



**THE CITY OF WINNIPEG**

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

**RFP NO. 862-2015**

**PROVISION OF SALES TAX REVIEW SERVICES**

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## **PART B - BIDDING PROCEDURES**

### **B1. CONTRACT TITLE**

B1.1 PROVISION OF SALES TAX REVIEW SERVICES

### **B2. SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

B2.1 The Submission Deadline is 12:00 noon Winnipeg time, March 24, 2016.

B2.2 Proposals determined by the Manager of Materials to have been received later than the Submission Deadline will not be accepted and will be returned upon request.

B2.3 The Contract Administrator or the Manager of Materials may extend the Submission Deadline by issuing an addendum at any time prior to the time and date specified in B2.1.

### **B3. ENQUIRIES**

B3.1 All enquiries shall be directed to the Contract Administrator identified in D4.1.

B3.2 If the Proponent finds errors, discrepancies or omissions in the Request for Proposal, or is unsure of the meaning or intent of any provision therein, the Proponent shall promptly notify the Contract Administrator of the error, discrepancy or omission at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline.

B3.3 If the Proponent is unsure of the meaning or intent of any provision therein, the Proponent should request clarification as to the meaning or intent prior to the Submission Deadline.

B3.4 Responses to enquiries which, in the sole judgment of the Contract Administrator, require a correction to or a clarification of the Request for Proposal will be provided by the Contract Administrator to all Proponents by issuing an addendum.

B3.5 Responses to enquiries which, in the sole judgment of the Contract Administrator, do not require a correction to or a clarification of the Request for Proposal will be provided by the Contract Administrator only to the Proponent who made the enquiry.

B3.6 All correspondence or contact by Proponents with the City in respect of this RFP must be directly and only with the Contract Administrator. Failure to restrict correspondence and contact to the Contract Administrator may result in the rejection of the Proponents Proposal Submission.

B3.7 The Proponent shall not be entitled to rely on any response or interpretation received pursuant to B3 unless that response or interpretation is provided by the Contract Administrator in writing.

### **B4. CONFIDENTIALITY**

B4.1 Information provided to a Proponent by the City or acquired by a Proponent by way of further enquiries or through investigation is confidential. Such information shall not be used or disclosed in any way without the prior written authorization of the Contract Administrator. The use and disclosure of the confidential information shall not apply to information which:

- (a) was known to the Proponent before receipt hereof; or
- (b) becomes publicly known other than through the Proponent; or
- (c) is disclosed pursuant to the requirements of a governmental authority or judicial order.

B4.2 The Proponent shall not make any statement of fact or opinion regarding any aspect of the Bid Opportunity to the media or any member of the public without the prior written authorization of the Contract Administrator.

## **B5. ADDENDA**

- B5.1 The Contract Administrator may, at any time prior to the Submission Deadline, issue addenda correcting errors, discrepancies or omissions in the Request for Proposal, or clarifying the meaning or intent of any provision therein.
- B5.2 The Contract Administrator will issue each addendum at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline, or provide at least two (2) Business Days by extending the Submission Deadline.
- B5.2.1 Addenda will be available on the Bid Opportunities page at The City of Winnipeg, Corporate Finance, Materials Management Division website at <http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/bidopp.asp>
- B5.2.2 The Proponent is responsible for ensuring that he/she has received all addenda and is advised to check the Materials Management Division website for addenda regularly and shortly before the Submission Deadline, as may be amended by addendum.
- B5.3 The Proponent shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum in Paragraph 9 of Form A: Proposal. Failure to acknowledge receipt of an addendum may render a Proposal non-responsive.

## **B6. SUBSTITUTES**

- B6.1 The Work is based on the Plant, Materials and methods specified in the Request for Proposal.
- B6.2 Substitutions shall not be allowed unless application has been made to and prior approval has been granted by the Contract Administrator in writing.
- B6.3 Requests for approval of a substitute will not be considered unless received in writing by the Contract Administrator at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline.
- B6.4 The Proponent shall ensure that any and all requests for approval of a substitute:
- (a) provide sufficient information and details to enable the Contract Administrator to determine the acceptability of the Plant, Material or method as either an approved equal or alternative;
  - (b) identify any and all changes required in the applicable Work, and all changes to any other Work, which would become necessary to accommodate the substitute;
  - (c) identify any anticipated cost or time savings that may be associated with the substitute;
  - (d) certify that, in the case of a request for approval as an approved equal, the substitute will fully perform the functions called for by the general design, be of equal or superior substance to that specified, is suited to the same use and capable of performing the same function as that specified and can be incorporated into the Work, strictly in accordance with the Contract;
  - (e) certify that, in the case of a request for approval as an approved alternative, the substitute will adequately perform the functions called for by the general design, be similar in substance to that specified, is suited to the same use and capable of performing the same function as that specified and can be incorporated into the Work, strictly in accordance with the Contract.
- B6.5 The Contract Administrator, after assessing the request for approval of a substitute, may in his/her sole discretion grant approval for the use of a substitute as an "approved equal" or as an "approved alternative", or may refuse to grant approval of the substitute.
- B6.6 The Contract Administrator will provide a response in writing, at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline, to the Proponent who requested approval of the substitute.
- B6.6.1 The Contract Administrator will issue an Addendum, disclosing the approved materials, equipment, methods and products to all potential Proponents. The Proponent requesting

and obtaining the approval of a substitute shall be responsible for disseminating information regarding the approval to any person or persons he/she wishes to inform.

- B6.7 If the Contract Administrator approves a substitute as an “approved equal”, any Proponent may use the approved equal in place of the specified item.
- B6.8 If the Contract Administrator approves a substitute as an “approved alternative”, any Proponent bidding that approved alternative may base his/her Total Bid Price upon the specified item but may also indicate an alternative price based upon the approved alternative. Such alternatives will be evaluated in accordance with B20.
- B6.9 No later claim by the Contractor for an addition to the Total Bid Price because of any other changes in the Work necessitated by the use of an approved equal or an approved alternative will be considered.

## **B7. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION**

- B7.1 The Proposal shall consist of the following components:
- (a) Form A: Proposal;
  - (b) Form B: Prices.
- B7.2 The Proposal should also consist of the following components:
- (a) Experience (Section C) in accordance with B10;
  - (b) Understanding of the Work (Section D) in accordance with B11.
- B7.3 Further to B7.1 all components of the Proposal shall be fully completed or provided in the order indicated, and submitted by the Proponent no later than the Submission Deadline, with all required entries made clearly and completely, to constitute a responsive Proposal.
- B7.4 Further to B7.2, all components of the Proposal should be fully completed or provided in the order indicated, and submitted by the Proponent no later than the Submission Deadline, with all required entries made clearly and completely, to constitute a responsive Proposal.
- B7.5 Proponents should submit one (1) unbound 8.5” x 11” original (marked “original”) including drawings and two (2) copies (copies can be in any size format) for sections identified in B7.1 and B7.2.
- B7.6 Proposal format, including type of binding, number of pages, size of pages and, font, etc., will not be regulated, except that the Proposal should contain a table of contents, page numbering and should be in the Sections identified above. Proponents are encouraged to use their creativity to submit a Proposal which provides the requested information for evaluation and other information which illustrates the strength of their team.
- B7.7 Proponents are advised that inclusion of terms and conditions inconsistent with the Request for Proposal, will be evaluated in accordance with B20.1(a).
- B7.8 The Proposal shall be submitted enclosed and sealed in an envelope/package clearly marked with the RFP number and the Proponent's name and address.
- B7.9 Proposals submitted by facsimile transmission (fax) or internet electronic mail (e-mail) will not be accepted.
- B7.10 Proposals shall be submitted to:
- The City of Winnipeg  
Corporate Finance Department  
Materials Management Division  
185 King Street, Main Floor  
Winnipeg MB R3B 1J1

B7.11 Any cost or expense incurred by the Proponent that is associated with the preparation of the Proposal shall be borne solely by the Proponent.

## **B8. PROPOSAL**

B8.1 The Proponent shall complete Form A: Proposal, making all required entries.

B8.2 Paragraph 2 of Form A: Proposal shall be completed in accordance with the following requirements:

- (a) if the Proponent is a sole proprietor carrying on business in his/her own name, his/her name shall be inserted;
- (b) if the Proponent is a partnership, the full name of the partnership shall be inserted;
- (c) if the Proponent is a corporation, the full name of the corporation shall be inserted;
- (d) if the Proponent is carrying on business under a name other than his/her own, the business name and the name of every partner or corporation who is the owner of such business name shall be inserted.

B8.2.1 If a Proposal is submitted jointly by two or more persons, each and all such persons shall identify themselves in accordance with B8.2.

B8.3 In Paragraph 3 of Form A: Proposal, the Proponent shall identify a contact person who is authorized to represent the Proponent for purposes of the Proposal.

B8.4 Paragraph 11 of Form A: Proposal shall be signed in accordance with the following requirements:

- (a) if the Proponent is a sole proprietor carrying on business in his/her own name, it shall be signed by the Proponent;
- (b) if the Proponent is a partnership, it shall be signed by the partner or partners who have authority to sign for the partnership;
- (c) if the Proponent is a corporation, it shall be signed by its duly authorized officer or officers and the corporate seal, if the corporation has one, should be affixed;
- (d) if the Proponent is carrying on business under a name other than his/her own, it shall be signed by the registered owner of the business name, or by the registered owner's authorized officials if the owner is a partnership or a corporation.

B8.4.1 The name and official capacity of all individuals signing Form A: Proposal should be printed below such signatures.

B8.5 If a Proposal is submitted jointly by two or more persons, the word "Proponent" shall mean each and all such persons, and the undertakings, covenants and obligations of such joint Proponents in the Proposal and the Contract, when awarded, shall be both joint and several.

## **B9. PRICES**

B9.1 The Bidder shall state prices, on Form B: Prices, as a percentage (commission), in Canadian funds for the Work.

B9.2 Payments to Non-Resident Contractors are subject to Non-Resident Withholding Tax pursuant to the Income Tax Act (Canada).

## **B10. EXPERIENCE OF PROPONENT AND SUBCONTRACTORS (SECTION C)**

B10.1 The Proponent should submit information in sufficient detail for the City to evaluate the qualifications of the Proponent by providing:

- (a) their organizational structure;
- (b) proposed Project team members;

- (c) estimated time to be assigned to the Project for each team member;
- (d) the number of contracts similar in size and scope;
  - (i) for the organization;
  - (ii) for each project team member.
- (e) the details of the scope and value of each contract;
- (f) a copy of one (1) final report from a recent project similar in size and scope. Providing a complete final report will be preferred. If conditions exist that prevent providing a final report then a table of contents accompanied by extracts from the report (to the extent possible) will be considered;
- (g) the names of clients;
- (h) three (3) references for recent projects similar in size and scope. Each reference should consist of a company name, contact name, email address, phone number and a brief description of the project.

#### **B11. UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORK (SECTION D)**

- B11.1 The Proponent should submit information describing the Proponent's understanding of the Scope of Work and vision, and how these will be achieved.
- B11.2 The Proponent should submit a detailed description of any information, resources, or services required to be provided by The City of Winnipeg.

#### **B12. DISCLOSURE**

- B12.1 Various Persons provided information or services with respect to this Work. In the City's opinion, this relationship or association does not create a conflict of interest because of this full disclosure. Where applicable, additional material available as a result of contact with these Persons is listed below.
- B12.2 The Persons are:
  - (a) N/A

#### **B13. QUALIFICATION**

- B13.1 The Proponent shall:
  - (a) undertake to be in good standing under The Corporations Act (Manitoba), or properly registered under The Business Names Registration Act (Manitoba), or otherwise properly registered, licensed or permitted by law to carry on business in Manitoba, or if the Proponent does not carry on business in Manitoba, in the jurisdiction where the Proponent does carry on business; and
  - (b) be financially capable of carrying out the terms of the Contract; and
  - (c) have all the necessary experience, capital, organization, and equipment to perform the Work in strict accordance with the terms and provisions of the Contract.
- B13.2 The Proponent and any proposed Subcontractor (for the portion of the Work proposed to be subcontracted to them) shall:
  - (a) be responsible and not be suspended, debarred or in default of any obligations to the City. A list of suspended or debarred individuals and companies is available on the Information Connection page at The City of Winnipeg, Corporate Finance, Materials Management Division website at <http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/debar.stm>
- B13.3 The Proponent and/or any proposed Subcontractor (for the portion of the Work proposed to be subcontracted to them) shall:
  - (a) have successfully carried out work similar in nature, scope and value to the Work; and

- (b) be fully capable of performing the Work required to be in strict accordance with the terms and provisions of the Contract; and
- (c) have a written workplace safety and health program, if required, pursuant to The Workplace Safety and Health Act (Manitoba).

B13.4 The Proponent shall submit, within three (3) Business Days of a request by the Contract Administrator, proof satisfactory to the Contract Administrator of the qualifications of the Proponent and of any proposed Subcontractor.

B13.5 The Proponent shall provide, on the request of the Contract Administrator, full access to any of the Proponent's equipment and facilities to confirm, to the Contract Administrator's satisfaction, that the Proponent's equipment and facilities are adequate to perform the Work.

### **SUBCONTRACTING**

B13.1 The Proponent shall not subcontract any portion of the Work to any person not identified as a Subcontractor in the Proposal without the prior written approval of the Contract Administrator.

B13.2 If the Proponent proposes to subcontract any portion of the Work, he must submit a complete list of the proposed Subcontractors with the Proposal.

B13.3 Where no Subcontractors are identified, it will be interpreted that the Proponent proposes to perform the Work with his own forces.

B13.4 The fact that the Contractor is permitted to subcontract any portion of the Work as aforesaid shall not, however, relieve him of any responsibility for the proper commencement, execution and completion of the Work. The Contractor shall be fully responsible for each Subcontractor and his work and acts, and shall, either in person or through an accredited agent, receive all notices, communications, orders, instructions or legal service as if he were performing the Work with his own forces.

### **B14. SUBSTITUTIONS**

B14.1 If, following your Submission and before award of Contract, you become aware that any persons identified to participate in this Project will be unable or is likely to be unable to participate on this Project, you must immediately advise the Contract Administrator and indicate your proposed substitute person. Failure to do so may result in disqualification of your Submission from the RFP process.

### **B15. OPENING OF PROPOSALS AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

B15.1 Proposals will not be opened publicly.

B15.2 After award of Contract, the names of the Proponents and the Contract amount of the successful Proponent will be available on the Closed Bid Opportunities (or Public/Posted Opening & Award Results) page at The City of Winnipeg, Corporate Finance, Materials Management Division website at <http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/>

B15.3 To the extent permitted, the City shall treat all Proposal Submissions as confidential, however the Proponent is advised that any information contained in any Proposal may be released if required by City policy or procedures, by The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba), by other authorities having jurisdiction, or by law.

B15.4 Following the award of Contract, a Proponent will be provided with information related to the evaluation of his/her submission upon written request to the Contract Administrator.

**B16. IRREVOCABLE OFFER**

- B16.1 The Proposal(s) submitted by the Proponent shall be irrevocable for the time period specified in Paragraph 10 of Form A: Proposal.
- B16.2 The acceptance by the City of any Proposal shall not release the Proposals of the other responsive Proponents and these Proponents shall be bound by their offers on such Work until a Contract for the Work has been duly executed and the performance security furnished as herein provided, but any offer shall be deemed to have lapsed unless accepted within the time period specified in Paragraph 10 of Form A: Proposal.

**B17. WITHDRAWAL OF OFFERS**

- B17.1 A Proponent may withdraw his/her Proposal without penalty by giving written notice to the Manager of Materials at any time prior to the Submission Deadline.
- B17.1.1 Notwithstanding C22.5, the time and date of receipt of any notice withdrawing a Proposal shall be the time and date of receipt as determined by the Manager of Materials.
- B17.1.2 The City will assume that any one of the contact persons named in Paragraph 3 of Form A: Proposal or the Proponent's authorized representatives named in Paragraph 11 of Form A: Proposal, and only such person, has authority to give notice of withdrawal.
- B17.1.3 If a Proponent gives notice of withdrawal prior to the Submission Deadline, the Manager of Materials will:
- (a) retain the Proposal until after the Submission Deadline has elapsed;
  - (b) open the Proposal to identify the contact person named in Paragraph 3 of Form A: Proposal and the Proponent's authorized representatives named in Paragraph 11 of Form A: Proposal; and
  - (c) if the notice has been given by any one of the persons specified in B17.1.3(b), declare the Proposal withdrawn.
- B17.2 A Proponent who withdraws his/her Proposal after the Submission Deadline but before his/her offer has been released or has lapsed as provided for in B16.2 shall be liable for such damages as are imposed upon the Proponent by law and subject to such sanctions as the Chief Administrative Officer considers appropriate in the circumstances. The City, in such event, shall be entitled to all rights and remedies available to it at law.

**B18. INTERVIEWS**

- B18.1 The Contract Administrator may, in his/her sole discretion, interview Proponents during the evaluation process.

**B19. NEGOTIATIONS**

- B19.1 The City reserves the right to negotiate details of the Contract with any Proponent. Proponents are advised to present their best offer, not a starting point for negotiations in their Proposal Submission.
- B19.2 The City may negotiate with the Proponents submitting, in the City's opinion, the most advantageous Proposals. The City may enter into negotiations with one or more Proponents without being obligated to offer the same opportunity to any other Proponents. Negotiations may be concurrent and will involve each Proponent individually. The City shall incur no liability to any Proponent as a result of such negotiations.
- B19.3 If, in the course of negotiations pursuant to B19.2 or otherwise, the Proponent amends or modifies a Proposal after the Submission Deadline, the City may consider the amended Proposal as an alternative to the Proposal already submitted without releasing the Proponent from the Proposal as originally submitted.

## **B20. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS**

B20.1 Award of the Contract shall be based on the following evaluation criteria:

- (a) compliance by the Proponent with the requirements of the Request for Proposal or acceptable deviation therefrom: (pass/fail)
- (b) qualifications of the Proponent and the Subcontractors, if any, pursuant to B13: (pass/fail)
- (c) Prices 40%
- (d) Experience (Section C) 25%
- (e) Understanding of the Work (Section D) 35%

B20.2 Further to B20.1(a), the Award Authority may reject a Proposal as being non-responsive if the Proposal is incomplete, obscure or conditional, or contains additions, deletions, alterations or other irregularities. The Award Authority may reject all or any part of any Proposal, or waive technical requirements or minor informalities or irregularities if the interests of the City so require.

B20.3 Further to B20.1(b), the Award Authority shall reject any Proposal submitted by a Proponent who does not demonstrate, in his/her Proposal or in other information required to be submitted, that he/she is responsible and qualified.

B20.4 Further to B20.1(c), prices will be evaluated considering the information provided on Form B: Prices as follows:

- (a) less than \$50,000.00 per year 10%
  - (i) a value of \$50,000 will be used in the calculation for the purpose of comparing bids
- (b) \$50,000.00 to 150,000.00 per year 20%
  - (i) a value of \$150,000 will be used in the calculation for the purpose of comparing bids
- (c) greater than \$150,000.00 per year 10%
  - (i) a value of \$200,000 will be used in the calculation for the purpose of comparing bids

B20.5 Further to B20.1(d), Experience will be evaluated considering the experience of the organization on projects of similar size and complexity as well as other information requested.

B20.6 Further to B20.1(e), Understanding of the Work will be evaluated considering your firm's understanding of the City's Project and team organization.

B20.7 Notwithstanding B20.1(d) to B20.1(e), where Proponents fail to provide a response to B7.2(a) to B7.2(b), the score of zero may be assigned to the incomplete part of the response.

B20.8 This Contract will be awarded as a whole.

B20.9 If, in the sole opinion of the City, a Proposal does not achieve a pass rating for B20.1(a) and B20.1(b), the Proposal will be determined to be non-responsive and will not be further evaluated.

## **B21. AWARD OF CONTRACT**

B21.1 The City will give notice of the award of the Contract, or will give notice that no award will be made.

B21.2 The City will have no obligation to award a Contract to a Proponent, even though one or all of the Proponents are determined to be responsible and qualified, and the Proposals are determined to be responsive.

B21.2.1 Without limiting the generality of B21.2, the City will have no obligation to award a Contract where:

- (a) the prices exceed the available City funds for the Work;
- (b) the prices are materially in excess of the prices received for similar work in the past;
- (c) the prices are materially in excess of the City's cost to perform the Work, or a significant portion thereof, with its own forces;
- (d) only one Proposal is received; or
- (e) in the judgment of the Award Authority, the interests of the City would best be served by not awarding a Contract.

B21.3 Where an award of Contract is made by the City, the award shall be made to the responsible and qualified Proponent submitting the most advantageous offer.

B21.3.1 Following the award of contract, a Proponent will be provided with information related to the evaluation of his/her Proposal upon written request to the Contract Administrator.

B21.4 Notwithstanding C4 and Paragraph 6 of Form A; Proposal, the City may issue a purchase order to the successful Proponent in lieu of the execution of a Contract.

B21.5 The Contract Documents, as defined in C1.1(n)(ii), in their entirety shall be deemed to be incorporated in and to form a part of the purchase order notwithstanding that they are not necessarily attached to or accompany said purchase order.

## **PART C - GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **C0. GENERAL CONDITIONS**

- C0.1 The *General Conditions for Supply of Services* (Revision 2007 04 12) are applicable to the Work of the Contract.
- C0.1.1 The *General Conditions for Supply of Services* are available on the Information Connection page at The City of Winnipeg, Corporate Finance, Materials Management Division website at [http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/gen\\_cond.stm](http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/gen_cond.stm)
- C0.1.2 A reference in the Request for Proposal to a section, clause or subclause with the prefix “**C**” designates a section, clause or subclause in the *General Conditions for Supply of Services*

## PART D - SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS

### GENERAL

#### D1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

D1.1 In addition to the *General Conditions for Supply of Services*, these Supplemental Conditions are applicable to the Work of the Contract.

#### D2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

D2.1 The Work to be done under the Contract shall consist of the provision of tax consulting services for the period from date of award until June 30, 2018.

D2.2 The Work shall be done on an "as required" basis during the term of the Contract.

D2.2.1 The type and quantity of Work to be performed under this Contract shall be as authorized from time to time by the Contract Administrator and/or Users.

D2.2.2 Subject to C7.2, the City shall have no obligation under the Contract to purchase any quantity of any item in excess of its actual operational requirements.

D2.3 Notwithstanding D2.1, in the event that operational changes result in substantial changes to the requirements for Work, the City reserves the right to alter the type or quantity of work performed under this Contract, or to terminate the Contract, upon thirty (30) Calendar Days written notice by the Contract Administrator. In such an event, no claim may be made for damages on the ground of loss of anticipated profit on Work.

#### D3. DEFINITIONS

D3.1 When used in this Request for Proposal:

(a) "**Proponent**" means any Person or Persons submitting a Proposal for Services;

#### D4. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

D4.1 The Contract Administrator is:

Mr. Trevor De Ryck  
Commodity Tax and Financial Systems Specialist

Telephone No. (204) 986-2190

Email: [tderyck@winnipeg.ca](mailto:tderyck@winnipeg.ca)

D4.2 At the pre-commencement meeting, the Contract Administrator will identify additional personnel representing the Contract Administrator and their respective roles and responsibilities for the Work.

D4.3 Bids Submissions must be submitted to the address in B7.10.

#### D5. OWNERSHIP OF INFORMATION, CONFIDENTIALITY AND NON DISCLOSURE

D5.1 The Contract, all deliverables produced or developed, and information provided to or acquired by the Contractor are the property of the City and shall not be appropriated for the Contractors own use, or for the use of any third party.

D5.2 The Contractor shall not make any public announcements or press releases regarding the Contract, without the prior written authorization of the Contract Administrator.

D5.3 The following shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed by the Contractor to the media or any member of the public without the prior written authorization of the Contract Administrator;

- (a) information provided to the Contractor by the City or acquired by the Contractor during the course of the Work;
- (b) the Contract, all deliverables produced or developed; and
- (c) any statement of fact or opinion regarding any aspect of the Contract.

D5.4 A Contractor who violates any provision of D5 may be determined to be in breach of Contract.

## **D6. NOTICES**

D6.1 Notwithstanding C22.3, all notices of appeal to the Chief Administrative Officer shall be sent to the attention of the Chief Financial Officer at the following facsimile number:

The City of Winnipeg  
Chief Financial Officer

Facsimile No.: 204 949-1174

D6.2 **Bids Submissions must be submitted to the address in B7.10.**

## **SUBMISSIONS**

### **D7. AUTHORITY TO CARRY ON BUSINESS**

D7.1 The Contractor shall be in good standing under The Corporations Act (Manitoba), or properly registered under The Business Names Registration Act (Manitoba), or otherwise properly registered, licensed or permitted by law to carry on business in Manitoba, or if the Contractor does not carry on business in Manitoba, in the jurisdiction where the Contractor does carry on business, throughout the term of the Contract, and shall provide the Contract Administrator with evidence thereof upon request.

### **D8. INSURANCE**

D8.1 The Contractor shall provide and maintain the following insurance coverage:

- (a) commercial general liability insurance, in the amount of at least two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) inclusive, with The City of Winnipeg added as an additional insured; such liability policy to also contain a cross-liability clause, non-owned automobile liability and products and completed operations cover, to remain in place at all times during the performance of the Work;
- (b) if applicable, Automobile Liability Insurance covering all motor vehicles, owned and operated and used or to be used by the Contractor directly or indirectly in the performance of the Service. The Limit of Liability shall not be less than \$2,000,000 inclusive for loss or damage including personal injuries and death resulting from any one accident or occurrence;

D8.2 Deductibles shall be borne by the Contractor.

D8.3 The Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with a certificate(s) of insurance, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, at least two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of any Work on the Site.

D8.4 The Contractor shall not cancel, materially alter, or cause the policy to lapse without providing at least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior written notice to the Contract Administrator.

D8.5 The City shall have the right to alter the limits and/or coverages as reasonably required from time to time during the continuance of this agreement.

## **CONTROL OF WORK**

### **D9. COMMENCEMENT**

- D9.1 The Contractor shall not commence any Work until he/she is in receipt of a notice of award from the City authorizing the commencement of the Work.
- D9.2 The Contractor shall not commence any Work on the Site until:
- (a) the Contract Administrator has confirmed receipt and approval of:
    - (i) evidence of authority to carry on business specified in D7;
    - (ii) evidence of the workers compensation coverage specified in C6.14; and
    - (iii) evidence of the insurance specified in D8.
  - (b) the Contractor has attended a meeting with the Contract Administrator, or the Contract Administrator has waived the requirement for a meeting.
- D9.3 The Contractor shall commence the Work on the Site within seven (7) Working Days of receipt of the notice of award.

### **D10. DEFICIENCIES**

- D10.1 Further to C10.5, the Contract Administrator may order the Contractor to alter or improve his methods, to increase or improve his Plant, to furnish additional or more suitable Material, or to employ additional or more qualified labour if, at any time, the Contract Administrator determines that:
- (a) the Work is not being, or will likely not be, performed satisfactorily; or
  - (b) progress is not being, or will likely not be, maintained in accordance with the work schedule.

### **D11. ORDERS**

- D11.1 The Contractor shall provide a local Winnipeg telephone number or a toll-free telephone number at which orders for service may be placed.

### **D12. RECORDS**

- D12.1 The Contractor shall keep detailed records of the services supplied under the Contract.
- D12.2 The Contractor shall record, as a minimum, for each item listed on Form B: Prices:
- (a) user name(s) and addresses;
  - (b) order date(s);
  - (c) service date(s); and
  - (d) description and quantity of services provided.
- D12.3 The Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with a copy of the records for each quarter year within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of a request of the Contract Administrator.

### **D13. INVOICES**

- D13.1 Further to C11, the Contractor shall submit an invoice for each portion of Work performed to:
- The City of Winnipeg  
Corporate Finance - Accounts Payable  
4th Floor, Administration Building, 510 Main Street  
Winnipeg MB R3B 1B9  
Facsimile No.: 204 949-0864

Email: [CityWpgAP@winnipeg.ca](mailto:CityWpgAP@winnipeg.ca)

D13.2 Invoices must clearly indicate, as a minimum:

- (a) the City's purchase order number;
- (b) date of delivery;
- (c) delivery address;
- (d) type and quantity of work performed;
- (e) the amount payable with GST and MRST shown as separate amounts; and
- (f) the Contractor's GST registration number.

D13.3 The City will bear no responsibility for delays in approval of invoices which are improperly submitted.

D13.4 Bids Submissions must be submitted to the address in B7.10.

#### **D14. PAYMENT**

D14.1 Further to C11, payment shall be in Canadian funds net thirty (30) Calendar Days after receipt and approval of the Contractor's invoice.

D14.2 Further to C11, the City may at its option pay the Contractor by direct deposit to the Contractor's banking institution.

#### **WARRANTY**

#### **D15. WARRANTY**

D15.1 Warranty is as stated in C12.

## PART E - SPECIFICATIONS

### GENERAL

#### E1. APPLICABLE SPECIFICATIONS

- E1.1 These Specifications shall apply to the Work.
- E1.2 Proponents are reminded that requests for approval of substitutes as an approved equal or an approved alternative shall be made in accordance with B6.

#### E2. BACKGROUND

- E2.1 The following is provided for the information of Proponents:
- (a) The City consists of 14 departments and 4 Special Operating Agencies (SOAs) occupying in excess of 300 facilities; a single department may occupy several facilities and a single facility may be shared by several departments.
  - (b) The City's financial reporting system uses PeopleSoft software that allows for the use of funds, accounts and departments (DeptIDs).
  - (c) The City's customs broker is Affiliated Customs Brokers Limited who is under contract to perform all customs related matters (ie. importing, exporting, duty refunds, etc.).
- E2.2 The City's annual budget is approximately \$1 billion dollars and the total purchases on which rebates or ITC's were claimed was approximately \$300 million.

#### E3. HISTORICAL DATA

- E3.1 The following is provided for the information of Proponents.
- (a) The following table provides historical data of recovery of GST and PST overpayments:

Date Range	GST Recovery	PST Recovery
August/07 – December/10	\$92,303.82	\$122,634.11
December/10 – December/12	\$52,010.23	\$91,617.96
January/13 – December/14	\$1,833.90	\$82,808.93
June/11 – December/14	\$119,240.01	-

#### E4. SERVICES

- E4.1 The Contractor shall provide sales tax review services in accordance with the requirements hereinafter specified.
- (a) Receive a download from the City of Winnipeg of accounts payable and general ledger data, starting at January 1, 2015, and perform an analysis of where GST rebates or ITC's may have been missed, or where Manitoba RST was charged or self-assessed in error. Any omissions of self-assessments should also be included;
  - (b) maintaining and making available to the City copies of interpretations, rulings, tax decisions (court cases), or other research that would support the filing of an adjustment to any tax return or refund claim, with the appropriate section of the Excise Tax Act or Manitoba Retail Sales Tax Act cited;
  - (c) the Contractor must provide the City with:
    - (i) copies of all working papers;
    - (ii) copies of all supporting documents ie: invoices, transaction reports or other related documentation supporting the filing of an adjustment;

- (iii) copies of all statements, bills and accounts; and
- (iv) copies of records necessary to substantiate all charges for the services performed.

E4.2 Work excluded from this Contract shall include any claim request made either directly or indirectly by the City from either the federal or provincial governments before and during this review.

## PART F - SECURITY CLEARANCE

### F1. SECURITY CLEARANCE

- F1.1 Each individual proposed to perform Work under the Contract shall be required to obtain a Criminal Record Search Certificate from the police service having jurisdiction at his place of residence. This can be obtained from one of the following;
- (a) police service having jurisdiction at his/her place of residence; or
  - (b) BackCheck, forms to be completed can be found on the website at: <http://www.backcheck.net/> ; or
  - (c) Commissionaires (Manitoba Division), forms to be completed can be found on the website at: <https://www.commissionaires.ca/en/manitoba/home> .
- F1.2 Prior to the award of Contract, and during the term of the Contract if additional or replacement individuals are proposed to perform Work, the Contractor shall supply the Contract Administrator with a Criminal Record Search Certificate obtained not earlier than one (1) year prior to the Submission Deadline, or a certified true copy thereof, for each individual proposed to perform the Work.
- F1.3 Any individual for whom a Criminal Record Search Certificate is not provided, or for whom a Criminal Record Search Certificate indicates any convictions or pending charges related to property offences or crimes against another person will not be permitted to perform any Work.
- F1.4 Any Criminal Record Search Certificate obtained thereby will be deemed valid for the duration of the Contract subject to a repeated records search as hereinafter specified.
- F1.5 Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time during the term of the Contract, the City may, at its sole discretion and acting reasonably, require an updated criminal records search. Any individual who fails to provide a satisfactory Criminal Record Search Certificate as a result of a repeated criminal records search will not be permitted to continue to perform any Work.