

## THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

RFP NO. 203-2025

**EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PLAN SERVICE PROVIDER** 

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#### **PART B - BIDDING PROCEDURES**

#### **B1.** CONTRACT TITLE

B1.1 EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PLAN SERVICE PROVIDER

#### **B2. SUBMISSION DEADLINE**

- B2.1 The Submission Deadline is 12:00 noon Winnipeg time, July 16, 2025.
- B2.2 The Contract Administrator or the Manager of Purchasing 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 D5.
- 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 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.
- B3.4 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.
- B3.5 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.
- B3.6 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.
- B3.7 Any enquiries concerning submitting through MERX should be addressed to:

MERX Customer Support Phone: 1-800-964-6379 Email: merx@merx.com

#### **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 Request for Proposal 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.
- B5.3 Addenda will be available on the MERX website at <a href="https://www.merx.com">www.merx.com</a>.
- B5.4 The Proponent is responsible for ensuring that they have received all addenda and is advised to check the MERX website for addenda regularly and shortly before the Submission Deadline, as may be amended by addendum.
- B5.5 The Proponent shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum in Paragraph 10 of Form A: Bid/Proposal. Failure to acknowledge receipt of an addendum may render a Proposal non-responsive.
- B5.6 Notwithstanding B5, enquiries related to an Addendum may be directed to the Consultant Contract Administrator indicated in D5.1.

#### **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 proposed work schedule and the dates specified in the Supplemental Conditions for Total Performance;
  - (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 proposed work schedule and the dates specified in the Supplemental Conditions for Total Performance.
- B6.5 The Contract Administrator, after assessing the request for approval of a substitute, may in their 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.

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- 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 they wish 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 their 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 B18.1.
- 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: Bid/Proposal (Section A) in accordance with B8; and
  - (b) Form N: EAP Questionnaire and Pricing.
- B7.2 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.
- B7.3 The Proposal shall be submitted electronically through MERX at <a href="www.merx.com">www.merx.com</a>.
- B7.3.1 Proposals will **only** be accepted electronically through MERX.
- B7.4 Proponents are advised that inclusion of terms and conditions inconsistent with the Request for Proposal, will be evaluated in accordance with B19.1(a).
- B7.5 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 (SECTION A)

- B8.1 The Proponent shall complete Form A: Bid/Proposal, making all required entries.
- B8.2 Paragraph 2 of Form A: Bid/Proposal shall be completed in accordance with the following requirements:
  - (a) if the Proponent is a sole proprietor carrying on business in their own name, their 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 their 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: Bid/Proposal, the Proponent shall identify a contact person who is authorized to represent the Proponent for purposes of the Proposal.

- B8.4 Paragraph 13 of Form A: Bid/Proposal shall be signed in accordance with the following requirements:
  - (a) if the Proponent is a sole proprietor carrying on business in their 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 their duly authorized officer or officers;
  - (d) if the Proponent is carrying on business under a name other than their 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: Bid/Proposal should be entered 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. FORM N: EAP QUESTIONNAIRE AND PRICING (SECTION B)

- B9.1 Proposals shall include a completed Form N: EAP Questionnaire and Pricing (herein referred to as "Form N").
- B9.2 Proponents are advised to take note that there are multiple worksheets (tabs) on Form N all of which require responses.
- B9.3 Form N Pricing Information shall be as follows:
  - (a) The Proponent shall state a price in Canadian funds for each item of the Work identified on Form N.
  - (b) The quantities listed on Form N are to be considered approximate only. The City will use said quantities for the purpose of comparing Proposals.
- B9.3.1 Notwithstanding C11.1, prices on Form N shall not include the Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Manitoba Retail Sales Tax (MRST, also known as PST), which shall be extra where applicable.
- B9.3.2 Prices stated in response to B9 shall not include any costs which may be incurred by the Proponent with respect to any applicable funding agreement obligations as outlined in D22. Any such costs shall be determined in accordance with D22.
- B9.3.3 The quantities for which payment will be made to the Contractor are to be determined by the Work actually performed and completed by the Contractor, to be measured as specified in the applicable Specifications.
- B9.3.4 Where applicable, payments to Non-Resident Contractors are subject to Non-Resident Withholding Tax pursuant to the Income Tax Act (Canada).
- B9.4 Form N Plan Details has the following components:
  - (a) EAP Services;
  - (b) EAP Components;
  - (c) EAP References; and
  - (d) EAP Pricing.
- B9.4.1 Proponents are advised that all items in Form N should be answered indicating compliance or non-compliance. Deviation and/or equivalents shall be clearly stated and fully detailed. Deviations and/or equivalents will be considered subject evaluations.

- B9.5 Proponents are advised that Appendix A: EAP Specifications describes current plan details.
- B9.5.1 Proponents' responses on Form N should be based on the information provided in Appendix A: EAP Specifications.

#### **B10.** ELIGIBILITY

- B10.1 As a result of having provided guidance in relation to this Project, the following individuals and the companies with which they are currently employed are not eligible to be a Proponent, participate as team members of a Proponent, or act as advisors to a Proponent or to any of its team members or to otherwise participate in the development and preparation of Proposals for the Project:
  - (a) Benefits Consultant HUB International.
- B10.2 A Proponent may be disqualified if any of the above-noted ineligible persons participate in the development and preparation of the Proponent's Proposal for this Request for Proposal.
- B10.3 Proponents are advised that HUB International will participate, alongside appointed City of Winnipeg staff, in the evaluation of Proposals.

#### **B11. DISCLOSURE**

- B11.1 Various Persons provided information or services with respect to this RFP. 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.
- B11.2 The Persons are:
  - (a) N/A

#### **B12.** CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND GOOD FAITH

- B12.1 Further to C3.2, Proponents, by responding to this RFP, declare that no Conflict of Interest currently exists, or is reasonably expected to exist in the future.
- B12.2 Conflict of Interest means any situation or circumstance where a Proponent or Key Personnel proposed for the Services has:
  - (a) other commitments;
  - (b) relationships;
  - (c) financial interests; or
  - (d) involvement in ongoing litigation;

that could or would be seen to:

- exercise an improper influence over the objective, unbiased and impartial exercise of the independent judgment of the City with respect to the evaluation of Proposals or award of the Contract; or
- (ii) compromise, impair or be incompatible with the effective performance of a Proponent's obligations under the Contract;
- (e) has contractual or other obligations to the City that could or would be seen to have been compromised or impaired as a result of their participation in the RFP process or the Project; or
- (f) has knowledge of confidential information (other than confidential information disclosed by the City in the normal course of the RFP process) of strategic and/or material relevance to the RFP process or to the Project that is not available to other Proponents and that could or would be seen to give that Proponent an unfair competitive advantage.

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- B12.3 In connection with their Proposal, each entity identified in B12.2 shall:
  - (a) avoid any perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest in relation to the procurement process and the Project;
  - (b) upon discovering any perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest at any time during the RFP process, promptly disclose a detailed description of the Conflict of Interest to the City in a written statement to the Contract Administrator; and
  - (c) provide the City with the proposed means to avoid or mitigate, to the greatest extent practicable, any perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest and shall submit any additional information to the City that the City considers necessary to properly assess the perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest.
- B12.4 Without limiting B12.3, the City may, in its sole discretion, waive any and all perceived, potential or actual Conflicts of Interest. The City's waiver may be based upon such terms and conditions as the City, in its sole discretion, requires to satisfy itself that the Conflict of Interest has been appropriately avoided or mitigated, including requiring the Proponent to put into place such policies, procedures, measures and other safeguards as may be required by and be acceptable to the City, in its sole discretion, to avoid or mitigate the impact of such Conflict of Interest.
- B12.5 Without limiting B12.3, and in addition to all contractual or other rights or rights at law or in equity or legislation that may be available to the City, the City may, in its sole discretion:
  - (a) disqualify a Proponent that fails to disclose a perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest of the Proponent or any of its Key Personnel;
  - require the removal or replacement of any Key Personnel proposed for the Work that has a perceived, actual or potential Conflict of Interest that the City, in its sole discretion, determines cannot be avoided or mitigated;
  - (c) disqualify a Proponent or Key Personnel proposed for the Work that fails to comply with any requirements prescribed by the City pursuant to B12.4 to avoid or mitigate a Conflict of Interest; and
  - (d) disqualify a Proponent if the Proponent, or one of its Key Personnel proposed for the Project, has a perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest that, in the City's sole discretion, cannot be avoided or mitigated, or otherwise resolved.
- B12.6 The final determination of whether a perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest exists shall be made by the City, in its sole discretion.

#### **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, Purchasing Division website at https://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/Templates/files/debar.pdf

- 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;
  - (b) be fully capable of performing the Work required to be in strict accordance with the terms and provisions of the Contract;
  - (c) have a written workplace safety and health program, if required, pursuant to The Workplace Safety and Health Act (Manitoba);
  - (d) undertake to meet all licensing and regulatory requirements of the appropriate governing authorities and associations in the Province of Manitoba; and
  - (e) have completed the Accessible Customer Service online training required by the Accessibility for Manitobans Act (AMA) (see B13.4 and D6);
- B13.4 Further to B13.3(e), the Proponent acknowledges that they and all Subcontractors have obtained training required by the Accessibility for Manitobans Act (AMA) available at <a href="https://accessibilitymb.ca/resources-events-and-training/online-training.html">https://accessibilitymb.ca/resources-events-and-training/online-training.html</a> for anyone that may have any interaction with the public on behalf of the City of Winnipeg.
- B13.6 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.
- B13.7 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.

#### B14. OPENING OF PROPOSALS AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION

- B14.1 Proposals will not be opened publicly.
- B14.2 After award of Contract, the Contract amount and the name of the successful Proponent and their address will be available on the MERX website at <a href="https://www.merx.com">www.merx.com</a>.
- B14.3 The Proponent is advised any information contained in any Proposal Submission may be released if required by The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba), by other authorities having jurisdiction, or by law or by City policy or procedures (which may include access by members of City Council).
- B14.3.1 To the extent permitted, the City shall treat as confidential information, those aspects of a Proposal Submission identified by the Proponent as such in accordance with and by reference to Part 2, Section 17 or Section 18 or Section 26 of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba), as amended.
- B14.4 Following the award of Contract, a Proponent will be provided with information related to the evaluation of their submission upon written request to the Contract Administrator.

#### B15. IRREVOCABLE OFFER

- B15.1 The Proposal(s) submitted by the Proponent shall be irrevocable for the time period specified in Paragraph 11 of Form A: Bid/Proposal.
- B15.2 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 until a Contract for the Work has been duly formed and the contract securities have been furnished as herein provided, but any Bid shall be deemed to have lapsed unless accepted within the time period specified in Paragraph 11 of Form A: Bid/Proposal.

#### **B16.** WITHDRAWAL OF OFFERS

B16.1 A Proponent may withdraw their Proposal without penalty prior to the Submission Deadline.

#### **B17. INTERVIEWS**

B17.1 The Contract Administrator may, in their sole discretion, interview Proponents during the evaluation process.

#### **B18. NEGOTIATIONS**

- B18.1 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.
- B18.2 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.
- B18.3 If, in the course of negotiations pursuant to B18.2, 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.

#### B19. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

- B19.1 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 Subconsultants, if any, pursuant to B13: (pass/fail)
  - (c) Form N: EAP Questionnaire and Pricing (Section B) shall be broken down as follows:

(100%):

- (i) Total Bid Price (EAP Pricing Tab)
   (ii) EAP Services Availability Checklist (EAP Services Tab)
   (iii) EAP Components (EAP Components Tab)
   41%
- (iv) EAP References Experience of Proponent (EAP References Tab) 3%
- B19.2 Further to B19.1(a), the Award Authority may reject a Proposal as being non-responsive if the Proposal Submission 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.
- B19.3 Further to B19.1(b), the Award Authority shall reject any Proposal submitted by a Proponent who does not demonstrate, in their Proposal or in other information required to be submitted, that it is qualified.
- B19.4 If, in the sole opinion of the City, a Proposal does not achieve a pass rating for B19.1(a) and B19.1(b), the Proposal will be determined to be non-responsive and will not be further evaluated.
- B19.5 Further to B19.1(c) Form N: EAP Questionnaire and Pricing shall be evaluated considering the responses provided in Form N in accordance with B9

- B19.5.1 Further to B19.1(c)(i) Total Bid Price (EAP Pricing Tab) shall be evaluated considering the responses provided in Form N, on the EAP Pricing Tab.
  - (a) Premium Rates, Expenses and Guarantees shall be the evaluated prices for each item in Form N.
- B19.5.2 Further to B19.1(c)(ii) EAP Services Availability Checklist (EAP Services Tab) shall be evaluated considering the responses provided in Form N on the EAP Services Tab.
- B19.5.3 Further to B19.1(c)(iii) EAP Components (EAP Components Tab) shall be evaluated considering the responses provided in Form N on the EAP Components Tab.
- B19.5.4 Further to B19.1(c)(iv) EAP References Experience of Proponents (EAP References Tab) shall be evaluated considering the responses provided in Form N on the EAP References Tab.
- B19.6 Where Proponents fail to provide a response to any item in Form N, the score of zero may be assigned to the incomplete part of the response.
- B19.7 Notwithstanding B19.1(c), where Proponents fail to provide a response to B19.1(c)(i) to B19.1(c)(iv), the score of zero may be assigned to the incomplete part of the response.
- B19.8 Proposals will be evaluated considering the information in the Proposal Submission and any interviews held in accordance with B17.
- B19.9 Where references are requested, the reference checks to confirm information provided may not be restricted to only those submitted by the Proponent, and may include organizations representing Persons, known to have done business with the Proponent.
- B19.10 This Contract will be awarded as a whole.

#### **B20.** AWARD OF CONTRACT

- B20.1 The City will give notice of the award of the Contract, or will give notice that no award will be made.
- B20.2 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 qualified, and the Proposals are determined to be responsive.
- B20.2.1 Without limiting the generality of B20.2, 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.
- B20.3 Where an award of Contract is made by the City, the award shall be made to the qualified Proponent submitting the most advantageous offer.
- B20.6 Further to Paragraph 7 of Form A: Bid/Proposal and C4, the City may issue an award letter to the successful Proponent.
- B20.7 Following issuance of the award letter a document package comprising the Contract Documents will be provided to the successful Proponent for execution.

- B20.8 If funding for the Services is provided to the City of Winnipeg by the Government of Manitoba and/or the Government of Canada, Proponents are advised that the terms of D43 shall immediately take effect upon confirmation of such funding, regardless of when the funding is confirmed.
- B20.9 Following the award of contract, a Proponent will be provided with information related to the evaluation of their Proposal upon written request to the Contract Administrator.
- B20.10 If, after the award of Contract, the Project is cancelled, the City reserves the right to terminate the Contract. The Contractor will be paid for all Services rendered up to time of termination.

#### **PART C - GENERAL CONDITIONS**

#### CO. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- C0.1 The *General Conditions for Supply of Services* (Revision 2020-01-31) 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, Purchasing Division website at <a href="http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/gen\_cond.stm">http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/gen\_cond.stm</a>
- C0.2 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. BACKGROUND

- D2.1 The administrative structure for the City of Winnipeg is a Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) who is the head of the public service and provides overall leadership to all City departments.
- D2.2 The following information is a brief summary of the City of Winnipeg's background and its needs:
  - (a) The City of Winnipeg is the capital and largest city in the province of Manitoba. The objective at the City of Winnipeg is to provide their employees with a safe and healthy workplace which supports wellness;
  - (b) City services include fire and paramedic services, water and waste services, libraries, parks and recreation, property assessments, permits, parking, public transportation, business licenses, economic development, tourism, and internal services such as Finance, Human Resources, Administration and Information Technology;
  - (c) Currently, the City of Winnipeg has approximately 10,000 employees involving eight (8) different unions and associations;
  - (d) The purpose of this RFP is to find the best fit EAP provider based on the competitiveness of service capability, on-line tools, communication, and reporting; and
  - (e) The City of Winnipeg last tendered their counselling services effective January 1, 2020, and TELUS Health was awarded the Contract including counselling, work/life services, critical incident stress management, and substance abuse management.
- D2.2.1 The purpose of the EAP service is to provide the approximately ten thousand (10,000) employees of the City of Winnipeg and their immediate family members (dependents) with short term, confidential counselling, referral for long term assistance, work/life services, critical incident stress management, and substance abuse management.

#### D3. SCOPE OF SERVICES

- D3.1 The Services required under this Contract shall consist of an Employee Assistance Plan Service Provider for the period from January 1, 2026, until December 31, 2026, with the option of five (5) mutually agreed upon one (1) year extensions.
- D3.1.1 The City may negotiate the extension option with the Contractor within ninety (90)
  Calendar Days prior to the expiry date of the Contract. The City shall incur no liability to the Contractor as a result of such negotiations.
- D3.1.2 Changes resulting from such negotiations shall become effective on January 1st of the respective year. Changes to the Contract shall not be implemented by the Contractor without written approval by the Contract Administrator.

#### D4. DEFINITIONS

- D4.1 When used in this Request for Proposal:
  - (a) "Dependent Child" means the natural, legally adopted, or stepchild of the employee or spouse, or a child for whom the employee stands "in loco parentis" (in place of a parent. A stepchild or child of a common-law spouse must be living with the employee to be an eligible dependent. All children must be a resident of Canada, unmarried or not in a

common-law relationship, dependent upon the employee for support, not eligible for group benefits as an employee, and under the age of 22 (or under the age of 25 and in full-time attendance at an accredited educational institution, college or university). The age restriction does not apply to a physically or mentally incapacitated child who had this condition prior to age 22 or prior to age 25 if a full-time student at an accredited educational institution, college or university;

- (b) "EAP" means Employee Assistance Plan;
- (c) "Employee" means a person who is a resident of Canada and works the minimum number of hours per week as designated by the Employer. Employees on a temporary or seasonal basis (excluding students) are eligible as designated by the Employer;
- (d) "Proponent" means any Person or Persons submitting a Proposal for Services;
- (e) "Spouse" means the person who is a resident of Canada and is either married to or in a civil union with the employee; or has been living with the employee in a conjugal relationship for at least 1 year. Where required by provincial legislation, this 1-year period is waived if a Child is born of such relationship. The Spouse must be designated by the employee on their application for coverage. Only one person may be covered as a spouse at any one time; and
- (f) "Supply Chain Disruption" means an inability by the Consultant/Contractor to obtain goods or services from third parties necessary to perform the Work of the Contract within the schedule specified therein, despite the Consultant/Contractor making all reasonable commercial efforts to procure same. Consultant/Contractors are advised that increased costs do not, in and of themselves, amount to a Supply Chain Disruption.

#### D5. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

D5.1 The Contract Administrator is:

Stephanie Mages, Senior Manager Employee Health & Safety Programs

Telephone No. 204 986-7231

Email Address: smages@winnipeg.ca

D5.2 At the pre-commencement meeting, the Contract Administrator will identify additional personnel representing the Contract Administrator and their respective roles and responsibilities for the Services.

#### D6. ACCESSIBLE CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

- D6.1 The Accessibility for Manitobans Act (AMA) imposes obligations on The City of Winnipeg to provide accessible customer service to all persons in accordance with the Customer Service Standard Regulation ("CSSR") to ensure inclusive access and participation for all people who live, work or visit Winnipeg regardless of their abilities.
- D6.1.1 The Contractor agrees to comply with the accessible customer service obligations under the CSSR and further agrees that when providing the Goods or Services or otherwise acting on the City of Winnipeg's behalf, shall comply with all obligations under the AMA applicable to public sector bodies.
- D6.1.2 The accessible customer service obligations include, but are not limited to:
  - (a) providing barrier-free access to goods and services;
  - (b) providing reasonable accommodations;
  - (c) reasonably accommodating assistive devices, support persons, and support animals;
  - (d) providing accessibility features e.g. ramps, wide aisles, accessible washrooms, power doors and elevators;
  - (e) inform the public when accessibility features are not available;

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  - (f) providing a mechanism or process for receiving and responding to public feedback on the accessibility of all goods and services; and
  - (g) providing adequate training of staff and documentation of same.

#### D7. SUPPLIER CODE OF CONDUCT

- D7.1 The Contractor has reviewed and understands the City's Supplier Code of Conduct. This document is located at: <a href="https://www.winnipeg.ca/media/4891">https://www.winnipeg.ca/media/4891</a>
- D7.2 The Contractor agrees to comply with the Supplier Code of Conduct as it may be amended or replaced from time to time. The Contractor is responsible for periodically checking the above link for updates to the Supplier Code of Conduct. Contract signature on Form A: Bid/Proposal from the Contractor signifies agreement to the Supplier Code of Conduct which comes into effect once the Contract starts.
- D7.3 If there is a conflict between the Contract and the Supplier Code of Conduct the Contract will prevail.

#### D8. UNFAIR LABOUR PRACTICES

- D8.1 Further to C3.2, the Contractor declares that in bidding for the Work and in entering into this Contract, the Contractor and any proposed Subcontractor(s) conduct their respective business in accordance with established international codes embodied in United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) <a href="https://www.un.org/en/about-us/universal-declaration-of-human-rights">https://www.un.org/en/about-us/universal-declaration-of-human-rights</a> International Labour Organization (ILO) <a href="https://www.ilo.org/global/lang-en/index.htm">https://www.ilo.org/global/lang-en/index.htm</a> conventions as ratified by Canada.
- D8.2 The City of Winnipeg is committed and requires its Contractors and their Subcontractors, to be committed to upholding and promoting international human and labour rights, including fundamental principles and rights at work covered by ILO eight (8) fundamental conventions and the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights which includes child and forced labour.
- D8.3 Upon request from the Contract Administrator, the Contractor shall provide disclosure of the sources (by company and country) of the raw materials used in the Work and a description of the manufacturing environment or processes (labour unions, minimum wages, safety, etc.).
- D8.4 Failure to provide the evidence required under D8.3, may be determined to be an event of default in accordance with C18.
- D8.5 In the event that the City, in its sole discretion, determines the Contractor to have violated the requirements of this section, it will be considered a fundamental breach of the Contract and the Contractor shall pay to the City a sum specified by the Contract Administrator in writing ("Unfair Labour Practice Penalty"). Such a violation shall also be considered an Event of Default, and shall entitle the City to pursue all other remedies it is entitled to in connection with same pursuant to the Contract.
- D8.5.1 The Unfair Labour Practice Penalty shall be such a sum as determined appropriate by the City, having due regard to the gravity of the Contractor's violation of the above requirements, any cost of obtaining replacement goods/ services or rectification of the breach, and the impact upon the City's reputation in the eyes of the public as a result of same.
- D8.5.2 The Contractor shall pay the Unfair Labour Practice Penalty to the City within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving a demand for same in accordance with D8.5. The City may also hold back the amount of the Unfair Labour Practice Penalty from payment for any amount it owes the Contractor.
- D8.5.3 The obligations and rights conveyed by this clause survive the expiry or termination of this Contract, and may be exercised by the City following the performance of the Work, should

the City determine, that a violation by the Contractor of the above clauses has occurred following same. In no instance shall the Unfair Labour Practice Penalty exceed the total of twice the Contract value.

#### D9. INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

- D9.1 The following provisions are in addition to any preceding obligations of confidentiality contained in this document. All requirements apply to the Contractor. Further, where the Services &/or Work is being provided by a third party (either by a Subcontractor or authorized third party reseller), the Contractor represents and warrants that it will ensure that the third party meets all of the relevant requirements of the Information Management clauses and will assume responsibility and liability for the third party's compliance or non-compliance.
- D9.2 The Contractor acknowledges that The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act ("FIPPA") and Personal Health Information Act ("PHIA") imposes obligations on the City to collect, store, use, disclose, and destroy "personal information", as that term is defined in FIPPA, ("Personal Information") in the strictest of confidence and in accordance with FIPPA and PHIA.

#### D9.3 The Contractor:

- (a) Shall be deemed to be an Information Manager as that term is defined in FIPPA;
- (b) Shall be responsible to ensure that all Personal Information is collected, stored, used, disclosed or destroyed only and strictly in accordance with the Contract; and
- (c) Shall, in respect of all Personal Information, implement and comply with the security requirements, controls, policies, and standards set out in the Contract and the Specifications.
- D9.4 While this Contract is in effect, and at all times thereafter, the Contractor shall treat as confidential any and all Confidential Information which it acquires or that is collected, stored, used, disclosed or destroyed, or to which it is given access, or which in any other way it comes into possession or knowledge of, during the course of the performance of the Contract. For the purposes of this Contract, Personal Information shall be considered to be Confidential Information.
- D9.5 The Contractor shall comply with section 44.1 of FIPPA, and more generally, any collection, storage, use, disclosure or destruction of Personal Information by the Contractor shall be in compliance with FIPPA and PHIA.
- D9.6 Further to C23 of the General Conditions, all Confidential Information is and shall remain the property of the City.
- D9.7 The Contractor shall not disclose or appropriate to their own use, or to the use of any third party, all or any part of the Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the Contract Administrator. The Contractor shall not at any time make any public announcement, press release, or statement of fact or opinion regarding the Bid Opportunity, the Contract, the Work, the City, or the Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the Contract Administrator.
- D9.8 While this Contract is in effect and at all times thereafter the Contractor shall: (a) only collect, store, use, disclose or destroy the Confidential Information for the purposes expressly permitted by the City, and only to the extent necessary to perform its obligations under this Contract:
  - (a) ensure that access to the Confidential Information is only provided or permitted a "need to know" basis, and that access, when given, shall be the minimum amount necessary to accomplish the task;
  - (b) not disclose or permit the disclosure of the Confidential Information or any copies thereof, whether in whole or in part, in any form or medium, to any third party, including Subcontractors or agents, without the prior written consent of the Contract Administrator;

- (c) not reproduce any Confidential Information, in whole or in part, in any form or medium, without the express prior written consent of the Contract Administrator: and
- (d) inform its Subcontractors of the obligations imposed upon it under this Contract and FIPPA, and shall take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that all of its Subcontractors comply with those obligations, including (but not limited to) binding said Subcontractors to terms no less strict than those herein through written confidentiality agreements.
- D9.9 The Contractor shall put into place reasonable security arrangements, including administrative, technical, and physical safeguards that ensure the confidentiality and security of the Confidential Information. The standard of such security arrangements shall be the greater of:
  - (a) the standards the Contractor has in place to protect its own confidential information; or
  - (b) the standards imposed on the Contractor by the Contract Administrator.
- D9.10 Upon becoming aware of any unauthorized use or handling of the Confidential Information (a "Confidentiality Breach"), the Contractor shall immediately notify the Contract Administrator in writing, take all reasonable steps to prevent the recurrence of any such Confidentiality Breach, and notify the Contract Administrator of said steps in writing.
- D9.11 Upon receiving a subpoena or other validly issued administrative or judicial order seeking Confidential Information, the Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with prompt notice thereof, deliver a copy of its proposed response to the Contract Administrator, and thereafter be entitled to comply with the demand to the extent permitted or required by law (unless the demand has been time-limited, quashed, or extended). The Contractor shall cooperate with the Contract Administrator in the defense of the demand, if so requested by the Contract Administrator.
- D9.12 The Contractor shall, and shall ensure its Subcontractors, comply with all directives issued by the Contract Administrator with respect to safeguarding or otherwise ensuring the confidentiality of the Confidential Information, and shall cooperate with the Contract Administrator so that the Contract Administrator can verify that the Contractor has complied, and is complying, with its obligations hereunder.

#### **SUBMISSIONS**

#### D10. AUTHORITY TO CARRY ON BUSINESS

D10.1 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.

#### D11. INSURANCE

- D11.1 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;

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  - (c) Professional Liability insurance in the amount of at least \$250,000 per claim and \$500,000 aggregate. Professional Liability insurance to remain in for the duration of the contract and for 12 months after total performance.
- D11.2 Deductibles shall be borne by the Contractor.
- D11.3 All polices shall be taken out with insurers licensed to carry on business in the Province of Manitoba.
- D11.4 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 but in no event later than the date specified in C4.1 for the return of the executed Contract Documents, if applicable.
- D11.5 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.
- D11.6 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.

#### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

#### D12. COMMENCEMENT

- D12.1 The Consultant shall not commence any Services until it is in receipt of a notice of award from the City authorizing the commencement of the Services.
- D12.2 The Consultant shall not commence any Services until:
  - (a) the Contract Administrator has confirmed receipt and approval of:
    - (i) evidence of authority to carry on business specified in D10;
    - (ii) evidence of the workers compensation coverage specified in C6.17;
    - (iii) evidence of the insurance specified in D11; and
    - (iv) the direct deposit application form specified in D19.1.
  - (b) the Consultant has attended a meeting with the Contract Administrator, or the Contract Administrator has waived the requirement for a meeting;
  - (c) The direct deposit application specified in D19.1
- D12.3 The City intends to award this Contract by October 1, 2025.

#### D13. SUPPLY CHAIN DISRUPTION SCHEDULE DELAYS

- D13.1 The City acknowledges that the schedule for this Contract may be impacted by the Supply Chain Disruption. Commencement and progress of the Work shall be performed by the Contractor with due consideration delivery requirements and schedule identified in the Contract, in close consultation with the Contract Administrator.
- D13.2 If the Contractor is delayed in the performance of the Work by reason of the Supply Chain Disruption, the Work schedule may be adjusted by a period of time equal to the time lost due to such delay and costs related to such delay will be determined as identified herein.
- D13.3 A minimum of seven (7) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of Work, the Contractor shall declare whether a Supply Chain Disruption will affect the start date. The Contractor shall provide sufficient evidence that the delay is directly related to Supply Chain Disruption, including but not limited to evidence related to ordering of Material or Goods, production and/or manufacturing schedules or availability of staff as appropriate.
- D13.4 For any delay related to Supply Chain Disruption and identified after Work has commenced, the Contractor shall within seven (7) Calendar Days of becoming aware of the anticipated delay

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  - declare the additional delay and shall provide sufficient evidence as indicated in D13.3. Failure to provide this notice will result in no additional time delays being considered by the City.
- D13.5 The Work schedule, including the durations identified in D13.2 where applicable, will be adjusted to reflect delays accepted by the Contract Administrator.
- D13.6 Any time or cost implications as a result of Supply Chain Disruption and in accordance with the above, as confirmed by the Contract Administrator, shall be documented in accordance with C7.

#### D14. DEFICIENCIES

- D14.1 Further to C11.7, the Contract Administrator may order the Contractor to alter or improve their methods, to increase or improve their 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.

#### D15. ORDERS

D15.1 The Contractor shall provide a local Winnipeg telephone number or a toll-free telephone number at which orders for service may be placed.

#### D16. RECORDS

- D16.1 The Contractor shall keep records of the services supplied under the Contract.
- D16.1.1 The Contractor shall note that the required reporting requirements are indicated in Form N, under the EAP Components tab.
- D16.2 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.

#### **INVOICES & MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT**

#### D17. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

- D17.1 C12.2 is deleted and replaced with the following:
  - C12.2 The amounts to be paid by the City to the Contractor shall be as set out in the Payment Certification. In the event the Payment Certification does not align with the Contractor's Proper Invoice and payment by the City to the Contractor is not made, or not going to be made, for the invoiced amount within 28 Calendar Days of receipt of the Proper Invoice, the City will issue a notice of non-payment to the Contractor in accordance with the BLA.
  - C12.2.1 For unit price Contracts, such sums shall be determined by the Contract Administrator upon the basis of the unit prices for the various classes of the Work stated on Form B: Prices. The total amount to be paid to the Contractor for the Work will be the amount arrived at by measuring the amount of each class of the Work listed on Form B: Prices and performed in accordance with the Contract, and pricing the same, in accordance with the unit prices stated thereon.
  - C12.2.2 For lump sum Contracts, such sums shall be determined by the Contract Administrator upon the basis of the lump sum price stated on Form B: Prices, if applicable, but in any event the lump sum price broken down into the percentage completed for each portion of the Work, commonly referred to as detailed prices.

D17.2 C12.7 to C12.10 are deleted and replaced with the following:

- C12.7 By the seventh (7) Calendar Day after the end of each month, the Contract Administrator shall issue to the Contractor a progress estimate indicating its opinion of the quantity and value of Work performed during the previous month. The Contractor may use the progress estimate to form part of its Proper Invoice as support of the type and quantity of Work performed. In the event the Contractor choses to produce its own documentation of the type and quantity of Work performed to form part of its Proper Invoice, the content shall be in accordance with C12.2 and the format of such documentation should follow that of a typical progress estimate, including all evidence and records of measurement that the Contract Administrator would require to certify payment. In either event the Contractor shall include such supporting documentation as part of its invoice.
- C12.8 If the Contractor agrees with the progress estimate provided by the Contract Administrator it should indicate that on its Proper Invoice. If the Contractor does not agree with the progress estimate provided by the Contract Administrator it should attempt to reconcile the discrepancy, which could result in a revised progress estimate to be provided by the Contract Administrator or a revised invoice by the Contractor, so that the progress estimate and the Proper Invoice align. In the event that the discrepancy is not reconciled then the Contractor should detail the items within the progress estimate that it disagrees with in order that the value on the Proper Invoice aligns with and is supported by the progress estimate with noted discrepancies.
- C12.9 Any payment made by the City to the Contractor on account of a Proper Invoice shall be less any holdback required to be made by The Builders' Liens Act, and such holdbacks or other amounts which the City is entitled to withhold pursuant to the Contract.
- C12.10 If in the Contractor's opinion the Work performed during the previous month is minimal or does not warrant an invoice, the Contractor is permitted to not submit an invoice on the condition that the Contractor advises the Contractor Administrator in writing.
- C12.11 Unless agreed to by the Contract Administrator, in writing, on an exception basis, the Contractor shall not submit invoices more frequently than monthly.
- C12.12 Any reference to payment submittals or payment processes in the NMS Sections of the Contract are deleted and replaced with the payment submittals and payment processes within Section C12 of the General Conditions, as amended by the Supplemental Conditions.

#### D18. INVOICES

- D18.1 Further to C12, the Contractor:
  - (a) shall submit invoices for Work performed in accordance with the instruction on the City's website at: https://www.winnipeg.ca/finance/corporate-accounts-payable.stm; and
  - (b) should copy the Contract Administrator on submission of its invoice.

#### D19. PAYMENT

D19.1 Further to C11.14, the City shall make payments to the Consultant by direct deposit to the Consultant's banking institution, and by no other means. Payments will not be made until the Consultant has made satisfactory direct deposit arrangements with the City. Direct deposit application forms are at <a href="https://winnipeg.ca/finance/files/Direct\_Deposit\_Form.pdf">https://winnipeg.ca/finance/files/Direct\_Deposit\_Form.pdf</a>.

#### **WARRANTY**

#### D20. WARRANTY

D20.1 Notwithstanding C13, Warranty does not apply to this Contract.

#### DISPUTE RESOLUTION

#### D21. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- D21.1 If the Consultant disagrees with any opinion, determination, or decision of the Contract Administrator, the Consultant shall act in accordance with the Contract Administrator's opinion, determination, or decision unless and until same is modified by the process followed by the parties pursuant to D21.
- D21.2 The entire text of C17.4 is deleted, and amended to read: "Intentionally Deleted"
- D21.3 The entire text of C17.5 is deleted, and amended to read:
  - (a) If Legal Services has determined that the Disputed Matter may proceed in the Appeal Process, the Consultant must, within ten (10) Business Days of the date of the Legal Services Response Letter, submit their written Appeal Form, in the manner and format set out on the City's Purchasing Website, to the Chief Administrative Officer, and to the Contract Administrator. The Consultant may not raise any other disputes other than the Disputed Matter in their Appeal Form.
- D21.4 Further to C17, prior to the Contract Administrator's issuance of a Final Determination, the following informal dispute resolution process shall be followed where the Consultant disagrees with any opinion, determination, or decision of the Contract Administrator ("Dispute"):
  - (a) In the event of a Dispute, attempts shall be made by the Contract Administrator and the Consultant's equivalent representative to resolve Disputes within the normal course of project dealings between the Contract Administrator and the Consultant's equivalent representative.
  - (b) Disputes which in the reasonable opinion of the Contract Administrator or the Consultant's equivalent representative cannot be resolved within the normal course of project dealings as described above shall be referred to a without prejudice escalating negotiation process consisting of, at a minimum, the position levels as shown below and the equivalent Consultant representative levels:
    - (i) The Contract Administrator;
    - (ii) Supervisory level between the Contract Administrator and applicable Department Head;
    - (iii) Department Head.
- D21.4.1 Names and positions of Consultant representatives equivalent to the above City position levels shall be determined by the Consultant and communicated to the City at the precommencement or kick off meeting.
- D21.4.2 As these negotiations are not an adjudicative hearing, neither party may have legal counsel present during the negotiations.
- D21.4.3 Both the City and the Consultant agree to make all reasonable efforts to conduct the above escalating negotiation process within twenty (20) Business Days, unless both parties agree, in writing, to extend that period of time.
- D21.4.4 If the Dispute is not resolved to the City and Consultant's mutual satisfaction after discussions have occurred at the final escalated level as described above, or the time period set out in D21.4.3, as extended if applicable, has elapsed, the Contract Administrator will issue a Final Determination as defined in C1.1(dd), at which point the parties will be governed by the Dispute Resolution process set out in C17.

#### THIRD PARTY AGREEMENTS

#### D22. FUNDING AND/OR CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT OBLIGATIONS

- D22.1 In the event that funding for the Services of the Contract is provided to the City of Winnipeg by the Government of Manitoba and/or the Government of Canada, the following terms and conditions shall apply, as required by the applicable funding agreements.
- D22.2 Further to D22.1, in the event that the obligations in D22 apply, actual costs legitimately incurred by the Consultant as a direct result of these obligations ("Funding Costs") shall be determined by the actual cost to the Consultant and not by the valuation method(s) outlined in C8.4. In all other respects Funding Costs will be processed in accordance with Changes in Services under C8.
- D22.3 For the purposes of D22:
  - (a) "Government of Canada" includes the authorized officials, auditors, and representatives of the Government of Canada; and
  - (b) "Government of Manitoba" includes the authorized officials, auditors, and representatives of the Government of Manitoba.
- D22.4 Modified Insurance Requirements
- D22.4.1 If not already required under the insurance requirements identified in D10.1, the Consultant will be required to obtain and maintain professional liability insurance in an amount of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) inclusive per claim. Such policy shall be maintained for at least twenty four (24) months after Total Performance.
- D22.4.2 The Consultant shall obtain and maintain third party liability insurance with minimum coverage of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence on all licensed vehicles operated at the Site. In the event that this requirement conflicts with another licensed vehicle insurance requirement in this Contract, then the requirement that provides the higher level of insurance shall apply.
- D22.4.3 Insurers shall provide satisfactory Certificates of Insurance to the Government of Manitoba prior to commencement of Services as written evidence of the insurance required. The Certificates of Insurance must provide for a minimum of thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Government of Manitoba in case of insurance cancellation.
- D22.4.4 All policies must be taken out with insurers licensed to carry on business in the Province of Manitoba.
- D22.5 Indemnification By Consultant
- D22.5.1 In addition to the indemnity obligations outlined in C13 of the General Conditions for Consultant Services, the Consultant agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Government of Canada and the Government of Manitoba and each of their respective Ministers, officers, servants, employees, and agents from and against all claims and demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suit or other proceedings brought or pursued in any manner in respect of any matter caused by the Consultant or arising from this Contract or the Services, or from the goods or services provided or required to be provided by the Consultant, except those resulting from the negligence of any of the Government of Canada's or the Government of Manitoba's Ministers, officers, servants, employees, or agents, as the case may be.
- D22.5.2 The Consultant agrees that in no event will Canada or Manitoba, their respective officers, servants, employees or agents be held liable for any damages in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise, for:
  - (a) any injury to any person, including, but not limited to, death, economic loss or infringement of rights;
  - (b) any damage to or loss or destruction of property of any person; or

- (c) any obligation of any person, including, but not limited to, any obligation arising from a loan, capital lease or other long term obligation:
- D22.5.3 in relation to this Contract or the Work.
- D22.6 Records Retention and Audits
- D22.6.1 The Consultant shall maintain and preserve accurate and complete records in respect of this Contract and the Services, including all accounting records, financial documents, copies of contracts with other parties and other records relating to this Contract and the Services during the term of the Contract and for at least six (6) years after Total Performance. Those records bearing original signatures or professional seals or stamps must be preserved in paper form; other records may be retained in electronic form.
- In addition to the record keeping and inspection obligations outlined in C7.16 of the General Conditions for Consultant Services, the Consultant shall keep available for inspection and audit at all reasonable times while this Contract is in effect and until at least six (6) years after Total Performance, all records, documents, and contracts referred to in D22.6.1 for inspection, copying and audit by the City of Winnipeg, the Government of Manitoba and/or the Government of Canada and their respective representatives and auditors, and to produce them on demand; to provide reasonable facilities for such inspections, copying and audits, to provide copies of and extracts from such records, documents, or contracts upon request by the City of Winnipeg, the Government of Manitoba, and/or the Government of Canada and their respective representatives and auditors, and to promptly provide such other information and explanations as may be reasonably requested by the City of Winnipeg, the Government of Manitoba, and/or the Government of Canada from time-to-time.
- D22.7 Other Obligations
- D22.7.1 The Consultant consents to the City providing a copy of the Contract Documents to the Government of Manitoba and/or the Government of Canada upon request from either entity.
- D22.7.2 If the Lobbyists Registration Act (Manitoba) applies to the Consultant, the Consultant represents and warrants that it has filed a return and is registered and in full compliance with the obligations of that Act, and covenants that it will continue to comply for the duration of this Contract.
- D22.7.3 The Consultant shall comply with all applicable legislation and standards, whether federal, provincial, or municipal, including (without limitation) labour, environmental, and human rights laws, in the course of providing the Services.
- D22.7.4 The Consultant shall properly account for the Services provided under this Contract and payment received in this respect, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in effect in Canada, including those principles and standards approved or recommended from time-to-time by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada or the Public Sector Accounting Board, as applicable, applied on a consistent basis.
- D22.7.5 The Consultant represents and warrants that no current or former public servant or public office holder, to whom the Value and Ethics Code for the Public Sector, the Policy on Conflict of Interest and Post Employment, or the Conflict of Interest Act applies, shall derive direct benefit from this Contract, including any employment, payments, or gifts, unless the provision or receipt of such benefits is in compliance with such codes and the legislation.
- D22.7.6 The Consultant represents and warrants that no member of the House of Commons or of the Senate of Canada or of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba is a shareholder, director or officer of the Consultant or of a Subconsultant, and that no such member is entitled to any benefits arising from this Contract or from a contract with the Consultant or a Subconsultant concerning the Work.

## **PART E - APPENDICES**

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