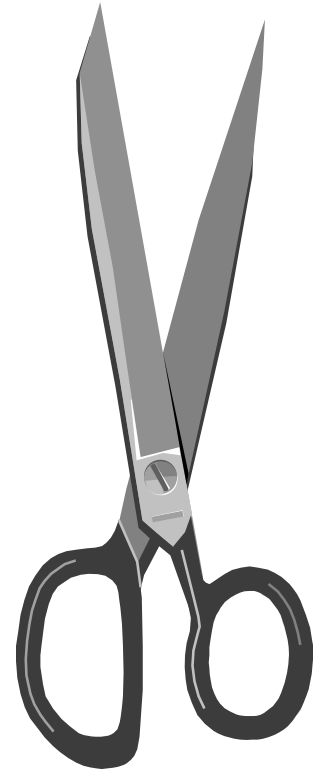


Cut along the outer border and affix this label to your sealed bid envelope to identify it as a “Sealed Bid”. Be sure to include the name of the company submitting the bid where requested.



SEALED BID • DO NOT OPEN	
SEALED BID NO.:	145-0487-CP(DF)
BID TITLE:	Exterior Lighting System Upgrades – WE Dunn WRF
DUE DATE/TIME:	October 20, 2015 @ 3:00 P.M.
SUBMITTED BY:	_____
	(Name of Company)
DELIVER TO:	
	PURCHASING DEPARTMENT Board of County Commissioners Annex Building –6 th Floor 400 South Fort Harrison Avenue Clearwater, FL 33756



Please Note:

From time to time, addenda may be issued to this bid. Any such addenda will be posted on the same Web site, www.pinellascounty.org/purchase/Current_Bids1.htm , from which you obtained this bid.

Before submitting your bid you should check our Web site to download any addenda that may have been issued. Please remember to sign and return Addenda Acknowledgement Form with completed bid package if applicable.

SUBMIT TO: PINELLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 400 S. FT. HARRISON AVENUE ANNEX BUILDING – 6 TH FLOOR CLEARWATER, FL 33756	 <h1>INVITATION TO BID</h1>	BID NUMBER: 145-0487-CP(DF)
ISSUE DATE: September 18, 2015	TITLE: Exterior Lighting System Upgrade – WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153)	
SUBMITTAL DUE: October 20, 2015 @ 3:00 P.M.		
AND MAY NOT BE WITHDRAWN FOR 120 DAYS FROM DATE LISTED ABOVE. BID SUBMITTALS RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DATE & TIME WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE RETURNED		NON-MANDATORY SITE VISIT September 28, 2015 at 9:00 AM
DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN QUESTIONS: October 9, 2015 by 3:00 P.M.	SUBMIT QUESTIONS TO: David Fechter AT dfechter@pinellascounty.org Phone: 727-464-3154 Fax: 727-464-3925	
Engineering Estimate \$819,594.00 Plans Prepared by: HDR, Inc. Engineer/Project Manager is: Thomas Menke, Engineering	THE MISSION OF PINELLAS COUNTY Pinellas County Government is committed to progressive public policy, superior public service, courteous public contact, judicious exercise of authority and sound management of public resources to meet the needs and concerns of our citizens today and tomorrow.	 JOSEPH LAURO, CPPO/CPPB Director of Purchasing

NOTE: BIDS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED IN DUPLICATE. THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED WITH YOUR BID

Awards of bids for construction services with an engineering estimate in excess of \$100,000 will only be made to Bidders who have pre-qualified with Pinellas County for Electrical type category construction, or those that are prequalified by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in an equivalent category, in the amount that equals or exceeds their bid. Only those bids from Bidders that meet the pre-qualification requirements from either Pinellas County or FDOT prior to a bid opening will be considered.

BIDDER MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

Bidders are cautioned that the policy of the Board of County Commissioners, Pinellas County, is to accept the lowest responsible bid received meeting Specifications. No changes requested by a Bidder due to an error in pricing will be considered after bid opening date as advertised. By signing this proposal form Bidders are attesting to their awareness of this policy and are agreeing to all other bid terms and conditions including all insurance requirements.

PAYMENT TERMS: ___% ___DAYS, NET PER F.S. 218.735

BIDDER (COMPANY NAME):	D/B/A	
Mailing Address	City, State Zip	
Company Email Address	Phone	Fax
Remit To Name (as Shown on Company Invoice)	Printed Contact Representative/Title/Email	

Proper Corporate Identity is needed when you submit your bid, especially how your firm is registered with the Florida Division of Corporations. Please visit www.sunbiz.org for this information. It is essential to return a copy of your W-9 with your bid. Thank you.

I HEREBY AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS BID INCLUDING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS & CERTIFY I AM AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THIS BID FOR THE BIDDER.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME & TITLE

We, the above signed, hereby declare that no person or persons, firm or corporation, other than the above signed, are interested in this proposal, as principals, and this Proposal is made without collusion with any person, firm or corporation, and we have carefully to our full satisfaction examined the Special Provisions and form of Agreement and Bond, together with approved Plans and Specifications for the above described Project, and we have made a full examination of the location of the proposed Work and source of supply of materials, and we hereby agree to furnish all necessary labor, equipment, and materials, fully understanding that quantities shown herewith are approximate only, and we will fully complete all necessary Work in accordance with Plans and, Specifications and requirements under the terms of the Design Professional/Engineer, within the Agreement Amount and Agreement Period specified in this Proposal for the following unit values.

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DEFINITIONS**DEFINITIONS**

Whenever the following terms, or pronouns used in place of them, are used in these Contract Documents they shall have the meanings given below:

Addendum: A modification, revision or clarification of the Plans or other Contract Documents, issued by the Purchasing Department and distributed to prospective Bidders before the bid opening.

Approved Equal: An approved equivalent item that is approved in writing, (via an Addendum to the Agreement), prior to the Bid Opening. Bidder must submit their proposed equivalent item no later than question deadline date on page 1. Any information received after this deadline will not be considered.

Bid Publication: The date on which public notice is made to request a bid/request for proposal for this Project.

Bid/Request for Proposal: The offer to perform the Work described in the Contract Documents at a specified cost.

Architect/Design Professional/Engineer of Record: The Professional Architect/Design Professional/Engineer or Architectural/Design Professional/Engineering Firm contracted by the County and registered in the State of Florida who develops criteria and concept for the Project, performs the analysis and is responsible for the preparation of the Contract Plans and Specifications. The Architect/Design Professional/Engineer of Record will be a Consultant retained by the County or a county in-house staff member.

Board of County Commissioners: Governing body of Pinellas County hereinafter referred to as the Board.

Calendar Day: Every day shown on the calendar, ending and beginning at Midnight.

Change Order: A written order authorized by the Board or County Administrator, issued by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, and accepted by the Contractor directing certain changes, additions or reductions in the Work or in the materials used.

Commencement Date: Date established in the Notice to Proceed. Contractor shall commence the Work within fifteen (15) consecutive calendar days from the date of the Notice to Proceed.

Consultant: The Professional Engineer/Design Professional or Engineering Firm registered in the State of Florida who performs Professional Engineering Services for the County, other than County personnel. The Consultant may be the Design Professional/Engineer of Record or may provide services through and be subcontracted to the Design Professional/Engineer of Record or maybe providing construction engineering and inspection (CEI) services, as applicable.

Contractor: The General Contractor, the Individual, Partnership or Corporation agreeing to do the Work for the County as Prime Contractor.

Contract Documents: All documents referred to herein in addition to all duly executed and issued addenda, legal advertisements and change orders.

Design Professional: A collective term intended to apply to "Architect/Engineer of Record", licensed and registered in the State of Florida, the prime party responsible for the design, engineering, and construction documentation of the project and contracted directly with the Owner.

Engineer: The Engineer, a staff member of the County or his duly authorized representative, acting on behalf of the County.

FDOT: The Florida Department of Transportation.

FDOT Specifications: Florida Department of Transportation, "STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION", (latest edition), and all supplemental specifications thereto.

Final Acceptance: Whenever the Work provided for under the Agreement has been completely performed by the Contractor, and the final inspection has been made by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.

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Final Completion: The point in which all Work is complete and all other Agreement requirements have been satisfied.

Inspector: An authorized representative of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, assigned to make any or all necessary inspections of the Work performed and materials furnished by the Contractor.

Man Day: A unit of measure for work by one person in a calendar day.

Notice of Award: The formal document informing the Contractor of its successful selection to construct the Project.

Notice to Proceed: Formal written document informing the Contractor to begin the Work, and notifying the Contractor of the architect, project engineer and other agency or person to which the Contractor may submit its payment request or invoice.

Owner: Is Pinellas County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, herein after referred to as the County.

PCU - Standard Specifications: Pinellas County Utilities (PCU) "Material Specification Manual", "Technical Specifications", "Pump Station Standard Details" and "Standard Details" as described and defined on the Utility Department's website at <http://www.pinellascounty.org/utilities> under the Engineering header. Contractor's bid must be based on those standards that are in place as of the Bid Publication date.

PC Special Provisions -- Pinellas County Environment and Infrastructure Roadway Special Provisions that provide specific additions and/or revisions to the requirements of the Pinellas County Standard Technical Specifications for Roadway and Related (latest edition).

PC Std. Tech. Spec. -- Pinellas County Environment and Infrastructure Standard Technical Specifications for Roadway and Related Construction (latest edition) shown on the Pinellas County website.

PC Supplemental Specifications: Specifications adopted by Pinellas County Environment and Infrastructure that add or revise the Pinellas County Standard Technical Specifications for Roadway and Related Construction (latest edition) and/or the Pinellas County Special Provisions, setting forth conditions varying from or additional to the Pinellas County Standard Technical Specifications (latest edition) and/or the Pinellas County Special Provisions applicable to a specific Project or a specific set of conditions.

Plans: Approved drawings or reproductions thereof, showing the location, character, dimension and details of the work to be done as issued by the Design Professional/Engineer.

Project: All Work, materials or equipment (whether or not specifically called for) required to produce the intended result as described within the Contract Documents.

Project Manager: The individual designated by the Owner to represent the owner on all administrative matters related to the Project.

Proposal and Bid Submittal Sheets: Form, as required in Section E.

Punch List: The written compilation of those items identified by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager after Substantial Completion is achieved, which are required to render complete, satisfactory and acceptable the Project (or phase of a Project).

Record Drawings: Record Drawings are a set of signed/sealed CONTRACT PLANS that are maintained by the Contractor for the express use of recording AS-BUILT INFORMATION.

Regular Work Day or Business Day: Any calendar day from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM except a Saturday, Sunday or recognized holiday.

Schedule of Values: the individual values as set forth by the Contractor as payment for the bid quantity units identified on the bid submittal sheets. The total of the extended units in the Schedule of Values determines the Agreement Amount. The Agreement Amount may only be modified by Change Order approved by the Board, or County Administrator.

Scope of Work: The general intent of the Work to be accomplished as defined by the Project Plans and Specifications.

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Special Notices: Specific clauses adding to or revising the Standard Specifications, setting forth conditions varying from or additional to the Standard Specifications, for a specific Project.

Specifications: The directions, provisions and requirements contained herein, together with all stipulations contained in the plans or Contract Documents, setting out or relating to the method and manner of performing the Work, or to the quantities and qualities of materials and labor to be furnished under the Agreement.

Substantial Completion: The date of "Substantial Completion" of the Work (or designated portions thereof) is the date certified by the Consultant and approved by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager when construction is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so the county can occupy or utilize the Work (or designated portions thereof) for the use for which it was intended.

Survey Crew Day: A unit of measurement for Work by a survey crew in a calendar day.

Survey and Layout Plan: See Section B.

Technical Special Provisions: Specifications prepared, signed and sealed by the Consultant. These would be listed in the document hierarchy (shown in Section D) ahead of any other "Standard Specifications", if applicable.

Unforeseen Work: Conditions encountered during the performance of the Work, sub-surface or otherwise concealed, or of an unusual nature, which differ materially from those indicated in the Contract Documents.

Unspecified: A pay item included for usage as directed by the County, and for usage under conditions or circumstances unforeseen at the time of Agreement.

Work: All labor, materials & incidentals required for the construction of the improvement for which the Agreement is made, including superintendence, use of equipment & tools, and all services & responsibilities prescribed or implied, which are necessary for the complete performance by the Contractor of his obligations under the contract. Unless otherwise specified herein or in the Agreement, all costs of liability and of performing the Work shall be at the Contractor's expense.

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. BIDS:

Bid will be prepared in accordance with the following:

- (a) The enclosed Bid Summary is to be used in submitting your bid.
- (b) All information required by the Bid Submittal shall be furnished.
- (c) Unit prices shall be shown and where there is an error in extension of price, the unit price shall govern.
- (d) Alternate bids will not be considered unless authorized by the Invitation to Bid.
- (e) Proposed delivery time must be shown and shall include Sundays and holidays.
- (f) The County is exempt from all state and federal sales, use, transportation and excise taxes. Taxes of any kind and character, payable on account of the work performed and materials furnished under the award, shall be paid by the bidder and deemed to have been included in the bid. The Laws of the State of Florida provide that sales and use taxes are payable by the bidder upon the tangible personal property incorporated in the work and such taxes shall be paid by the bidder and be deemed to have been included in the bid.
- (g) Bidders shall thoroughly examine the Plans, Specifications, schedule, instructions and all other Contract documents.
- (h) Bidders shall make all investigations necessary to thoroughly inform themselves regarding plant and facilities for delivery of material and equipment as required by the bid conditions. Plea of ignorance by the Bidder of conditions that exist or that may hereafter exist as a result of failure or omission on the part of the Bidder to make the necessary examinations and investigations, or failure to fulfill in every detail the requirements of the Contract documents, will not be accepted as a basis for varying the requirements of the County or the compensation to the Bidder.
- (i) Bidders are advised that all County Contracts are subject to all legal requirements provided for in the Purchasing Ordinance and/or State and Federal Statutes.

2. DESCRIPTION OF SUPPLIES:

- (a) Any manufacturer's names, trade names, brand name, or catalog numbers used in Specifications are for the purpose of describing and establishing general quality levels. SUCH REFERENCES ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE RESTRICTIVE. Bids will be considered for all brands which meet the quality of the Specifications listed for any items.
- (b) Bidders are required to state exactly what they intend to furnish otherwise they shall be required to furnish the items as specified.
- (c) Bidders will submit, with their proposal, data necessary to evaluate and determine the quality of the item(s) they are bidding.

3. SUBMISSION OF BID:

- (a) Bids or proposals shall be submitted utilizing recycled paper copied on both sides' wherever possible. Failure to comply could result in the bid or proposal being rejected.
- (b) Bid and changes thereto shall be enclosed in sealed envelopes addressed to the Purchasing Department, Pinellas County. The name and address of the Bidder, the date and hour of the bid submittal and the material or service bid on shall be placed on the outside of the envelope.
- (c) Bid must be submitted on the forms furnished. Electronic/facsimile bids will not be considered. The County reserves the right to modify the Bid Proposal by electronic/facsimile notice.

4. REJECTION OF BID:

- (a) The County may reject a bid if:
 - 1. The Bidder misstates or conceals any material fact in the bid.
 - 2. The bid does not strictly conform to the law or requirements of bid including insurance requirements.
 - 3. The bid is conditional, except that the Bidder may qualify its bid for acceptance by the County on an "all or none" basis, or a "low item" basis. An "all or none" basis bid must include all items upon which the bid was invited.
- (b) The respective constitutional officer, county administrator, on behalf of the board of county commissioners or within his/her delegated financial approval authority, or director of purchasing, within his/her delegated financial approval authority, shall have the authority when the public interest will be served thereby to reject all bids or parts of bids at any stage of the procurement process through the award of a contract
- (c) The County reserves the right to waive minor informalities or irregularities in any bid.

5. WITHDRAWAL OF BID:

- (a) Bid may not be withdrawn after the time set for the bid submittal for a period of time as specified.
- (b) Bid may be withdrawn prior to the time set for the bid submittal. Such request must be in writing.

6. LATE BID OR MODIFICATIONS:

- (a) Bid and modifications received after the time set for the bid submittal will not be considered. **In addition, late bids will not be accepted, will be rejected and will be returned for any reason. The time clock stamp located in Pinellas County Purchasing Department shall be the official time stamp.** This upholds the integrity of the bidding process.
- (b) Modifications in writing received prior to the time set for the bid submittal will be accepted.

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7. **PUBLIC REVIEW AT BID OPENING:** Bids will be opened immediately after the bid submittal date and time (3:00 PM) by the Pinellas County Purchasing Department, 400 South Fort Harrison Avenue, Annex Building, 6th Floor, Clearwater, FL 33756. The public may attend the bid opening, but may not immediately review any bids submitted. The names of respondents and their bids amounts will be read aloud at the time of opening. Pursuant to Florida Statute, Section 119.071(1)(b)2, all bids submitted shall be subject to review as public records after 30 days from opening, or earlier if an intended decision is reached before the thirty day period expires. Unless a specific exemption exists, all documents submitted will be released pursuant to a valid public records request. All trade secrets claims shall be dispositively determined by a court of law prior to trade secret protection being granted.
8. **BID TABULATION INQUIRIES:**
Inquiries relating to the results of this bid, prior to the official bid award by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners may be made by visiting the Pinellas County Purchasing Office. Tabulations will be posted on the Purchasing Website (www.pinellascounty.org/purchase/Current_Bids1.htm) after 30 days to comply with Florida Statute 119.071(1)(b)2.
9. **AWARD OF CONTRACT:**
- (a) The Contract will be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder whose bid, conforming to the Invitation to Bid, is most advantageous to Pinellas County, price and other factors considered. For Invitation to Bid for Sale of Real or Surplus Property, award will be made to the highest and most advantageous bid including price and other factors considered.
 - (b) The County reserves the right to accept and award item by item, and/or by group, or in the aggregate, unless the Bidder qualifies his bid by specified limitations. Re Par. 4(a) 3.
 - (c) If two or more bids received are for the same total amount or unit price, quality and service being equal, the Contract shall be awarded to one Bidder by drawing lots in public.
 - (d) Prices quoted must be FOB Pinellas County with all transportation charges prepaid unless otherwise specified in the Invitation to Bid.
 - (e) A written award of acceptance (Purchase Order), mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful Bidder, shall result in a binding Contract without further action by either party.
10. **BIDS FROM RELATED PARTIES OR MULTIPLE BIDS RECEIVED FROM ONE BIDDER:** Where two (2) or more related parties each submit a bid or proposal or multiple bids are received from one (1) Bidder, for any Contract, such bids or proposals shall be judged non-responsive. Related parties mean Bidders or proposers or the principles thereof, which have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another Bidder or proposer for the same Contract or in which a parent company or the principles thereof of one (1) Bidder or proposer have a direct or indirect ownership interest in another Bidder or proposer for the same Contract.
11. **LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS:** The laws of the State of Florida apply to any purchase made under this Invitation to Bid Bidders shall comply with all local, state, and federal directives, orders and laws as applicable to this bid and subsequent contract(s) including but not limited to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), and OSHA as applicable to this agreement.
12. **PROVISION FOR OTHER AGENCIES:** Unless otherwise stipulated by the Bidder, the Bidder agrees to make available to all Government agencies, departments, and municipalities the bid prices submitted in accordance with said bid terms and conditions therein, should any said governmental entity desire to buy under this proposal. Eligible Users shall mean all state of Florida agencies, the legislative and judicial branches, political subdivisions (counties, local district school boards, community colleges, municipalities, or other public agencies or authorities), which may desire to purchase under the terms and conditions of the Agreement.
13. **PUBLIC RECORDS/TRADE SECRETS:** Pinellas County Government is subject to the Florida Public Records law (Chapter 119, Florida Statutes), and all documents, materials, and data submitted to any solicitation as part of the response are governed by the disclosure, exemption and confidentiality provisions relating to public records in Florida Statutes. Except for materials that are "trade secrets" or "confidential" as defined by applicable Florida law, ownership of all documents, materials, and data submitted in response to the solicitation shall belong exclusively to the County.

To the extent that Proposer/Bidder/Quoter desires to maintain the confidentiality of materials that constitute trade secrets pursuant to Florida law, trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method that the materials that constitute a trade secret, and Proposer/Bidder/Quoter shall provide an additional copy of the proposal/bid/quote that redacts all designated trade secrets. By submitting materials that are designated as trade secrets and signature of the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter Signature Page, Proposer/Bidder/Quoter acknowledges and agrees:

- (i) that after notice from the County that a public records request has been made for the materials designated as a trade secret, the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter shall be solely responsible for defending its determination that submitted material is a trade secret that is not subject to disclosure at its sole cost, which action shall be taken immediately, but no later than 10 calendar days from the date of notification or Proposer /Bidder/Quoter will be deemed to have waived the trade secret designation of the materials;
- (ii) that to the extent that the proposal/bid/quote with trade secret materials is evaluated, the County and its officials, employees, agents, and representatives in any way involved in processing, evaluating, negotiating contract terms, approving any contract based on the proposal/bid/quote, or engaging in any other activity relating to the competitive

SECTION A - GENERAL CONDITIONS

selection process are hereby granted full rights to access, view, consider, and discuss the materials designated as trade secrets through the final contract award;

- (iii) to indemnify and hold the County, and its officials, employees, agents and representatives harmless from any actions, damages (including attorney's fees and costs), or claims arising from or related to the designation of trade secrets by the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter, including actions or claims arising from the County's non-disclosure of the trade secret materials.
- (iv) that information and data it manages as part of the services may be public record in accordance with Chapter 119, Florida Statutes and Pinellas County public record policies. Proposer/Bidder/Quoter agrees prior to providing goods/services it will implement policies and procedures to maintain, produce, secure and retain public records in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and County Policies, which are subject to approval by the County, including but limited to the Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes.

Notwithstanding any other provision in the solicitation, the classification as trade secret of the entire proposal/bid/quote document, line item and/or total proposal/bid/quote prices, the work, services, project, goods, and/or products to be provided by Proposer/Bidder/Quoter, or any information, data, or materials that may be part of or incorporated into a contract between the County and the Proposer/Bidder/Quoter is not acceptable to the County and will result in a determination that the proposal/bid/quote is nonresponsive; the classification as trade secret of any other portion of a proposal/bid/quote document may result in a determination that the proposal/bid/quote is nonresponsive.

14. **COLLUSION:** The Bidder, by affixing his signature to this proposal, agrees to the following: "Bidder certifies that its bid is made without previous understanding, agreement, or connection with any person, firm or corporation making a bid for the same item(s) and is in all respects fair, without outside control, collusion, fraud, or otherwise illegal action".
15. **CONTRACTOR LICENSE REQUIREMENT:** All contractors performing construction and related Work in Pinellas County must comply with our regulatory legislation, Chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended. Failure to have a competency license in a regulated trade will be cause for rejection of any bid and/or Contract award.
16. **MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS REQUIREMENTS:** If any chemicals, materials, or products containing toxic substances, in accordance with OSHA Hazardous Communications Standards, are contained in the products purchased by the County as a result of this bid, the successful Bidder shall provide a Material Safety Data Sheet at the time of each delivery.
17. **RIGHT TO AUDIT:** Pinellas County reserves the privilege of auditing a Bidder's records as such records relate to purchases between Pinellas County and said Bidder. Such audit privilege is provided for within the text of the Pinellas County Code §2-156 through §2-176(j). Records should be maintained for three (3) years from the date of final payment.
18. **STATEMENT RELATIVE TO "PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES":** Contractor is directed to the Florida Public Entity Crime Act, Fla. Stat. 287.133, and Fla. Stat. 287.135 regarding Scrutinized Companies, and Contractor agrees that its bid and, if awarded, its performance of the agreement will comply with all applicable laws including those referenced herein. Contractor represents and certifies that Contractor is and will at all times remain eligible to bid for and perform the services subject to the requirements of these, and other applicable, laws. Contractor agrees that any contract awarded to Contractor will be subject to termination by the County if Contractor fails to comply or to maintain such compliance.
19. **MULTIPLE COPIES:** Unless otherwise specified, responses to an Invitation to Bid or Request for Proposal (RFP) should be submitted in duplicate.
20. **COUNTY INDEMNIFICATION:** See agreement in Section H
21. **VARIANCE FROM STANDARD TERMS & CONDITIONS:** All standard terms and conditions stated in Section A apply to this Agreement except as specifically stated in the subsequent sections of the document, which take precedence over Section A, and should be fully understood by Bidders prior to submitting a bid on this requirement.
22. **ADA REQUIREMENT FOR PUBLIC NOTICES:** Persons with disabilities requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding/event, should call 727/464-4062 (voice/tdd) fax 727/464-4157, not later than seven days prior to the proceeding.
23. **"OR EQUAL" DETERMINATION:** Where bidding other than specified, the determination of equivalency will be at the sole discretion of Pinellas County and its specialized personnel.
24. **INSURANCE:** County's intent is to enforce Insurance Requirements. Any exceptions will be subject to Paragraph 35, Exceptions. It is recommended that bidder send entire bid document, including Section C, to its agent/broker/carrier to ensure bidder can meet requirements of the insurance for this contract and any cost associated with requirements is included in the bid price. Bid submittals should include bidders current Certificate(s) of Insurance in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below. If the bidder does not currently meet insurance requirements, bidder shall also include verification from their broker or agent that any required insurance not provided at that time of submittal will be in place within ten (10) days after award recommendation. Failure to provide the required insurance within a ten (10) day period following award recommendation may result in the County to vacate the original recommendation and proceed with recommendation to the second lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.

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25. PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR RECYCLED MATERIALS:

- (a) Pinellas County wishes to encourage its Bidders to use recycled products in fulfilling Contractual obligations to the County and that such a policy will serve as a model for other public entities and private sector companies.
- (b) When awarding a purchase of \$5,000 or less, or recommending a purchase in excess of \$5,000 for products, materials, or services, the Director of Purchasing may allow a preference to a responsive Bidder who certifies that their product or material contains the greatest percentage of postconsumer material. If they are bidding on paper products they must certify that their materials and/or products contain at least the content recommended by the EPA guidelines.
- (c) On all bids over fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and formal quotes under fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or as required by law, the Director of Purchasing shall require Bidders to specify which products have recycled materials, what percentage or amount is postconsumer material, and to provide certification of the percentages of recycled materials used in the manufacture of goods and commodities procured by the County.
- (d) Price preference is not the preferred practice the County wishes to employ in meeting the goals of this resolution. If a price preference is deemed to serve the best interest of the County and further supports the purchase of recycled materials, the Director of Purchasing will make a recommendation that a price preference be allowed up to an amount not to exceed 10% above the lowest complying bid received.

Definitions for Recycled Materials:

- (a) Recovered Materials: Materials that have recycling potential, can be recycled, and have been diverted or removed from the solid waste stream for sale, use or reuse, by separation, collection, or processing.
- (b) Recycled Materials: Materials that contain recovered materials. This term may include internally generated scrap that is commonly used in industrial or manufacturing processes, waste or scrap purchased from another manufacturer and used in the same or a closely related product.
- (c) Postconsumer Materials: Materials which have been used by a business or a consumer and have served their intended end use, and have been separated or diverted from the solid waste stream for the purpose of recycling, such as; newspaper, aluminum, glass containers, plastic containers, office paper, corrugated boxes, pallets or other items which can be used in the remanufacturing process.

26. ASBESTOS MATERIALS:

- (a) The Bidder shall perform all Work in compliance with Federal, State and local laws, statutes, rules, regulations and ordinances, including but not limited to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)'s asbestos requirements, 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M, and OSHA Section 29 CFR 1926.58. Additionally, the Bidder shall be properly licensed and/or certified for asbestos removal as required under Federal, State and local laws, statutes, rules, regulations and ordinances.
- (b) The County shall be responsible for filing all DEP notifications and furnish a copy of the DEP notification and approval for demolition to the successful Bidder. The County will furnish a copy of the asbestos survey to the successful Bidder. The Bidder must keep this copy on site at all times during the actual demolition.

27. PAYMENT/INVOICES: Supplier shall submit invoices for payment as provided herein with such documentation as required by Pinellas County and all payments shall be made in accordance with the requirements of Section 218.70 *et. Seq.* Florida Statutes, "The Local Government Prompt Payment Act." Invoices shall be submitted to the address below unless instructed otherwise on the purchase order, or if no purchase order, by the ordering department:

Finance Division Accounts Payable
 Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners
 P. O. Box 2438
 Clearwater, FL 33757

Each invoice shall include, at a minimum, the Supplier's name, contact information and the standard purchase order number. In order to expedite payment, it is recommended the Supplier also include the information shown in below. The County may dispute any payments invoiced by SUPPLIER in accordance with the County's Dispute Resolution Process for Invoiced Payments, established in accordance with Section 218.76, Florida Statutes, and any such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the County's Dispute Resolution Process.

INVOICE INFORMATION:

Supplier Information Company name, mailing address, phone number, contact name and email address as provided on the PO

Remit To Billing address to which you are requesting payment be sent

Invoice Date Creation date of the invoice

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Invoice Number	Company tracking number
Shipping Address	Address where goods and/or services were delivered
Ordering Department	Name of ordering department, including name and phone number of contact person
PO Number	Standard purchase order number
Ship Date	Date the goods/services were sent/provided
Quantity	Quantity of goods or services billed
Description	Description of services or goods delivered
Unit Price	Unit price for the quantity of goods/services delivered
Line Total	Amount due by line item
Invoice Total	Sum of all of the line totals for the invoice

Pinellas County offers a credit card payment process (ePayables) through Bank of America. Pinellas County does not charge vendors to participate in the program; however, there may be a charge by the company that processes your credit card transactions. For more information please visit Pinellas County purchasing website at www.pinellascounty.org/purchase.

28. **TAXES:** Payments to Pinellas County are subject to applicable Florida taxes.

29. **TERMINATION:**

- (a) Pinellas County reserves the right to terminate this Agreement without cause by giving thirty (30) days prior notice to the contractor in writing of the intention to terminate or with cause if at any time the contractor fails to fulfill or abide by any of the terms or conditions specified.
 - (b) Failure of the contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this Agreement shall be considered a material breach of Agreement and shall be cause for immediate termination of the Agreement at the discretion of Pinellas County.
 - (c) In the event sufficient budgeted funds are not available for a new fiscal period, the County shall notify the Contractor of such occurrence and Agreement shall terminate on the last day of current fiscal period without penalty or expense to the County.
 - (d) In addition to all other legal remedies available to Pinellas County, Pinellas County reserves the right to terminate and obtain from another source, any items which have not been delivered within the period of time stated in proposal, or if no such time is stated, within a reasonable period of time from the date of order as determined by Pinellas County.
30. **BIDDER CAPABILITY/REFERENCES:** Prior to Contract Award, any Bidder may be required to show that the company has the necessary facilities, equipment, ability and financial resources to perform the Work specified in a satisfactory manner and within the time specified. In addition, the company must have experience in Work of the same or similar nature, and can provide references, which will satisfy the County. Bidders must furnish a reference list of at least four (4) customers for whom they have performed similar services unless there is a prequalified category referenced on page 1. See Section E Qualification Submittal Form.
31. **DELIVERY/CLAIMS:** Prices quoted shall be F.O.B. Destination, FREIGHT INCLUDED and unloaded to location(s) within Pinellas County. Actual delivery address(s) shall be identified at time of order. Successful Bidder(s) will be responsible for making any and all claims against carriers for missing or damaged items.
32. **LUMBER PRODUCED IN STATE OF FLORIDA:** Per Florida Statute 255.20, the lumber, timber and other forest products utilized in this contract must be produced and manufactured in Florida, if wood is a component of the project, and if such products are available and their price fitness and quality are equal.

The following does not apply:

- 1. To plywood specified for monolithic concrete forms.
 - 2. If the structural or service requirements for timber for a particular job cannot be supplied by native species.
 - 3. If the construction is financed in whole or in part from federal funds with the requirement that there be no restrictions as to species or place of manufacture.
 - 4. To transportation projects for which federal aid funds are available.
33. **MATERIAL QUALITY:** All materials purchased and delivered against this Agreement will be of first quality and not damaged and/or factory seconds. Any materials damaged or not in first quality condition upon receipt will be exchanged within twenty-four (24) hours of notice to the Contractor at no charge to the County.

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34. **WRITTEN REQUESTS FOR INTERPRETATIONS/CLARIFICATIONS:** No oral interpretations will be made to any firms as to the meaning of Specifications or any other Contract Documents. All questions pertaining to the terms and conditions or scope of Work of this bid/proposal must be sent in writing (mail or fax) to the Purchasing Department and received by the date specified in ITB. Responses to questions may be handled as an addendum if the response would provide clarification to requirements of the bid. All such addenda shall become part of the Contract documents. The County will not be responsible for any other explanation or interpretation of the proposed bid made or given prior to the award of the Agreement. The Purchasing Department will be unable to respond to questions received after the specified time frame.
35. **ASSIGNMENT/SUBCONTRACTING/CORPORATE ACQUISITIONS AND/OR MERGERS:** The Contractor shall perform this Agreement. If a Bidder intends to subcontract a portion of this Work, the Bidder must disclose that intent in the bid. No assignment or subcontracting shall be allowed without prior written consent of the County. In the event of a corporate acquisition and/or merger, the Contractor shall provide written notice to the County within thirty (30) business days of Contractor's notice of such action or upon the occurrence of said action, whichever occurs first. The right to terminate this Agreement, which shall not be unreasonably exercised by the County, shall include, but not be limited to, instances in which a corporate acquisition and/or merger represent a conflict of interest or are contrary to any local, state, or federal laws. Action by the County awarding a bid to a Bidder, which has disclosed its intent to assign or subcontract in its response to the ITB, without exception shall constitute approval for purposes of this Agreement.
36. **EXCEPTIONS:** Bidder is advised that if it wishes to take exception to any of the terms contained in this Bid or the attached agreement it must identify the term and the exception in its response to the Bid. Failure to do so may lead County to declare any such term non-negotiable. Bidder's desire to take exception to a non-negotiable term will not disqualify it from consideration for award.
37. **NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTRACT:** Award of this Agreement shall impose no obligation on the County to utilize the Bidder for all Work of this type, which may develop during the Agreement period. This is not an exclusive Agreement. The County specifically reserves the right to concurrently Contract with other companies for similar Work if it deems such action to be in the County's best interest. In the case of multiple-term contracts, this provision shall apply separately to each term.
38. **LOBBYING:** Lobbying shall be prohibited on all county competitive selection processes and purchasing contract awards pursuant to this division, including, but not limited to, requests for proposals, requests for quotations, requests for qualifications, bids or the award of purchasing contracts of any type. The purpose of this prohibition is to protect the integrity of the procurement process by shielding it from undue influences prior to the contract award, or the competitive selection process is otherwise concluded. However, nothing herein shall prohibit a prospective bidder/proposer/protestor from contacting the purchasing department or the county attorney's office to address situations such as clarification and/or pose questions related to the procurement process.

Lobbying of evaluation committee members, county government employees, elected/appointed officials, or advisory board members regarding requests for proposals, requests for quotations, requests for qualifications, bids, or purchasing contracts, by the bidder/proposer, any member of the bidder's/proposer's staff, any agent or representative of the bidder/proposer, or any person employed by any legal entity affiliated with or representing a bidder/proposer/protestor, is strictly prohibited from the date of the advertisement, or on a date otherwise established by the board of county commissioners, until either an award is final, or the competitive selection process is otherwise concluded. Any lobbying activities in violation of this section by or on behalf of a bidder/proposer shall result in the disqualification or rejection of the proposal, quotation, statement of qualification, bid or contract.

For purposes of this provision, lobbying shall mean influencing or attempting to influence action or non-action, and/or attempting to obtain the goodwill of persons specified herein relating to the selection, ranking, or contract award in connection with any request for proposal, request for quotation, request for qualification, bid or purchasing contract through direct or indirect oral or written communication. The final award of a purchasing contract shall be the effective date of the purchasing contract.

Any evaluation committee member, county government employee, elected/appointed official, or advisory board member who has been lobbied shall immediately report the lobbying activity to the director of purchasing.

39. **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** The County reserves the right to request additional goods or services relating to this Agreement from the Contractor. When approved by the County as an amendment to this Agreement and authorized in writing, the Contractor shall provide such additional requirements as may become necessary.
40. **ADD/DELETE LOCATIONS SERVICES:** The County reserves the right to unilaterally add or delete locations/services, either collectively or individually, at the County's sole option, at any time after award has been made as may be deemed necessary or in the best interests of the County. In such case, the contractor(s) will be required to provide services to this Agreement in accordance with the terms, conditions, and Specifications.

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41. **INTEGRITY OF BID DOCUMENTS:** Bidders shall use the original Bid Form(s) provided by the Purchasing Department and enter information only in the spaces where a response is requested. Bidders may use an attachment as an *addendum* to the Bid Form(s) if sufficient space is not available on the original form for the Bidder to enter a complete response. Any modifications or alterations to the original bid documents by the Bidder, whether intentional or otherwise, will constitute grounds for rejection of a bid. Any such modifications or alterations a Bidder wishes to propose must be clearly stated in the Bidder's proposal response and presented in the form of an addendum to the original bid documents.
42. **PUBLIC EMERGENCIES:** It is hereby made a part of this bid that before, during, and after a public emergency, disaster, hurricane, tornado, flood, or other acts of God that Pinellas County shall require a "First Priority" for goods and services. It is vital and imperative that the majority of citizens are protected from any emergency situation that threatens public health and safety, as determined by the County. Bidder/contractor agrees to rent/sell/lease all goods and services to the County or governmental entities on a "first priority" basis. The County expects to pay a fair and reasonable price for all products and services rendered or contracted in the event of a disaster, emergency, hurricane, tornado or other acts of God.
43. **JOINT VENTURES:** If this project has been deemed prequalified the joint venture must be approved by the Prequalification Committee. In addition, all Bidders intending to submit a bid as a Joint Venture are required to have filed proper documents with the Florida Department of State, the Division of Professions, Construction Industry Licensing Board and any other state or local licensing Agency prior to submitting the bid (see Section 489.119 Florida statutes).

Joint Venture Firms must provide an affidavit attesting to the formulation of a joint venture and provide either proof of incorporation as a joint venture or a copy of the formal joint venture Agreement between all joint venture parties, indicating their respective roles, responsibilities and levels of participation for the Project.

44. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:**

- a) The Bidder represents that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest, either direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner with the performance or services required hereunder. The Bidder further represents that no person having any such interest shall be employed by him/her during the agreement term and any extensions. In addition, the Bidder shall not offer gifts or gratuities to County Employees as County Employees are not permitted to accept gifts or gratuities. By signing this bid document, the bidder acknowledges that no gifts or gratuities have been offered to County Employees or anyone else involved in this competitive invitation to bid process.
- b) The Bidder shall promptly notify the County's representative, in writing, by certified mail, of all potential conflicts of interest for any prospective business association, interest, or other circumstance, which may influence or appear to influence the Bidder's judgment or quality of services being provided hereunder. Such written notification shall identify the prospective business association, interest or circumstance, the nature of work that the Bidder may undertake and request an opinion of the County as to whether the association, interest or circumstance would, in the opinion of the County, constitute a conflict of interest if entered into by the Bidder. The County agrees to notify the Bidder of its opinion, by certified mail, within thirty days of receipt of notification by the Bidder.
- c) It is essential to government procurement that the process be open, equitable and ethical. To this end, if potential unethical practices including but not limited to collusion, receipt or solicitation of gifts and conflicts of interest (direct/indirect) etc. are observed or perceived, please report such activity to:

Pinellas County Clerk of Circuit Court – Division of Inspector General

Phone – 727-453-FRAUD (7283)

Fax – 727-464-8386

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45. **PROTEST PROCEDURE:** As per Section 2-162 of County Code

- (a) *Bid/Proposal protests.* Any prospective bidder or proposer, who is aggrieved by the contents of the bid or proposal package, or any bidder or proposer who is aggrieved in connection with the recommended award on a bid or proposal solicitation, may file a written protest to the director of purchasing as provided herein. This right to protest is strictly limited to those procurements of goods or services solicited through invitations to bid or requests for proposals, including solicitations pursuant to § 287.055, Florida Statutes, the "Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act." No other actions or recommendations in connection with a solicitation can be protested, including: (i) requests for quotations or requests for qualifications; (ii) rejection of some, all or parts of bids or proposals; (iii) disqualification of bidders or proposers as non-responsive or non-responsible; or (iv) recommended awards less than the mandatory bid or proposal amount. Protests failing to comply with the provisions of this section 2-162 shall not be reviewed.
- (b) The purchasing department shall post the recommended award on the departmental website no less than five (5) full business days after the decision to recommend the award is made.
- (c) *Requirements to Protest.*
- (1) If the protest relates to the content of the bid/proposal package, a formal written protest must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth full business day after issuance of the bid/proposal package.
 - (2) If the protest relates to the recommended award of a bid or proposal, a formal written protest must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m., on the fifth full business day after posting of the award recommendation.
 - (3) The formal written protest shall identify the protesting party and the solicitation involved; include a statement of the grounds on which the protest is based; refer to the statutes, laws, ordinances or other legal authorities which the protesting party deems applicable to such grounds; and specifically request the relief to which the protesting party deems itself entitled by application of such authorities to such grounds.
 - (4) A formal written protest is considered filed with the county when the purchasing department receives it. Accordingly, a protest is not timely filed unless it is received within the time specified above by the purchasing department. Failure to file a formal written protest within the time period specified shall constitute a waiver of the right to protest and result in relinquishment of all rights to protest by the bidder/proposer.
- (d) *Rights of interested parties.* Bidders or proposers, other than the protestor, which would be directly affected by the favorable resolution of a protest relating to a recommended award, shall have the right to provide written documentation related to the protested solicitation. Said interested parties shall be solely responsible for determining whether a protest has been filed. Any documentation submitted by an interested party must be filed with the director of purchasing no later than 5:00 p.m. on the fifth full business day after the purchasing department posts notification that a protest has been filed. Any interested party submitting documentation shall bear all costs, including legal representation, relating to the submission.
- (e) *Sole remedy.* These procedures shall be the sole remedy for challenging an award of bid. Bidder/proposers are prohibited from attempts to influence, persuade, or promote a bid protest through any other channels or means. Such attempts shall be cause for suspension in accordance with 2-161(b) of this article.
- (f) *Lobbying.* Protestors, and interested parties as defined subsection (d), and anyone acting on their behalf, are prohibited from attempts to influence, persuade, or promote a bid or proposal protest through any other channels or means, and contacting any Pinellas County official, employee, advisory board member, or representative to discuss any matter relating in any way to the solicitation being protested, other than the purchasing department's or county attorney's office employees. The prohibitions provided for herein shall begin with the filing of the protest and end upon the final disposition of the protest; provided however, at all times protestors shall be subject to the procurement lobbying prohibitions in section 2-189 of this code. Failure to adhere to the prohibitions herein shall result in the rejection of the protest without further consideration.
- (g) *Time Limits.* The time limits in which protests must be filed as specified herein may be altered by specific provisions in the Bid/Request for Proposal.
- (h) *Authority to resolve.* The Director of Purchasing shall resolve the protest in a in accordance with the documentation and applicable legal authorities and shall issue a written decision to the protestor no later than 5:00 p.m. on the tenth full business day after the filing thereof.
- (i) *Review of Purchasing Director's decision.*
- (1) The protesting party may request a review of the Purchasing Director's decision to the County Administrator by delivering written request for review of the decision to the Director of Purchasing by 5:00 p.m. on the fifth full business day after the date of the written decision. The written notice shall include any materials, statements, arguments which the bidder/proposer deems relevant to the issues raised in the request to review the decision of the Purchasing Director.
 - (2) The county administrator shall issue a decision in writing stating the reason for the action with a copy furnished to the protesting party no later than 5:00 p.m., on the seventh full business day after receipt of the request for review. The decision shall be final and conclusive as to the county unless a party commences action in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (j) *Stay of Procurement During Protests.* There shall be no stay of procurement during protests.

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46. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION FOR PAYMENT REQUEST OR INVOICE:** Payment of invoices for work performed for Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners (County) is made, by standard, in arrears in accordance with Section 218.70, et. seq., Florida Statutes, the Local Government Prompt Payment Act. If a dispute should arise as a result of non-payment of a payment request or invoice the following Dispute Resolution process shall apply:

- A. Pinellas County shall notify a vendor in writing within ten (10) days after receipt of an improper invoice, that the invoice is improper. The notice should indicate what steps the vendor should undertake to correct the invoice and resubmit a proper invoice to the County. The steps taken by the vendor shall be that of initially contacting the requesting department to validate their invoice and receive a sign off from that entity that would indicate that the invoice in question is in keeping with the terms and conditions of the agreement. Once sign off is obtained, the vendor should then resubmit the invoice as a "Corrected Invoice" to the requesting department which will initiate the payment timeline.
 - 1. Requesting department for this purpose is define as the County department for whom the work is performed.
 - 2. Proper invoice for this purpose is defined as an invoice submitted for work performed that meets prior agreed upon terms or conditions to the satisfaction of Pinellas County.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION FOR PAYMENT REQUEST OR INVOICE (CONTINUED):

- B. Should a dispute result between the vendor and the County about payment of a payment request or an invoice then the vendor should submit their dissatisfaction in writing to the Requesting Department. Each Requesting Department shall assign a representative who shall act as a "Dispute Manager" to resolve the issue at departmental level.
- C. The Dispute Manager shall first initiate procedures to investigate the dispute and document the steps taken to resolve the issue in accordance with section 218.76 Florida Statutes. Such procedures shall be commenced no later than forty-five (45) days after the date on which the payment request or invoice was received by Pinellas County, and shall not extend beyond sixty (60) days after the date on which the payment request or invoice was received by Pinellas County.
- D. The Dispute Manager should investigate and ascertain that the work, for which the payment request or invoice has been submitted, was performed to Pinellas County's satisfaction and duly accepted by the Proper Authority. Proper Authority for this purpose is defined as the Pinellas County representative who is designated as the approving authority for the work performed in the contractual document. The Dispute Manager shall perform the required investigation and arrive at a solution before or at the sixty (60) days timeframe for resolution of the dispute, per section 218.76, Florida Statutes. The County Administrator or his or her designee shall be the final arbiter in resolving the issue before it becomes a legal matter. The County Administrator or his or her designee will issue their decision in writing.
- E. Pinellas County Dispute Resolution Procedures shall not be subject to Chapter 120 of the Florida Statutes. The procedures shall also, per section 218.76, Florida Statutes, not be intended as an administrative proceeding which would prohibit a court from ruling again on any action resulting from the dispute.
- F. Should the dispute be resolved in the County's favor interest charges begin to accrue fifteen (15) days after the final decision made by the County. Should the dispute be resolved in the vendor's favor the County shall pay interest as of the original date the payment was due.
- G. For any legal action to recover any fees due because of the application of sections 218.70 et. seq., Florida Statutes, an award shall be made to cover court costs and reasonable attorney fees, including those fees incurred as a result of an appeal, to the prevailing party If it is found that the non-prevailing party held back any payment that was the reason for the dispute without having any reasonable lawful basis or fact to dispute the prevailing party's claim to those amounts.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrade – WE Dunn WRF (PID # 002476A/2153)**Bid Number: 145-0487-CP(DF)**

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Changes have been made to the Insurance process. THE INSURANCE CERTIFICATE AND RELATED REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION IS NOW DUE WITH BID SUBMITTAL. See SECTION C – Insurance Requirements.

**SECTION B – SPECIAL CONDITIONS
INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:**

1. **PRE-QUALIFICATION OF BIDDER:** Awards of bids for construction services with an engineering estimate in excess of \$100,000 will only be made to Bidders who have pre-qualified with Pinellas County for Electrical type construction, or those that are pre-qualified by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in an equivalent prequalification, in the amount that equals or exceeds their bid. Only those bids from Bidders that meet the pre-qualification requirements from either Pinellas County or FDOT prior to a bid opening will be considered.
2. **PRICING/PERIOD OF AGREEMENT:** Unit prices bid of listed items shall be held firm for the duration of the Agreement. Duration of the Agreement shall be to commence Work under this Agreement with an adequate force and equipment within fifteen (15) consecutive calendar days after receipt of written notice from the County to proceed and to fully complete all necessary Work under the same within not more than **one hundred eighty (180)** consecutive calendar days.
3. **TERM EXTENSION(S) OF AGREEMENT:** NOT APPLICABLE
4. **NON-MANDATORY SITE VISIT:** Due to the complexities of this project, a non-mandatory site visit will be offered.

Site visit will be held **September 28, 2015 at 9:00 AM at the William E. Dunn Water Reclamation Facility – Administration Building, 4100 Dunn Drive, Palm Harbor, Florida 34683.**

5. **BID BOND GUARANTEE:**
 - A. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Bond guarantee in the sum of five percent (5%) of the base bid and made payable to Pinellas County. Said bid bond shall be a guarantee that should the bid be accepted, the Bidder will, within ten (10) days after the acceptance of its bid, enter into an Agreement with Pinellas County for the services proposed to be performed and will at that time furnish an acceptable Agreement surety. Cash, certified check, cashiers check, trust company treasurer check, company or personal checks and bank draft of any national or state bank are not acceptable.
 - B. Said bid bond and the monies payable thereon, will, at the option of the County, be forfeited if the Bidder fails to execute the written Agreement and furnish the required surety bond within ten (10) consecutive calendar days following written notice of the award of the Contract.
 - C. Attorneys-in-fact who sign bonds must file with such bond one (1) certified copy of their power of attorney to sign said bond.
 - D. Bid bond shall have been issued within thirty (30) days of the date for receiving bids.
6. **CONTRACT SECURITY:**
 - A. The Bidder shall provide a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the form prescribed in Section I and each in the amount of 100% of the Agreement amount, the costs of which are to be paid by the Bidder. The Bonds will be acceptable to the County only if the following conditions are met:
 1. For contracts that do not exceed \$500,000.00, the Surety Company:
 - a. is licensed to do business in the State of Florida;
 - b. holds a certificate of authority authorizing it to write surety bonds in this state and provides proof of same;
 - c. has twice the minimum surplus and capital required by the Florida Insurance Code at the time the invitation to bid is issued;
 - d. is otherwise in compliance with the provisions of the Florida Insurance Code; and
 - e. holds a currently valid certificate of authority issued by the United States Department of Treasury under 31 U.S.C. ss 9304-9308.
 2. For contracts over \$500,000.00, all of the requirements of paragraph A.1 above apply. In addition, the Surety Company must have a current rating of at least Excellent (A or A-) all as reported in the most current Best Key Rating Guide, published by A.M. Best Company, Inc., of 75 Fulton Street, New York, New York 10038, with an underwriting limitation of at least two times the dollar amount of the Agreement.
 3. All bonds must be signed by an insurance agent who is licensed to do business in the state of Florida. The license may be held by a resident agent or a non-resident agent.

B. If the Surety for any Bond furnished by the Bidder is declared bankrupt, becomes insolvent, its right to do business is

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terminated in the State of Florida, or it ceases to meet the requirements imposed by the Contract Documents, the Bidder shall, within five (5) calendar days thereafter, substitute another Bond and Surety, both of which shall be subject to the County's approval.

- C. By execution of these bonds, the Surety acknowledges that it has read the Surety qualifications and Surety obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and hereby satisfies those conditions.

7. LICENSES, PERMITS, FEES AND TAXES:

- A. Pursuant to section 218.80, Florida Statutes (2007), Pinellas County discloses to the Contractor the following permits and fees which will have to be obtained by and will be payable by the Contractor who is the successful Bidder or proposer. Reimbursement will be included in Contingency Work pay item, and will be for the actual amount paid, as evidenced by official receipts from the offices collecting the fees. Permits are including but not limited to the following:

1. License Fees: The Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board (PCCLB), an independent government agency, may require licensure or registration of a State of Florida Construction License. These are not Pinellas County Government fees, but the Contractor is hereby put on notice that fees may be required by the PCCLB. **License fees are not reimbursable.**
2. Permits and Associated Fees: Contractor will obtain all necessary permits and pay the associated permit fees
3. Impact Fees – if applicable are responsibility of the contractor.
4. Inspection Fees - Contractor will be responsible for all inspection fees.
5. Other Permits or Fees Required by Pinellas County for the Completion of the Work, if applicable.

The foregoing list of fees apply only to those fees imposed by Pinellas County or imposed by another governmental agency which has assigned or delegated the responsibility for issuance of permits, licenses and conduction of inspections and attendant collection of fees to Pinellas County. The Contractor is responsible for determining if other fees and permits are required by any other Federal, State, or local governmental entity, agency, or board.

- B. All sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes associated with the Work or portions thereof, which are applicable during the performance of the Work, shall be paid by the Contractor.
- C. Compliance with Permit and Licenses Requirements: The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Local, State and Federal permit conditions and license requirements, applicable building and construction code requirements and such other rules and regulations as may apply to the prosecution of Work. Failure of the Contractor to comply with the above-specified requirements shall result in Contractor being prohibited from performing Work pursuant to this Agreement. Any additional costs incurred by the Contractor as a result of non-compliance shall be the responsibility of the Contractor and shall not be paid by the County. Additionally, Contractor shall be required to pay any fines due as a result of non-compliance with the applicable requirements.

8. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS:** The Contractor agrees to comply, at its own expense, with all Federal, State and Local laws, codes, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations and requirements applicable to the Project, including but not limited to, those dealing with taxation, Workers' Compensation, equal employment, safety (including, but not limited to, the Trench Safety Act, Chapter 553.60-553.64, Florida Statutes), labor, work hours, labor conditions, environment, and related matters. If the Contractor observes that the Contract Documents are at variance therewith, it shall promptly notify the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager in writing.

9. QUANTITIES:

- A. Quantities shown on the Bid Submittal Form are estimated for bidding purposes only and shall be verified by the Contractor before placing orders for material. No payment shall be allowed for excess materials.
- B. Payment for Work performed under this Agreement shall be based on the pay items and bid quantities shown on the Bid Submittal Form, subject to such extension of pay quantities as may be required.
- C. Regardless of uncertainties of material supply and production at the time of bidding, Bidders shall base their bids in strict accordance with items, materials and methods as set forth in the Contract Documents.
- D. Pay items that are required to complete the scope of the Work, as defined by the Project Plans and Specifications may be added to the list of pay items by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager at a later date through a change order process.

10. **QUANTITIES REFLECTED IN PERMITTING DOCUMENTS:** Any construction items or quantities reflected in the permitting documents, if any, required for this Project are provided only for the purpose of enabling permitting authorities to assess the probable impact of the Project on environmental concerns, and are in no way intended to reflect or represent actual construction items or quantities for pay purposes.

11. **AWARD OF CONTRACT:** The Contract will be awarded for the entire Work (with or without optional/alternates items) to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder, provided that the bid is reasonable, and that it is in the best interest of the County to accept.

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12. **AFTER NOTICE OF AWARD TO CONTRACTOR:** Subsequent communications between the County and the Contractor shall be delivered to the County's representative. A Preconstruction Conference will be held following execution of the Contract Documents and prior to the Notice to Proceed.
13. **INTENT OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS:**
- A. It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete Project (or portion thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents which combine to define the Scope of Work. Any Work, materials or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents as being required to produce the intended result shall be supplied whether or not specifically called for. When words which have a well-known technical or trade meaning are used to describe Work, materials or equipment, such words shall be interpreted in accordance with that meaning. Reference to standard Specifications, manuals or codes of any technical society, organization or association or to the laws or regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Project, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the latest standard Specification, manual, code, law or regulation in effect at the time the Work is performed, except as may be otherwise specifically stated herein.
- B. The Contract Documents and all referenced standards cited therein are essential parts of the Agreement requirements. A requirement occurring in one is as binding as though occurring in all. They are intended to be complementary and to describe and provide for a complete Project.
- C. Plans are intended to show general arrangements, design and extent of Work. Specifications are separated into divisions for convenience of reference only and shall not be interpreted as establishing divisions for the Work, trades, subcontracts, or extent of any part of the Work. In the event of a discrepancy between or among the Plans, Specifications or other Contract Document provisions, the Contractor shall be required to comply with the provision which is the more restrictive or stringent requirement upon the Contractor, as determined by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. Unless otherwise specifically mentioned, all anchors, bolts, screws, fittings, fillers, hardware, accessories, trim and other parts required in connection with any portion of the Work to make a complete, serviceable, finished and first quality installation shall be furnished and installed as part of the Work, whether or not called for by the Contract Documents.
14. **STORAGE OF MATERIALS:** Materials shall be so placed so as to permit easy access for proper inspection and identification of each shipment. Any material which has deteriorated, become damaged, or is otherwise unfit for use, as determined by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, shall not be used in the Work, and shall be removed from the site by the Contractor at its expense.
15. **SANITATION:** The Contractor shall provide and maintain adequate sanitary conveniences for the use of persons employed on the Work. These conveniences shall be maintained at all times without nuisance, and their use shall be strictly enforced. The location of these conveniences shall be subject to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's approval.
16. **ERRORS AND OMISSIONS:** The Contractor shall not take advantage of any apparent error or omission in the Contract Documents. If any errors and/or omissions appear in the Contract Documents, or construction stakeout, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Purchasing Department, in writing, of such errors and/or omissions. In the event the Contractor knows or should have known of any errors and/or omissions and fails to provide such notification, it shall be deemed to have waived any claim for increased time or compensation it may have had and he shall be held responsible for the results and the costs of rectifying any such errors and/or omissions.
17. **CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS:**
- A. Qualification
1. The Contractor shall assure that all personnel are competent, careful and reliable. All personnel must have sufficient skill and experience to properly perform the Work assigned them. All personnel shall have had sufficient experience to perform their assigned task properly and satisfactorily and to operate any equipment involved, and shall make due and proper effort to execute the Work in the manner prescribed in the Contract Documents, or the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager may take action as prescribed below.
2. Whenever the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall determine that any person is incompetent, unfaithful, intemperate, disorderly or insubordinate, such person shall upon notice, be discharged from the Work and shall not again be employed on it except with the written consent of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. Should the Contractor fail to remove such person or persons the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager may withhold all estimates which are or may become due, or may suspend the Work until such orders are complied with.
- B. Identification
1. Within ten (10) days after the award of any subcontract, either by himself or a subcontractor, the Contractor shall deliver to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager a statement setting forth the name and address of

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the subcontractor and a summary description of the Work subcontracted.

2. The Contractor shall be as fully responsible to the County for acts and omissions the subcontractor and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by the subcontractor, as the Contractor is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the Contractor.

18. AUTHORITY OF THE DESIGN PROFESSIONAL/ENGINEER/PROJECT MANAGER AND DESIGN PROFESSIONAL/ENGINEER/PROJECT MANAGER'S DESIGNEES/REPRESENTATIVES

- A. All Work shall be done in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- B. It is agreed by the parties hereto that the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall decide all questions, difficulties and disputes, of whatever nature, which may arise relative to the interpretation of the Plans, construction, prosecution and fulfillment of the Agreement, and as to the character, quality, amount and value of any Work done, and materials furnished, under or by reason of the Agreement.
- C. The County retains the right to inspect all Work to verify compliance with the Contract Documents. The Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager may appoint such designees and/or representatives as desired. They shall be authorized to inspect all Work done and all materials furnished. This right of inspection in no way means or implies County control or other supervision over the Work done or the work site. This right is solely for the County's benefit and imposes no duties or responsibilities on the County and confers no rights on any other parties. Such inspection may extend to all or any part of the Work and to the manufacture, preparation or fabrication of the materials to be used. Such designees and/or representatives shall not be authorized to revoke, alter or waive any requirement of the Contract Documents.
- D. The designees and/or representatives shall be authorized to call to the attention of the Contractor any failure of the Work or materials to conform to the Contract Documents, and shall have the authority to reject materials or suspend the Work until any questions at issue can be referred to and decided by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The Contractor shall be immediately notified in writing of any such suspension of the Work and such notice shall state in detail the reasons for the suspension. The presence of the inspector or other designee shall in no way lessen the responsibility of the Contractor.

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1. Prosecution of Work: The Contractor shall give the Work the constant attention necessary to assure the scheduled progress and it shall cooperate fully with the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and with other Contractors at Work in the vicinity.
2. Contractor's Superintendent:
 - a. The Contractor shall at all times have on the Work as his agent, a competent superintendent capable of thoroughly interpreting the Plans and Specifications and thoroughly experienced in the type of Work being performed, who shall receive the instructions from the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager or his/her authorized representatives. The superintendent shall have full authority to execute the orders or directions of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and to supply promptly any materials, tools, equipment, labor and incidentals which may be required. Such superintendence shall be furnished regardless of the amount of Work sublet.
 - b. The Contractor's superintendent shall speak and understand English, and at least one responsible person who speaks and understands English shall be on the Project during all working hours.
3. Supervision for Emergencies: The Contractor shall have a responsible person available at or reasonably near the work site on a twenty-four (24) hour basis, seven (7) days a week, in order that he/she may be contacted in emergencies and in cases where immediate action must be taken to maintain traffic or to handle any other problem that might arise. The Contractor's responsible person for supervision for emergencies shall speak and understand English. The Contractor shall submit, by certified mail, phone numbers and names of personnel designated to be contacted in cases of emergencies along with a description of the Project location to the Florida Highway Patrol and all other local law enforcement agencies.
4. Worksite Traffic Supervisor: (When the work involves road construction/reconstruction or changes affect normal traffic patterns)
 - a. The Contractor shall have a Worksite Traffic Supervisor who will be responsible for initiating, installing and maintaining all traffic control devices as described in Section 102 of the Florida Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, and in the Plans. The Worksite Traffic Supervisor shall have at least one year of experience directly related to worksite traffic control in a supervisory or responsible capacity and shall be certified by the American Traffic Safety Services Association Worksite Traffic Supervisor Certification Program or an equal approved by the Florida Department of Transportation. Approved alternate Worksite Traffic Supervisors may be used when necessary.
 - b. The Worksite Traffic Supervisor shall be available on a twenty-four (24) hour per day basis and shall review the Project on a day to day basis as well as being involved in all changes to traffic control. The Worksite Traffic Supervisor shall have access to all equipment and materials needed to maintain traffic control and handle traffic related situations. The Worksite Traffic Supervisor shall ensure that routine deficiencies are corrected within a 24-hour period.
 - c. The Worksite Traffic Supervisor shall be available on the site within forty-five (45) minutes after notification of an emergency situation, prepared to positively respond to repair the Work zone traffic control or to provide alternate traffic arrangements.
 - d. Failure of the Worksite Traffic Supervisor to comply with the provisions of the Sub-article may be grounds for decertification or removal from the Project or both. Failure to maintain a designated Worksite Traffic Supervisor or failure to comply with these provisions will result in temporary suspension of all activities except traffic and erosion control and such other activities deemed to be necessary for Project maintenance.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS**F. General Inspection Requirements**

1. Cooperation by the Contractor: No Work shall be done nor materials used, without suitable supervision or inspection by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager or his/her representative, and the Contractor shall furnish the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager with every reasonable facility for ascertaining whether the Work performed and materials used are in accordance with the requirements and intent of the Plans and Specifications. If the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager so requests, the Contractor shall, at any time before final acceptance of the Work, remove or uncover such portions of the finished Work as may be directed. After examination, the Contractor shall restore the uncovered portions of the Work to the standard required by the Specifications. Should the Work so exposed or examined prove unacceptable, the uncover or removal, and the replacing of the covering or making good of the parts removed, shall be at the Contractor's expense. However, should the Work thus exposed or examined prove acceptable, the uncovering or removing, and the replacing of the covering or making good of the parts removed, shall be paid for as Unforeseeable Work.
2. Failure of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager to Reject Work During Construction: If, during or prior to construction operations, the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager should fail to reject defective Work or materials, whether from lack of discovery of such defect or for any other reason, such initial failure to reject shall in no way prevent his/her later rejection when such defect is discovered, or obligate the County to final acceptance, and the Contractor shall make no claim for losses suffered due to any necessary removals or repairs of such defects.
3. Failure to Remove and Renew Defective Materials and Work:
 - a. Should the Contractor fail or refuse to remove and renew any defective materials used or Work performed, or to make any necessary corrections in an acceptable manner and in accordance with the requirements of the Specifications, within the time indicated in writing, the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall have the authority to cause the unacceptable or defective materials or Work to be repaired, removed and renewed, as may be necessary; all at the Contractor's expense.
 - b. Any expense incurred by the County in making these repairs, removals, or renewals, which the Contractor has failed or refused to make, shall be paid for out of any moneys due or which may become due the Contractor, or may be charged against the Performance Bond. Continued failure or refusal on the part of the Contractor to make any or all necessary repairs promptly, fully and in an acceptable manner shall be sufficient cause for the County, at its option, to perform the Work with its own organization, or to contract with any other individual, firm or corporation to perform the Work. All costs and expenses incurred thereby shall be charged against the defaulting Contractor and the amount thereof deducted from any moneys due or which may become due him, or shall be charged against the applicable bond. Any Work performed subsequent to forfeiture of the Agreement, as described in this Paragraph, shall not relieve the Contractor in any way of its responsibility for the Work performed by it.
4. Inspection by the Federal Government: When the Work involves the Federal Government it is to pay a portion of the cost of construction the construction Work will be subject to inspection by its representatives as they may deem necessary, but such inspection will in no case make the Federal Government a party to Agreement.

19. CONTRACT TIME AND TIME EXTENSIONS

- A. Unless otherwise provided, Agreement Time shall mean the number of consecutive calendar days from the commencement date noted in the Notice to Proceed to the date on which all Work is to be completed. The Contractor shall diligently pursue the completion of the Work and coordinate the Work being done on the Project by its subcontractors and material suppliers, as well as coordinate its Work with the Work of other contractors so that his Work or the Work of others shall not be delayed or impaired by any act or omission of any act by a Contractor. The Contractor shall coordinate and schedule the Work to allow, without delays to the Contract, for any sampling and testing activities deemed necessary by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for all construction means methods, techniques, sequences and procedures, as well as coordination of all portions of the Work under the Contract Documents.
- B. Should the Contractor be obstructed or delayed in the prosecution of or completion of the Work as a result of unforeseeable causes beyond the control of the Contractor, and not due to his fault or neglect, including but not restricted to acts of God or the public enemy, acts of government, fires, floods, discovery of pre-existing hazardous materials, utility conflicts, epidemics, quarantine regulations, strikes or lockouts, the Contractor shall notify the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager in writing within two (2) regular Work days after the commencement of such delay, stating the cause or causes thereof, or be deemed to have waived any right which the Contractor may have had to request the time extension. It is the contractor's responsibility to safely and appropriately secure the worksite prior to the approach of unfavorable weather conditions such as the onset of a tropical storm, hurricane, or similar event.

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- C. No interruption, interference, inefficiency, suspension or delay in the commencement or progress of the Work from any cause whatsoever, including those for which the County may be responsible, in whole or in part, shall relieve the Contractor of his duty to perform or give rise to any right to damages or additional compensation from the County. It being expressly acknowledged and agreed by the parties hereto that the Contractor shall receive no damages for delay. The Contractor's sole remedy, if any, against the County shall be the right to seek an extension to the Contract Time. Such extensions of time will not be granted for delays caused by unfavorable weather, ground conditions related to the weather, inadequate construction force or for the failure of the Contractor to timely order equipment or materials.
- D. If the Contractor complies with the two (2) regular Work days notice requirement, the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall ascertain the facts and the extent of the delay being claimed and recommend to the Board an extension to the Contract Time when, in the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's sole judgment, the findings of fact justify such an extension, and the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's finding of fact shall be final and conclusive on the parties. The Contractor shall cooperate with the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's investigation of the delays by providing any schedules, correspondence or other data that may be required to complete the findings of fact. Extensions of the Contract Time must be authorized by Change Order approved by the Board.

20. PROSECUTION OF WORK ON SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS AND RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS

- A. All Work must be done during Regular Work Day hours (7:00 AM to 7:00 PM) Monday through Friday. The County may require alternative Work hours due to specific individual Project conditions when necessary. Work will not be done beyond hours specified herein or on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays unless authorized in advance by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager to meet special requirements. Contractor must comply with the County noise ordinance.
- B. Work will not be permitted on Saturdays, Sundays and recognized Holidays unless permission to Work has been requested in writing by the Contractor and approval, in writing, has been granted by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. Request for permission to Work must be received by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager no less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the regular Work day.
- C. No Work will be permitted on:

New Years Day
Independence Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

- D. When approval is granted in accordance with the provisions stated above, Work will be allowed on:

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Memorial Day
Labor Day
Veterans Day
Friday after Thanksgiving Day

If Christmas or New Year's Day shall fall on Tuesday or Thursday, the preceding Monday or the following Friday shall be recognized as a holiday also. If any recognized holiday shall fall on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be observed as a holiday. If any recognized holiday shall fall on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be observed as a holiday.

- E. The Contractor shall pay to the County, as reimbursement of costs incurred by the County, the sum of EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$ 850.00) per man day for each Saturday and Sunday on which the Contractor Works.
- F. The Contractor shall pay to the County, as reimbursement of costs incurred by the County, the sum of ELEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$ 1,150.00) per man day for each recognized Holiday on which the Contractor Works.
- G. Payment to the County of such sums as may become payable under the provisions of this paragraph shall be made by identifying the said sums as a credit item on the Contractor's pay estimate for the period during which the liability for the sums occurred. The credit item shall show the total number of days applicable under (E) and/or (F) above, times the corresponding per day or per hour cost.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS**21. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

- A. The County and the Contractor recognize that, since time is of the essence for this Agreement, the County will suffer financial loss if the Work is not completed within the time specified.
- B. The County shall be entitled to assess, as liquidated damages, but not as a penalty, **\$1,444.00** for each Calendar day after the Contract Time. The Project shall be deemed to be completed on the date the Work is deemed complete to the satisfaction of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The Contractor hereby expressly waives and relinquishes any right which it may have to seek to characterize the above-noted liquidated damages as a penalty. The parties agree that the liquidated damages sum represents a fair and reasonable estimate of the County's actual damages at the time of contracting if the Contractor fails to complete the Work in a timely manner.

22. PINELLAS COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO SAFETY

- A. All work shall be completed in a safe manner and consideration for cost of any equipment needed to perform contract in a safe manner, including personal protection equipment, shall be included in the contract bid.
- B. If County discovers an unsafe act or condition in contractor's performance under this contract, County shall inform Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager of unsafe act or condition. If unsafe act or condition poses the threat of imminent danger, Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall be authorized to stop work until unsafe act or condition is remedied. No time extension shall be allowed. If remedy causes contractor to fail to meet the time specified, County shall be entitled to liquidated damages as outlined under 21.B. If unsafe act or condition does not pose the threat of imminent danger, Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall be authorized to require contractor remedy the unsafe act or unsafe condition as soon as possible, but in no event later than 3 days from date of notice. No time extension shall be allowed. If remedy causes contractor to fail to meet the time specified, County shall be entitled to liquidated damages as outlined under 21.B.

23. CHANGES IN THE WORK

- A. Without invalidating the Agreement, the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager may at any time, by written order, direct extra Work within the general scope or alter the Work by addition or deduction of items that do not alter the scope of the Work. Such changes may be effected by Field Order or by other written order. Such changes shall be binding on the Contractor. No officer, employee, or agent of the County is authorized to direct any extra or change Work orally.
- B. If changes to the Scope of the Work are required or if the Contract time or the total Contract Amount is increased by the additional Work, a Change Order approved by the Board will be required.
- C. The value of such extra Work or change shall be determined by schedule of values if applicable unit values are set forth in the Agreement. The amount of the change shall be computed from such values and added to or deducted from the Agreement Amount. If the applicable unit values are not in the Contract, the value of such extra Work or change shall be determined by negotiation.
- D. Should a Change Order be required, and the County and the Contractor are unable to agree on the requested change, the Contractor shall, nevertheless, promptly perform the change as directed in writing by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. If the Contractor disagrees with the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's adjustment determination, the Contractor must make a claim pursuant to the Claims and Dispute Section herein, or else be deemed to have waived any claim on this matter it might otherwise have had.
- E. For new Work not covered by schedule of values, the amount of an increase shall be limited to the Contractor's reasonable direct labor and material costs and reasonable actual equipment costs as a result of the change (including allowance for labor burden costs) plus a maximum ten percent (10%) markup for all overhead and profit. In the event such change Work is performed by a subcontractor, a maximum ten percent (10%) markup for all overhead and profit for all subcontractors' direct labor and material costs and actual equipment costs shall be permitted, with a maximum five percent (5%) markup thereon by the Contractor for all of its overhead and profit, for a total overall maximum markup of fifteen percent (15%) of the amount of change Work. Sales and use taxes are not subject to the markup allowance. Material provided by the Contractor, for use by the Subcontractor, is only allowed the ten percent (10%) markup by the Contractor. All compensation due the Contractor and any Subcontractor or sub-subcontractor for field and home office overhead is included in the markups noted above.
- F. In an emergency endangering life or property, or as expressly set forth herein, the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager has the authority to order the necessary Work in writing. The County shall not be liable to the Contractor for any increased compensation without such written order. The payment authorized by a written order shall represent full and complete compensation to the Contractor for labor, materials, incidental expenses, overhead, profit, impact costs, and time associated with the Work authorized by such written order.
- G. Execution by the Contractor of a properly authorized Change Order (see Appendix Sample Change Order) shall be considered a waiver of all claims or requests for additional time or compensation for any activities prior to the time of execution related to items included in the Change Order.

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- A. A Claim is a demand or assertion by one of the parties seeking an adjustment or interpretation of the terms of the Contract Documents, payment of money, extension of time or other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract Documents. The term "Claim" also includes other disputes and matters in question between the County and the Contractor arising out of or relating to the Contract Documents. The responsibility to substantiate a claim shall rest with the party making the Claim.
- B. Claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager within two (2) regular Work days after the commencement of the event giving rise to such Claim or else the Contractor shall be deemed to have waived the claim. Written supporting data shall be submitted to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager within fifteen (15) calendar days after the occurrence of the event, unless the County grants additional time in writing, or else the Contractor shall be deemed to have waived the Claim. All Claims shall be priced in accordance with provisions of the section in this document entitled *Changes in the Work*.
- C. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with its performance as directed by the County, regardless of any pending Claim, action, suit, or administrative proceeding, unless otherwise agreed to by the County in writing. The County shall continue to make payments in accordance with the Contract Documents during the pendency of any Claim.

25. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

- A. All Work completed under the terms of this Agreement shall be measured according to United States Standard Measures.
- B. All measurements shall be taken horizontally or vertically, unless specifically provided otherwise.
- C. In the measurement of items to be paid for on the basis of area of finished Work, when the pay quantity is designated to be determined by calculation, the lengths and/or widths to be used in the calculations shall be the station-to-station dimensions shown on the Plans, the station-to-station dimensions actually constructed within the limits designated by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, or the final dimensions measured of the completed Work within the lines shown on the Plans or designated by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The method, or combination of methods, shall be those which reflect with reasonable accuracy the actual area of finished Work as determined and authorized by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.
- D. No payment will be made for either construction over a greater area than authorized, or for material moved from outside of stakes and data shown on the Plans, except when such Work is performed upon instructions of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.
- E. The Contractor shall accept compensation provided under the terms of this Agreement as full payment for furnishing all materials and for performing all Work contemplated and embraced under this Agreement. Such compensation shall also be for any and all loss or damage arising out of the nature of the Work or from the action of the elements, or from any unforeseen difficulties or obstructions encountered during the Agreement Time until final acceptance by the County.
- F. Whenever any change, or combination of changes in the Plans, results in an increase or decrease in the original Contract quantities, and the Work added or decreased/eliminated is of the same general character as that called for in the Plans, the Contractor shall accept payment in full at the original schedule of values for the actual quantity of Work performed, with no allowance for any loss of anticipated profits.
- G. Where the pay quantity for an item is designated to be Lump Sum, and the Plans or Specifications indicate an estimated quantity, compensation for that item will be adjusted proportionately if a plan change results in a significant change in the quantity from such estimated plan quantity.
- H. Failure to construct any item to plan or authorized dimensions within the Specification tolerances shall result in reconstruction by the Contractor to acceptable tolerances at no additional cost to the County, acceptance at no pay, or acceptance at reduced final pay as determined by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. Adjustments to final pay for those items designated to be paid on the basis of Lump Sum quantity under these provisions shall not be made unless such adjustments results in an aggregate change per item of more than \$1,000.00 for earthwork items, or more than \$100.00 for any other item.
- I. At the discretion of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, the County will allow partial payments for new materials that will be permanently incorporated into the Project and are stored in approved locations in the Project vicinity. Said materials are described as having the greatest impact on completing the Project on time; and can fluctuate as the Project progresses. Contractor shall store materials so that they will not be damaged by the elements and in a manner that identifies the Project on which they are to be used. The following conditions apply to all payments for stored materials.
 - 1. There must be reasonable assurance that the stored material will be incorporated into the specific Project on which partial payment is made.
 - 2. The stored material must be approved as meeting applicable Specifications.

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3. The total quantity for which partial payment is made shall not exceed the estimated total quantity required to complete the Project.
4. The Contractor shall furnish the County with copies of certified invoices to document the value of the materials received. The contractor's documentation for stored materials payment shall also include a reconciliation of the beginning balance, materials purchased, materials used, and ending balance. The amount of the partial payment will be determined from invoices for the material not to exceed one half of the unit value bid in the Contract.
5. Deliver charges for materials delivered to the jobsite will be included in partial payments if properly documented on the certified invoices for the materials received.
6. Partial payments will not be made for materials which were stored prior to award of the Contract for the Project.
7. If payment is made the materials shall become the property of the County. The Contractor shall be responsible for loss or theft and shall replace, at the Contractor's expense, any such materials lost for any reason.

26. **PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR (where and when applicable may include below language)**

- A. Prior to submitting its first monthly Application for Payment, Contractor shall submit to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, for its review and approval, a Schedule of Values based upon the "Contract Amount" and the Construction Progress Schedule numbering system format listing the major elements of the Work and the dollar value for each element. After its approval by the County, this Schedule of Values shall be used as the basis for Contractor's monthly Application for Payment. This Schedule shall be updated and submitted each month to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager along with a completed and notarized copy of the Application for Payment and any Payment Continuation forms.
- B. Prior to submitting its first monthly Application for Payment, Contractor shall submit to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager a complete list of all of its proposed subcontractors and materialmen, showing the Work and materials involved and the dollar amount of each proposed subcontract and purchase order. The first Application for Payment shall be submitted no earlier than thirty (30) days after the Commencement Date.
- C. If payment is requested on the basis of materials and equipment not incorporated into the Work, but delivered and suitably stored at the site or at another location agreed to by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager in writing, the Application for Payment shall also be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice or other documentation warranting that the County has received the materials and equipment free and clear of all liens, charges, security interests and encumbrances, together with evidence that the materials and equipment are covered by appropriate property insurance and other arrangements to protect the County's interest therein, all of which shall be subject to the County's satisfaction. Contractor shall complete a Schedule of Stored Materials form.
- D. Contractor shall submit three (3) notarized original copies of its monthly Application for Payment to Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager for Work performed during the previous month. Invoices received after the previous month Application for Payment shall be considered for payment as part of the next month's application. Within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of each Application for Payment, Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall submit to the County the approved Application for Payment in the amount recommended by Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager as being due and owing Contractor. The County shall pay Contractor that portion of Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's approved Application for Payment, which the County approves as being due and owing Contractor in accordance with §218.70-79, Florida Statutes ("Local Government Prompt Payment Act").
- E. Monthly payments to Contractor shall in no way imply approval or acceptance of Contractor's Work.
- F. Monthly payments will be made to the Contractor. Estimates of quantities will be prepared monthly by the Contractor, based on unit values or the Schedule of Values, as applicable to the Project. The Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's project representative will be required to verify these estimates with the Contractor and sign the estimate in agreement. The payment estimate will then be checked by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, who will reconfirm with the Contractor any required corrections, before further processing of payments.
- G. Retainage: If progress satisfactory to the County is being made by the Contractor, the Contractor will receive partial payments on this Agreement as the Work progresses, based upon estimates of the amount of Work done less payments previously made. In each case 10% of the Agreement Amount earned shall be retained until 50% of the Work is completed, and thereafter 5% of the Agreement Amount earned shall be retained until satisfactory completion and final acceptance of the Project, and final compliance by the Contractor with all terms and conditions of the Contract Documents. Neither progress payment nor partial or entire use or occupancy of the Project by the County shall constitute an acceptance of Work not in accordance with the Contract Documents. The County, prior to making of any payment, may require the Contractor to furnish a certificate or other evidence showing the amount of Work done or completed at that time. OR

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H. Invoices: **See Section A General Conditions Payments/Invoices**

27. ACCEPTANCE AND FINAL PAYMENT

- A. Final Inspection: Whenever all materials have been furnished, all Work has been performed, and the construction specified by the Contract has been satisfactorily completed, the Consultant and Engineer/Project Manager will make the final inspection.
- B. Maintenance of Work: The Contractor shall maintain all Work in first-class condition until final inspection is completed and accepted by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. All Bonds and Insurance shall be maintained until final acceptance by the Board.
- C. Substantial Completion: When the Work, or any portion thereof, as designated by the County is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, and is ready for its intended use, the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and any other invited parties shall make an inspection of the Work or portion thereof so designated as complete to verify its completeness and develop a punch list of items needing completion or correction before final payment can be made. The County shall have the right to exclude the Contractor from these portions of the Work designated as complete after the inspection, however, the Contractor will have reasonable access to complete or correct items on the punch list. The punch list shall be completed by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager within the timeframes provided by Florida Statute Section 218.735(7)(a).
- D. Final Acceptance
1. Whenever the Work provided for under the Agreement has been completely performed by the Contractor, and the final inspection has been made by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, a final pay request showing the value of the Work will be prepared by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager as soon as the necessary measurements and computations can be made. All prior estimates and payments shall be subject to correction in the final estimate and payment. The amount of this estimate, less any sums that may have been deducted or retained under the provisions of the Agreement, will be paid to the Contractor as soon as practicable, after the Contractor has furnished a sworn Affidavit, to the effect that all bills are paid and no suits are pending, and after the Contractor has agreed in writing to accept the balance due, as determined by the County, as full settlement of its account under Agreement and of all claims in connection therewith.
 2. The surety on the Contract bonds consents, by completion of its portion of the affidavit and surety release subsequent to the Contractor's completion of its portion, to final payment to the Contractor and agrees that the making of such payment shall not relieve the surety of any of its obligations under the bonds.
- E. Waiver of Claims
1. The Contractor's acceptance of final payment shall constitute a full waiver of any and all Claims by the Contractor against the County arising out of this Agreement or otherwise related to the Project, except those previously made in writing and identified by the Contractor as unsettled at the time the final estimate is prepared.
 2. Neither the acceptance of the Work nor payment by the County shall be deemed to be a waiver of the County's rights to enforce any continuing obligations of the Contractor hereunder or to the recovery of damages for defective Work not discovered by the County at the time of final inspection.
- F. Termination of Contractor's Responsibility: The Agreement will be considered complete when all Work has been completed and has been accepted by the Board. The Contractor will then be released from further obligation except as set forth in his bonds and in this Division.
- G. Recovery Rights, Subsequent to Final Payment: The County reserves the right, should an error be discovered in the partial or final estimates, or should proof of defective Work or materials used by or on the part of the Contractor be discovered after the final payment has been made, to claim and recover from the Contractor or its surety, or both, by process of law, such sums as may be sufficient to correct the error or make good the defects in the Work and materials.

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28. **PAYMENTS WITHHELD:** To the maximum extent permitted by §218.735, Florida Statutes (2007), the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager may decline to certify for payment or County may decline to approve any Certificate for Payment, or portions thereof issued by Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, because of subsequently discovered evidence or subsequent inspections. County may nullify the whole or any part of any Certificate for Payment previously issued and County may withhold any payments otherwise due Contractor under this Agreement or any other agreement between County and Contractor, to such extent as may be necessary in County's opinion to protect it from loss because of: (a) defective Work not remedied; (b) third party claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims; (c) failure of Contractor to make payment properly to subcontractors or for labor, materials or equipment; (d) reasonable doubt that the work can be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract Amount; (e) reasonable indication that the Work will not be completed within the Contract Time; (f) unsatisfactory prosecution of the Work by Contractor; or (g) any other material breach of the Contract Documents. If these conditions are not remedied or removed, County may, after three (3) days written notice, rectify the same at Contractor's expense. County also may offset against any sums due Contractor the amount of any liquidated or unliquidated obligations of Contractor to County, whether relating to or arising out of this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County.
29. **COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES:** The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty the County shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or, in its discretion, to deduct from the Agreement Amount or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.
30. **LANDS FOR WORK AND ACCESS THERETO**
- A. The County will furnish and define the limits of land for access to the construction site and for the site proper. All information shown in the Contract Documents constitutes the extent of land provided by the County. Any and all other lands required by the Contractor shall be procured by the Contractor at the Contractor's expense.
- B. As the work progresses, the Contractor shall keep the site reasonably clear of rubbish, trash, waste and other disposable materials on a daily basis. If the Contractor allows the site to become littered and unsightly, any payments otherwise due may be withheld until the Contractor cleans up the site to the satisfaction of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. If the Contractor fails to clean-up the site, the County may choose to clean-up the site at the Contractor's expense.
- C. Temporary buildings (storage sheds, shops, offices, etc.) may be erected by the Contractor only with the approval of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager after obtaining necessary permits, and shall be built with labor and materials furnished by the Contractor without expense to the County. Such temporary buildings and/or utilities shall remain the property of the Contractor and will be removed by the Contractor at its expense upon the completion of the Work. With the written consent of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, such buildings and/or utilities may be abandoned and need not be removed.
- D. The Contractor shall confine all construction equipment, the storage of materials and equipment and the operations of workers to the Project site and land and areas identified in and permitted by the Contract Documents, and shall not unreasonably encumber the Project site with construction equipment or other material or equipment. The Contractor shall assume full responsibility for any damage to any such land or area, or to the County or occupant thereof, or any land or areas contiguous thereto, resulting from the performance of the Work.
31. **SITE INVESTIGATION**
- A. Each Contractor shall visit the site of the proposed Work and fully acquaint itself with conditions relating to construction and labor so that it may fully understand the facilities, difficulties and restrictions attending the execution of Work under the Agreement. The Contractor shall thoroughly examine and be familiar with the Contract Documents. Failure or omission of the Contractor to receive or examine any form, instrument, addendum or other documents, or to visit the site and acquaint himself with conditions existing thereon, shall in no way relieve the Contractor from any obligation with respect to the Agreement. Pinellas County does not warrant the accuracy or completeness of these reports, soil samples, or any other site condition information or data made available including, but not limited to, underground utility location. The submission of a bid shall be taken as prima-facie evidence of compliance with this section.

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- B. The Contractor acknowledges that he has satisfied himself as to the nature and location of the Work; the general and local conditions, including but not restricted to, those bearing upon transportation, disposal, handling and storage of materials; availability of labor, water, electric power, roads; and uncertainties of weather, river stages, tides or similar physical conditions at the site; the conformation and conditions of the ground; the character of equipment and facilities needed preliminary to and during prosecution of the Work.
- C. The Contractor further acknowledges that it has satisfied itself as to the character, quality and quantity of surface and subsurface materials, obstacles, or conditions to be encountered.
- D. Any failure by the Contractor to acquaint itself with any aspect of the Work or with any of the applicable conditions shall not relieve the Contractor from responsibility for adequately evaluating the difficulty or cost of successfully performing the Work under the Contract Documents, nor shall it be considered the basis for any claim for additional time or compensation.
- E. The County assumes no responsibility for any conclusions or interpretations made by the Contractor on the basis of the information made available by the County. The County also assumes no responsibility for any understanding or representations made by its officers or agents during or prior to the execution of this Agreement, unless such understanding or interpretations are made in writing.

32. PROTECTION OF EXISTING STRUCTURES, UTILITIES, WORK AND VEGETATION

- A. Location of existing structures and utilities provided in the Contract Documents are approximate only. Any damage to existing structures or Work of any kind, or the interruption of a utility service resulting from failure to comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents, shall be repaired or restored promptly by, and at the expense of the Contractor.
- B. The Contractor will preserve and protect all existing vegetation such as trees, shrubs and grass on or adjacent to the site which do not unreasonably interfere with the construction as may be determined by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The Contractor will be responsible for all unauthorized cutting or damaging of trees and shrubs, including damage due to careless operation of equipment, stockpiling of materials or tracking of grass areas by equipment.
- C. The Contractor's attention is directed to the fact that Type "A" or Type "B" TREE PROTECTION BARRIERS, as per Pinellas County Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager Department Index No. 1111, shall be constructed when called for on the Plans, or as directed by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. Barriers shall be maintained in place until their removal is directed by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.
- D. Care will be taken by the Contractor in felling trees authorized for removal to avoid unnecessary damage to vegetation that is to remain in place. Any limbs or branches of trees broken during such operations shall be trimmed without cutting into the trunk and left with a clean cut and a small stub. The Contractor will be liable for, or may be required to replace or restore at its own expense, all vegetation that may be destroyed or damaged due to the Contractor's failure to protect and preserve same as required herein.
- E. Where the Contractor hauls material or equipment to the Project over roads and bridges on the State road system, County road system or City street system, and such use causes damage, the Contractor shall immediately, at its expense, repair such road or bridge to as good a condition as before the hauling began. Such hauling shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable environmental and safety regulations.
- F. The Contractor shall fully protect the Work from loss or damage and shall bear the cost of any such loss or damage until final payment has been made. If the Contractor or any one for whom the Contractor is legally liable for is responsible for any loss or damage to the Work, or other Work or materials of the County or County's separate contractors, the Contractor shall be charged with the same, and any monies necessary to replace such loss or damage shall be deducted from any amounts due the Contractor.
- G. The Contractor shall not disturb any benchmark established by the County with respect to the Project. If the Contractor, or its subcontractors, agents or any one for whom the Contractor is legally liable, disturbs County benchmarks, the Contractor shall immediately notify the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The County shall have the benchmarks reestablished and the Contractor shall be liable for all costs incurred by the County associated therewith.

33. OTHER WORK

- A. The Contractor will cooperate with County forces or others who may be engaged in authorized Work prior to final completion of the Project.

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- B. The Contractor shall cooperate with the owners of any underground or overhead utility lines in their removal and rearrangement operations in order that these operations may progress in a reasonable manner and that service rendered by these parties will not be interrupted.
- C. The County may perform other Work related to the Project at the site by the County's own forces, have other Work performed by utility owners or let other direct contracts. If the fact that such other Work is to be performed is not noted in the Contract Documents, notice thereof will be given to the Contractor. If the Contractor believes that such performance will involve additional expense to the Contractor or require additional time, the Contractor shall send written notice of that fact to the County and the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager within forty-eight (48) hours of being notified of the other Work. If the Contractor fails to send the above required forty-eight (48) hour notice, the Contractor will be deemed to have waived any rights it otherwise may have had to seek an extension to the Agreement Time or adjustment to the Agreement Amount.

The Contractor shall afford each utility owner and other contractors (or the County, if the County is performing the additional Work with the County's employees) proper and safe access to the site and a reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of materials and equipment and the execution of such Work and shall properly connect and coordinate its Work with theirs. The Contractor shall not endanger any Work of others by cutting, excavating or otherwise altering their Work and will only cut or alter their Work with the written consent of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and the others whose Work will be affected.

- D. If any part of the Contractor's Work depends, for proper execution or results, upon the Work of any other contractor other than a subcontractor or utility owner, the Contractor shall inspect and promptly report to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, in writing, any delays, defects or other problems in such other Work that render it impossible for the Contractor to obtain proper execution or results. The Contractor's failure to report will constitute an acceptance of the other Work as fit and proper for integration with the Contractor's Work.

34. TERMINATION**A. Termination for Default**

1. The Contractor shall be considered in material default of the Agreement and such default shall be considered cause for the County to terminate the Agreement, in whole or in part, as further set forth in this paragraph, for any of the following reasons:
 - a. Failing to begin Work under the Contract Documents within the time specified herein;
 - b. Failing to properly and timely perform the Work as directed by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager or as provided for in the approved Construction Progress Schedule;
 - c. Performing the Work unsuitably or neglecting or refusing to remove materials or to correct or replace such Work as may be rejected as unacceptable, unsuitable or otherwise defective;
 - d. Discontinuing the prosecution of the Work;
 - e. Failing to resume Work that has been suspended within a reasonable time after being notified to do so;
 - f. Becoming insolvent or declared bankrupt, or committing any act of bankruptcy;
 - g. Allowing any final judgment to stand unsatisfied for more than ten days;
 - h. Making an assignment for the benefit of creditors;
 - i. Failing to obey laws, ordinances, regulations or other codes of any governmental authority with jurisdiction on the Project;
 - j. Failing to perform or abide by the terms or spirit of the Contract Documents.
2. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of the Contractor's default. If the County determines that the Contractor has not taken substantial steps toward effecting a remedy or cure of the default or defaults in its performance within seven (7) calendar days following receipt by the Contractor of written notice of default or defaults, then the County, at its option, without releasing or waiving its rights and remedies against the Contractor's sureties, and without prejudice to any other right it may be entitled to hereunder or by law, may terminate the Contractor's right to proceed under this Agreement, in whole or in part, and may take possession of the Work and any materials, tools, equipment, and appliances of the Contractor, take assignments of any of the Contractor's subcontracts and purchase orders and complete the Contractor's Work by whatever means, method or agency which the County, in its sole discretion, may choose.
3. If the County deems any of the foregoing remedies necessary, the Contractor agrees it shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until after the Work is completed. All money expended and all of the costs, losses, damages and extra expenses, including all management, administrative and other overhead and other direct and indirect expenses, (including Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and Architectural fees) or damages incurred by the County incident to such completion, shall be deducted from the Agreement Amount, and if such expenditures exceed the unpaid balance of the Agreement Amount, the Contractor agrees to pay promptly to the County on demand, the full amount of such excess, including costs of collection, and interest thereon at the maximum legal rate of interest until paid.

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4. The liability of the Contractor hereunder shall extend to and include the full amount of any and all sums paid, expenses and losses incurred, damages sustained and obligations assumed by the County in good faith under the belief that such payments or assumptions were necessary or required, in completing the Work and providing labor, materials, equipment, supplies, and other items therefore or relating to the Work, and in settlement, discharge, or compromise of any claims, demands, suits or judgments pertaining to or arising out of the Work hereunder.
5. If after notice of termination of the Contractor's right to proceed pursuant to this subparagraph A, "Termination for Default", it is determined for any reason that the Contractor was not in default or that its default was excusable, or that the County is not entitled to the remedies against the Contractor provided herein, then the Contractor's remedies against the County shall be the same as and limited to those afforded the Contractor pursuant to the Termination for Convenience subparagraph B below.

B. Termination for Convenience and Right of Suspension

1. The County shall have the right to terminate or suspend this Agreement, in whole or in part; without cause upon seven (7) calendar days written notice to the Contractor.
2. In the event of such termination or suspension for convenience, the Contractor's sole recovery against the County shall be limited to that portion of the Agreement Amount earned through the date of termination or suspension, together with any retainage withheld and reasonable termination or suspension expenses incurred, but the Contractor shall not be entitled to any other or further recovery against the County, including, but not limited to, damages and any anticipated profit or Work not performed.

35. SUBSTITUTIONS/ APPROVED EQUAL(S) PRIOR TO BID OPENING

- A. The materials, products and equipment described in the Contract Documents established a standard of required function, dimension, appearance and quality to be met by any proposed substitution.
- B. No substitution will be considered prior to receipt of Bids unless a written request for approval has been received by the Pinellas County Purchasing Department, by the question deadline on page 1. Each such request shall include the name of the material or equipment for which it is to be substituted and a complete description of the proposed substitute including drawings, cuts, performance and test data and any other information necessary for an evaluation. A statement setting forth any changes in other materials, equipment or other Work that incorporation of the substitute would require shall be included. The burden of proof of the merit of the proposed substitute is upon the proposer. The decision of approval or disapproval of a proposed substitution shall be final.
- C. If the Purchasing Director approves any proposed substitution prior to receipt of Bids, such approval will be set forth in an Addendum. Bidders shall not rely upon approvals made in any other manner.

36. SUBMITTALS AFTER AWARD**A. Schedule**

1. At or before the Preconstruction Conference, the Contractor shall submit a preliminary Construction Progress Schedule to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The County will review the schedule and provide the Contractor with comments. Within ten (10) days after receipt of the County's comments, the Contractor shall deliver to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager a Construction Progress Schedule in a form satisfactory to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and showing the proposed dates of commencement and completion of each of the various subdivisions of Work. At or before the Preconstruction Conference, the Contractor shall provide to the County a breakdown of estimated monthly payments for the entire duration of the Agreement period.
2. For lump sum items within Section E, the Contractor shall also furnish the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager with a detailed estimate giving a complete breakdown of the value of items of Work to be paid for the purpose of making partial payments thereon. The values employed in making up this estimate and the schedule will be used only for determining the basis of partial payment and will not be considered as fixing a basis for additions to or deductions from the Agreement Amount.
3. The Construction Progress Schedule shall be updated monthly by the Contractor. All updates to the Construction Progress Schedule shall be subject to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's review and County's written approval. Contractor shall submit the updates to the Progress Schedule with its monthly applications for payment noted below. Contractor's submittal of these monthly updates and Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's written approval of same shall be a condition precedent to County's obligation to pay Contractor.

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4. The Work shall be planned and carried out so as to minimize the interruption of existing services, and/or traffic, or as directed by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.
- B. Contractor shall carefully examine the Contract Documents for all requirements for approval of materials to be submitted such as shop Plans, data, test results, schedules and samples. Contractor shall submit all such materials at its own expense and in such form and manner as required by the Contract Documents in sufficient time to prevent any delay in the delivery of such materials and the installation thereof. Incomplete submittals will be returned to the Contractor. The Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager will record time for submittals handled more than twice. The Contractor shall reimburse the County for charges of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and his/her consultants for providing more than two reviews of submittals.
- C. Whenever materials or equipment are specified or described in the Contract Documents by using the name of a proprietary item or the name of a particular supplier, the naming of the item is intended to establish the type, function and quality required. Unless the name is followed by words indicating that no substitution is permitted, materials or equipment of other suppliers may be accepted by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager if sufficient information is submitted by Contractor to allow the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager to determine that the material or equipment proposed is equivalent or equal to that named. Requests for review of substitute items of material and equipment will not be accepted by Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager from anyone other than Contractor and all such requests must be submitted by Contractor to Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager within thirty (30) calendar days after notice of award is received by Contractor.
- D. If Contractor wishes to furnish or use a substitute item of material or equipment, Contractor shall make application to Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager for acceptance thereof, certifying that the proposed substitute shall perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design, be similar and of equal substance to that specified and be suited to the same use as that specified. The application shall state that the evaluation and acceptance of the proposed substitute will not prejudice Contractor's achievement of substantial completion on time, whether or not acceptance of the substitute for use in the Work will require a change in any of the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with County for the Project) to adapt the design to the proposed substitute and whether or not incorporation or use by the substitute in connection with the Work is subject to payment of any license fee or royalty. All variations of the proposed substitute from that specified will be identified in the application and available maintenance, repair and replacement service shall be indicated. The application also shall contain an itemized estimate of all costs that will result directly or indirectly from acceptance of such substitute, including costs for redesign and claims of other contractors affected by the resulting change, all of which shall be considered by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager in evaluating the proposed substitute. Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager may require Contractor to furnish, at Contractor's expense, additional data about the proposed substitute.
- E. If a specific means, method, technique, sequence or procedure of construction is indicated in or required by Contract Documents, Contractor may furnish or utilize a substitute means, method, technique, sequence or procedure of construction acceptable to Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, if Contractor submits sufficient information to allow Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager to determine that the substitute proposed is equivalent to that indicated or required by the Contract Documents. The procedures for submission to and review by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall be the same as those provided herein for substitute materials and equipment.
- F. Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall be allowed a reasonable time within which to evaluate each proposed substitute. Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall be the sole judge of the acceptability of any substitute. No substitute shall be ordered, installed or utilized without the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's prior written acceptance which shall be evidenced by either a Change Order or an approved submittal. County may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any substitute. Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager will record time required by Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's consultants in evaluating substitutions proposed by Contractor and making changes in the Contract Documents occasioned thereby. Whether or not County accepts a proposed substitute, Contractor shall reimburse County for the charges of Design Professional/Engineer and Engineers consultant(s) for evaluating each proposed substitute.
- G. Shop Plans/Working Plans
1. Seven (7) complete sets of detailed shop or working Plans shall be furnished by the prime Contractor to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager for review and processing. The submittal shall include all details, computations, materials, loads, stresses, member sizes, deflections and temporary connections for precasting or any other relevant information on details necessary for review.
 2. All shop, working and erection Plans prepared by the Contractor or its subcontractor, fabricator or supplier shall be REVIEWED, DATED, STAMPED, APPROVED, SEALED (if required), and SIGNED BY THE CONTRACTOR prior to submission for review to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. By approving and submitting shop or working Plans, the Contractor represents that it has verified Work requirements, field measurements,

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construction criteria, sequence of assembly and erection, access and clearances, catalog numbers and other similar data. Each submission shall indicate the Specification section or bid item number and page and/or sheet number to which the submission applies. Under no circumstances will submittals be accepted from subcontractors.

The Contractor shall indicate on the working, shop and erection Plans all deviations from the Contract Documents and shall itemize all deviations in the letter of transmittal.

3. Submittals shall be made to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and will be distributed to the appropriate parties, as applicable. The Contractor shall identify each submittal by title on the form provided by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. All submittals are to be transmitted in an expeditious manner to ensure "next day delivery". After they have been reviewed by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, all submittals shall be stamped either "no exceptions," "exceptions noted" or "rejected" with resubmittal required and returned to the Contractor.
4. Prior to receipt of the reviewed shop or working Plans from the County, Work done or materials ordered for items covered by the Plans shall be done at the Contractor's risk.
5. All submittals by the Contractor shall be made sufficiently in advance of the scheduled start of the applicable construction operation to allow for shop Plans review and for Contractor action required in addressing review comments. The review period shall begin on the day the submittal is received in the office of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager and shall be completed on the day the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager transmits reviewed Plans to the Contractor.
6. The Contractor shall schedule the submission of shop drawing sheets (to be discussed at the pre-construction meeting) so that approximately twenty-one (21) days are allowed for review by the Engineer and Consultant for routine Work. For more complex Work, the number of copies and the scheduled time for review shall be increased proportionately to the complexity of the Work. Contractor submittals that are to be considered as complex and requiring proportionately greater review time include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a. Contractor submittals of alternative design features or modifications to the original design.
 - b. Contractor submittals of complex designs, unusual construction or equipment and methods requiring analysis of design calculations.

H. Materials

1. Delivery Tickets: The Contractor shall submit a copy of all delivery tickets for materials used on the Project, regardless of the basis of payment.
2. Job Mix Formula for Asphaltic Concrete: Attention is directed to the provisions of the "PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA - SPECIFICATIONS FOR HOT BITUMINOUS MIXTURES, PLANT METHODS, EQUIPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION METHODS, latest edition," which require the submission of job mix formulas for asphaltic concrete, of the type specified, at least fourteen (14) days before plant operations begin. The submitted formula shall be approved by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The Contractor shall prepare the mix formula to be submitted to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.
3. Job Mix Formula for Portland Cement Concrete: Attention is directed to the requirement that job mix design formulas for all Portland Cement Concrete, of the type specified, be submitted at least fourteen (14) days prior to use on the Project. The submitted formulas shall be approved by the County and/or its agents prior to its use. All concrete mix designs shall meet Florida D.O.T. Concrete Class mix guidelines or the requirements included in the Technical Specifications included in these Contract Documents.
4. All Job mix formulas shall be submitted to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.
5. Concrete Box Culverts, Pipes, Drainage Structures: The Contractor shall submit written documentation that materials meet the minimum requirements of the technical specifications, including copies of supplier's testing results. No payment for the applicable pay item under the Agreement (i.e., Box Culvert, Pipe, Drainage structure, etc) shall be made to the Contractor until written documentation of the specified minimum requirements is received by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager.
- I. The Contractor will provide 8" X 10" color photographs of the Project in its preconstruction condition and for unusual conditions during construction. The photographs will show all pertinent physical features within the construction limits before construction begins. The Contractor will furnish two copies of all pictures to the County. The Contractor shall provide a hard copy and a digital copy for submittal.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS**SUBMITTALS AFTER AWARD (CONTINUED)**

The Contractor will provide a preconstruction video of all physical features within the construction limits before construction begins. The Contractor will furnish two copies of the video in DVD format

37. RIGHT TO AUDIT

- A. All of the Contractor's records related to the performance of this Agreement shall be open to inspection and subject to reproduction by the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager during normal working hours to the extent necessary to permit adequate evaluation and verification of any invoices for payment, or claims, submitted by the Contractor or any of its payees pursuant to the execution of the Agreement. Such records shall include, but not be limited to, accounting records, written policies and procedures, subcontractor files, original estimates, estimating work sheets, correspondence, Change Order files (including the documentation of negotiated settlements), any supporting evidence necessary to substantiate charges related to this Agreement, and any records necessary to evaluate and verify direct and indirect costs (including overhead allocations) as they may apply to costs associated with this Agreement.
- B. For the purpose of such audits, inspections, examinations and evaluations the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall have access to the said records from the effective date of this Agreement, for the duration of the Work, and until thirty-six (36) months after the date of final payment by the County to the Contractor for performance under this Agreement. The Contractor hereby agrees to maintain said records in safe and dry storage until the end of this time period.
- C. The Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager shall have access to the Contractor's facilities and all necessary records in order to conduct audits in compliance with this Paragraph.

38. INTEREST ON JUDGMENTS:

In the event of any disputes between the parties to this Agreement, including without limited thereto, their assignees and/or assigns, arising out of or relating in any way to this Agreement, which results in litigation and a subsequent judgment, award or decree against either party, it is agreed that any entitlement to post judgment interest, to either party and/or their attorneys, shall be fixed by the proper court at the rate of five (5%) percent, per annum, simple interest. Under no circumstances shall either party be entitled to pre-judgment interest. The parties expressly acknowledge and, to the extent allowed by law, hereby opt out of any provision of federal or state statute not in agreement with this Paragraph.

39. DRAINAGE: The Contractor shall so conduct its operations and maintain the Work in such condition that adequate drainage will be in effect at all times.

40. SURVEY AND LAYOUT – The requirements below (A-H), shall only be applicable when there is a pay item for the contractor to perform the Survey and Layout. If there is no separate pay item for “Survey and Layout by Contractor”, then the County shall perform the Survey and Layout.

- A. The Contractor shall be responsible for providing all lines, grades, boundaries and required survey and/or layout necessary to construct and inspect the Project. All right-of-way and easement boundaries and centerline control points shall be established and maintained through the Agreement Period by the Contractor.
- B. The Contractor shall employ or retain the services of a Florida registered Professional Land Surveyor to perform and supervise the establishment and setting of the Project centerline control at intervals not to exceed 500 feet. All primary control points such as section corners, points of intersection, points of curvature and points of tangency shall be installed, referenced by acceptable standards, and maintained through the Agreement Period. All stakes and points shall be clearly marked and identified.
- C. The Contractor shall employ or retain the services of a Florida registered Professional Land Surveyor to perform and supervise the establishment of all rights-of-way/boundary staking at all Project sidelines. Such staking shall be established and maintained by the Contractor's registered Professional Land Surveyor along each sideline or perimeter at each station and all points of intersection, points of curvature, and points of tangency. All stakes shall be clearly marked and identified.
- D. The Contractor's registered Professional Land Surveyor and all employees engaged in survey efforts shall keep proper documentation of survey notes in hard bound books. The use of digital data storage capabilities may be used in lieu of hard bound books. Standard ASCII files/format shall be used with software compatibility to that of the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager's. The Contractor shall submit for approval the selected format and software application(s).
- E. The Contractor may perform or select the option to employ a Florida registered Professional Design Professional/Engineer or registered Professional Land Surveyor to provide construction layout. All layout and measurements shall be performed from control and boundaries established and maintained by the Contractor's Florida registered Professional Land Surveyor.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS**SURVEY AND LAYOUT (CONTINUED)**

- F. The Contractor shall be responsible to perform all layout in acceptable standard methods. All items shall be clearly staked and marked. Roadway items shall be staked for horizontal alignment relative to the edge of pavement with appropriate offset stakes. All vertical grades should be referenced to the nearest even foot cut or fill where practical. Tabulated cut/fill sheets are acceptable for utility Work items, copies of which shall be furnished to the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager prior to the Work.
- G. All calculations for intermediate grades and locations shall be performed by the Contractor. All calculations shall be transcribed in hard-bound field books prior to layout and staking.
- H. The Contractor shall submit, for information only, a Survey and Layout Plan comprised of the following:
 - 1. Name, address and certificate number of the registered Professional Land Surveyor to be in responsible charge of performing all survey control and boundary Work.
 - 2. Name, address and certificate registration number, if applicable, of the person in responsible charge of performing all layout, measurements and calculations for the Project, if opted by the Contractor. This person must be a Contractor, Professional Land Surveyor or Professional Design Professional/Engineer.

41. CONFORMITY OF WORK WITH PLANS

- A. All Work performed and all materials furnished shall be in reasonably close conformity with the lines, grades, cross sections, dimensions, and material requirements, including tolerances, shown on the Plans or indicated in the Specifications.
- B. In the event the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager or Consultant finds the materials or the finished product in which the materials are used not within reasonably close conformity with the Plans and Specifications, but that reasonably acceptable Work has been produced, he/she shall then make a determination if the Work shall be accepted and remain in place. In this event, the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager will document the basis of acceptance by Contract modification which will provide for an appropriate adjustment in the Agreement Amount for such Work or materials as he deems necessary to conform to his/her determination based on Design Professional/Engineer/Project Managers judgment.

42. **LABORATORY TESTING:** Cost of all required laboratory testing shall be borne by the County, except that the cost of all re-testing due to defective materials or construction shall be borne by the CONTRACTOR. Testing shall be in accordance with the applicable portions of Specifications and Plans. The Contractor shall also be responsible for all related laboratory costs associated with cancellation of scheduled testing due to Work not completed and ready for testing at the scheduled time.

43. **GUARANTEE OF WORK:** All Work shall be guaranteed for eighteen (18) months after the date on the certificate of completion and final acceptance of the Work unless otherwise specified. The guarantees are to be construed as being supplemental in nature and in addition to any and all other remedies available to the County under the laws of the State of Florida.

44. **WARRANTY:** The Contractor shall obtain and assign to the County all expressed warranties given to the Contractor or any subcontractors by any material suppliers, equipment or fixtures to be incorporated into the Project. The Contractor warrants to the County that any materials and equipment furnished under the Contract Documents shall be new unless otherwise specified, and that all Work shall be of good quality, free from all defects and in conformance with the Contract Documents. The Contractor further warrants to the County that all materials and equipment furnished under the Contract Documents shall be applied, installed, connected, erected, used, cleaned and conditioned in accordance with the instructions of the applicable manufacturers, fabricators, suppliers or processors except as otherwise provided for in the Contract Documents. Unless otherwise specified, if within eighteen (18) months after the date on the Certificate of Completion and final acceptance, any Work is found to be defective or not in conformance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall correct it promptly after receipt of written notice from the Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager. The Contractor shall also be responsible for and pay for replacement or repair of adjacent materials or Work which may be damaged as a result of such replacement or repair. These warranties are in addition to those implied warranties to which the County is entitled as a matter of law.

SECTION B - SPECIAL CONDITIONS

45. **SUBMISSION OF BIDS:** Paper documents must be provided, but should be accompanied by an equivalent electronic PDF file. Provide one original and one copy on paper, plus two (2) compact discs (CD). The preferred method is PDF conversion from the Contractors source files (to minimize file size and maximize quality and accessibility) rather than scanning.

Instructions for Providing Files in PDF Format to Pinellas County Government

- A. Why does Pinellas County Government want all the documents as PDF files?**
Answer- It's much more efficient to go paperless, and PDF is a universal file format that fits perfectly into government workflow processes.
- B. How do I convert my files to PDF format?**
Answer- If you have a program such as Adobe Acrobat, creating a PDF of any file is a simple print function. Rather than printing to a traditional printer, the file converts to a PDF format copy of your original. Any program (such as Word, PowerPoint, Excel, etc.) can be converted this way by simply selecting the print command and choosing PDF as the printer.
- C. Should I scan everything and save as PDF?**
Answer- Not unless you are scanning with OCR (optical character recognition). Scanning will create unnecessarily large files because a scan is just a picture of a page rather than actual page text. Furthermore, the result of scanning is that your pages will not look nearly as "clean" or professional as simply using the print to PDF method from the program from which the file originates. Additionally, since scan pages are pictures of text, not really text, they may not be considered accessible* under Federal ADA guidelines (*unless the scans are OCR)
- D. My document is a compilation of multiple sources. Should I send multiple PDF files?**
Answer- You may, however merging pages/files is a very simple process within PDF.
- E. How do I get my PDF files to Pinellas County Government?**
Answer- They may be provided on any medium that is compatible with a standard PC. A CD is generally the simplest method. Please label the CD with a listing of contents. Provide the files to whoever your Pinellas County contact is for the Project you are working on. For PDF technical support, contact webadmin@pinellascounty.org

Tips & Best-Practice Recommendations

1. File names should clearly identify the file. Avoid cryptic or extremely long file names.
2. File names should not include spaces or special characters (stick to letters, numbers and dashes).
3. For example **MyCompany-bid-3000-oct-2009.pdf**
4. Check the PDF files to make sure they are functional before you send them.
5. If the file is large and has a table of contents, adding links makes your files much more user friendly.
6. To maximize the usefulness and audit-ability of your files, it's recommended to add some identifier (AKA metadata) information to the PDF files. To do this is simple. After you've converted your file to PDF, using Acrobat select File-Properties, and add the name of the author, subject, and any additional info you like to make the source of the document clearly traceable.

SECTION C – INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**SECTION C - INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

1. **LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY.** By submitting a DOCUMENT, the Pinellas County acknowledges and agrees that the services will be provided without any limitation on Pinellas County's liability. The County objects to and shall not be bound by any term or provision that purports to limit the Pinellas County's liability to any specified amount in the performance of the services. Pinellas County shall state any exceptions to this provision in its response, including specifying the proposed limits of liability in the stated exception to be included in the Services Agreement. Pinellas County is deemed to have accepted and agreed to provide the services without any limitation on Pinellas County's liability that Pinellas County does not take exception to in its response. Notwithstanding any exceptions by Pinellas County, the County reserves the right to declare its prohibition on any limitation on Pinellas County's liability as non-negotiable, to disqualify any Pinellas County that includes exceptions to this prohibition on any limitation on Pinellas County's liability, and to proceed with another responsive, responsible DOCUMENT, as determined by the County in its sole discretion.
2. **INDEMNIFICATION.** By submitting a DOCUMENT, the Pinellas County acknowledges and agrees to be bound by and subject to the County's indemnification provisions as set out in the Services Agreement. The County objects to and shall not be bound by any term or provision that purports to modify or amend the Pinellas County's indemnification obligations in the Services Agreement, or requires the County to indemnify and/or hold the Pinellas County harmless in any way related to the services. Pinellas County shall state any exceptions to this provision in the response, including specifying the proposed revisions to the Services Agreement indemnification provisions, or the proposed indemnification from the County to the Pinellas County to be included in the Services Agreement. Pinellas County is deemed to have accepted and agreed to provide the services subject to the Services Agreement indemnification provisions that Pinellas County does not take exception to in its response. Notwithstanding any exceptions by Pinellas County, the County reserves the right to declare its indemnification requirements as non-negotiable, to disqualify any DOCUMENT that includes exceptions to this paragraph, and to proceed with another responsive, responsible DOCUMENT, as determined by the County in its sole discretion.
3. **INSURANCE:**
 - a) DOCUMENT submittals should include Pinellas County's current Certificate(s) of Insurance in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below. If Pinellas County does not currently meet insurance requirements, Pinellas County shall also include verification from its broker or agent that any required insurance not provided at that time of submittal will be in place within 10 days after award recommendation prior to commencement of work.
 - b) Within 10 days of **contract award** and prior to commencement of work, Pinellas County shall email certificate that is compliant with the insurance requirements to CertsOnly-Portland@ebix.com. If certificate received with DOCUMENT was a compliant certificate no further action may be necessary. It is imperative that Pinellas County include the unique identifier, which will be supplied by the County's Purchasing Department. The Certificate(s) of Insurance shall be signed by authorized representatives of the insurance companies shown on the Certificate(s). **A copy of the endorsement(s) referenced in paragraph g) (3) for Additional Insured shall be attached to the certificate(s) referenced in this paragraph.**
 - c) No work shall commence at any project site unless and until the required Certificate(s) of Insurance are received and approved by the County. Approval by the County of any Certificate(s) of Insurance does not constitute verification by the County that the insurance requirements have been satisfied or that the insurance policy shown on the Certificate(s) of Insurance is in compliance with the requirements of the Agreement. County reserves the right to require a certified copy of the entire insurance policy, including endorsement(s), at any time during the DOCUMENT and/or contract period.
 - d) If any insurance provided pursuant to the Agreement expires prior to the completion of the Work, renewal Certificate(s) of Insurance and endorsement(s) shall be furnished by Pinellas County to the County at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration date.

SECTION C – INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- (1) Pinellas County shall also notify County within twenty-four (24) hours after receipt, of any notices of expiration, cancellation, nonrenewal or adverse material change in coverage received by said Pinellas County from its insurer. Notice shall be given by certified mail to: Pinellas County, c/o Ebix BPO, PO Box 257, Portland, MI, 48875-0257; be sure to include your organization's unique identifier, which will be provided upon notice of award. Nothing contained herein shall absolve Pinellas County of this requirement to provide notice.
 - (2) Should Pinellas County, at any time, not maintain the insurance coverages required herein, the County may terminate the Agreement, or at its sole discretion may purchase such coverages necessary for the protection of the County and charge Pinellas County for such purchase or offset the cost against amounts due to Pinellas County for services completed. The County shall be under no obligation to purchase such insurance, nor shall it be responsible for the coverages purchased or the insurance company or companies used. The decision of the County to purchase such insurance shall in no way be construed to be a waiver of any of its rights under the Agreement.
- e) If subcontracting is allowed under this DOCUMENT, Pinellas County shall obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth; and require any subcontractors to obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance limits as it may apply to the portion of the Work performed by the subcontractor; *but in no event will the insurance limits be less than \$500,000 for Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability, and \$1,000,000 for General Liability and Auto Liability if required below.*
- (1) All subcontracts between Pinellas County and its subcontractors shall be in writing and may be subject to the County's prior written approval. Further, all subcontracts shall (1) require each subcontractor to be bound to Pinellas County to the same extent Pinellas County is bound to the County by the terms of the Contract Documents, as those terms may apply to the portion of the Work to be performed by the subcontractor; (2) provide for the assignment of the subcontracts from Pinellas County to the County at the election of Owner upon termination of the Contract; (3) provide any Party listed in g) (3) below will be an additional indemnified party of the subcontract; (4) provide any Party listed in g) (3) below will be an additional insured on all insurance policies required to be provided by the subcontractor except workers compensation and professional liability; (5) provide waiver of subrogation in favor of any Party listed in g) (8) below and other insurance terms and/or conditions as outlined below; (6) assign all warranties directly to the County; and (7) identify the County as an intended third-party beneficiary of the subcontract. Pinellas County shall make available to each proposed subcontractor, prior to the execution of the subcontract, copies of the Contract Documents to which the subcontractor will be bound by this Section C and identify to the subcontractor any terms and conditions of the proposed subcontract which may be at variance with the Contract Documents.
- f) Each insurance policy and/or certificate shall include the following terms and/or conditions:
- (1) The Named Insured on the Certificate of Insurance and insurance policy must match the entity's name that responded to the DOCUMENT and/or is signing the agreement with the County. If Pinellas County is a Joint Venture per Section A. titled Joint Venture of this DOCUMENT, Certificate of Insurance and Named Insured must show Joint Venture Legal Entity name and the Joint Venture must comply with the requirements of Section C with regard to limits, terms and conditions, including completed operations coverage.
 - (2) All insurance policies shall be from responsible companies duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida and have an AM Best rating of A- VIII or better. Companies issuing the insurance policy, or policies, shall have no recourse against County for payment of premiums or assessments for any deductibles which all are at the sole responsibility and risk of Pinellas County.
 - (3) All policies providing liability coverage(s), other than Professional Liability and Workers' Compensation policies, obtained by Pinellas County, and any subcontractors, to meet the requirements of the Agreement shall be endorsed to include Pinellas County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida as an Additional Insured; and when applicable, other entities, such as the State of Florida, municipalities, or Appointing Authorities, shall also be endorsed as Additional Insured(s).
 - (4) The term "County" or "Pinellas County" shall include all Authorities, Boards, Bureaus, Commissions, Divisions, Departments and Constitutional offices of County and individual members, employees thereof in their official capacities, and/or while acting on behalf of Pinellas County.

SECTION C – INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- (5) The policy clause "Other Insurance" shall not apply to any insurance coverage currently held by County or any such future coverage, or to County's Self-Insured Retentions of whatever nature.
 - (6) All policies shall be written on a primary, non-contributory basis.
 - (7) Any Certificate(s) of Insurance evidencing coverage provided by a leasing company for either Workers Compensation or Commercial General Liability shall have a list of covered employees certified by the leasing company attached to the Certificate(s) of Insurance. The County shall have the right, but not the obligation to determine that Pinellas County is only using employees named on such list to perform work for the County. Should employees not named be utilized by Pinellas County, the County, at its option may stop work without penalty to the County until proof of coverage or removal of the employee by the contractor occurs, or alternatively find Pinellas County to be in default and take such other protective measures as necessary.
 - (8) Insurance policies, other than Professional Liability, shall include waivers of subrogation in favor of Pinellas County from both Pinellas County and subcontractor(s). For projects that include services for others, or involve work in right-of-ways of other entities, such as the State of Florida, municipalities, or Appointing Authorities, Waivers of Subrogation shall be in favor of those entities on the appropriate insurance policies.
 - (9) For acceptance of any coverage included within another policy required herein, a statement notifying the certificate holder must be included on the certificate of insurance and the total amount of said coverage per occurrence must be greater than or equal to the amount of the required coverage and other coverage combined
 - (10)The County reserves the right, but not the duty, to review and request a copy of Pinellas County's most recent annual report or audited financial statement when a self-insured retention (SIR) or deductible exceeds \$50,000.
- g) The minimum insurance requirements and limits for this Agreement, which shall remain in effect throughout its duration and for two (2) years beyond final acceptance for projects with a Completed Operations exposure, are as follows:

(1) Workers' Compensation Insurance

Limit	Florida Statutory
Employers' Liability Limits	
Per Employee	\$ 100,000
Per Employee Disease	\$ 100,000
Policy Limit Disease	\$ 500,000

- (2) Commercial General Liability Insurance including, but not limited to, Independent Contractor, Contractual Liability Premises/Operations, Products/Completed Operations, and Personal Injury. There shall be no exclusion for cranes, weight, jig or boom.

Limits	
Combined Single Limit Per Occurrence	\$ 1,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$ 1,000,000
Personal Injury and Advertising Injury	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000

SECTION C – INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- (3) Business Automobile or Trucker's/Garage Liability Insurance covering owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles. If Pinellas County does not own any vehicles, then evidence of Hired and Non-owned coverage is sufficient. Coverage shall be on an "occurrence" basis, such insurance to include coverage for loading and unloading hazards, unless Pinellas County can show that this coverage exists under the Commercial General Liability policy.

Limit

Combined Single Limit Per Accident	\$ 1,000,000
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- (4) Excess or Umbrella Liability Insurance excess of the primary coverage required, in paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) above:

Limits

Each Occurrence or Claim	\$ 2,000,000
General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000

- (5) Property Insurance Pinellas County will be responsible for all damage to its own property, equipment and/or materials.

- (6) Builders Risk/ Installation Floater Coverage on an "All Risk" basis for equipment and or materials while stored onsite, offsite or while in transit in the amount no less than the full replacement cost of equipment and or materials and shall include coverage for crane, weight, Jig or boom, loading and unloading and testing. Policy shall name Pinellas County as Loss Payee and include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the County. Any applicable deductible will be the responsibility of the Contractor. The policy shall remain in effect until final acceptance as defined under the contract.

SECTION D – SPECIFICATIONS**SECTION D -SPECIFICATIONS:**

Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153)

Bid Number: 145-0487-CP(DF)

Project consists of upgrading the exterior lighting system at the William E. Dunn Water Reclamation Facility to an energy efficient Solid State Light Emitting Diode (LED) lighting system with “on-off” controls allowing dusk to dawn lighting including an additional PLC override and control. Work also includes:

- Retrofitting existing poles with new LED fixture
- Replacement of wall and ceiling mounted fixtures with LED fixtures
- Furnish and install aluminum 25’poles and 15’ hinged poles with new LED fixtures, marine-rated watertight duplex receptacles, foundations and adhesive anchors
- Furnish and install new wall mounted LED lighting fixtures, raceway system, wiring and control equipment

Specifications and Plans can be obtained by downloading from the Purchasing website at http://www.pinellascounty.org/PURCHASE/Current_Bids1.htm you will be directed to www.DemandStar.com

This section may contain special notices if applicable.

The Disc contains the following files:

1. Invitation to Bid
2. Specifications
3. Plans

SECTION E – BID SUBMITTAL FORM

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(Schedule of Values)

**NO CHANGES SHALL BE MADE TO THE PAY ITEM QUANTITIES CONTAINED HEREIN.
ANY CORRECTIONS TO BIDDER ENTRIES SHALL BE MADE IN INK AND SHALL BE INITIALED BY BIDDER.**

Item	Description	Unit of Measure	Approximate Quantities	Unit Price	Extended Total
1.	Mobilization/Demobilization	LS	1	\$	\$
2.	Exterior Lighting System Upgrades	LS	1	\$	\$
3.	Contingency				\$119,214.00
		TOTAL BID			\$

Reduce Completion Time Incentive

The County may be interested in optional pricing if the project can be completed in less time. Bidders at an option may provide alternate cost for expediting the project completion time. All other terms and conditions shall remain the same. This information may be used to determine award.

Reduction in Consecutive Calendar Days To Period of Agreement on Page 16 Item 2	Lump Sum Cost Increase	Lump Sum Cost Decrease
30	\$	\$
60	\$	\$
90	\$	\$

SECTION E – BID SUBMITTAL FORM

W9

Substitute Form

W-9

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.	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/Sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (D=disregarded entity, C=corporation, P=partnership) ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
	City, state, and ZIP code	
	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 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.

Social security number : : :
or
Employer identification number : : :

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

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- 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
- 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
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined in the instructions).

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 4.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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***Instructions to Form W-9 available upon request.**

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Section 119.071(5), Florida Statutes Notice:

Your Tax Identification Number (which for individuals is your social security number) is collected on Form W9 for use in filing information returns with the IRS as described more fully below. Collection of the tax identification number (or social security number as applicable) is mandatory pursuant to Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C § 6109).

Privacy Act Notice:

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons who must file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, and certain other income paid to you, mortgage interest you paid, the acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA, or Archer MSA or HSA. The IRS uses the numbers for identification purposes and to help verify the accuracy of your tax return. The IRS may also provide this information to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions to carry out their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax 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. Payers must generally withhold 28% of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to a payer. Certain penalties may also apply.

SECTION E – BID SUBMITTAL FORM**ELECTRONIC PAYMENT (EPAYABLES):**

The Board of County Commissioners (County) is offering faster payments. The County would prefer to make payment using credit card.

Would your company accept to participate in the ePayables credit card program?

Yes No

For more information about ePayables credit card program please visit Purchasing Department website www.pinellascounty.org/purchase.

Company Name

Signature

Printed Signature

SECTION E – BID SUBMITTAL FORM

BID SUBMITTAL OFFICERS FORM

BID TITLE: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153)

BID NUMBER: 145-0487-CP(DF)

Each Bid by an individual or firm shall state the name and address of each person who owns an interest therein, and, if any corporation, the name and addresses of its officers, or if an LLC, the name and address of its members. Bids shall be signed by the person or member of the firm making the same, and if a corporation, by an authorized officer or agent, subscribing the name of the corporation, together with his own name and the corporate seal.

The Bidder further agrees to execute the Agreement within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice of award, and within the time frame of Section H – Agreement.

The Bidder further agrees to bear the full cost of maintaining all Work until the final acceptance.

Accompanying the Bid is a Bid Guarantee, meeting the requirements described in the Instruction to Bidders.

The Contractor's address and principal place of business is:

If Contractor is a Corporation, list the names, titles and business addresses of its President, Secretary and Treasurer.

PRESIDENT

ADDRESS:

Printed Name

SECRETARY

ADDRESS:

Printed Name

TREASURER

ADDRESS:

Printed Name

SECTION E – BID SUBMITTAL FORM

Said Corporation is qualified to do business in the State of Florida.

Corporation Name By _____
President

***CORPORATE SEAL ***

Qualifying Agent

Contractor's Registration or Certificate No.
issued by the State of Florida

If Contractor is not a corporation, list the name(s) and business address(es) of its owner(s), joint venturers or partners:

Name _____ **ADDRESS:** _____
Printed Name

Name _____ **ADDRESS:** _____
Printed Name

Name _____ **ADDRESS:** _____
Printed Name

The said company or business entity is a sole proprietorship, partnership, or joint venture and is trading and doing business as

Company Name

By: _____
Name of Firm or Qualifying Agent

Contractor's Registration or Certification No. issued by the State of
Florida

SECTION E – BID SUBMITTAL FORM

FLORIDA TRENCH SAFETY ACT

CERTIFICATION AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The undersigned acknowledges the requirements of the Florida Trench Safety Act (Section 553.60 et. seq. Florida Statutes).

- A. The Bidder further acknowledges that the Florida Trench Safety Act, (the Act) establishes the Federal excavation safety standards set forth at 29 C.F.R. Section 1926.650 Subpart P, as the interim state standard until such time as the state of Florida, through its Department of Labor and Employment Security, or any successor agency, adopts, updates, or revises said interim standard. This State of Florida standard may be supplemented by special shoring requirements established by the State of Florida or any of its political subdivisions.
- B. The Bidder, as Contractor, shall comply with all applicable excavation/trench safety standards.
- C. The contractor shall consider the geotechnical data available from the County, if any, the Contractor's own sources, and all other relevant information in its design of the trench safety system to be employed on the subject Project. The Contractor acknowledges sole responsibilities for the selection of the data on which it relies in designing the safety system, as well as for the system itself.
- D. The amounts that the Bidder has set forth for pipe installation includes the following excavation/trench safety measures and the linear feet of trench excavated under each safety measure. These units, costs, and unit values shall be disclosed solely for the purpose of compliance with procedural requirements of the Act. No adjustment to the Agreement Time or price shall be made for any difference in the actual number of linear feet of trench excavation, except as may be otherwise provided in these Contract Documents.

	Trench Safety Measure (Description)	Units of Measure (LF, SF)	Unit (Quantity)	Unit Cost	Extended Cost
1.				\$	\$
2.				\$	\$
3.				\$	\$
4.				\$	\$
5.				\$	\$

For Information Only, Not for Payment Purposes \$ _____

Bidder may use additional sheets as necessary to extend this form. Failure to complete the above may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

- E. The amount disclosed as the cost of compliance with the applicable trench safety requirements does not constitute the extent of the Contractor's obligation to comply with said standards. The Contractor shall extend additional sums at no additional cost to the County, if necessary, to comply with the Act (except as otherwise be provided).
- F. Acceptance of the bid to which this certification and disclosure applies in no way represents that the County or its representatives has evaluated and thereby determined that the above costs are adequate to comply with the applicable trench safety requirements nor does it in any way relieve the Contractor of its sole responsibility to comply with the applicable trench safety requirements.

Company Name

Name and Title

Address:

Telephone/Fax

Federal Employee ID NO. (FEIN)

Email of Account Representative

SECTION F ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

SECTION F - ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM:

Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153)

Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF)

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF ADDENDA FOR THIS ITB BY SIGNING AND DATING BELOW:

ADDENDUM NO.	SIGNATURE/PRINTED NAME	DATE RECEIVED

Note: Prior to submitting the response to this solicitation, it is the responsibility of the firm submitting a response to confirm if any addenda have been issued. If such addendum(s) has been issued, acknowledge receipt by signature and date in this section. Failure to do so may result in being considered non-responsive.

Information regarding Addenda issued is available on the Purchasing Department's website at, www.pinellascounty.org/purchase/Current_Bids1.htm, listed under category 'Current Bids'.

SECTION G STATEMENT OF NO BID

SECTION G - STATEMENT OF NO BIDS:

NOTE: If you do not intend to bid on this requirement, please return this form immediately. **Thank you.**

Pinellas County Purchasing Department
400 South Fort Harrison Avenue, 6th Floor
Clearwater, Florida 33756

We, the undersigned have declined to submit a bid for No. **145-0487-CP(DF)** for **Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153)**

- Specifications too "tight", i.e., geared toward one brand or manufacturer only (explain below).
- Insufficient time to respond to the Invitation to Bid.
- We do not offer this product or service.
- Our schedule would not permit us to perform.
- Unable to meet specifications.
- Unable to meet Bond requirement.
- Specifications unclear (explain below).
- Unable to Meet Insurance Requirements.
- Remove Us from Your "Notification List" Altogether
- Other (specify below).

REMARKS:

We understand that if the "No Bid" letter is not executed and returned our name may be deleted from the Bidders List of Pinellas County.

COMPANY NAME: _____

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

TYPED NAME OF ABOVE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____

SECTION H - AGREEMENT

SECTION H - AGREEMENT:

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter designated the COUNTY, and

(Name of Firm)

(Corporation, Partnership or Individual Proprietor)

Authorized to do business in the State of Florida, with principal place of business located at:

herein after designated the CONTRACTOR,

WITNESSETH:

That for and in consideration of the sum of _____

DOLLARS \$

to be paid by the COUNTY to the CONTRACTOR as herein provided, and in further consideration of the mutual covenants and promises to be kept and performed by and between the parties hereto, it is agreed as follows:

1. THE CONTRACTOR AGREES:

- A. To furnish all services, labor, materials and equipment necessary for the complete performance, in a thorough and workmanlike manner, of the Work contemplated under **Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades – WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153), Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF)**, in Pinellas County, Florida, to comply with the applicable standards, and to perform all Work in strict accordance with the terms of the Contract Documents.
- B. To commence Work under this Agreement with an adequate force and equipment within fifteen (15) consecutive calendar days after receipt of written notice from the COUNTY to proceed hereunder, and to fully complete all necessary Work under the same within not more than **one hundred eighty (180) consecutive calendar days**. It is understood and agreed that the date on which the consecutive calendar days will begin to be charged to the Project shall be the fifteenth (15th) calendar day from the date of receipt of the Notice to Proceed. Time of performance and completion of the Work of this Agreement is of the essence.
- C. That upon failure to complete all Work within the time provided for above, the Contractor shall pay to the County such sums as shall be determined in accordance with the Liquidated Damages provision of this Agreement, and the payment of such sum shall be secured as provided for therein.
- D. That the CONTRACTOR and each subcontractor shall furnish to the COUNTY, upon demand, a certified copy of the payroll covering Work under this Agreement, together with such other information as may be required by the COUNTY to ensure compliance with the law and the provisions of this Agreement.
- E. To procure all insurance as required by the Instructions to Bidders.
- F. To procure and maintain all permits and licenses which may be required by law in connection with the prosecution of the Work contemplated hereunder, except for those permits obtained by the County as expressly set forth in Appendix 1 of the Contract Documents. Notwithstanding the provisions above, the Contractor shall be responsible for non-compliance of all permit requirements, including all fines resulting from Contractor's non-compliance of said requirements.
- G. To permit any representative(s) of the County, at all reasonable times, to inspect the Work in progress or any of the materials used or to be used in connection therewith, whether such Work is located on or off the Project site, and to furnish promptly, without additional charge, all reasonable facilities, labor and materials deemed necessary by the County's Design Professional/Engineer/Project Manager, for the conducting of such inspections and tests as it may require.

SECTION H - AGREEMENT

- H. Unless otherwise provided in the special provisions, special conditions and Specifications, to assume liability for all damage to Work under construction or completed, whether from fire, water, winds, vandalism, or other causes, until final completion and acceptance by the County and notwithstanding the fact that partial payments may have been made during construction.
- I. No subcontract or transfer of Agreement shall in any case release either the Contractor or its surety of any liability under the Agreement and bonds. The County reserves the right to reject any subcontractors or equipment.
- J. Unless specifically prohibited by Florida law, the Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers and employees from any and all liabilities, claims, damages, penalties, demands, judgments, actions, proceedings, losses or costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees and paralegals' fees, or by, or on account of, any claim or amounts recovered under the "Workers' Compensation Law" or of any other laws, by-laws, ordinance, order or decree whether resulting from any claimed breach of this Agreement by the Contractor or from personal injury, property damage, direct or consequential damages, or economic loss, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Contractor or anyone employed or utilized by the Contractor in the performance of this Agreement. The duty to defend under this paragraph is independent and separate from the duty to indemnify, and the duty to defend exists regardless of any ultimate liability of the Contractor, the County and any indemnified party. The duty to defend arises immediately upon presentation of a claim by any party and written notice of such claim being provided to the Contractor. The Contractor's obligation to indemnify and defend under this Article will survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement until it is determined by final judgment that an action against the County or an indemnified party for the matter indemnified hereunder is fully and finally barred by the applicable statute of limitations. The Contractor shall guarantee the payment of all just claims for materials, supplies, tools, labor or other just claims against it or any subcontractor in connection with this Agreement; and its bonds will not be released by final acceptance and payment by the County unless all such claims are paid or released.
- K. By signing this Agreement, the contractor certifies under penalty of law that it understands the terms and conditions of, and will comply with, the Pinellas County National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit No. FLS000005 that authorizes the storm water discharge associated with construction activities.
- L. Contractor shall submit invoices for payment due as provided herein with such documentation as required by Pinellas County and all payments shall be made in accordance with the requirements of Section 218.70 *et. seq.*, Florida Statutes, "The Local Government Prompt Payment Act." Invoices shall be submitted to the address below unless instructed otherwise on the purchase order, or if no purchase order, by the ordering department:

Finance Division Accounts Payable
Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners
P. O. Box 2438
Clearwater, FL 33757

Each invoice shall include, at a minimum, the Contractor's name, contact information and the standard purchase order number. In order to expedite payment, it is recommended the Contractor also include the information shown in Section A – General Conditions Payments/Invoices. The County may dispute any payments invoiced by Contractor in accordance with the County's Dispute Resolution Process for Invoiced Payments, established in accordance with Section 218.76, Florida Statutes, and any such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the County's Dispute Resolution Process.

- M. Local, State, and Federal Compliance Requirements: The laws of the State of Florida apply to any purchase made under this Invitation to Bid. Bidders shall comply with all local, state, and federal directives, orders and laws as applicable to this bid and subsequent contract(s) including but not limited to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), and OSHA as applicable to this contract.

2. THE COUNTY AGREES:

- A. To pay to the Contractor the Agreement Amount herein above specified, as follows:

If progress satisfactory to the County is being made by the Contractor the Contractor will receive partial payments on this Agreement as the Work progresses, based upon estimates of the amount of Work done less payments previously made. In each case 10% of the Agreement Amount earned shall be retained until 50% of the Work is completed, and thereafter 5% of the Agreement Amount earned shall be retained until satisfactory completion and final acceptance of the Project, and final compliance by the Contractor with all terms and conditions of the Contract Documents. Neither progress payment nor partial or entire use or occupancy of the Project by the County shall constitute an acceptance of Work not in accordance with the Contract Documents. The County, prior to making of any payment, may require the Contractor to furnish a certificate or other evidence showing the amount of Work done or completed at that time.

- B. If the Contractor shall so request, to furnish, without charge, two (2) certified copies of any motions or resolutions authorizing the execution of this Agreement, or amendments thereto, or any changes in the Plans, Plans or Specifications pertaining to this Agreement.

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3. IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED:
- A. That no change, alteration, amendment, payment for extra Work or agreement to pay for same, shall be binding upon the County until it has been approved the same, and until the same shall be properly approved by the Board.
 - B. The County shall designate a representative insofar as prosecution of the Work, and interpretation of the Plans and Specifications are concerned, and that no payments shall be made by the County under this Agreement except upon the certificate of the proper County designee.
 - C. This Agreement shall be interpreted under and its performance governed by the laws of the State of Florida.
 - D. The failure of the County to enforce at any time or for any period of time any one or more of the provisions of the Contract Documents shall not be construed to be and shall not be a waiver of any such provision or provisions or of its rights thereafter to enforce each and every such provision.
 - E. Each of the parties hereto agrees and represents that this Agreement comprises the full and entire agreement between the parties affecting the Work contemplated, and that no other agreement or understanding of any nature concerning the same has been entered into or will be recognized, and that all negotiations, acts, Work performed, or payments made prior to execution hereof shall be deemed merged into, integrated and superseded by this Agreement.
 - F. Should any provision of this Agreement be determined by a court to be unenforceable, such determination shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any section or part thereof.
4. The following named Documents, which shall be referred to as the "Contract Documents," are by reference hereby incorporated into this Agreement:

ADDENDA (if applicable)

APPENDIX 4 SPECIAL NOTICES (if applicable)

SECTION B SPECIAL CONDITIONS

SECTION H AGREEMENT

SECTION D SPECIFICATIONS

If there is a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the above referenced documents, then the conflict shall be resolved as follows: the terms of this Agreement shall prevail over the other documents, **and the terms of the remaining documents shall be given preference in their above listed order.**

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5. This Agreement shall be binding upon, and shall inure to the benefit of the executors, administrators, heirs, successors and assigns of the Contractor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed on the day and year as written.

PINELLAS COUNTY acting by and
through the Board of County Commissioners

Name of Firm

By: _____

Chairman

Print Name

Date

Title

ATTEST:
Ken Burke,
Clerk of the Circuit Court

ATTEST: _____

By: _____

Print Name

Deputy Clerk

Title

Approved as to Form

WITNESSES: _____

By: _____

Print Name

Office of the County Attorney

Business Address

Print Name

Business Address

Contractor's Registration or Certification No. issued
by the State of Florida
CORPORATE SEAL

SECTION I - BONDS

SECTION I - BONDS:

The exact language in Section I must be used when submitting bonds

BOND NO. _____

PERFORMANCE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That _____, as Principal,

and _____, as Surety,

Located at:

(Business Address)

Are held and firmly bound unto Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, Pinellas County, Florida, as Obligee in the sum of

DOLLARS \$ _____ For the payment whereof we bind ourselves,
our heirs, executors, personal representatives, successors and assigns, jointly and severally.

WHEREAS, Principal has entered into a Agreement with Obligee for **Bid Title: Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades – WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153), Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF)** in accordance with Plans and Specifications, which Agreement is incorporated by reference and made a part hereof, and is referred to as the Agreement.

THE CONDITIONS OF THIS BOND is that if Principal:

1. Performs the Agreement at the times and in the manner prescribed in the Agreement; and
2. Pays Obligee any and all losses, damages, costs and attorneys' fees, including appellate proceedings, that Obligee sustains because of any default by Principal under the Agreement, including, but not limited to, all delay damages, whether liquidated or actual, incurred by Obligee; and
3. Performs the guarantee of all Work and materials furnished under the Agreement for the time specified in the Agreement; then this bond is void; otherwise it remains in full force.

Any changes in or under the Agreement and compliance or noncompliance with any formalities connected with the Agreement or the changes do not affect Surety's obligations under this bond.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no changes, extensions of time, alterations or additions to the terms of the Agreement or other Work to be performed hereunder, or the Specifications referred to therein shall in anyway affect its obligation under this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such changes, extensions of time, alterations or additions to the terms of the Agreement or to Work or to the Specifications.

This instrument shall be construed in all respects as a statutory bond. It is expressly understood the time provisions and statute of limitation under Section 255.05 Florida Statutes, shall apply to this bond.

SECTION I - BONDS

BOND NO. _____

By execution of this bond, the Surety acknowledges that is has read the Surety qualifications and obligations imposed by the construction Agreement and hereby satisfies those conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above bound parties have executed this instrument this _____ day of _____

_____, 20_____, the name of each party being affixed and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body.

Signed, sealed and delivered
In the presence of:

PRINCIPAL:

(Authorized Signature)

(Print Name)

Witness as to Principal

(Title)

Witness as to Principal

(Business Address)

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this _____

by _____

of _____, a _____

Corporation, on behalf of the Corporation. He/She is personally known to me or has produced Florida Driver's License as identification and who did (did not) take an oath.

Notary:

Print Name: _____

Commission Number: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

SECTION I - BONDS

BOND NO. _____
SURETY:

Witness as to Surety

(Authorized Signature)

Witness as to Surety

(Print Name)

(Title)

(Business Address)

- OR

Witness as to Attorney In Fact

(Signature As Attorney In Fact)
(Attach Power of Attorney)

Witness as to Attorney In Fact

(Print Name)

(Title)

(Business Address)

(Telephone Number)

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this

By _____, a _____
Of _____

Corporation, on behalf of the Corporation. He/She is personally known to me or has produced Florida Driver's License as identification and who did (did not) take an oath.

Notary:

Print Name: _____

Commission Number: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

SECTION I - BONDS

BOND NO. _____

PAYMENT BOND

BY THIS BOND, We _____
(hereinafter called the ("Principal" and _____
(hereinafter called the ("Surety"), located at _____

A surety insurer chartered and existing under the laws of the state of _____
and authorized to do Business in the State of Florida, are held and firmly bound unto Pinellas County Board of
County Commissioners, Pinellas County (hereinafter called the "County" in the sum of _____

_____ DOLLARS \$ _____

For payment of which we bond ourselves, our heirs, our personal representatives, our successors and our assignees
jointly and severally.

WHEREAS, Principal and County have reached a mutual agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") for
Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades – WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153), Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF) said
Agreement being made a part of this Bond by this reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND IS THAT IF THE PRINCIPAL:

1. Shall promptly make payments to all claimants as defined in section 255.05(l), Florida Statutes, Supplying the Principal with labor, materials or supplies, as used directly or indirectly by the Principal in the prosecution of the Work provided for in the Agreement and;
2. Shall pay the County for all losses, damages, expenses, costs and attorneys' fees, including appellate proceedings, that the County sustains because of a default by the Principal in contravention to the Agreement in regard to payment for such labor, materials, or supplies furnished to the Principal; then this bond is void; otherwise this Bond remains in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER KNOWN:

1. Any changes in or under the Agreement and compliance or noncompliance with any formalities Connected with the said Agreement or alterations, which may be made in the terms of said Agreement, or in the Work to be done under it, or the giving by the County of any extension of time for the performance of the said Agreement, or any other forbearance on the part of the County or Principal to the other, shall not in any way release the Principal and the Surety, or either of them, their heirs, personal representatives, successors or assigns from liability hereunder, notice to the Surety of any such changes, alterations, extensions or forbearance being hereby waived.
2. Certain claimants seeking the protection of this Bond must timely comply with the strict Requirements set forth in Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, and as otherwise provided by law.
3. The Provisions of this bond are subject to the limitation of Section 255.05(2).

SECTION I - BONDS

BOND NO. _____

By execution of this bond, the Surety acknowledges that it has read the Surety qualifications and obligations imposed by the construction Agreement and hereby satisfies those conditions.

THIS BOND DATE THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20 _____
(the date of issue by the Surety or by the Surety's agent and the date of such agent's power-or-attorney)

Signed, sealed and delivered
In the presence of:

PRINCIPAL:

(Authorized Signature)

Witness as to Principal

(Print Name)

Witness as to Principal

(Title)

(Business Address)

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this

By
Of _____, a _____
Corporation, on behalf of the Corporation. He/She is personally known to me or has produced Florida Driver's License as identification and who did (did not) take an oath.

Notary: _____
Print Name: _____
Commission Number: _____
My Commission Expires: _____

SECTION I - BONDS

BOND NO. _____

SURETY: _____

Witness as to Surety

(Authorized Signature)

Witness as to Surety

(Print Name)

(Title)

(Business Address)

OR

Witness as to Attorney In Fact

(Signature As Attorney In Fact)
(Attach Power of Attorney)

Witness as to Attorney In Fact

(Print Name)

(Title)

(Business Address)

(Telephone Number)

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this

By
Of

_____, a

Corporation, on behalf of the Corporation. He/She is personally known to me or has produced Florida Driver's License as identification and who did (did not) take an oath.

Notary:

Print Name: _____

Commission Number: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

SECTION J – AFFIDAVIT OF RELEASE AND GUARANTEE

SECTION J - AFFIDAVIT OF RELEASE AND GUARANTEE:

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally
appeared _____
who after being duly sworn, deposes and says:

All charges for labor, materials, supplies, lands, licenses and other expenses arising from
Bid Title: Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades – WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153) , Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF)
for which a lien or a demand against any payment bond might be filed, have been fully satisfied and paid or will be fully satisfied and
paid promptly upon receipt of payment by the Contractor. The Contractor will fully indemnify, defend and save harmless the County
from all demands, suits, actions, claims of lien or other charges filed or asserted against the County in connection with matters
certified to herein.

On behalf of itself and its subcontractors, suppliers, material men, successors and assigns, the Contractor releases and waives all
claims, demands, damages, costs and expenses, against the Board of County Commissioners of Pinellas County, relating in any
way to the performance or payment of the above-numbered Agreement, for the period from the date of execution of the Agreement
through and including the date of acceptance of Final Payment.

The Contractor is aware of contractual provisions for warranties and guarantees contained in the General Conditions of the above
numbered Agreement, and acknowledges that those provisions shall have the same force and effect as if this Affidavit had not been
executed, and understands that the County's remedies are not limited by same but are in addition to any other remedies provided by
law.

This Affidavit is given in connection with the Contractors application for Final Payment.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

(Affiant)

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this

By _____ who is personally known to me and/or has produced
_____ As identification.

Signature of Person Taking Acknowledgement

Name of Acknowledger Types, Printed or Stamped

APPENDIX 1 - PERMITS

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Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF)

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SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OTHER PERMITS NOT PROVIDED HEREIN BY THE COUNTY.

APPENDIX 2 – SAMPLE CHANGE ORDER

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Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF)

SAMPLE CHANGE ORDER
PINELLAS COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
CLEARWATER, FLORIDA

FISCAL NO. _____

CHANGE ORDER NO. _____

ACCOUNT NO. _____

TO _____

Total Agreement \$ _____

FOR _____

Addition \$ _____

IN CONNECTION WITH _____

New Total \$ _____

Deletion \$ _____

New Total Agreement \$ _____

Execution by the contractor of this Change Order shall be considered a waiver of all claims or request for additional time or compensation for any activities prior to time of execution related to items included in the Change Order. The contractor also acknowledges that payment authorized by this Change Order represents full and complete compensation for labor, materials, incidental expenses, overhead profit, impact cost, and time associated with this Work. Claim procedures are outlined in the Contract documents.

Investigator

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

Director of Purchasing
Accepted this _____ day of
_____20 _____

By _____
Attorney

PINELLAS COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

By _____
Chairman

Attest: KEN BURKE, CLERK
By _____
Deputy Clerk

Use Authorized Signatures Only

Company

By _____
Title

Witness

APPENDIX 4 – SPECIAL NOTICES**APPENDIX 4 – SPECIAL NOTICES:****Bid Title: Bid Title: Exterior Lighting System Upgrades – WE Dunn WRF (PID No. 002476A/2153)****Bid No: 145-0487-CP(DF)****SUBSTITUTION OF MATERIALS OR EQUIPMENT**

Whenever materials or equipment are specified or described in the Specifications by using the name of a proprietary item or name of a particular supplier, the naming of the item is intended to establish the type, function and quality required. Unless the name is followed by words indicating that no substitution is permitted, materials or equipment of other suppliers may be accepted by the Engineer of Record or Project Manager to determine that the material or equipment proposed is equivalent or equal to that named. Requests for review of substitute items of material and equipment will not be accepted by the Engineer of Record or Project Manager from anyone other than the Contractor and all such requests must be submitted by the Contractor to Engineer of Record or Project Manager within thirty (30) calendar days after notice of award is received by the Contractor.

APPENDIX 5 – OTHER UTILITIES

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