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Request for Proposal For Sludge Hauling Services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)



Proposals Due By:

2:00 pm

February 6, 2024

Contact:

Thaxton Van Belle

Director of Water Reclamation TVanBelle@beaumontca.gov

RFP Available:

www.publicpurchase.com



Introduction

The City of Beaumont (City) is seeking proposals from qualified firms interested in providing Sludge Hauling and Disposal or End-use Services for the City of Beaumont Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The WWTP is located at 715 W. 4th Street, Beaumont.

Qualified firms that submit a proposal will be evaluated in accordance with the requirements defined within this RFP. Upon successful negotiations with the City, the selected firm (Contractor) will provide Sludge Hauling Services for the WWTP as described in this RFP.

All services provided by the Contractor shall be performed by individuals who meet the qualifications, education, and certification/licensing requirements for the position. The Contractor shall also have the resources to provide cost effective and timely services to the City.

Background

The City of Beaumont was incorporated in November 1912. The City is located in the western portion of Riverside County and is bounded on the west by Calimesa and unincorporated areas, on the north by the unincorporated County areas (Cherry Valley), on the south by unincorporated County areas and the City of San Jacinto, and on the east by the City of Banning. The land area within the City's boundaries is approximately 26 square miles.

Scope of Services

The Scope of Services for Sludge Hauling Services is as follows:

- Provide the City of Beaumont with biosolids hauling and composting, disposal, or other end-use services, including all labor, equipment, materials, and supervision necessary to receive, transport, and unload biosolids received from the City of Beaumont WWTP, located at 715 W. 4th Street, Beaumont, CA 92223. End-use or disposal services must comply with all Federal, State, and local laws including, but not limited to SB1383.
- Supply a Yard Truck for the City to use on-site and sufficient spare trailers for the loading of Biosolids. Alternatively, a tractor-trailer combo and sufficient trailers can be left.
- Contractor to maintain, service, and fuel all supplied equipment to keep equipment safe and operational.
- The City of Beaumont will supply dewatered biosolids from a centrifuge located at



the WWTP. The material will be dewatered to a minimum of 15% solids and loaded into trailers. Historic tonnages are as follows: 2021: 7600 tons at 18% solids, 2022: 7700 tons at 18% solids, 2023: 9500 tons at 17% solids).

- Dewatered biosolids will be picked up and transported by the Contractor or one of its certified/qualified subcontractors.
- The City of Beaumont WWTP facility operates 365 days a year and has no on-site storage. Typical operations call for one (1) load per day, however, occasional events will call for multiple loads per day until satisfied. A site visit may be conducted by the Contractor in preparation of the RFP and before the RFP due date if the City is notified 48 hours in advance.

Additional Responsibilities

The Contractor shall be responsible for completing the specified services in accordance with the City’s Services Agreement (Exhibit A).

Term

The term of the agreement shall be determined upon need of services and consistent with the City’s policies. The initial period of the contract is for three years, with two one-year extensions as approved by City Council, subject to agreement terms and the Beaumont Municipal Code.

Proposal Requirements

The proposal shall clearly address all of the information requested herein. To achieve a uniform review process and obtain the maximum degree of comparability, it is required that proposals be organized and contain all information as specified below.

- A. Cover Letter: Maximum of two pages serving as an Executive Summary which shall include an understanding of the scope of services. The RFP shall be transmitted with a cover letter that must be signed by an official authorized to bind the consultant contractually. That letter accompanying the RFP shall also provide the name, title, address, and telephone number of individuals with the authority to negotiate and contractually bind the consultant. The cover letter constitutes certification by the consultant, under penalty of perjury, that the consultant complies with nondiscrimination requirements of the State and Federal Government. An unsigned proposal or one signed by an individual unauthorized to bind the consultant may be



rejected.

- B. Introduction/Information: Introduction of the service proposal, including a statement of understanding for the types of services contemplated. Provide a discussion on how the objectives of the scope of services will be accomplished. Provide the name of the firm submitting the proposal, its mailing address, telephone number, and the name of the individual to contact if further information is required. Any participating firms and proposed subcontractors shall be identified and included in the proposal (all subcontractors must be approved by City prior to signing the agreement with City).
- C. Firm's Approach: The firm's approach to delivering the scope of services. Provide a description of the firm's approach to communicating effectively with City staff and officials, other jurisdictional stakeholders, and the public, to facilitate successful delivery of assigned tasks.
- D. Firm Profile: Provide a description of the firm, including number of professional personnel, years in business, office location(s), organizational structure (e.g., corporation, partnership, sole practitioner, etc.), areas of particular expertise, etc.
- E. Location of principal office that will be responsible for the implementation of this contract.
- F. Key Personnel: Provide a summary description of the key personnel, their roles and responsibilities, and their relevant experience. The proposal must name a project manager. In addition to this summary, full resumes should be provided.
- G. Three to five references to include: name, address, contact person and phone number of the company, length of time services were provided, and a description of the services provided. In addition, the Financial Adviser shall provide a statement of the most relevant previous financings.
- H. Scope of Services: Provide a description of the tasks, sub-tasks, and deliverables that will be provided. The Scope of Work Program should be presented in a logical format that can be easily attached to the Professional Services Agreement.
- I. Cost proposal (including rate schedule) shall be submitted in a separate sealed envelope.
- J. Any other information which should be considered, such as any special services or customer service philosophy which define your firm's practice.



- K. The firm will be required to have liability insurance including general liability at a minimum of two million per occurrence, worker’s compensation, commercial vehicle coverage including comprehensive and collision insurance, and contractor’s pollution liability insurance naming the City of Beaumont as additional insured. The proposal shall state whether such insurances will be in force at time of contract execution.

Submittal

One (1) bound copy and one (1) color digital PDF copy of the proposal must be submitted no later than 2:00pm, Tuesday, February 6, 2024. Postmarks and faxes are not acceptable. Proposal must be titled “RFP for Sludge Hauling Services for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)”. Proposals and questions regarding this RFP shall be directed in writing to:

Thaxton Van Belle
 Director of Water Reclamation
 City of Beaumont
 550 E. 6th Street
 Beaumont, CA 92223
 TVanBelle@beaumontca.gov

No postmarked proposals will be accepted. Once submitted, proposals, including the composition of the consulting staff, cannot be altered without prior written consent of the City.

All costs associated with preparation of any proposal shall be the sole responsibility of the proposer. Each proposal shall be limited to a maximum of 30 pages (not including resumes), using minimum 12-point font size. Electronic copies of the proposal will not be accepted.

***DUE DATE FOR QUESTIONS IS JANUARY 30, 2024, AT 12:00 PM.**

All questions and answers will be posted on Public Purchase within one week of the question due date.

Confidentiality

Prior to the proposal submittal deadline, all proposals will be designated confidential to the extent permitted by the California Public Records Act. After the proposal submittal deadline, all responses will be regarded as public record and will be subject to review by the public. Any language purported to render confidential all or portions of the proposals will be regarded as non-effective and will be disregarded.



Amendments to Request for Proposals

The City reserves the right to amend the RFP by addendum prior to the final proposal submittal date.

Non-Commitment to City

The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in any proposal reviewed. The City may reject any proposal that does not conform to the instructions provided in this RFP. Additionally, the City reserves the right to negotiate all final terms and conditions of any proposal received before entering into final contract.

Conflict of Interest

The Consultant shall disclose any personal or professional financial, business, or other relationships with the City that may have an impact on the outcome of this contract or any resulting project. The consultant shall also list current clients who may have a financial interest in the outcome of this contract.

Proposal Evaluation/Selection

The City intends to engage the most qualified consultant available that demonstrates a thorough understanding of the City’s needs. City staff will use the following criteria to evaluate the proposals:

Criteria	Points
Understanding of the Scope of Services	15
Demonstrated Professional Skill and Credentials	15
Related Experience	15
Approach to Performing this Type of Service	15
Consultant meets all EPA 503 and CA Biosolids Requirements	15
Proposed Fee	25
Total	100



The City may request a qualification interview with the highest ranked firm(s) prior to determining the final ranking. This selection will be conducted according to the City's adopted procedures. The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Exhibits

Sample Services Agreement

----- END OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL -----

EXHIBITS TO FOLLOW



EXHIBIT A

Sample Services Agreement

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES BY INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

THIS AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES BY INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR is made and effective as of the _____, by and between the CITY OF BEAUMONT ("CITY") whose address is 550 E. 6th Street, Beaumont, California 92223 and _____, whose address is _____ ("CONTRACTOR").

RECITALS

This Agreement is entered into on the basis of the following facts, understandings and intentions of the parties to this Agreement:

- A. CITY desires to engage CONTRACTOR to provide Sludge Hauling Services; and
- B. CONTRACTOR has made a proposal ("Proposal") to the CITY to provide such services, which Proposal is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by this reference; and
- C. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide such services pursuant to, and in accordance with, the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and represents and warrants to CITY that CONTRACTOR possesses the necessary skills, licenses, certifications, qualifications, personnel and equipment to provide such services.

AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing Recitals and mutual covenants contained herein, CITY and CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

1. Term of Agreement. This Agreement is effective as of the date first above written and shall continue until terminated as provided for herein. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement shall automatically terminate after Three (3) year(s) unless extended by the parties with the approval of the City Council of the CITY.
2. Services to be Performed. CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the services ("Services") as follows: All Services shall be performed in the manner and according to the timeframe set forth in the Proposal. CONTRACTOR designates _____ as CONTRACTOR'S professional(s) responsible for overseeing the Services provided by CONTRACTOR.
3. Associates and Subcontractors. CONTRACTOR may, at CONTRACTOR'S sole cost and expense, employ such competent and qualified independent associates, subcontractors and consultants as CONTRACTOR deems necessary to perform the Services; provided, however, that CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract any of the Services without the written consent of CITY.
4. Compensation.
 - 4.01 CONTRACTOR shall be paid at the rates set forth in the Proposal and shall not increase any rate without the prior written consent of the CITY. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, total fees and charges paid by CITY to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement shall not exceed _____ Dollars and Zero Cents (\$XXXXX).

4.02 CONTRACTOR shall not be compensated for any Services rendered nor reimbursed for any expenses incurred in excess of those authorized unless approved in advance by the CITY, in writing.

4.03 CONTRACTOR shall submit to CITY, on or before the fifteenth (15th) of each month, itemized invoices for the Services rendered in the previous month. The CITY shall not be obligated to pay any invoice that is submitted more than sixty (60) days after the due date of such invoice. CITY shall have the right to review and audit all invoices prior to or after payment to CONTRACTOR. This review and audit may include, but not be limited to CITY's:

- a. Determination that any fees charged is consistent with this Agreement's approved rate schedule;
- b. Determination that the multiplication of the quantities billed times the approved rate schedule dollars is correct;
- c. Determination that each item charged is the usual, customary, and reasonable charge for the particular item. If CITY determines an item charged is greater than usual, customary, or reasonable, or is duplicative, ambiguous, excessive, or inappropriate, CITY shall either return the bill to CONTRACTOR with a request for explanation or adjust the payment accordingly, and give notice to CONTRACTOR of the adjustment.

4.04 If the work is satisfactorily completed, CITY shall pay such invoice within thirty (30) days of its receipt. Should CITY dispute any portion of any invoice, CITY shall pay the undisputed portion within the time stated above, and at the same time advise CONTRACTOR in writing of the disputed portion.

5. Obligations of CONTRACTOR.

5.01 CONTRACTOR agrees to perform all Services in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Proposal. In the event that the terms of the Proposal shall conflict with the terms of this Agreement or contain additional terms that purport to bind the CITY other than the Services to be rendered and the price for the Services, the terms of this Agreement shall govern and said additional or conflicting terms shall be of no force or effect.

5.02 Except as otherwise agreed by the parties, CONTRACTOR will supply all personnel, materials and equipment required to perform the Services. CONTRACTOR shall provide its own offices, telephones, vehicles and computers and set its own work hours. CONTRACTOR will determine the method, details, and means of performing the Services under this Agreement.

5.03 CONTRACTOR shall keep CITY informed as to the progress of the Services by means of regular and frequent consultations. Additionally, when requested by CITY, CONTRACTOR shall prepare written status reports.

5.04 CONTRACTOR is responsible for paying, when due, all income and other taxes, fees and withholding, including withholding state and federal taxes, social security, unemployment and worker's compensation, incurred as a result of the compensation paid under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify, defend

and hold harmless CITY for any claims, costs, losses, fees, penalties, interest, or damages suffered by CITY resulting from CONTRACTOR's failure to comply with this provision.

5.05 In the event CONTRACTOR is required to prepare Documents, plans, drawings, specifications and/or estimates, the same shall be furnished in conformance with local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations.

5.06 CONTRACTOR represents that it possesses all required licenses necessary or applicable to the performance of Services under this Agreement and the Proposal and shall obtain and keep in full force and effect all permits and approvals required to perform the Services herein. In the event CITY is required to obtain an approval or permit from another governmental entity, CONTRACTOR shall provide all necessary supporting documents to be filed with such entity.

5.07 CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for obtaining Employment Eligibility Verification information from CONTRACTOR's employees, in compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-603 (8 U.S.C. 1324a), and shall ensure that CONTRACTOR's employees are eligible to work in the United States.

5.08 In the event that CONTRACTOR employs, contracts with, or otherwise utilizes any CalPERS retirees in completing any of the Services performed hereunder, such instances shall be disclosed in advance to the CITY and shall be subject to the CITY's advance written approval.

5.09 Drug-free Workplace Certification. By signing this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR hereby certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the CONTRACTOR will comply with the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1990 (Government Code, Section 8350 et seq.) and will provide a drug-free workplace.

5.10 CONTRACTOR shall comply with all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules, regulations, entitlements and/or permits applicable to, or governing the Services authorized hereunder.

6. Insurance. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to be solely responsible for the health and safety of its employees and agents in performing the Services under this Agreement and shall comply with all laws applicable to worker safety including but not limited to Cal-OSHA. Therefore, throughout the duration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR hereby covenants and agrees to maintain insurance in conformance with the requirements set forth below. Attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"** are copies of Certificates of Insurance and endorsements as required by Section 7.02. If existing coverage does not meet the requirements set forth herein, CONTRACTOR agrees to amend, supplement or endorse the existing coverage to do so. CONTRACTOR shall provide the following types and amounts of insurance:

6.01 Commercial general liability insurance in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate; CONTRACTOR agrees to have its insurer endorse the general liability coverage required herein to include as additional insured's CITY, its officials, employees and agents. CONTRACTOR also agrees to require all contractors and subcontractors to provide the same coverage required under this Section 6.

6.02 Business Auto Coverage in an amount no less than \$1 million per accident. If CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's employees will use personal autos in performance of the Services hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall provide evidence of personal auto liability coverage for each such person.

6.03 Workers' Compensation coverage for any of CONTRACTOR's employees that will be providing any Services hereunder. CONTRACTOR will have a state-approved policy form providing statutory benefits as required by California law. The provisions of any workers' compensation will not limit the obligations of CONTRACTOR under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR expressly agrees not to use any statutory immunity defenses under such laws with respect to CITY, its employees, officials and agents.

6.04 Optional Insurance Coverage. Choose and check one: Required /Not Required ; Errors and omissions insurance in a minimum amount of \$2 million per occurrence to cover any negligent acts or omissions committed by CONTRACTOR, its employees and/or agents in the performance of any Services for CITY.

7. General Conditions pertaining to Insurance Coverage

7.01 No liability insurance coverage provided shall prohibit CONTRACTOR from waiving the right of subrogation prior to a loss. CONTRACTOR waives all rights of subrogation against CITY regardless of the applicability of insurance proceeds and shall require all contractors and subcontractors to do likewise.

7.02. Prior to beginning the Services under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall furnish CITY with certificates of insurance, endorsements, and upon request, complete copies of all policies, including complete copies of all endorsements. All copies of policies and endorsements shall show the signature of a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf.

7.03. All required policies shall be issued by a highly rated insurer with a minimum A.M. Best rating of "A:VII"). The insurer(s) shall be admitted and licensed to do business in California. The certificates of insurance hereunder shall state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, or reduced in coverage or in limits, except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to CITY.

7.04 Self-insurance does not comply with these insurance specifications. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that that all insurance coverage required to be provided by CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor, shall apply first and on a primary, non-contributing basis in relation to any other insurance, indemnity or self-insurance available to CITY.

7.05 All coverage types and limits required are subject to approval, modification and additional requirements by CITY, as the need arises. CONTRACTOR shall not make any reductions in scope of coverage (e.g. elimination of contractual liability or reduction of discovery period) that may affect CITY's protection without CITY's prior written consent.

7.06 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide immediate notice to CITY of any claim or loss against CONTRACTOR or arising out of the Services performed under this Agreement. CITY assumes no obligation or liability by such notice, but has the right (but

not the duty) to monitor the handling of any such claim or claims if they are likely to involve CITY.

8. Indemnification.

8.01 CONTRACTOR and CITY agree that CITY, its employees, agents and officials should, to the extent permitted by law, be fully protected from any loss, injury, damage, claim, lawsuit, cost, expense, attorneys' fees, litigation costs, defense costs, court costs or any other costs arising out of or in any way related to the performance of this Agreement by CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor or agent of either as set forth herein. Accordingly, the provisions of this indemnity are intended by the parties to be interpreted and construed to provide the fullest protection possible under the law to CITY. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that CITY would not enter into this Agreement in the absence of the commitment of CONTRACTOR to indemnify and protect CITY as set forth herein.

a. To the fullest extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless CITY, its employees, agents and officials, from any liability, claims, suits, actions, arbitration proceedings, administrative proceedings, regulatory proceedings, losses, expenses, damages or costs of any kind, whether actual, alleged or threatened, actual attorneys' fees incurred by CITY, court costs, interest, defense costs, including expert witness fees and any other costs or expenses of any kind whatsoever without restriction or limitation incurred in relation to, as a consequence of or arising out of, or in any way attributable actually, allegedly or impliedly, in whole or in part to the performance of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR's obligation to defend, indemnify and hold harmless shall include any and all claims, suits and proceedings in which CONTRACTOR (and/or CONTRACTOR's agents and/or employees) is alleged to be an employee of CITY. All obligations under this provision are to be paid by CONTRACTOR as they are incurred by CITY.

b. Without affecting the rights of CITY under any provision of this Agreement or this Section, CONTRACTOR shall not be required to indemnify and hold harmless CITY as set forth above for liability attributable solely to the fault of CITY, provided such fault is determined by agreement between the parties or the findings of a court of competent jurisdiction.

8A. Indemnification Design Professionals.

8A.01 In the event that CONTRACTOR is a design professional under California Civil Code Section 2782.8 this Section 8A shall apply instead of Section 8. To the fullest extent permitted by California law and in accordance with California Civil Code section 2782.8, CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, trustees and members ("Indemnified Parties") from any and all actions, assessments, counts, citations, claims, costs, damages, demands, judgments, liabilities (legal, administrative or otherwise), losses, notices, expenses, fines, penalties, proceedings, responsibilities, violations, attorney's and consultants' fees and causes of action including, but not limited to those for, injury to property or persons, including personal injury and/or death ("Claim(s)"), to the extent that the Claim(s) arises out of, pertains to, or relates to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of CONTRACTOR, its directors, officials, officers, employees and consultants arising out of, connected with, or resulting from the performance of the Services, the Project, or this Agreement. This indemnity excludes liability caused by the negligence or willful

misconduct of any of the Indemnified Parties. The cost to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend charged to CONTRACTOR shall not exceed CONTRACTOR'S proportionate percentage of fault.

9. Additional Services, Changes and Deletions.

9.01 In the event CONTRACTOR performs additional or different services than those described herein without the prior written approval of the City Manager and/or City Council of CITY, CONTRACTOR shall not be compensated for such services. CONTRACTOR expressly waives any right to be compensated for services and materials not covered by the scope of this Agreement or authorized by the CITY in writing.

9.02 CONTRACTOR shall promptly advise the City Manager and Finance Director of CITY as soon as reasonably practicable upon gaining knowledge of a condition, event or accumulation of events which may affect the scope and/or cost of Services. All proposed changes, modifications, deletions and/or requests for additional services shall be reduced to writing for review and approval by the CITY and/or City Council.

10. Termination of Agreement.

10.01 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, CITY, at its sole option, may terminate this Agreement with or without cause, or for no cause, at any time by giving twenty (20) days' written notice to CONTRACTOR.

10.02 In the event of termination, the payment of monies due CONTRACTOR for undisputed Services performed prior to the effective date of such termination shall be paid within thirty (30) business days after receipt of an invoice as provided in this Agreement. Immediately upon termination, CONTRACTOR agrees to promptly provide and deliver to CITY all original documents, reports, studies, plans, specifications and the like which are in the possession or control of CONTRACTOR and pertain to CITY.

11. Status of CONTRACTOR.

11.01 CONTRACTOR shall perform the Services in CONTRACTOR'S own way as an independent contractor, and in pursuit of CONTRACTOR'S independent calling, and not as an employee of CITY. However, CONTRACTOR shall regularly confer with CITY'S City Manager as provided for in this Agreement.

11.02 CONTRACTOR agrees that it is not entitled to the rights and benefits afforded to CITY'S employees, including disability or unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, retirement, CalPERS, medical insurance, sick leave, or any other employment benefit. CONTRACTOR is responsible for providing, at its own expense, disability, unemployment, workers' compensation and other insurance, training, permits, and licenses for itself and its employees and subcontractors.

11.03 CONTRACTOR hereby specifically represents and warrants to CITY that it possesses the qualifications and skills necessary to perform the Services under this Agreement in a competent, professional manner, without the advice or direction of CITY and that the Services to be rendered pursuant to this Agreement shall be performed in

accordance with the standards customarily applicable to an experienced and competent professional rendering the same or similar services in the same geographic area where the CITY is located. Further, CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that the individual signing this Agreement on behalf of CONTRACTOR has the full authority to bind CONTRACTOR to this Agreement.

12. Ownership of Documents; Audit.

12.01 All draft and final reports, plans, drawings, studies, maps, photographs, specifications, data, notes, manuals, warranties and all other documents of any kind or nature prepared, developed or obtained by CONTRACTOR in connection with the performance of Services performed for the CITY shall become the sole property of CITY, and CONTRACTOR shall promptly deliver all such materials to CITY upon request. At the CITY's sole discretion, CONTRACTOR may be permitted to retain original documents, and furnish reproductions to CITY upon request, at no cost to CITY.

12.02 Subject to applicable federal and state laws, rules and regulations, CITY shall hold all intellectual property rights to any materials developed pursuant to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall not such use data or documents for purposes other than the performance of this Agreement, nor shall CONTRACTOR release, reproduce, distribute, publish, adapt for future use or any other purposes, or otherwise use, any data or other materials first produced in the performance of this Agreement, nor authorize others to do so, without the prior written consent of CITY.

12.03 CONTRACTOR shall retain and maintain, for a period not less than four years following termination of this Agreement, all-time records, accounting records and vouchers and all other records with respect to all matters concerning Services performed, compensation paid and expenses reimbursed. At any time during normal business hours and as often as CITY may deem necessary, CONTRACTOR shall make available to CITY's agents for examination all of such records and shall permit CITY's agents to audit, examine and reproduce such records.

13. Miscellaneous Provisions.

13.01 This Agreement, which includes all attached exhibits, supersedes any and all previous agreements, either oral or written, between the parties hereto with respect to the rendering of Services by CONTRACTOR for CITY and contains all of the covenants and agreements between the parties with respect to the rendering of such Services in any manner whatsoever. Any modification of this Agreement will be effective only if it is in writing signed by both parties.

13.02 CONTRACTOR shall not assign or otherwise transfer any rights or interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of CITY. Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under this Agreement.

13.03 CONTRACTOR shall timely file FPPC Form 700 Conflict of Interest Statements with CITY if required by California law and/or the CITY's conflict of interest policy.

13.04 If any legal action or proceeding, including an action for declaratory relief, is brought to enforce or interpret the provisions of this Agreement, the prevailing party

will be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, in addition to any other relief to which that party may be entitled.

13.05 This Agreement is made, entered into and shall be performed in the County of Riverside in the State of California and shall in all respects be interpreted, enforced and governed under the laws of the State of California. The parties agree that venue in any litigation between them shall be in Riverside County, California.

13.06 CONTRACTOR covenants that neither it nor any officer or principal of its firm has any interest, nor shall they acquire any interest, either directly or indirectly, which will conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of their Services hereunder. CONTRACTOR further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having such interest shall be employed by it as an officer, employee, agent, or subcontractor.

13.07 CONTRACTOR has read and is aware of the provisions of Section 1090 et seq. and Section 87100 et seq. of the Government Code relating to conflicts of interest of public officers and employees. CONTRACTOR agrees that they are unaware of any financial or economic interest of any public officer or employee of the CITY relating to this Agreement. It is further understood and agreed that if such a financial interest does exist at the inception of this Agreement, the CITY may immediately terminate this Agreement by giving notice thereof. CONTRACTOR shall comply with the requirements of Government Code section 87100 et seq. and section 1090 in the performance of and during the term of this Agreement.

13.08 Improper Consideration. CONTRACTOR shall not offer (either directly or through an intermediary) any improper consideration such as, but not limited to, cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or any items of value to any officer, employee or agent of the CITY in an attempt to secure favorable treatment regarding this Agreement or any contract awarded by CITY. The CITY, by notice, may immediately terminate this Agreement if it determines that any improper consideration as described in the preceding sentence was offered to any officer, employee or agent of the CITY with respect to the proposal and award process of this Agreement or any CITY contract. This prohibition shall apply to any amendment, extension or evaluation process once this Agreement or any CITY contract has been awarded. CONTRACTOR shall immediately report any attempt by any CITY officer, employee or agent to solicit (either directly or through an intermediary) improper consideration from CONTRACTOR.

13.09 Severability. If any portion of this Agreement is declared invalid, illegal or otherwise unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the entire balance of this Agreement not so affected shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereby have made and executed this Agreement to be effective as of the day and year first above written.

CITY:

CONTRACTOR:

CITY OF BEAUMONT

By: _____

By: _____

Julio Martinez III, Mayor

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

ATTEST:

By: _____
Nicole Wheelwright, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: _____
John O. Pinkney, City Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"

PROPOSAL

(insert behind this page)

EXHIBIT "B"

CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE AND ENDORSEMENTS

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