client has concerns with the existing structural integrity of the building.

We understand our scope at this time will be to perform an analysis and assessment of the existing structural conditions and provide a professional opinion on the feasibility of retrofitting the existing structure for re-use. Our scope will include the following:

**Phase 1- Kickoff and Mobilization**

1) Initial site visit to assess existing condition

**Phase 2 – Analysis**

1) Structural Site Survey to obtain measurements and generate a set of structural as-built conditions.

2) AutoCAD generation of as-built conditions structural modeling and analysis to current building code.

**Phase 3 – Report Generation**

1) Generate written report with findings

2) Meet with client to discuss findings and possible options

**Phase 4 – Deliverables**

1) Written report

2) AutoCAD file with as-built drawings

Chanin Engineering, LLC
400 Nolana, Suite H2
McAllen, Texas 78504
Phone: (956) 687-9421 | Fax: (956) 687-3211
TBPE Firm Registration No. F-9369

# EXHIBIT C
-Work Schedule

CHANIN
ENGINEERING, LLC

# EXHIBIT C

Work Schedule

**Phase 1- Kickoff and Mobilization**

1) Initial site visit to assess existing condition

**Phase 2 – Analysis**

3) Structural Site Survey to obtain measurements and generate a set of structural as-built conditions.

4) AutoCAD generation of as-built conditions structural modeling and analysis to current building code.

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# EXHIBIT D

-Engineer's Contract Rates

CHANIN
ENGINEERING, LLC

| Engineering: | Hourly rate |
|---|---|
| E-1 Engineer In Training 1 | $ 75.00 |
| E-2 Engineer In Training 2 | $ 85.00 |
| E-3 Project Engineer 1 * | $125.00 |
| E-4 Project Engineer 2 * | $135.00 |
| E-5 Principal Engineer * | $145.00 |

Technicians:

| | |
|---|---|
| T-1 Technician I | $ 65.00 |
| T-2 Technician II | $ 75.00 |
| T-3 Technician III | $ 85.00 |

Computer Aided Drafting:

| | |
|---|---|
| C-1 CAD I | $ 45.00 |
| C-2 CAD II | $ 55.00 |
| C-3 CAD III | $ 65.00 |

Administrative:

| | |
|---|---|
| A-1 Clerical | $ 30.00 |
| A-2 Accounts Payable/Billable | $ 35.00 |
| A-3 Office Manager/Executive Assistant | $ 45.00 |

* Licensed professional engineer, unless noted otherwise.

The Basic Service fee shall be billed by monthly invoice based on project progress.

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# EXHIBIT D-1

-Estimated Project Fee Schedule

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ENGINEERING, LLC

# EXHIBIT D

Fee Breakdown/ Engineer's Contract Rates

**Phase 1- Kickoff and Mobilization**

1) Initial site visit to assess existing condition

**Phase 2 – Analysis**

1. Structural Site Survey to obtain measurements and generate a set of structural as-built conditions.

| Classification | Hourly Rate | | Hours | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| T-3 Technician III | $85.00 | x | 24 | = | $2,040 |
| C-3 CAD III | $65.00 | x | 24 | = | $1,560 |
| | | | | | **$3,600** |

2. AutoCAD generation of as-built conditions structural modeling and analysis to current building code.

| Classification | Hourly Rate | | Hours | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| C-3 CAD III | $65.00 | x | 14 | = | $910 |
| E-1 Engineer in Training | $75.00 | x | 20 | = | $1,500 |
| | | | | | **$2,410** |

**Phase 2 Total** **$6,010**

**Phase 3 – Report Generation**

1. Generate written report with findings

| Classification | Hourly Rate | | Hours | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| E-1 Engineer in Training | $75.00 | x | 16 | = | **$1200** |

2. Meet with client to discuss findings and possible options

| Classification | Hourly Rate | | Hours | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| E-5 Principal Engineer | $145.00 | x | 2 | = | **$290** |

**Phase 3 Total** **$1,490**

**Phase 4 – Deliverables (to be submitted at client meeting on phase III)**

5) Written report

6) AutoCAD file with as-built drawings

Total Professional Engineering Fee: $7,500

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# EXHIBIT E

## -Work Authorization

**HIDALGO COUNTY**
**Professional Engineering Services**
**Agreement# C-17-125-05-16**

**WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. ___**

**THIS WORK AUTHORIZATION** is made pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section I.A. of the Agreement made by and between **HIDALGO COUNTY**, action herein by and through the **Commissioner's Court**, hereinafter called the "**Owner**," and, _____ professional engineers of_____ Texas, hereinafter called "**Engineer**".

**PART 1. SCOPE OF WORK**
The purpose of this Work Authorization is for the "engineering services" to provide_____.

The scope of services to be provided by the **Owner** is identified in **EXHIBIT "A" – Scope of Services to be provided by the Owner** attached hereto.

The scope of services to be provided by the **Engineer** is identified in **EXHIBIT "B" – Scope of Services to be provided by the Engineer** attached hereto.

**PART 2. ESTIMATED COST**
The estimated cost for services under this Work Authorization is _____.This amount is based upon the costs outlined in the Estimated **Cost Proposal** attached hereto as **EXHIBIT "D".**

**PART 3. PAYMENT**
Compensation and payment to the Engineer for the services established under this Work Authorization shall be made in accordance with Article/Part/Section _____ of the Agreement.

**PART 4. FUNDING**
This Work Authorization No.__ shall be funded through funding source:
Account No. _-_ _ _ _-_ _ _-_ _-_ _ _-_ _ _-_-_ _ _
Requisition Number _____ **(MUST BE INCLUDED AFTER CC APPROVAL)**

**PART 5. PERIOD OF SERVICE**
This Work Authorization shall become effective on the date of final acceptance of the parties hereto, and terminate ***upon completion of scopes of the work authorization.***

**PART 6. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS**
This Authorization does not waive the parties' responsibilities and obligations provided under the **Agreement**.

**PART 7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIRMATION**
Acknowledgement and Confirmation by **Hidalgo County Precinct No.1**, as to content and detail of this **Work Authorization No. ____.**

**HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT No. 1:**

By: _____
Hon. David Fuentes, Commissioner, Precinct 1

**PART 8. ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL**
This Work Authorization is hereby accepted, approved by Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court on (cc approval date)_____ as indicated below and effective as of _____ day of _____, 201____.

**THE ENGINEER:**
**CHANIN ENGINEERING, LLC**

By:_____
Miguel Chanin, P.E.

**THE OWNER:**
**HIDALGO COUNTY**

By: _____
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

**ATTEST:**

By:_____
Arturo Guajardo Jr., County Clerk

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# EXHIBIT F

## -Supplemental Agreement Form

**THE STATE OF TEXAS** §
§
**COUNTY OF HIDALGO** §

**SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. ____**
**TO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES**

**THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT** is made pursuant to the terms and conditions of paragraph 5 of the Agreement made by and between **HIDALGO COUNTY**, acting herein by and through the **Commissioner's Court**, hereinafter called the "**Owner**", and _____, Professional Engineers of, _____, Texas, hereinafter called the "**Engineer**".

**WITNESSETH**

**WHEREAS**, the **Owner** and the **Engineer** executed the **Agreement** on the ___ day of _____ **20**___ concerning Engineering for_____ hereinafter referred to as the ("**Project**"); and,

**WHEREAS**, Paragraph ___ of the **Agreement**, (paragraph title), establishes _____; and,

**WHEREAS**, it has become necessary to amend the Agreement to _____

AGREEMENT

**NOW THEREFORE**, premises considered, the **Owner** and the **Engineer** agree that said **Agreement** is amended as follows:

I. Paragraph ___ of the **Agreement**, (paragraph title), is revised to

_____
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____
_____

**All other provisions are unchanged and remain in full force and effect.**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Engineer and the Owner have caused this Supplemental Agreement to the Agreement for Professional Services to be executed as of the _____ day of _____, 20__.

**THE ENGINEER:**

**BY:**_____

Address for Giving Notices:

_____

_____

**THE OWNER:**
**HIDALGO COUNTY**

**BY:**_____
Ramon Garcia, County Judge

**LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**

(as required)

# EXHIBIT G

-CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE (*HIDALGO COUNTY*)

# CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY): 01/24/17

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

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| PRODUCER | CONTACT NAME: Andrew Gonzalez | |
|---|---|---|
| Andrew Gonzalez Insurance Agency<br>3102 E Bus Hwy 83, Ste A<br>Weslaco, TX 78596 | PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): (956)969-1551 | FAX (A/C, No): (956) 973-0814 |
| | E-MAIL ADDRESS: dgonzalez1@farmersagent.com | |
| | INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE | NAIC # |
| | INSURER A : Farmers Insurance Exchange | |
| INSURED | INSURER B : Truck Insurance Exchange | |
| | INSURER C : Farmers Insurance Exchange | |
| Chanin Engineering, LLC<br>400 W. Nolana Suite D<br>McAllen, TX 78504 | INSURER D : | |
| | INSURER E : | |
| | INSURER F : | |

**COVERAGES** **CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** **REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

| INSR LTR | TYPE OF INSURANCE | ADDL INSD | SUBR WVD | POLICY NUMBER | POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY) | POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY) | LIMITS | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| B | COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY<br>CLAIMS-MADE ☐ OCCUR<br>GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:<br>POLICY ☐ PRO-JECT ☐ LOC<br>OTHER: | | | 60474-00-01 | 05/20/16 | 05/20/17 | EACH OCCURRENCE<br>DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)<br>MED EXP (Any one person)<br>PERSONAL & ADV INJURY<br>GENERAL AGGREGATE<br>PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG | $ 1,000,000<br>$ 75,000<br>$ 5,000<br>$ 1,000,000<br>$ 2,000,000<br>$ |
| B | AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY<br>ANY AUTO<br>OWNED AUTOS ONLY<br>HIRED AUTOS ONLY<br>☒ SCHEDULED AUTOS<br>NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY | | | 60433-44-47 | 05/20/17 | 05/20/18 | COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)<br>BODILY INJURY (Per person)<br>BODILY INJURY (Per accident)<br>PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) | $ 1,000,000<br>$<br>$<br>$ |
| B | UMBRELLA LIAB ☐ OCCUR<br>EXCESS LIAB ☐ CLAIMS-MADE<br>DED ☐ RETENTION $ | | | 604387470 | 05/20/16 | 05/20/17 | EACH OCCURRENCE<br>AGGREGATE | $ 1,000,000<br>$ |
| B | WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY<br>ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) Y/N ☐<br>If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below | N/A | | A0708-08-31 | 02/15/17 | 02/15/18 | PER STATUTE ☐ OTH-ER<br>E.L. EACH ACCIDENT<br>E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE<br>E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT | $ 1,000,000<br>$ 1,000,000<br>$ 1,000,000 |

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

Certificate Holder is added as Additional Insured.
2008 Ford F150 Vin#1FTRX12W58KB30687

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER**

HIDALGO COUNTY
ATTN: PURCHASING DEPT
2812 SOUTH BUSINESS HWY 281
EDINBURG,TX. 78539

**CANCELLATION**

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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Client#: 169285 CHANIENG

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| PRODUCER | CONTACT NAME: Michelle Weweh |
|---|---|
| USI Southwest<br>9811 Katy Freeway, Suite 500<br>Houston, TX 77024<br>713 490-4600 | PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): 713 490-4512 FAX (A/C, No): 713-490-4700<br>E-MAIL ADDRESS: michelle.weweh@usi.com |

| INSURED | INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE | NAIC # |
|---|---|---|
| Chanin Engineering, LLC<br>400 Nolana, Suite D<br>Mcallen, TX 78504 | INSURER A : XL Specialty Insurance Company | 37885 |
| | INSURER B : | |
| | INSURER C : | |
| | INSURER D : | |
| | INSURER E : | |
| | INSURER F : | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY | | | | | | EACH OCCURRENCE | $ |
| | ☐ CLAIMS-MADE ☐ OCCUR | | | | | | DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) | $ |
| | | | | | | | MED EXP (Any one person) | $ |
| | | | | | | | PERSONAL & ADV INJURY | $ |
| | GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: | | | | | | GENERAL AGGREGATE | $ |
| | ☐ POLICY ☐ PRO-JECT ☐ LOC | | | | | | PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG | $ |
| | ☐ OTHER: | | | | | | | $ |
| | AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY | | | | | | COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) | $ |
| | ☐ ANY AUTO | | | | | | BODILY INJURY (Per person) | $ |
| | ☐ ALL OWNED AUTOS ☐ SCHEDULED AUTOS | | | | | | BODILY INJURY (Per accident) | $ |
| | ☐ HIRED AUTOS ☐ NON-OWNED AUTOS | | | | | | PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) | $ |
| | | | | | | | | $ |
| | ☐ UMBRELLA LIAB ☐ OCCUR | | | | | | EACH OCCURRENCE | $ |
| | ☐ EXCESS LIAB ☐ CLAIMS-MADE | | | | | | AGGREGATE | $ |
| | ☐ DED ☐ RETENTION $ | | | | | | | $ |
| | WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY Y / N | | | | | | ☐ PER STATUTE ☐ OTH-ER | |
| | ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? ☐ | N / A | | | | | E.L. EACH ACCIDENT | $ |
| | (Mandatory in NH) | | | | | | E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE | $ |
| | If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below | | | | | | E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT | $ |
| A | Professional Liability | | | DPS9724960 | 11/04/2016 | 07/28/2017 | $1,000,000 per claim<br>$2,000,000 annl aggr. | |

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

This Certificate is issued for insured operations usual to Engineering services.

**CERTIFICATE HOLDER**

Hidalgo County
Attn: Purchasing Department
2812 S. Business Hwy. 281
Edinburg, TX 78539

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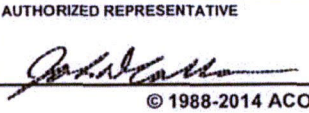
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE



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# CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

**FORM 1295**



Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.
Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

**OFFICE USE ONLY**
**CERTIFICATION OF FILING**

**Certificate Number:**
2017-195319

**Date Filed:**
04/19/2017

**Date Acknowledged:**

**1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.**
Chanin Engineering, LLC
McAllen, TX United States

**2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.**
Hidalgo County

**3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.**
C-17-125-05-16
Sunset Structure Facility

| 4 Name of Interested Party | City, State, Country (place of business) | Nature of interest (check applicable) | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | Controlling | Intermediary |
| Chanin Engineering, LLC | McAllen, TX United States | X | |
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**5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party.** ☐

**6 AFFIDAVIT**

TANIA A. ORTEGA
Notary Public, State of Texas
My Commission Expires
August 05, 2017

I swear, or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the above disclosure is true and correct.

Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity

AFFIX NOTARY STAMP / SEAL ABOVE

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said Miguel Chanin, this the 19th day of April, 20 17, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

| Signature of officer administering oath | Printed name of officer administering oath | Title of officer administering oath |
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| Tania A. Ortega | Tania A. Ortega | Notary Public |

# CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES

FORM 1295



Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties.
Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.

**OFFICE USE ONLY**
**CERTIFICATION OF FILING**

*Certificate Number:*
2017-195319

**Date Filed:**
04/19/2017

**Date Acknowledged:**
05/09/2017

**1 Name of business entity filing form, and the city, state and country of the business entity's place of business.**
Chanin Engineering, LLC
McAllen, TX United States

**2 Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the contract for which the form is being filed.**
Hidalgo County

**3 Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.**
C-17-125-05-16
Sunset Structure Facility

| 4 Name of Interested Party | City, State, Country (place of business) | Nature of interest (check applicable) | |
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| | | Controlling | Intermediary |
| Chanin Engineering, LLC | McAllen, TX United States | X | |
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**5 Check only if there is NO Interested Party.** ☐

**6 AFFIDAVIT**

I swear, or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the above disclosure is true and correct.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said _____, this the _____ day of _____, 20_____, to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.

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Signature of officer administering oath | Printed name of officer administering oath | Title of officer administering oath