Request for Proposal (RFP) for Administration Professional Services - Cover Letter

1/29/2024

Re: Texas General Land Office ("GLO") Regional Mitigation Program Council of Governments Method of Distribution (COG-MOD)

Dear Service Providers:

Attached is a copy of the City of Lockhart's Request for Proposals ("RFP") for <u>professional administration services</u>. These services are being solicited to assist the City of Lockhart in its application(s) for and implementation of one or more contracts, if awarded, from the GLO's COG-MOD program(s). The City of Lockhart is considering applying for such funding for construction, engineering and grant administrative activities as indicated in the attached Scope of Work.

Service providers may submit proposals for any or all activities listed in the attached Scope of Work. Multiple contracts may be awarded as a result of this solicitation. The City of Lockhart will, in its sole discretion, determine the number of contracts awarded, and may decide not to award any contracts.

The submission requirements for this proposal are included in the attached RFP. Please electronically submit your proposal in .pdf format via email and/or submit your proposal to the address below on a thumb drive **OR** submit 3 copies of your proposal of services and a statement of qualifications for the proposed services to the following address:

City of Lockhart - GLO - Grant Admin Attn: Joseph Resendez, Assistant City Manager 308 W San Antonio St. Lockhart, TX 78644

OR

Email: jresendez@lockhart-tx.org

The deadline for submission of proposals is 10:00 a.m. on February 15th, 2024. It is the responsibility of the submitting entity to ensure that the proposal is received in a timely manner. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award, regardless of whether or not the delay was outside the control of the submitting provider. City of Lockhart reserves the right to negotiate with any and all service providers submitting timely proposals.

City of Lockhart is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Section 3 Residents, Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises, and Labor Surplus Area firms are encouraged to submit proposals.

Sincerely,

Joseph Resendez Assistant City Manager City of Lockhart

RFP for Administration Professional Services

City of Lockhart is seeking well-qualified administration/activity delivery service provider(s) to assist the City of Lockhart in preparing application(s) for and in the overall administration or implementation of proposed COG-MOD program(s), if funded, by the Texas General Land Office (GLO). The following outlines the RFP:

1. Scope of Work

Administration Services

A sample detailed Scope of Work ("SOW") for CDBG administration services provided by the GLO is enclosed in this packet (see pages 7-9). The administration service provider to be hired will provide application and contract-related management services, including but not limited to the following areas:

Pre-Funding Services

Provider will assist in developing project scope(s) and complete COG-MOD application(s). The provider will work with the local government and Engineer, if applicable, to provide the concise information needed for submission of one or more complete COG-MOD funding application(s) and related documents. The required information shall be submitted in a format to be described by the GLO.

Post-Funding Services

Provider will administer and provide activity delivery of infrastructure, utilities, housing and eligible projects approved for COG-MOD funding. The selected service provider must follow all requirements of the HUD COG-MOD program(s) as administered by the GLO.

General Administration Services

- Administrative Duties
- Construction Management
- Acquisition Duties (as necessary)
- Buyout Duties (as necessary)
- Environmental Services

Please specify a complete list of actual tasks to be performed under each of these categories in your response, including, if necessary, a **brief** description of each task.

*Pre-funding services are generally ineligible for COG-MOD reimbursement.

2. Statement of Qualifications

The City/County/District is seeking qualified professional administration service providers experienced in grant application preparation, and administration/activity delivery. Please provide the following as it relates to your qualifications :

- A brief history of the service provider, including general background, knowledge of and experience working with relevant agencies and programs;
- Related experience in applying for and managing federally-funded local projects, in particular recent experience;
- A description of work performance and experience with CDBG, CDBG Disaster Recovery, FEMA Hazard Mitigation or similar projects including a list of at least three references from past local government clients, with information describing the relevancy of the previous performance;
- Describe which specific parts of the Scope of Work the service provider proposes to perform;
- Describe the capacity to perform the chosen Scope of Work activities as well as resumes of all employees who may be assigned to provide services if your firm is selected, identifying current employees and proposed hires; and
- A statement substantiating the resources of the service provider and the ability to carry out the scope of work requested within the proposed timeline.

3. Proposed Cost of Services

Provide your cost proposal to accomplish the scope of work by activity or to complete a specific service outlined above and for any additional services required using the Cost of Services page(s) included in this packet: Required RFP Forms. The specific projects and grant amounts are yet to be determined; therefore, vendors should propose pricing based on the potential funding amounts provided.

The local government will consider dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises. As such, proposers may specify any maximum limit to the total dollar value of grant funds they are able and willing to manage. Service providers may submit proposals for any or all activities. Preference will be given to firm fixed pricing. The proposal must include all costs that are necessary to successfully complete these activities. Note that the lowest/best price proposal will not be used as the sole basis for entering into this contract; rather, award will be made to the service provider(s) providing the best value, cost and other factors considered. The local government reserves the right to negotiated pricing.

Upon the award of this contract, profit (either %/actual cost) must be identified and negotiated as a separate element of the price for any contract in excess of \$50,000.00.

4. <u>Evaluation Criteria</u> - The proposal received will be evaluated and ranked according to the following criteria and using the rating sheet enclosed:

<u>Criteria</u>	Maximum Points
Experience of the Firm	30
Prior Work Performance	25
Capacity to Perform	30
Historically Underutilized Business HUB)	10
Proposed Cost	5
Total	100

5. Submission Requirements

- A copy of your current certificate of insurance for professional liability.
- Statement of Conflicts of Interest (if any) the service provider or key employees may have regarding these services, and a plan for mitigating the conflict(s). Note that City/County/District may in its sole discretion determine whether or not a conflict disqualifies a firm, and/or whether or not a conflict mitigation plan is acceptable.
- System for Award Management. Service provider must have a current registration in the System for Award Management (https://www.sam.gov/SAM/). Service provider and its Principals, may not be debarred or suspended nor otherwise on the Excluded Parties List System (EPLS) in the System for Award Management (SAM). Include verification that the service provider as well as its principals are not listed (are not debarred) through the System for Award Management (www.SAM.gov). Enclose a printout of the search results that includes the record date. This clearance information must be included in the service provider's Proposal.
- Form CIQ, (enclosed). Texas Local Government Code chapter 176 requires that any vendor or person who enters or seeks to enter into a contract with a local government entity disclose in the Questionnaire Form CIQ the vendor or person's employment, affiliation, business relationship, family relationship or provision of gifts that might cause a conflict of interest with a local government entity. Questionnaire form CIQ is included in the RFP and must be submitted with the response. Certification Regarding Lobbying (enclosed). Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements is included in the RFP and must be submitted with the response.
- Form 1295, (enclosed). Effective January 1,2018, all contracts and contract amendments, extensions, or renewals executed by the Commissioners Court will require the completion of Form 1295 "Certificate of Interested Parties" pursuant to Government Code § 2252.908. Form 1295 must be completed by the awarded vendor at time of signed contract submission. Form 1295 is included in this RFP for your information. Form 1295 requires the inclusion of an "unsworn declaration" which includes, among other things, the date of birth and address of the authorized representative signing the form.
- Required Contract Provisions. Applicable provisions (enclosed) must be included in all contracts executed as a result
 of this RFP.

- **6.** Contracting with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. Small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms *must* participate in this RFP. If the awarded vendor is a prime contractor and may use subcontractors, the following affirmative steps are required of the prime contractor:
 - 1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
 - 2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
 - 3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
 - 4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
 - 5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) of the Department of Commerce.
 - 6) Please choose the MBDA Center that is in closest proximity to your community. Email your RFP to the appropriate center.

Minority-owned businesses may be eligible for contract procurement assistance with public and private sector entities from MBDA centers:

Dallas MBDA Business Center 8828 N. Stemmons Freeway, Ste. 550B

Dallas, TX 75247 214-920-2436

Website: https://www.mbdadfw.com

Email: admin1@mbdadallas.com

El Paso MBDA Business Center 2401 East Missouri Avenue

El Paso, TX 79903 915-351-6232

Website: https://www.mbda.gov/business-center/el-

paso-mbda-business-center Email: treed@ephcc.org Houston MBDA Business Center 3100 Main Street, Ste. 701 Houston, TX 77002 713-718-8974

Website: https://www.mbda.gov/business-

center/houston-mbda-business-center

Email: MBDA@hccs.edu

San Antonio MBDA Business Center 501 W. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd., Ste. 3.324B

San Antonio, TX 78207

210-458-2480

Website: https://www.mbda.gov/business-

center/san-antonio-mbda-business-center

Email: orestes.hubbard@utsa.edu

Small and woman-owned businesses may be eligible for assistance from SBA Women's Business Centers:

Dallas Fort Worth WBC 7800 N. Stemmons Fwy., Ste. 120 Dallas, TX 75247

214-572-9452

Website: https://womensbusinesscenterdfw.com/

Email: wbcdfw@liftfund.com

LiftFund Women's Business Center 600 Soledad St. San Antonio, TX 78205 888-215-2373 ext. 3000

Website: https://womensbusinesscentersa.com/

Email: wbc@liftfund.com

WBEA – Women's Business Center 9800 Northwest Freeway, Ste. 120 Houston, TX 77092

713-681-9232

Website: https://www.wbea-texas.org/womens-

business-center

Email: wbc@wbea-texas.org

SBA also provides assistance at Small Business Development Centers located across Texas: https://americassbdc.org/small-business-consulting-and-training/find-your-sbdc/

7. <u>Deadline for Submission</u> – Proposals must be received no later than <u>10:00 a.m. on February 15th, 2024.</u> It is the responsibility of the submitting entity to ensure that the proposal is received in a timely manner. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award, regardless of whether or not the delay was outside the control of the submitting firm.

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Any questions or requests for clarification must be submitted in writing via EMAIL to the address above at least 3 business days prior to the deadline. City of Lockhart may, if appropriate, circulate the question and answer to all service providers submitted proposals.

Regional Mitigation Program Council of Governments Method of Distribution (COG-MOD) Grant Administration Services – Program Description

Below is a description of anticipated programs that are eligible for funding through the COG-MOD Program(s) funded through the Texas General Land Office (GLO).

The City of Lockhart anticipates applying for the following programs that require Administration Services:

Applicant: City of Lockhart

Anticipated Program: CDBG MIT Regional MOD Program (CDBG MODs)

Anticipated Project: ~3,200 LF of existing waterline replacement*

*Final project selection pending City Council review and approval

COG-MOD Program Description:

Regional MOD Mitigation: Each Council of Government (COG) impacted by Hurricane Harvey will be allocated funds. Each COG will develop a method of distribution (MOD) to allocate funds to local units of governments and Indian Tribes. The GLO encourages the prioritization of regional investments with regional impacts in risk reduction to develop disaster-resistant infrastructure including upgrading of flood control, drainage, water, sewer, solid waste, communications, energy, transportation, health and medical infrastructure, and natural mitigation infrastructure.

Allocation Summary Worksheet CAPCOG

COG: **CAPCOG** \$ 52,253,000.00 Total Allocation: **\$ 52,253,000.00**

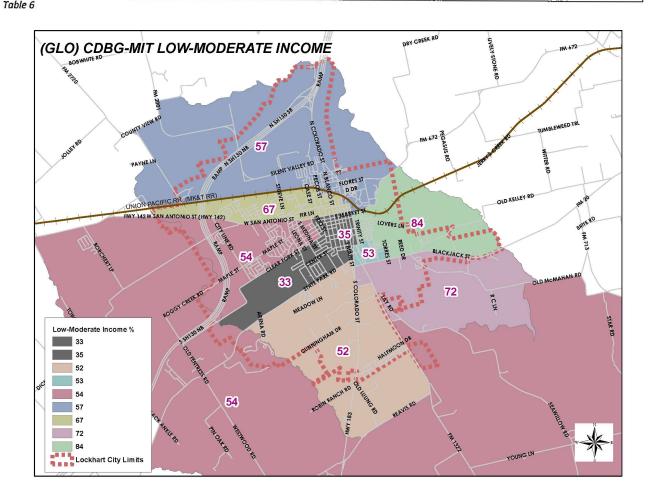
	 3	HUD MID				
Entity	Allocation	Percentage of Total Allocation	L	MI Portion	LMI Percentage	
Fayette County	\$ 4,810,100	19.14%	\$	2,405,100	50%	
Carmine	\$ 2,548,300	10.14%	\$	1,274,200	50%	
Ellinger	\$ 1,588,300	6.32%	\$	794,100	50%	
Fayetteville	\$ 3,344,800	13.31%	\$	1,672,400	50%	
Flatonia	\$ 3,022,400	12.03%	\$	1,511,200	50%	
La Grange	\$ 4,556,000	18.13%	\$	2,278,000	50%	
Round Top	\$ 1,965,200	7.82%	\$	982,600	50%	
Schulenburg	\$ 3,289,900	13.09%	\$	1,645,000	50%	
Total	\$ 25,125,000	100.00%	\$	12,562,600	50%	
		State MID				
Entity	Allocation	Percentage of Total Allocation	LI	MI Portion	LMI Percentage	
Bastrop County	\$ 4,362,600	16.08%	\$	2,181,300	50%	
Bastrop	\$ 2,358,000	8.69%	\$	1,179,000	50%	
Elgin	\$ 1,970,700	7.26%	\$	985,300	50%	
Smithville	\$ 2,421,100	8.92%	\$	1,210,600	50%	
Caldwell County	\$ 3,499,500	12.90%	\$	1,749,700	50%	
l.ockhart	\$ 1,889,900	6.97%	\$	945,000	50%	
Luling	\$ 1,527,800	5.63%	\$	763,900	50%	
Martindale	\$ 2,375,000	8.75%	\$	1,187,500	50%	
Lee County	\$ 2,548,800	9.40%	\$	1,274,400	50%	
Giddings	\$ 2,207,100	8.14%	\$	1,103,500	50%	
Lexington	\$ 1,967,500	7.25%	\$	983,700	50%	
Total	\$ 27,128,000	100.00%	\$	13,563,900	50%	

Eligible Activities

Activities must meet the criteria outlined in the Regional Mitigation Program (COG MODs) section of the State of Texas CDBG Mitigation Action Plan.

The COG has addressed prioritization of eligible activities as follows:

	The COG has chosen not to limit subrecipients in activities.		- Frederick
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X	The COG has limited subrecipients in the region priority activities:	to sel	ecting projects meeting the following regional
	Flood control and drainage improvement,		Water and sewer facilities
\boxtimes	including the construction or rehabilitation of		Communications infrastructure
	stormwater management systems	\boxtimes	Provision of generators
X	Natural or green infrastructure		Removal of debris
X I	Public Facilities (shelter, library, etc.)	\boxtimes	Streets or bridges
	Economic development (assistance to		Other infrastructure improvements
	businesses for the installation of disaster		Public Services (within the 15% cap)
	mitigation improvements and technologies;		FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
		\boxtimes	(HMGP) cost share for CDBG-MIT eligible
71	technologies, systems, and other measures to		project
_,	mitigate future disaster impacts; "hardening" of		Buyouts or Acquisitions with or without
	commercial areas and facilities; and financing		relocation assistance, down payment assistance,
	critical infrastructure sectors to allow continued		housing incentives, or demolition
	commercial operations during and after	П	Activities designed to relocate families outside
	disasters)	ш	of floodplains



SCOPE OF WORK

Administration Services

The Contractor shall provide the following scope of services:

SCOPE OF SERVICES REQUESTED

Providers will help the GLO fulfill State and Federal COG-MOD statutory responsibilities related to recovery in connection with any federally declared disaster. Providers will assist the GLO and grant recipients in completion of COG-MOD program(s). Respondents may be qualified to provide Grant Administration services for one or more programs or services (environmental, acquisition/buyout, general administration, etc.) Grant administrative services must be performed in compliance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") and guidelines issued by the GLO.

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Respondent must be able to perform the tasks listed herein to be considered eligible for an award under this Solicitation. Respondents should provide a detailed narrative of their experience as it relates to each of the items below. Respondents should clearly indicate if they intend to provide services in-house with existing staff or through subcontracting or partnership arrangements. Grant Administration Services will be provided in conformance with the guidance documents and use forms provided by the subrecipient utilizing GLO guidance. The providers shall furnish pre-funding and post-funding grant administrative services to complete the COG-MOD project(s), including, but not limited to the following:

Pre-Funding Services

Grant Administrator will develop project scope and complete CDBG-MIT MOD Competition application(s). The provider will work with the subrecipient and engineer, if applicable, to provide the concise information needed for submission of complete COG-MOD funding application(s) and related documents. The required information shall be submitted in a format to be described by the GLO.

Post-Funding Services

Grant Administrator will provide Grant Administration Services required to complete infrastructure, acquisition/buyout, housing and other eligible projects approved for COG-MOD funding. The selected service provider must follow all requirements of the as established by the General Land Office.

Grant Administration Services

- a) General Administrative Duties:
 - i. Ensure program compliance including all CDBG-MIT MOD requirements and all parts therein, current Federal Register, etc.
 - ii. Assist subrecipient in establishing and maintaining financial processes.
 - iii. Obtain and maintain copies of the subrecipient's most current contract including all related change requests, revisions and attachments.
 - iv. Establish and maintain record keeping systems.
 - v. Assist subrecipient with resolving monitoring and audit findings.
 - vi. Serve as monitoring liaison.
 - vii. Assist subrecipient with resolving third party claims.
 - viii. Report suspected fraud to the GLO.
 - ix. Submit timely responses to the GLO requests for additional information.
 - x. Complete draw request forms and supporting documents.
 - xi. Facilitate outreach efforts, application intake, and eligibility review.
 - xii. Utilize and assist with GLO's system of record to complete milestones, submit documentation, reports, draws, change requests, etc.
 - xiii. Submit change requests and all required documentation related to any change requests.
 - xiv. Coordinate, as necessary, between subrecipient and any other appropriate service providers (i.e. Engineer, Environmental, etc.), contractor, subcontractor and GLO to effectuate the services requested.
 - xv. May assist in public hearings.
 - xvi. Will work with GLO's system of record.
 - xvii. Provide monthly project status updates.
 - xviii. Funding release will be based on deliverables identified in the contract.
 - xix. Labor and procurement duties:
 - a. Provide all Labor Standards Officer (LSO) Services.
 - b. Ensure compliance with all relevant labor standards regulations.
 - c. Ensure compliance with procurement regulations and policies.
 - d. Maintain document files to support compliance.

xx. Financial duties:

- a. Prepare and submit all required reports (Section 3, Financial Interest, etc.).
- b. Assist subrecipient with the procurement of audit services.
- c. Assist subrecipient in establishing and maintaining a bank account for program funds.
- d. Implementation and coordination of Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing ("AFFH") requirements as directed by HUD and the GLO.
- e. Implementation and coordination of Section 504 requirements.
- f. Program compliance.
- g. Ensure that fraud prevention and abuse practices are in place and being implemented.
- h. Prepare and submit all closeout documents.
- i. Submit all invoices no later than 60 days after the expiration of the contract. All outstanding funds may be swept after 60 days. The provider may request an extension of this requirement in writing.
- j. Assist in preparation of contract revisions and supporting documents including but not limited to:
 - Amendments/modifications,
 - Change orders.
- xxi. Perform any other administrative duty required to deliver the project.

b) Construction Management

- i. The provider will assist the subrecipient in submitting/setting up project applications in the GLO's system of record.
- ii. The provider may compile and collate complete contract/bid packages that meet GLO program requirements. The packages will contain supporting documentation that meets or exceeds the requirements of the GLO's program. If applications do not have the necessary forms, the provider may assist the subrecipient by coordinating to acquire the necessary documentation.
- iii. The provider may monitor, report, and evaluate contractor's performance; notify the subrecipient if the contractor(s) fails to meet established scheduled milestones. Receive, review, recommend, and process any change orders as appropriate to the individual projects.
- iv. The provider may assist the subrecipient with project Activity Draws/Close Out.
- v. The provider may assist the subrecipient by submitting all the necessary documentation for draws and to close a project activity in the GLO's system of record. The provider will compile, review for completeness, and collate complete contract/closeout packages that meet GLO program requirements for draw requests. If applications do not have the necessary forms, the provider may assist the subrecipient by coordinating to acquire the necessary documentation.
- vi. The provider may assist the subrecipient in developing Architectural and Engineering plans with guidance from the GLO.
- vii. Reassignment scope alignment (if necessary).

c) Acquisition Duties:

- i. Submit acquisition reports and related documents.
- ii. Establish acquisition files (if necessary).
- iii. Complete acquisition activities (if necessary).

d) Buyout Duties (as necessary):

- i. Project planning, design, and startup
 - Assist subrecipient with procuring necessary vendors including appraiser, title vendor, and demolition contractor.
 - Develop subrecepient's Policy and Procedure Manual ("Program Guidelines") and manage subsequent public comment processes.
- ii. Property owner notifications
 - Generate and send required mailings to owners and tenants of each parcel targeted for buyout/acquisition.
 - Handle subsequent communication with owners and tenants while developing a contact log for future outreach.

iii. Intake meetings

- Advertise, schedule, and conduct intake with interested homeowners. During intake meetings case managers will collect all available documentation necessary to determine eligibility.
- If there are tenants living in the property, case manager will send them General Information Notices to inform them of the program and their rights.
- iv. Eligibility verification

- Management staff will review all intake documentation and verify eligibility.
- If applicable, firm will verify duplicative benefits (DOB) and calculate eligible receipts.
- Maintain applicant data in a secure system of record and comply with all record-keeping requirements of the General Land Office.
- v. Environmental reviews and site specific clearances
 - Conduct all required environmental reviews (Tier I and Tier II) and generate environmental clearance reports for each applicant file.
- vi. Offer package generation, approval, and mailing
 - Notify subrecipient that offer packages are ready, and use independently procured appraisals to determine the fair market value of buyout properties.
 - Generate and mail offer packages upon the subrecipient approval.

vii. Offer meeting

- Schedule and conduct offer meetings with property owners to discuss their options; accept, appeal
 or decline.
- If the owner decides to appeal, the case manager will provide advisory services to guide owner through appeal process.
- If the owner accepts, a contract of sale will be signed at the offer meeting.

viii. Closing

- Coordinate with property owner and subrecipient's procured title company to ensure the clear passage of title.
- Assist property owner with relocation arrangements and schedule real estate closing.
- ix. Draw/funding requests
 - Assist subrecipient with GLO draw requests, funding requests, wire tracking, and coordinating program activities to align with funding schedule.
- x. File, audit, closeout, and demolition
 - Complete final audit to ensure all procedures were properly followed.
 - Transfer physical files to subrecipient and complete remaining data entry.
 - Provide procured demolition contractor with property access.

e) Environmental Services

- i. Review each project description to ascertain and/or verify the level of environmental review required: Exempt, Categorical Exclusion not Subject to 58.5, Categorical Exclusion Subject to 58.5, Environmental Assessment, and Environmental Impact Statements;
- ii. If necessary, conduct tiered environmental review and submit broad and site-specific environmental reviews as required by 24 CFR Part 58.
- i. Prepare, complete and submit HUD required forms for environmental review and provide all documentation to support environmental findings;
- ii. Consult and coordinate with oversight/regulatory agencies to facilitate environmental clearance;
- iii. Be able to perform or contract special studies, additional assessments, or permitting to secure environmental clearance. These may include, but are not limited to biological assessments, wetland delineations, asbestos surveys, lead-based paint assessments, archeology studies, architectural reviews, Phase I & II ESAs, USACE permits, etc.;
- iv. Prepare all responses to comments received during comment phase of the environmental review, including State/Federal Agency requiring further studies and/or comments from public or private entities during public comment period;
- v. Maintain close coordination with local officials, project engineer and other members of the project team to assure appropriate level of environmental review is performed and no work is conducted without authorization;
- vi. Complete and submit the environmental review into GLO's system of record;
- vii. At least one site visit to project location and completion of a field observation report;
- viii. Prepare and submit for publication all public notices including, but not limited to the Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), Request for Release of Funds floodplain/wetland early and final notices in required order and sequence;
- ix. Provide documentation of clearance for Parties Known to be Interested as required by 24 CFR 58.43;
- x. Process environmental review and clearance in accordance with NEPA;
- xi. Advise and complete environmental re-evaluations per 24 CFR 58.47 when evidence of further clearance or assessment is required;
- xii. Prepare and submit Monthly Status Report; and
- xiii. Participate in regularly scheduled progress meetings.

Administration Professional Services Rating Sheet GLO CDBG-MOD

Rate the Firm's Proposal in the following areas:

A. Experience and Qualifications	Points	Points
	Possible	Awarded
1. Experience with application grant writing and project delivery services for State and Federally funded projects.	15	
2. Experience working with the Cities and Counties	15	
SUBTOTAL	30	

B. Work Performance (references and prior experience with firm)	Points Possible	Points Awarded
1. Work product is consistently of high quality	5	
2. Facilitates completion of project activities on schedule	5	
3. Understands the approach for project implementation	5	
4. References from current/past clients	10	
SUBTOTAL	25	

C. Capacity to Perform	Points	Points
	Possible	Awarded
1. Staffing level/experience, special skills	15	
2. Understanding of CDBG-DR-MIT-MOD	15	
SUBTOTAL	30	
D. Affirmation Action	Points	Points
	Possible	Awarded
1. Firm is a Historically Underutilized Business (Include	10	
Comptroller Cert in proposal)		
SUBTOTAL	10	

E. Proposed Fee	Points Possible	Points Awarded
1. Price is reasonable considering the firm's experience and qualifications	5	
SUBTOTAL	5	

Scoring Summary:	Points	Points
	Possible	Awarded
A. Experience of firm	30	
B. Work performance/program implementation	25	
C. Capacity to perform	30	
D. Affirmation Action	10	
E. Proposed Fee	5	
TOTAL SCORE	100	

Insert current HUB certification if applicable

Insert Certificate of Insurance

Insert System for Award Management (SAM) record search for company name and company principal

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity	
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	Date Received
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	
Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	
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Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law re completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th busines you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)	s day after the date on which
Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.	
Name of Officer	
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Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity	Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

<u>Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a)</u>: "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:
 - (2) the vendor:
 - (A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
 - $\hat{(i)}$ a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
 - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor:
 - (B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:
 - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
 - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

- (a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:
 - (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
 - (2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
 - (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.
- (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:
 - (1) the date that the vendor:
 - (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or
 - (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or
 - (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:
 - (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);
 - (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or
 - (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

Certification Regarding Lobbying

Date

(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- (a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- (c) The undersigned shall require that the language paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995).

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Signature of Contractor's Authorized	Official Official
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Included prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
- (b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
- 11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

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Disclosure of Lobbying ActivitiesComplete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352
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GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR

Non-Housing or Rental/Non-Rental Housing Projects Under The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant program Contract No.

THE ****insert subrecipient name**** (the "Subrecipient") and ****insert vendor name****, Tax Identification Number *** ("Provider"), each a "Party" and collectively, "the Parties," enter into the following contract for grant administration services (the "Contract") pursuant to Local Govt. Code 252 and 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

WHEREAS, the Subrecipient has received U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery ("CDBG-DR") funds, administered by the Texas General Land Office ("GLO") for damage sustained from ; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG-DR program is funded under the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 2016, Pub. L. No. 114-113.

Now, THEREFORE, the Parties agree to the following terms and conditions:

DEFINITIONS / INTERPRETIVE PROVISIONS / PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1.01 DEFINITIONS

<u>I</u>.

"Activity" means a defined class of works or services authorized to be accomplished using CDBG-DR grant funds. Activities are specified in Subrecipient Budgets as 'Category,' and the terms are interchangeable under this Contract.

"Administrative and Audit Regulations" means the regulations included in Title 2, CFR, Part 200. Chapter 321 of the Texas Government Code; Subchapter F of Chapter 2155 of the Texas Government Code; and the requirements of Article VII herein. With regard to any federal funding, agencies with the necessary legal authority include: the relevant federal agency, the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, the Office of Inspector General, and any of their authorized representatives. In addition, state agencies and/or designees with the authority to audit and inspect include, the Subrecipient, the GLO, the GLO's contracted examiners, the State Auditor's Office, the Texas Attorney General's Office and the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

"Activity" means a defined class of works or services authorized to be accomplished using CDBG-DR grant funds. Activities are specified in Subrecipient Budgets as 'Category,' and the terms are interchangeable under this Contract.

- "Attachment" means documents, terms, conditions, or additional information physically added to this Contract following the execution page, or incorporated by reference, as if physically.
- "Amendment" means a written agreement, signed by the parties hereto, which documents alterations to the Contract.

- "Benchmark" or "Billing Milestone" means a clearly defined set of incremental services that must be performed; or an interim level of accomplishment that must be met by Provider in order to receive periodic incremental and final reimbursement for services under this Contract.
- "CDBG—DR" means the Community Development Block Grant—Disaster Recovery Program administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, in cooperation with the GLO.
- "Certificate of Construction Completion" means a document submitted by an engineer or, if none, a construction contractor, to a Grantee which, when executed by the Grantee, indicates acceptance of the non-housing project, as built.
- "Contract" means this entire document, along with any Attachments, both physical and incorporated by reference; and any Amendments.
- "Contract Period" means the period of time between the effective date of a contract and its expiration or termination date.
- "<u>Deliverable</u>" means a unit or increment of work to include, any item, report, data, document, photograph, or other submission required to be delivered under the terms of this Contract, in whatever form =.
- "Federal Assurances" means Standard Form 424B (Rev. 7-97) (non-construction projects); or Standard Form 424D (Rev. 7-97) (construction projects), in **Attachment A**, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes.
- "Federal Certifications" means U.S. Department of Commerce Form CD-512 (12-04), "Certifications Regarding Lobbying Lower Tier Covered Transactions," also in **Attachment A**, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes.
- "<u>Final Inspection Report</u>" means the document submitted by the housing contractor to a Subrecipient under a CDBG-DR Housing grant contract, indicating the completed construction of one Housing Unit.
- "<u>Fiscal Year</u>" means the period beginning September 1 and ending August 31 each year, which is the annual accounting period for the State of Texas.
- "GAAP" means "Generally Accepted Accounting Principles."
- "GASB" means the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.
- "General Affirmations" means the statements in <u>Attachment B</u>, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes, which Provider affirms by executing this Contract.
- "GLO" means the Texas General Land Office, its officers, employees, and designees.
- "GLO-Vendor Contract" means the contract or contracts between the GLO and Provider procured through the Solicitation; such GLO-Vendor Contract is hereby incorporated herein by reference, for all purposes.
- "Grant Administration Fee" means the amount to be paid to Provider for all services performed for a Subrecipient.

- "Housing" refers to a project involving home repair, home reconstruction, and new home construction; including housing for single-family and multi-family rental units under a CDBG-DR program grant.
- "Housing Unit" means one house, or one multi-family rental unit.
- "HSP" means HUB Subcontracting Plan, as outlined by Chapter 2161 of the Texas Government Code.
- "HUB" means Historically Underutilized Business, as defined by Chapter 2161 of the Texas Government Code.
- "HUD" means the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- "Mentor Protégé" means the Comptroller of Public Accounts' leadership program found at: http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/hub/mentorprotege/
- "Non-housing" refers to a project involving the restoration and/or repair of infrastructure facilities and the economic revitalization activities approved under a CDBG-DR program grant.
- "Performance Statement" means Provider's detailed scope of work hereby incorporated for all purposes as **Attachment C**.
- "Project" means the grant administration services described in Section 1.03 of this Contract and in any applicable Attachments.
- "Project Completion Report" means a report containing an "as built" accounting of all projects completed under a CDBG-DR non-housing or housing grant, and containing all information required to completely close out a grant file.
- "Project Implementation Manual" means a set of guidelines for the CDBG-DR Program, incorporated herein by reference for all purposes in its entirety.
- "Project Period" means the stated time for completion of a Project assigned by Work Order, if any.
- "Prompt Pay Act" means Chapter 2251, Subtitle F of Title 10 of the Texas Government Code.
- "Provider" means ****insert vendor name****, selected to provide the services under this Contract, if any.
- "Public Information Act" means Chapter 552 of the Texas Government Code.
- "Quarterly Report" means a document submitted by Provider to a Subrecipient for approval and submission to the GLO as a condition of reimbursement, as discussed in **Section 1.05** and **ARTICLE III**, below.
- "RFQ"/ "RFP" means the Subrecipient's Request for Qualifications/Proposals No., or the Solicitation, as defined below.
- "Setup" means documentation, submitted by a Subrecipient, necessary for the GLO to determine that housing sites meet minimum eligibility criteria, resulting in approval for the Subrecipient to move forward with the projects.

- "Solicitation" means Subrecipient's Request for Qualifications/Proposals No._____, including any Addenda.
- "Solicitation Response" means Provider's full and complete response to the Solicitation, including any Addenda.
- "State of Texas TexTravel" means Texas Administrative Code, Title 34, Part 1, Chapter 5, Subchapter C, Section 5.22, relative to travel reimbursements under this Contract, if any.
- "Subcontractor" means an individual or business that signs a contract to perform part or all of the obligations of Provider under this Contract.
- "Subrecipient" means ****insert subrecipient name****, a local governmental body or political subdivision that receives funds under HUD's CDBG—DR Program for housing projects. Any Work Order issued for services to a recipient of a housing grant shall refer to "Subrecipient" as the party served.
- "Subrecipient Agreement" means the contractual agreement for a CDBG-DR housing or non-housing grant between the GLO and the Subrecipient for which Provider performs services assigned by the Subrecipient, if any.
- "Technical Guidance Letter or 'TGL'" means an instruction, clarification, or interpretation of the requirements of the CDBG-DR Program, issued by the GLO to specified recipients, applicable to specific subject matter, to which the addressed Program participants shall be subject.
- "Weekly Report" means a document submitted weekly by a Subrecipient showing the status of all housing projects, both completed and remaining, and any other information as may be required by the GLO.

1.02 Interpretive Provisions

- (a) The meanings of defined terms are equally applicable to the singular and plural forms of the defined terms;
- (b) The words "hereof," "herein," "hereunder," and similar words refer to this Contract as a whole and not to any particular provision, section, attachment, work order, or schedule of this Contract unless otherwise specified;
- (c) The term "including" is not limiting and means "including without limitation" and, unless otherwise expressly provided in this Contract, (i) references to contracts (including this Contract) and other contractual instruments shall be deemed to include all subsequent amendments and other modifications thereto, but only to the extent that such amendments and other modifications are not prohibited by the terms of this Contract, and (ii) references to any statute or regulation are to be construed as including all statutory and regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, replacing, supplementing, or interpreting the statute or regulation;
- (d) The captions and headings of this Contract are for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Contract;
- (e) All attachments within this Contract, including those incorporated by reference, and any amendments are considered part of the terms of this Contract;

- (f) This Contract may use several different limitations, regulations, or policies to regulate the same or similar matters. All such limitations, regulations, and policies are cumulative, and each shall be performed in accordance with its terms;
- Unless otherwise expressly provided, reference to any action of the Subrecipient or by the Subrecipient by way of consent, approval, or waiver shall be deemed modified by the phrase "in its/their sole discretion." Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, any approval, consent, or waiver required by, or requested of, the Subrecipient shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed;
- (h) Time is of the essence in this Contract.
- (i) In the event of conflicts or inconsistencies between this contract and its attachments, such conflicts or inconsistencies shall be resolved by reference to the documents in the following order of priority: Signed Contract; Attachments to the Contract: Attachment X, Attachment Y, Attachment Z (Attachment order will be specific to each Contract, Provider's Response will be the last item in the overall list.); Solicitation Documents; and Provider's Response to Solicitation.

General Rule: Contract, General Affirmations, Insurance, other docs created by us like the solicitation, then docs created by them. Ask an Atty if you have out of the ordinary documents

1.03 PROJECT

Provider shall perform, or cause to be performed at the direction of the Subrecipient, in assistance to Subrecipient, comprehensive administration services necessary to facilitate activities for the disaster relief, recovery, restoration, and economic revitalization in areas affected by ______under the CDBG—DR Program. Provider will assist the Subrecipient in fulfilling State and Federal CDBG-DR statutory responsibilities related to recovery from Hurricanes Ike and Dolly including, but not limited to, performing grant administration services for non-housing and/or housing projects. Grant administrative services must be performed in compliance with (i) HUD requirements, (ii) the Non-Exclusive List of Laws, Rules, and Regulations in Attachment D; (iii) this Contract and all Attachments, including Provider's Performance Statement, Attachment C; (iv) any Amendments to this Contract; (v) any Technical Guidance Letter, program requirements, or program guidance that may be issued by the GLO; (vi) GLO RFQ Nos.______; and (viii) Provider's full and complete response to the RFQ ("the Project").

Provider shall be responsible at all times for maintaining close oversight of approved projects and record-keeping including, but not limited to, obtaining and maintaining, through Provider's own efforts, the Subrecipient's current Performance Statement / Implementation Schedule, and Budget, including Revisions approved and Technical Guidance Letters issued by the GLO; and any other information that may be required for the satisfactory performance by Provider of the services herein described or assigned under a Work Order, as discussed below.

1.04 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Provider shall assist the Subrecipient to timely submit all reports and documentation that are required under this Contract and any Subrecipient Agreement.

WEEKLY REPORTS - APPLICABLE TO HOUSING PROJECTS ONLY:

Provider submit to the Subrecipient a Weekly Report containing all information as required by the GLO under the Subrecipient Agreement including, but not limited to, the number of Housing Units completed and the number of Housing Units remaining to be completed.

<u>Ouarterly Reports – Applicable to Non-Housing and Housing Projects:</u>

QUARTERLY REPORTS ARE REQUIRED AS A CONDITION OF REIMBURSEMENT TO ALL SUBRECIPIENTS. It is incumbent upon Provider to facilitate the submission of each Quarterly Report in a timely manner. Each Quarterly Report shall include progress made since the prior reporting period, current Benchmarks achieved, projected quantities, problems encountered and detailed plans to correct them, goals to be accomplished in the subsequent reporting period, and any other information as may be required by the GLO.

The GLO may review the Quarterly Report(s) and may request revisions to be made. Provider shall make itself aware of such revision requests and shall assist the Subrecipient in making appropriate revisions. Upon acceptance of the Quarterly Report and submission of a properly prepared invoice, appropriate payment may be made to Subrecipient and to Provider.

In the sole discretion of the GLO, reports may be requested more often than quarterly, and Provider shall facilitate the timely submission to the GLO of such additional information by the Grant Recipient.

PROJECT COMPLETION REPORTS:

Non-Housing Services: Provider shall prepare and submit to the Subrecipient a draft Project Completion Report (PCR) by the close of business no later than thirty (30) days from Provider's receipt of the fully executed final Certificate of Construction Completion ("COCC"). Provider shall then cooperate with the Subrecipient to submit the final, signed, PCR to the GLO by the close of business no later than sixty (60) days from Provider's receipt of the fully executed final COCC. The PCR must be submitted in accordance with the specifications in the Project Implementation Manual and must include a full description of all Subrecipient projects, both as originally assigned and as ultimately completed, accounting forall Amendments, Revisions, and Technical Guidance Letters, if any.

HOUSING SERVICES: Provider shall prepare and submit to the Subrecipient a draft PCR by the close of business no later than thirty (30) days from Provider's receipt of the last Final Inspection Report, which indicates that all Housing Units approved in Subrecipient's grant have been completed. Provider shall then cooperate with the Subrecipient to submit a final, signed, PCR to the GLO by the close of business no later than sixty (60) days from Provider's receipt of the last Final Inspection Report. The PCR must be submitted in accordance with the specifications in the Project Implementation Manual and must include a full description of all Subrecipient projects, both as originally assigned and as ultimately completed, accounting forall Amendments, Revisions, and Technical Guidance Letters, if any.

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II. TERM

2.01 DURATION

This Contract shall be effective as of the date signed by the last party and shall terminate on______. The Subrecipient, at its own discretion, may extend any contract awarded pursuant to the Solicitation for up to____() additional____() year terms or until the time the grant funding expires, whichever comes first. Any extension will be subject to terms and conditions mutually agreeable to both parties.

2.02 EARLY TERMINATION

The Subrecipient may terminate this Contract by giving written notice specifying a termination date at least thirty (30) days subsequent to the date of the notice. Upon receipt of any such notice, Provider shall cease work, undertake to terminate any relevant subcontracts, and incur no further expense related to this Contract. Such early termination shall be subject to the equitable settlement of the respective interests of the parties, accrued up to the date of termination.

2.03 ABANDONMENT OR DEFAULT

If the Provider defaults on the Contract, the Subrecipient reserves the right to cancel the Contract without notice and either re-solicit or re-award the Contract to the next best responsive and responsible vendor qualified under the Solicitation. The defaulting provider will not be considered in the re-solicitation and may not be considered in future solicitations for the same type of work, unless the specification or scope of work significantly changed. The period of suspension will be determined by the Subrecipient based on the seriousness of the default.

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3.01 CONTRACT LIMIT, FEES, AND EXPENSES

Provider will be compensated on a negotiated fee basis, for a not to exceed amount of ****

DOLLARS (\$***.**), reimbursable in increments as shown in the Benchmarks in

Attachment C for the type of work to be performed. The Grant Administration Fee shall not exceed the maximum amount available for such services as prescribed by the Subrecipient Agreement, the GLO, HUD or any governing law, for the term of this Contract. The Subrecipient agrees to pay Provider in accordance with The Prompt Pay Act Tex. Govt. Code Ch. 2251.

Grant funds must not be commingled between or among HUD funding rounds; nor between or among Non-Housing and Housing assignments.

Reimbursement for services may be requested based on the Benchmarks, according to the type of services authorized, contingent upon Provider's facilitation of the timely submission of each Quarterly Report required, as discussed in **Section 1.04**, above.

- (a) Provider's Contract Number;
- the name and GLO Contract Number (12 digits) of the Subrecipient Agreement to which services have been provided;
- (c) the current amount being billed;
- (d) the cumulative amount billed previously;
- (e) the balance remaining to be billed; and
- (f) an itemized statement of services performed, including documentation as required under the Contract, such as invoices, receipts, statements, stubs, tickets, time sheets, and any other which, in the judgment of the Subrecipient, provides full substantiation of reimbursable costs incurred.

Subject to the maximum Contract amount authorized herein, upon specific, prior, written approval by the Subrecipient, lodging, travel, and other incidental direct expenses may be reimbursed under this Contract for professional or technical personnel who are (a) away from the cities in which they are permanently assigned; (b) conducting business specifically authorized by the Subrecipient; and (c) performing services not originally contemplated in the Scope of Services.

The limit for such reimbursements shall be the rates established by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, as outlined in the State of Texas travel guidelines, *TexTravel*. If a rate within

the limits set forth in *TexTravel* is not available, Provider shall use its best efforts to obtain the lowest available room rate. Provider shall obtain prior approval from the Subrecipient.

NOTICE TO PROVIDER:

Failure to include all of the information required in **SECTION 3.01** with each invoice may result in a significant delay in processing payment for the invoice.

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4.01 PERFORMANCE WARRANTY

Provider represents that all services performed under this Contract will be performed in a manner consistent with a degree of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the same profession currently practicing under similar circumstances. Provider represents that all work product, including Deliverables if any, under this Contract shall be completed in a manner consistent with standards in the applicable trade, profession, or industry; shall conform to or exceed the specifications set forth in the incorporated Attachments (if any); and shall be fit for ordinary use, of good quality, and with no material defects. If Provider fails to submit Deliverables timely or to perform satisfactorily under conditions required by this Contract, the Subrecipient may require Provider, at its sole expense, to the extent such defect or damage is caused by the negligence of Provider, to (a) repair or replace all defective or damaged Deliverables; (b) refund any payment received for all defective or damaged Deliverables and, in conjunction therewith, require Provider to accept the return of such Deliverables; and/or (c) take necessary action so that future performance and Deliverables conform to the Contract requirements.

4.02 GENERAL AFFIRMATIONS

To the extent that they are applicable, Provider further certifies that the General Affirmations in **Attachment B** have been reviewed, and that Provider is in compliance with each of the requirements reflected therein.

4.03 FEDERAL ASSURANCES

To the extent that they are applicable, Provider further certifies that the Federal Assurances in **Attachment A** have been reviewed and that Provider is in compliance with each of the requirements reflected therein. The Federal Assurance form must be executed by Provider's authorized signatory.

4.04 FEDERAL CERTIFICATIONS

To the extent that they are applicable, Provider further certifies that the Federal Certifications also in **Attachment A** have been reviewed, and that Provider is in compliance with each of the requirements reflected therein. The Federal Certifications form must be executed by Provider's authorized signatory.

V. FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING, RECAPTURE OF FUNDS, AND OVERPAYMENT

5.01 FEDERAL FUNDING

- Funding for this Contract is appropriated under the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 2016, Pub. L. No. 114-113 enacted on December 18, 2015, to facilitate disaster recovery, restoration, economic revitalization, and to affirmatively further fair housing in accordance with Executive Order 12892, in areas affected by Hurricanes Dolly and Ike, which are Presidentially-declared major disaster areas under Title IV of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.). The fulfillment of this Contract is based on those funds being made available to the GLO as the lead administrative state agency. All expenditures under this Contract must be made in accordance with this Contract, the rules and regulations promulgated under the CDBG-DR Program, and any other applicable laws. Further, Provider acknowledges that all funds are subject to recapture and repayment for non-compliance.
- (b) All participants in the CDBG-DR grant program must have a data universal numbering system (DUNS) number, as well as a Commercial And Government Entity (CAGE) Code.
- (c) The DUNS number and CAGE Code must be reported to the GLO for use in various grant reporting documents, and may be obtained by visiting the Central Contractor Registration web site at:

https://www.bpn.gov/ccr/

Assistance with this web site may be obtained by calling 866-606-8220.

5.02 STATE FUNDING

- This Contract shall not be construed as creating any debt on behalf of the State of Texas and/or the GLO in violation of Article III, Section 49, of the Texas Constitution. In compliance with Article VIII, Section 6 of the Texas Constitution, it is understood that all obligations of the GLO hereunder are subject to the availability of state funds. If such funds are not appropriated or become unavailable, the Subrecipient, in its sole discretion, may terminate this Contract. In that event, the parties shall be discharged from further obligations, subject to the equitable settlement of their respective interests, accrued up to the date oftermination.
- (b) Furthermore, any claim by Provider for damages under this Contract may not exceed the amount of funds appropriated for payment, but not yet paid to Provider, under the annual budget in effect at the time of the breach. Nothing in this provision shall be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity.

5.03 RECAPTURE OF FUNDS

Provider shall conduct, in a satisfactory manner as determined by the Subrecipient, the Project as set forth in the Contract. The discretionary right of the Subrecipient to terminate for convenience under **Section 2.02** notwithstanding, it is expressly understood and

agreed by Provider that the Subrecipient shall have the right to terminate the Contract and to recapture, and be reimbursed for any payments made by the Subrecipient (i) that exceed the maximum allowable HUD rate; (ii) that are not allowed under applicable laws, rules, and regulations; or (iii) that are otherwise inconsistent with this Contract, including any unapproved expenditures.

5.04 OVERPAYMENT

Provider understands and agrees that it shall be liable to the Subrecipient or the GLO for any costs disallowed pursuant to financial and/or compliance audit(s) of funds received under this Contract. Provider further understands and agrees that reimbursement of such disallowed costs shall be paid by Provider from funds which were not provided or otherwise made available to Provider under this Contract.

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<u>VI.</u> <u>Ownership</u>

6.01 OWNERSHIP AND THIRD-PARTY RELIANCE

- (a) The Subrecipient shall own, and Provider hereby assigns to the GLO, all right, title, and interest in all services to be performed; all goods to be delivered; and/or all other related work product prepared, or in the course of preparation, by Provider (or its subcontractors) pursuant to this Contract, together with all related worldwide intellectual property rights of any kind or character (collectively, the "Work Product"). Under no circumstance will any license fee, royalty, or other consideration not specified in this Contract be due to Provider for the assignment of the Work Product to the GLO or for the GLO's use and quiet enjoyment of the Work Product in perpetuity. Provider shall promptly submit all Work Product to the GLO upon request or upon completion, termination, or cancellation of this Contract for any reason, including all copies in any form or medium.
- (b) Provider and the Subrecipient shall not use, willingly allow, or cause such Work Product to be used for any purpose other than performance of Provider's obligations under this Contract without the prior written consent of either party and the GLO. Work Product is for the exclusive use and benefit of and may be relied upon only by the parties. Prior to distributing any Work Product to any third party, other than the GLO, the parties shall advise such third parties that if it relies upon or uses such Work Product, it does so entirely at its own risk without liability to the GLO, Provider, or the Subrecipient.

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VIL RECORDS, AUDIT, RETENTION, CONFIDENTIALITY, PUBLIC RECORDS

7.01 BOOKS AND RECORDS

Provider shall keep and maintain under GAAP or GASB, as applicable, full, true, and complete records necessary to fully disclose to the Subrecipient, the GLO, the State of Texas Auditor's Office, the United States Government, and/or their authorized representatives sufficient information to determine compliance with the terms and conditions of this Contract and all state and federal rules, regulations, and statutes.

7.02 INSPECTION AND AUDIT

- (a) Provider agrees that all relevant records related to this Contract and any Work Product produced in relation to this Contract, including the records and Work Product of its Subcontractors, shall be subject to the Administrative and Audit Regulations. Accordingly, such records and Work Product shall be subject, at any time, to inspection, examination, audit, and copying at any location where such records and Work Product may be found, with or without notice from the Subrecipient, the GLO, HUD, or other government entity with necessary legal authority. Provider agrees to cooperate fully with any federal or state entity in the conduct of inspection, examination, audit, and copying, including providing all information requested. Provider will ensure that this clause concerning federal and state entities' authority to inspect, examine, audit, and copy records and Work Product, and the requirement to fully cooperate with the federal and state entities, is included in any subcontract it awards.
- (b) Provider understands that acceptance of state funds under this Contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the State Auditor's Office to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Provider further agrees to cooperate fully with the State Auditor's Office in the conduct of the audit or investigation, including providing all records requested. Provider will ensure that this clause concerning the State Auditor's Office's authority to audit state funds and the requirement to fully cooperate with the State Auditor's Office is included in any subcontracts it awards. Additionally, the State Auditor's Office shall at any time have access to and the rights to examine, audit, excerpt, and transcribe any pertinent books, documents, working papers, and records of Provider relating to the Contract for any purpose. HUD, the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, the Office of Inspector General, or any authorized representative of the U.S. Government shall also have this right of inspection. Provider SHALL ENSURE THAT ALL SUBCONTRACTS AWARDED REFLECT THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION 7.02, AND THE REQUIREMENT TO COOPERATE.
- (c) Provider will be deemed to have read and have knowledge of all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and rules including, but not limited to those identified in **Attachment D**, governing audit requirements pertaining to the Project.

7.03 Period of Retention

All records relevant to this Contract shall be retained for a period subsequent to the final closeout of the State of Texas CDBG-DR grant program, in accordance with federal regulations. The Subrecipient will notify all Program participants of the date upon which local records may be destroyed.

7.04 CONFIDENTIALITY

To the extent permitted by law, Provider and the Subrecipient agree to keep all information confidential, in whatever form produced, prepared, observed, or received by Provider or the Subrecipient to the extent that such information is: (a) confidential by law; (b) marked or designated "confidential" (or words to that effect) by Provider or the Subrecipient; or (c) information that Provider or the Subrecipient is otherwise required to keep confidential by this Contract. Furthermore, Provider will not advertise that it is doing business with the Subrecipient, use this Contract as a marketing or sales tool, or make any press releases concerning work under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Subrecipient.

7.05 Public Records

Information related to the performance of this Contract may be subject to the Public Information Act ("PIA") and will be withheld from public disclosure or released only in accordance therewith. Provider shall make any information required under the PIA available to the Subrecipient in portable document file (".pdf") format or any other format agreed between the Parties. Failure of Provider to mark as "confidential" or a "trade secret" any information that it believes to be excepted from disclosure waives any and all claims Provider may make against the Subrecipient for releasing such information without prior notice to Provider. Provider shall notify the Subrecipient within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of any third party written requests for information and forward a copy of said written requests to the Subrecipient. If the request was not written, Provider shall forward the third party's contact information to the Subrecipient.

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VIII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

8.01 Insurance

Provider shall acquire for the duration of this Contract insurance with financially sound and reputable insurers licensed by the Texas Department of Insurance, in the type and amount and in the form required by <u>Attachment E</u> of this Contract, REQUIRED INSURANCE AND FORM. Furthermore, Provider shall submit a certificate of liability insurance as required under this Contract, including (if requested) a schedule of coverage (or "underwriter's schedules") establishing to the satisfaction of the Subrecipient the nature and extent of coverage granted by each policy.

Provider shall submit certificates of insurance and endorsements electronically, in the manner requested by the Subrecipient. In the event that any policy is determined to be deficient to comply with the terms of this Contract, Provider shall secure such additional policies or coverage as the Subrecipient may reasonably request or that are required by law or regulation.

Provider will be responsible for submitting renewed certificates of insurance and endorsements, as evidence of insurance coverage throughout the term of this Contract. Provider may not be actively working on behalf of the Subrecipient if the insurance coverage does not adhere to insurance requirements. <u>Failure to submit required insurance documents</u> may result in the cancellation of this Contract.

8.02 TAXES/WORKERS' COMPENSATION/UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

PROVIDER AGREES AND ACKNOWLEDGES THAT DURING THE EXISTENCE OF THIS CONTRACT. PROVIDER SHALL BE ENTIRELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LIABILITY AND PAYMENT OF PROVIDER'S AND PROVIDER'S EMPLOYEES' TAXES OF WHATEVER KIND, ARISING OUT OF THE PERFORMANCES IN THIS CONTRACT. PROVIDER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH ALL STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS APPLICABLE TO ANY SUCH PERSONS, INCLUDING LAWS REGARDING WAGES, TAXES, INSURANCE, AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION. THE SUBRECIPIENT SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO THE PROVIDER, ITS EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, OR OTHERS FOR THE PAYMENT OF TAXES OR THE PROVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND/ OR WORKERS' COMPENSATION OR ANY BENEFIT AVAILABLE TO A STATE EMPLOYEE OR EMPLOYEE OF ANOTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY CUSTOMER. PROVIDER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS SUBRECIPIENT, THE GLO, THE STATE OF TEXAS AND/OR THEIR EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, CONTRACTORS, AND/OR ASSIGNEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, ACTIONS, CLAIMS, DEMANDS, OR SUITS, AND ALL RELATED COSTS, ATTORNEYS' FEES, AND EXPENSES, RELATING TO TAX LIABILITY, UNEMPLOYMENT **INSURANCE** AND/OR WORKERS' COMPENSATION IN ITS PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS CONTRACT. PROVIDER SHALL BE LIABLE TO PAY ALL COSTS OF DEFENSE INCLUDING ATTORNEYS' FEES. THE DEFENSE SHALL BE COORDINATED BY PROVIDER WITH THE SUBRECIPIENT NAMED AS A DEFENDANT IN ANY LAWSUIT AND PROVIDER

MAY NOT AGREE TO ANY SETTLEMENT WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE CONCURRENCE FROM THE SUBRECIPIENT. PROVIDER AND THE SUBRECIPIENT AGREE TO FURNISH TIMELY WRITTEN NOTICE TO EACH OTHER OF ANY SUCH CLAIM.

8.03 LEGAL OBLIGATIONS

Provider shall procure and maintain for the duration of this Contract any state, county, city, or federal license, authorization, insurance, waiver, permit, qualification or certification required by statute, ordinance, law, or regulation to be held by Provider to provide the goods or services required by this Contract. Provider will be responsible for payment of all taxes, assessments, fees, premiums, permits, and licenses required by law. Provider agrees to be responsible for payment of any such government obligations not paid by its subcontractors during performance of this Contract.

8.04 INDEMNITY

EXCEPT FOR DAMAGES DIRECTLY OR PROXIMATELY CAUSED BY THE GROSS NEGLIGENCE OF THE SUBRECIPIENT OR THE GLO, PROVIDER SHALL INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE SUBRECIPIENT, THE STATE OF TEXAS, THE GLO, AND THE OFFICERS, REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS, AND EMPLOYEES OF THE SUBRECIPIENT, THE STATE OF TEXAS, AND THE GLO FROM ANY LOSSES, CLAIMS, SUITS, ACTIONS, DAMAGES, OR LIABILITY (INCLUDING ALL COSTS AND EXPENSES OF DEFENDING AGAINST ALL OF THE AFOREMENTIONED) ARISING IN CONNECTION WITH:

- THIS CONTRACT;
- ANY NEGLIGENCE, ACT, OMISSION, OR MISCONDUCT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE SERVICES REFERENCED HEREIN; OR
- ANY CLAIMS OR AMOUNTS ARISING OR RECOVERABLE UNDER FEDERAL OR STATE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAWS, THE TEXAS TORT CLAIMS ACT, OR ANY OTHER SUCH LAWS.

PROVIDER SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY AND WELL BEING OF ITS EMPLOYEES, CUSTOMERS, AND INVITEES. THESE REQUIREMENTS SHALL SURVIVE THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT UNTIL ALL CLAIMS HAVE BEEN SETTLED OR RESOLVED AND SUITABLE EVIDENCE TO THAT EFFECT HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO THE SUBRECIPIENT. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION 8.03 SHALL SURVIVE TERMINATION OF THIS CONTRACT.

8.05 ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS

Provider shall not assign, transfer, or delegate any rights, obligations, or duties under this Contract without the prior written consent of the Subrecipient. Notwithstanding this provision, it is mutually understood and agreed that Provider may subcontract with others for some or all of the services to be performed. In any approved subcontracts, Provider shall legally bind such subcontractor to perform and make such subcontractor subject to all the duties, requirements, and obligations of Provider as specified in this Contract. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed to relieve Provider of the responsibility for ensuring that the goods

delivered and/or the services rendered by Provider and/or any of its subcontractors comply with all the terms and provisions of this Contract. Provider will provide written notification to the Subrecipient of any such subcontractor performing fifteen percent (15%) or more of the work under this Contract, including the name and taxpayer identification number of subcontractor, the task(s) being performed, and the number of subcontractor employees expected to work on the task.

8.06 RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES

Provider is associated with the Subrecipient only for the purposes and to the extent specified in this Contract, and, with respect to Provider's performance pursuant to this Contract, Provider is and shall be an independent contractor and, subject only to the terms of this Contract, shall have the sole right to supervise, manage, operate, control, and direct performance of the details incident to its duties under this Contract. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed or construed to create a partnership or joint venture, to create relationships of an employer-employee or principal-agent, or to otherwise create for the Subrecipient or the GLO any liability whatsoever with respect to the indebtedness, liabilities, and obligations of Provider or any other party. Provider shall be solely responsible for, and the Subrecipient shall have no obligation with respect to:

- (a) withholding of income taxes, FICA, or any other taxes or fees;
- (b) industrial or workers' compensation insurance coverage;
- (c) participation in any group insurance plans available to employees of the State of Texas;
- (d) participation or contributions by the State to the State Employees Retirement System;
- (e) accumulation of vacation leave or sick leave; or
- (f) unemployment compensation coverage provided by the State.

8.07 COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS

In the performance of this Contract, Provider shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations. Provider shall make itself familiar with and at all times shall observe and comply with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations that in any manner affect performance under this Contract including, but not limited to, those attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as **Attachment A.** Provider will be deemed to have knowledge of all applicable laws and regulations and be deemed to understand them.

8.08 NOTICES

Any notices required under this Contract shall be deemed delivered when deposited either in the United States mail, postage paid, certified, return receipt requested; or with a common carrier, overnight, signature required, to the appropriate address below:

Subrecipient

Name*******
Address*******
City, State ZIP**
Attention: *****

Provider

Provider*******
Address*******
City, State ZIP**
Attention: ****

Notice given in any other manner shall be deemed effective only if and when received by the party to be notified. Either party may change its address for notice by written notice to the other party as herein provided.

8.10 GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

This Contract and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed by, and construed according to, the laws of the State of Texas, exclusive of conflicts of law provisions. Venue of any suit between Subrecipient and Provider under this Contractshall be in a court of competent jurisdiction in County, Texas. Provider irrevocably waives any objection, including any objection to personal jurisdiction or the laying of venue or based on the grounds of forum non conveniens, which it may now or hereafter have to the bringing of any action or proceeding in such jurisdiction in respect of this Contract or any document related hereto.

8.11 SEVERABILITY

If any provision contained in this Contract is held to be unenforceable by a court of law or equity, this Contract shall be construed as if such provision did not exist and the non-enforceability of such provision shall not be held to render any other provision or provisions of this Contract unenforceable.

8.12 FORCE MAJEURE

Except with respect to the obligation of payments under this Contract, if either of the parties, after a good faith effort, is prevented from complying with any express or implied covenant of this Contract by reason of war; terrorism; rebellion; riots; strikes; acts of God; any valid order, rule, or regulation of governmental authority; or similar events that are beyond the control of the affected party (collectively referred to as a "Force Majeure"), then, while so prevented, the affected party's obligation to comply with such covenant shall be suspended, and the affected party shall not be liable for damages for failure to comply with such covenant. In any such event, the party claiming Force Majeure shall promptly notify the other party of the Force Majeure event in writing and, if possible, such notice shall set forth the extent and duration thereof. The party claiming Force Majeure shall exercise due diligence to prevent, eliminate, or overcome such Force Majeure event where it is possible to do so and shall resume performance at the earliest possible date. However, if non-performance continues for more than thirty (30) days, the GLO may terminate this Contract immediately upon written notification to Provider.

8.13 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

[Local Government Entity to Complete]

8.14 Entire Contract And Modification

This Contract, its integrated Attachment(s), and any Technical Guidance issued in conjunction with this Contract, if any, constitute the entire agreement of the parties and are intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the promises, representations, negotiations, discussions, and other agreements that may have been made in connection with the subject matter hereof. Any additional or conflicting terms in such Attachment(s), Technical Guidance Letter shall be harmonized with this Contract to the extent possible. Unless such integrated Attachment, Technical Guidance Letter, or Revision specifically displays a mutual intent to amend a particular part of this Contract, general conflicts in language shall be construed consistently with the terms of this Contract.

8.15 COUNTERPARTS

This Contract may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original, and all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same Contract. If the Contract is not executed by the GLO within thirty (30) days of execution by the other party, this Contract shall be null and void. In the sole discretion of the GLO, Work Orders issued, if any, may be executed by the parties in counterparts exchanged by electronic mail.

8.16 THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARY

The Parties agree that the GLO, as the administrator of the CDBG-DR program, is a third-party beneficiary to this Contract and that the GLO shall have the right to enforce any provision of this Contract. Provided, however, that GLO shall only enforce a provision Contract after notifying the Parties, in writing, of a potential breach or default of the Contract and allowing the Provider sixty (60) days to cure the breach or default. Venue of any suit under this Section 8.17 shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction in Travis County, Texas. Provider irrevocably waives any objection, including any objection to personal jurisdiction or the laying of venue or based on the grounds of forum non conveniens, which it may now or hereafter have to the bringing of any action or proceeding in such jurisdiction in respect of this Contract or any document related hereto.

8.17 PROPER AUTHORITY

Each party hereto represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract on its behalf has full power and authority to enter into this Contract. Provider acknowledges that this Contract is effective for the period of time specified in the Contract. Any services performed by Provider before this Contract is effective or after it ceases to be effective are performed at the sole risk of Provider.

SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS

REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS

2 CFR 200.327 Contract provisions. The non-Federal entity's contracts should contain applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards. The non-Federal entity's contracts may contain the applicable provisions described in Appendix II to Part 200—Contract Provisions for non-Federal Entity Contracts Under Federal Awards. *Language as of May 21, 2021.

All Contracts

THRESHOLD	PROVISION	CITATION
>\$250,000 (Simplified Acquisition Threshold)	Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (A)
>\$10,000	All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (B)
	Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60–1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60–1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964–1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."	
	(b) Federally assisted construction contracts. (1) Except as otherwise provided, each administering agency shall require the inclusion of the following language as a condition of any grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee involving federally assisted construction which is not exempt from the requirements of the equal opportunity clause:	
None	The [recipient] hereby agrees that it will incorporate or cause to be incorporated into any contract for construction work, or modification thereof, as defined in the regulations of the Secretary of Labor at 41 CFR Chapter 60, which is paid for in whole or in part with funds obtained from the Federal Government or borrowed on the credit of the Federal Government pursuant to a grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, or undertaken pursuant to any Federal program involving such grant, contract, loan, insurance, or guarantee, the following equal opportunity clause:	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (C) and 41 CFR §60- 1.4(b)
	During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:	
	(1) The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment	
	advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.	

- (2) The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
- (3) The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- (4) The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (5) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (6) The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- (7) In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- (8) The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (8) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The [recipient] further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in

	federally assisted construction work: Provided, that if the [recipient] so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract. The [recipient] agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance. The [recipient] further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for,	
	Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the [recipient] agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the [recipient] under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such [recipient]; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.	
>\$2,000	Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-Federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-Federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (D)
>\$100,000	Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (E)

	of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.	
None	Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or recipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or recipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (F)
>\$150,000	Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (G)
None	Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (H)
>\$100,000	Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (I) and 24 CFR §570.303
	See 2 CFR §200.323.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (J)
	See 2 CFR §200.316.	2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (K) 2 CFR 200
	See 2 CFR §200.322. The Federal awarding agency must establish conflict of interest policies for	APPENDIX II (L)
None	Federal awarding agency must establish conflict of interest policies for Federal awards. The non-Federal entity must disclose in writing any potential conflict of interest to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity in accordance with applicable Federal awarding agency policy.	2 CFR 200.112
None	The Federal awarding agency and the non-Federal entity should, whenever practicable, collect, transmit, and store Federal award-related information in open and machine-readable formats rather than in closed formats or on paper in accordance with applicable legislative requirements. A machine-readable format is a format in a standard computer language (not English text) that can be read automatically by a web browser or computer system. The Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must always provide or accept paper versions of Federal award-related information to and from the non-Federal entity upon request. If paper copies are submitted, the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity must not require more than an original and two copies. When	2 CFR 200.336

	original records are electronic and cannot be altered, there is no need to create and retain paper copies. When original records are paper, electronic versions may be substituted through the use of duplication or other forms of electronic media provided that they are subject to periodic quality control reviews, provide reasonable safeguards against alteration, and remain readable.	
None	Contracting with HUB, small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms. (a) The non-Federal entity must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms	
	are used when possible. (b) Affirmative steps must include: (1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business	
	enterprises on solicitation lists; (2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business	2 CFR 200.321
	enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources; (3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;	
	(4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;	
	(5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and	
	(6) Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.	
None	Financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other non-Federal entity records pertinent to a Federal award must be retained for a period of three years from the date of submission of the final expenditure report or, for Federal awards that are renewed quarterly or annually, from the date of the submission of the quarterly or annual financial report, respectively, as reported to the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity in the case of a recipient. Federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities must not impose any other record retention requirements upon non-Federal entities. The only exceptions are the following:	2 CFR 200.334
	(a) If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the 3-year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.	
	(b) When the non-Federal entity is notified in writing by the Federal awarding agency, cognizant agency for audit, oversight agency for audit, cognizant agency for indirect costs, or pass-through entity to extend the retention period.	
	(c) Records for real property and equipment acquired with Federal funds must be retained for 3 years after final disposition.	
	(d) When records are transferred to or maintained by the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity, the 3-year retention requirement is not applicable to the non-Federal entity.	
	(e) Records for program income transactions after the period of performance. In some cases, recipients must report program income after the period of performance. Where there is such a requirement, the retention period for the	

	records pertaining to the earning of the program income starts from the end of the non-Federal entity's fiscal year in which the program income is earned. (f) Indirect cost rate proposals and cost allocations plans. This paragraph applies to the following types of documents and their supporting records: indirect cost rate computations or proposals, cost allocation plans, and any similar accounting computations of the rate at which a particular group of costs is chargeable (such as computer usage chargeback rates or composite fringe benefit rates). (1) If submitted for negotiation. If the proposal, plan, or other computation is required to be submitted to the Federal Government (or to the pass-through entity) to form the basis for negotiation of the rate, then the 3-year retention period for its supporting records starts from the date of such submission. (2) If not submitted for negotiation. If the proposal, plan, or other computation is not required to be submitted to the Federal Government (or to the pass-through entity) for negotiation purposes, then the 3-year retention period for the proposal, plan, or computation and its supporting records starts from the end of the fiscal year (or other accounting period) covered by the proposal, plan, or other computation.	
None	CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION PROHIBITED. A governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Section 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153. The term "foreign terrorist organization" in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such a term in Section 2252.151(2) of the Texas Government Code.	Texas Government Code 2252.152
>\$100,000	PROVISION REQUIRED IN CONTRACT. (a) This section applies only to a contract that: (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity. (b) A governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott Israel; and (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.	Texas Government Code 2271
Option Contract Language for contracts awarded prior to Grant Award	The contract award is contingent upon the receipt of ARP Act funds. If no such funds are awarded, the contract shall terminate.	Optional
	Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.	42 U.S.C. 6201