

SECTION B – SPECIAL CONDITIONS**SECTION B – SPECIAL CONDITIONS****1. TWO-STEP INVITATION OF BID (ITB) PROCESS**

This is a two-step invitation of bid (ITB) process; Step 1 consists of bidder requirements and qualifications. Once bidders have been deemed qualified, bidders will be requested to submit pricing as Step 2 of the bid process.

Step 1: See pages titled QUALIFICATION SUBMITTAL FORM section for submitting Step 1 by the Step 1 due date and time listed on Page 1.

Step 2 – A revision will be issued to the bidders whom are qualified to submit bid pricing using Section E – Submittal and Bid Summary along with Page 1 of this Invitation to Bid (ITB) following other requirements of this ITB by the Step 2 due date and time listed on Page 1.

2. PRICING/PERIOD OF CONTRACT

Duration of the contract shall be for a period of **(36)** months with pricing held firm for the contract duration.

3. TERM EXTENSION(S) OF CONTRACT

The contract may be extended subject to written notice of agreement from the County and the successful bidder(s) for **(2)** additional **(12)** month extensions beyond the primary contract period. Term extensions will allow for price adjustments (Decrease/Increase) in an amount not to exceed the average of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or **(5%)**, whichever is less, for the twelve months prior to extension. The extension shall be exercised only if all terms and conditions remain the same and the County Administrator or Director of Purchasing grants approval.

It is the vendor's responsibility to request any pricing adjustment under this provision. For any adjustment to commence on the first day of any exercised extension period, the vendor's request for adjustment should be submitted at time of the extension request from the County, utilizing the available index at the time of request. The vendor adjustment request should not be in excess of the relevant pricing index change. If no adjustment request is received from the vendor, the County will assume the vendor has agreed that the extension term may be exercised without pricing adjustment. Any adjustment request received after the commencement of a new extension period may not be considered.

4. VIRTUAL NON-MANDATORY PRE-CONFERENCE

Questions pertaining to the bid or technical Specifications will be reviewed at this time. Bid suggestions or modifications may be discussed with County representatives at this meeting and may be considered by representatives as possible addenda to the Invitation to Bid.

Date: **Thursday, July 28, 2022**

Time: **1:00pm – 2:00pm**

Location: **Microsoft Teams. Please click the link below to join the meeting:**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

5. PRE-COMMENCEMENT MEETING

Upon award of bid, the County will coordinate a pre-commencement meeting with the successful Contractor. The meeting will require Contractor and the County Representative to review specific contract details and deliverable documents at this meeting to ensure the scope of work and work areas are understood.

6. 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 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,

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cashier's 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 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 30 days of the date for receiving bids.

7. 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 50% of the Agreement amount, the costs of which are to be paid by the Bidder. Unless directed by a written Change Order issued by the County, the Contractor will not be directed to complete Work under the Agreement that exceeds 50% of the value of the total Agreement in any one-year period, as judged from the anniversary date of initial award. If the County issues a written Change Order to the Contractor directing the Contractor to do more than 50% of the Work in any one-year period, then the Contractor must submit within thirty (30) calendar days a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond covering the full amount of the value of the Work under this Agreement from its original underwriter, unless specifically permitted in writing by the County. 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 terminated in the State of Florida, or it ceases to meet the requirements imposed by the Contract Documents, the Bidder shall, within 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.

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A. Pursuant to section 218.80, Florida Statutes, Pinellas County discloses to the Contractor the following permits and fees generally which will have to be obtained by and will be payable by the Contractor who is the successful bidder or proposer. Specific permits required will be shown in Appendix 1 – Permits. Contractor will be reimbursed for the actual amount paid for the permits as evidenced by official receipts from the office(s) collecting the fees. No reimbursement will be provided for license fees. Permits/fees may include the following:

1. Impact Fees.
2. Inspection Fees.
3. Other Permits or Fees Required by Pinellas County for the Completion of the Work, if applicable.
4. 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.

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.

9. 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.

10. 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.

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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.

12. 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.

13. 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.

14. 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.

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.

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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 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 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 PROJECT MANAGER**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.****E. Contractor's Supervision**

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

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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 24-hour basis, 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 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 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.

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

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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. PROSECUTION OF WORK ON SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS AND RECOGNIZED HOLIDAYS

- A. All Work must be done during Regular Workday 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 24 hours prior to the regular Workday.
- C. No Work will be permitted on:

New Year's 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.

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- 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.

21. CHANGES IN THE WORK

- A. 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.
- B. 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.
- C. 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.
- D. 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.

22. CLAIMS AND DISPUTES

- 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 2 regular Workdays 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 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.

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- 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 Manager, or the final dimensions measured of the completed Work within the lines shown on the Plans or designated by the 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 Project Manager.
- D. 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.
- E. Whenever any change, or combination of changes in the Specifications, 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 Specifications, 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.
- F. 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.
- G. 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 Project Manager.
- H. 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.
- I. 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.

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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 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 un-liquidated obligations of Contractor to County, whether relating to or arising out of this Agreement or any other agreement between Contractor and County.

25. 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.

26. 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.

27. 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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The 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 paragraph.

- 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.

28. 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.

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- A. The Contractor will cooperate with County forces or others who may be engaged in authorized Work prior to final completion of the Project.
- 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 48 hours of being notified of the other Work. If the Contractor fails to send the above required 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.

30. 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 7 calendar days following receipt by the Contractor of written notice of default or defaults,

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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.

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.

4. 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 30 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.

31. 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 Project Manager. The Contractor shall prepare the mix formula to be submitted to the 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.

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4. All Job mix formulas shall be submitted to the Project Manager.

32. 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 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.

33. 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 5%, 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.

34. 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.

35. 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.

36. 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.

37. 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.

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38. 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 **(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.

39. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

The preferred method is PDF conversion from your 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. 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.

B. 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)

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 auditability 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.

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1. **LIMITATIONS ON LIABILITY**

By submitting a Bid, the Vendor acknowledges and agrees that the services will be provided without any limitation on the Vendor's liability. The County objects to and shall not be bound by any term or provision that purports to limit the Vendor's liability to any specified amount in the performance of the services. The Vendor 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. The Vendor is deemed to have accepted and agreed to provide the services without any limitation on the Vendor's liability that the Vendor does not take exception to in its response. Notwithstanding any exceptions by the Vendor, the County reserves the right to declare its prohibition on any limitation on the Vendor's liability as non-negotiable, to disqualify any Bid I that includes exceptions to this prohibition on any limitation on the Vendor's liability, and to proceed with another responsive, responsible proposal, as determined by the County in its sole discretion.

2. **INDEMNIFICATION**

Vendor agrees to indemnify, pay the cost of defense, including attorney's fees, and hold harmless the County, its officers, employees and agents from all damages, suits, actions or claims, including reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the County, of any character brought on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property, or in any way relating to or arising from the Agreement; or on account of any act or omission, neglect or misconduct of Contractor; or by, or on account of, any claim or amounts recovered under the Workers' Compensation Law; or of any other laws, regulations, ordinance, order or decree; or arising from or by reason of any actual or claimed trademark, patent or copyright infringement or litigation based thereon; or for any violation of requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as may be amended, and all rules and regulations issued pursuant thereto (collectively the "ADA") except when such injury, damage, or violation was caused by the sole negligence of the County.

3. **INSURANCE:**

The Vendor must provide a certificate of insurance and endorsement in accordance with the insurance requirements listed below, prior to recommendation for award.

The Vendor shall obtain and maintain and require any subcontractor to obtain and maintain, at all times during its performance of the Agreement, insurance of the types and in the amounts set forth. For projects with a Completed Operations exposure, Vendor shall maintain coverage and provide evidence of insurance for two (2) years beyond final acceptance. 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.

- A. Submittals should include the Vendor's current Certificate(s) of Insurance. If Vendor does not currently meet insurance requirements, Vendor shall also include verification from their broker or agent that any required insurance not provided at that time of submittal will be in place prior to the award of contract.

Upon selection of Vendor for award, the selected Vendor shall email certificate that is compliant with the insurance requirements. If the certificate received is compliant, no further action may be necessary. The Certificate(s) of Insurance shall be signed by authorized representatives of the insurance companies shown on the Certificate(s). **The Certificate holder section shall indicate Pinellas County, a Subdivision of the State of Florida, 400 S Fort Harrison Ave, Clearwater, FL 33756. Pinellas County shall be named as an Additional Insured for General Liability. A Waiver of Subrogation for Workers Compensation shall be provided if Workers Compensation coverage is a requirement.**

- B. 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 Bid and/or contract period.

- C. If any insurance provided pursuant to the Agreement expires or cancels prior to the completion of the Work, you will be notified by CTrax, the authorized vendor of Pinellas County. Upon notification, renewal Certificate(s) of Insurance and endorsement(s) shall be furnished to Pinellas County Risk Management at

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InsuranceCerts@pinellascounty.org and to CTrax c/o JDi Data at PinellasSupport@ididata.com by the Vendor or their agent prior to the expiration date.

- 1) Vendor 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 Vendor from its insurer. Notice shall be given by email to Pinellas County Risk Management at InsuranceCerts@pinellascounty.org. Nothing contained herein shall absolve Vendor of this requirement to provide notice.
 - 2) Should the Vendor, at any time, not maintain the insurance coverages required herein, the County may terminate the Agreement,.
- D. If subcontracting is allowed under this Bid, the Primary Vendor 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.
- All subcontracts between the Vendor and its Subcontractors shall be in writing and are subject to the County's prior written approval. Further, all subcontracts shall
1. Require each Subcontractor to be bound to the Vendor to the same extent the Vendor 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;
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 6. Assign all warranties directly to the County; and
 7. Identify the County as an intended third-party beneficiary of the subcontract. The Vendor 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.
- E. 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 solicitation and/or is signing the agreement with the County.
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