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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) 21-38

The Houston Housing Authority ("HHA"), has issued this solicitation with the intent to establish a contract for Housing Inspection Services in accordance with the requirements and terms and conditions specified herein.

Interested parties who wish to respond to this solicitation must submit the required documents to the below individual by 2 P.M. Central Daylight Time (CDT) August 30, 2021 to:

Houston Housing Authority
Attn: Austin Y. Crotts, MA
Subject: Housing Inspection Services - DO NOT OPEN
2640 Fountain View Drive
Houston, Texas 77057

The face of the sealed envelope(s) must contain the above information, and once they are in the possession of HHA, their contents will not be publicly opened or revealed until after a contract is awarded.

Interested parties are highly encouraged to check HHA's website prior to the submission of their sealed response to ensure they are aware of any Amendment(s) that may affect this solicitation. They should also send an e-mail acknowledgment to <a href="mailto:Purchasing@housingforhouston.com">Purchasing@housingforhouston.com</a>, that they have downloaded this solicitation from HHA's website. Doing so will allow HHA to notify interested parties of any Amendments that may affect this solicitation.

Late submissions will be handled in accordance with Section 6 of Attachment H Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction HUD Form 5369-B.

Interested parties, who have questions about this solicitation, or who need additional information should send an email (**preferably**) to **Purchasing@housingforhouston.com** with "**RFP 21-38**" in the subject line, by the due date specified in Section 4.1 As an alternative, interest parties have the option of sending a fax to 713-260-0810. Any changes to the requirements specified herein will be done via an Amendment.

Date	Kevin M. Coleman, M.S., C.P.M.
	Procurement Manager,
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#### I. ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

#### 1.0 **PROFILE OF THE HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY**

- 1.1 HHA is currently governed by the Housing Authorities Law, codified in the Texas Local Government Code. It is a unit of government and its functions are essential governmental functions. It operates and manages its housing developments to provide decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing to low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled, and implements various programs designed and funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HHA is a Public Housing Agency.
- 1.2 The property of HHA is used for essential public and governmental purposes, and its property are exempt from all taxes, including sales tax on all its purchases of supplies and services.
- 1.3 HHA enters into and executes contracts and other instruments that are necessary and convenient to the exercise of its powers.
- 1.4 HHA maintains contractual arrangements with HUD to manage and operate its Low Rent Public Housing program and administers the Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments programs. HHA's programs are federally funded, and its revenues are received from federal funds, administrative fees, development grants and rental income.
- 1.5 HHA provides affordable homes and services to more than 60,000 low-income Houstonians, including over 17,000 families housed through the Housing Choice Voucher Program and another 5,500 living in 25 public housing and tax credit developments around the city. HHA also administers the nation's third largest voucher program exclusively serving homeless veterans.

END OF SECTION I

#### II. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 2.0 **INTENT**

- 2.1 The intent of this solicitation is to establish a contract with a Firm that can provide housing inspection services in accordance with the requirements specified herein.
  - 2.1.1 HHA anticipates the need for approximately 1,500 annual inspections during the term of the proposed contract. The number of inspections required varies from initial inspection, biennial inspection, and emergency inspections.
- 2.2 The inspection services may be performed at:
  - 2.2.1 HHA's developments located within the greater City of Houston, Texas Metropolitan Area; and,
  - 2.2.2 HHA's properties are viewable on its **website**, or by going to:
    - ➤ Housingforhouston.com
    - Public Housing
    - ➤ Housing Developments

#### 3.0 **PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE**

3.1 Any contract executed as a result of this solicitation may have an initial period of performance of one (1) year, with HHA having the option of extending the contract two (2) additional years in one (1) year increments.

#### 4.0 **PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE**

4.1 The following is the anticipated procurement schedule for this solicitation:

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Date Solicitation Advertised	August 10, 2021
Deadline for the submittal of written questions to Purchasing@housingforhouston.com	4 P.M. CDT August 17, 2021
Deadline HHA will Post Answers to written questions on Housingforhouston.com	4 P.M. CDT August 19, 2021

<u>EVENT</u>	DATE
Deadline for Sealed Responses	2 P.M. CDT August 30, 2021
Estimated Contract Award Date	September / October 2021

#### 5.0 **SCOPE OF WORK (SOW)**

- 5.1 All services will be performed in accordance with the requirements specified in Exhibit A Scope of Work (SOW) attached herein.
- 5.2 HHA will continuously monitor the quality of the service being provided, and expect that Quality Control Audit inspections have a 95% agreement rate or preexisting conditions. In addition, landlords, clients, and HHA staff will be polled regarding their customer service experience with all aspects of the firm's provided service. As a part of the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP), enforcement of HQS, adherence to regulation and policy must be demonstrated in at least 98% of the files surveyed.

#### 6.0 **SELECTION CRITERIA**

- 6.1 Interested parties that submit the required information by the specified due date and time will have their responses evaluated by an HHA Evaluation Committee, who will utilize the Evaluation Criteria in Exhibit B to evaluate and score all responses.
- 6.2 HHA reserves the right to make multiple award(s), reject responses at its discretion, request additional information from proposers, select the successful proposer(s) at its sole discretion, and conduct negotiations to establish a contract that is advantageous and beneficial to HHA.

#### 7.0 **SUBMITTALS**

- 7.1 All responses must conform to the requirements specified herein.
  - 7.1.1 HHA is not responsible for any costs that may be incurred in the development and submittal of any responses to this solicitation.
  - 7.1.2 All submissions, will become a part of HHA's official files, and HHA is not obligated to return any submission(s) once it is in the possession of HHA.
- 7.2 ALL ITEMS IN SECTION 7.3 MUST BE DOWNLOADED ON A FLASH DRIVE AS ONE COMPLETE ADOBE FILE, AND SUBMITTED WITH THE COMPLETED DOCUMENTS IN A SEALED ENVELOPE
  - 7.2.1 THE CONTENTS AND ACCURACY OF THE FLASH DRIVE SHOULD BE CHECKED BEFORE IT IS SUBMITTED TO HHA.

One (1) original (clearly marked in a three-ring binder), and (1) copy (clearly marked in a three-ring binder) of the responses may be hand delivered, or mailed to the location specified on page 1. Each section of the response must be separated by a <u>numerically sequential "Tab"</u> (i.e., Tab 1, Tab 2, etc.) and contain the following:

#### 7.3.1 **Cover Letter**

- 7.3.1.1 Acknowledge the receipt, review of this solicitation, and any Amendment(s) issued by HHA.
- 7.3.1.2 This document must be on company letterhead, manually or e-signed by authorized official of the company (who can negotiate, and contractually bind the company to perform the services specified herein), along with their title, phone number, and e-mail address.
- 7.3.2 Table of Contents listing the subject matter of each "Tab"

#### 7.3.3 **Tab 1 (Company Profile)**

7.3.3.1 Provide an overview of your Firm, and indicate the types of service(s) you can offer HHA. Include the names of key individuals and their respective qualifications and experiences.

#### 7.3.4 **Tab 2 (Experience / Qualifications)**

- 7.3.4.1 List all members, consultant(s), subcontractor(s), and M/WBE's who will be assigned to this project, their role(s), and respective resumes.
  - The resumes should include any specialized skills, training, or credentials.
- 7.3.4.2 Describe in detail any professional experience with performing the work specified in Exhibit A Scope of Work (SOW).

Note: This information will be used by HHA's Evaluation Committee to assess a score relative to item 1 per Exhibit B Evaluation Criteria.

#### 7.3.5 **Tab 3 (Methodology / Project Plan)**

- 7.3.5.1 Explain in detail the approach that will be used to perform the work specified in Exhibit A Scope of Work (SOW).
- 7.3.5.2 Provide any assumptions associated with 7.3.5.1.

Note: This information will be used by HHA's Evaluation Committee to assess a score relative to item 2 per Exhibit B Evaluation Criteria.

#### 7.3.6 **Tab 5 (Proposed Fees)**

7.3.6.1 Itemize all fees (including any ancillary out-of-pocket expenses) associated with performing the work specified in Exhibit A Scope of Work (SOW).

Note: This information will be used by HHA's Evaluation Committee to assess a score relative to item 3 per Exhibit B Evaluation Criteria.

#### 7.3.7 **Tab 6 (Cost Control)**

7.3.7.1 Propose steps HHA can implement to control and/or reduce costs during the Period of Performance.

Note: HHA's Evaluation Committee will use this information to assign a score per item 4 of Exhibit B Evaluation Criteria.

#### **7.3.8 Tab 7 (References)**

7.3.8.1 Provide three (3) business references (preferably governmental or public entities) that have received the same type of services as described herein.

#### 7.3.9 Attachment A Declaration

- 7.3.10 Attachment B Non-Collusive Affidavit
- 7.3.11 Attachment C M/WBE Acknowledgement, and Participation Form

Note: This information will be used by HHA's Evaluation Committee to assess a score relative to item 5 per Exhibit B Evaluation Criteria.

7.3.12 Attachment D Section 3 Requirements and Commitment

Note: This information will be used by HHA's Evaluation Committee to assess a score relative to item 6 per Exhibit B Evaluation Criteria.

- 7.3.13 Attachment E Conflict of Interest (CIQ) Form
- 7.3.14 Attachment F Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders Public and Indian Housing Programs (Form HUD 5369-A)
- 7.3.15 Attachment G Vendor Profile Form
  - 7.3.15.1 The VPF is required if the interested party responding to this solicitation is not on the HHA's Bidders/Vendor List, which can be viewed by going to:
    - **www.Housingforhouston.com**
    - > Doing Business with HHA
    - ➤ Bidder Registration / Bidder's List

7.4 HHA may not evaluate responses that do not comply with the submittal requirements specified herein. Responses received after the specified date and time will be considered non-responsive.

#### **END OF SECTION II**

#### III. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 8.0 **AMENDMENTS**

Any interpretation(s) affecting this solicitation will be issued in the form of an amendment by HHA prior to the specified due date on page 1. HHA will not be bound by, or responsible for any other explanations or interpretations of this solicitation other than those given in writing as set forth herein. Oral instructions, interpretations, or representations will not be binding upon HHA or representatives of HHA. All amendments shall be binding in the same way as if originally written in this solicitation.

#### 9.0 **AVAILABILITY OF RECORDS**

9.1 The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Inspector General of the United States, the HHA, and any duly authorized representatives of each shall have access to and the right to examine any and all pertinent books, records, documents, invoices, papers, and the like of the Firm(s) office, that relates to any work that is performed as a result of this solicitation.

#### 10.0 **BASIS FOR AWARD**

- 10.1 See Section 6.0.
- 10.2 Interested parties are responsible for ensuring they have all documents referenced and incorporated in this solicitation, and are familiar with the contents of those documents. Failure to do so shall be at the sole risk of the offeror and no relief shall be given for errors or omissions by the offeror.

#### 11.0 CANCELLING THE SOLICITATION

11.1 HHA may cancel this solicitation at any time, and when it is in its best interests to do so. (See Section 7.1.1)

#### 12.0 CONFIDENTIALITY OF SUBMITTALS

12.1 As stated on page 1, responses to this solicitation will not be opened publicly. All submittals and information shall remain confidential until all negotiations are completed and a Notice of Award is issued. All submittals received by HHA shall be included as part of the official file, and any part of the submittal that is not considered confidential, privileged or proprietary under any applicable Federal, State or local law shall be available for public inspection upon completion of the procurement process. Material submitted by an Offeror that is to be considered as confidential must be clearly marked as such; however, the applicable provisions of Federal, State and local laws shall govern the confidentiality of submittals despite anything contrary to this provision stated in the submittal.

#### 13.0 ETHICAL BEHAVIOR

- 13.1 Interested Firms shall not:
  - 13.1.1 Offer any gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value to any official or employee of HHA to influence the consideration of their submission; and,
  - 13.1.2 Engage in any practice which may restrict or eliminate competition (i.e., collusion), or otherwise restrain trade.
    - 13.1.2.1 The above is not intended to preclude joint ventures or subcontracts.
- 13.2 Ethical violations will cause a response to this solicitation to be rejected.

## 14.0 <u>FEDERAL REGULATIONS WITH REGARD TO NONDISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY</u>

- 14.1 The requirements of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, relating to prohibitions against discrimination in housing and the benefits of federally funded programs because of race, color, religion, sex or national origin must be met by the successful bidder(s) or proposer(s).
- 14.2 The successful bidder(s) or proposer(s) will:
  - 14.2.1 Adhere to federal regulations prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and prohibit discrimination against handicapped individuals under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990.
  - 14.2.2 Meet the requirements of:
    - 14.2.2.1 Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, relating to the training and employment of individuals, and contracting for business opportunities in metropolitan areas in which federally funded programs are being operated.
    - 14.2.2.2 Executive Orders (EO's):
      - EO 11246 relating to equal employment opportunity in connection with federally funded programs.
      - EO's 11625, 12432, and 12138 relating to the use of minority and women's business enterprises in connection with federally funded programs.

#### 15.0 **INFORMALITIES**

- 15.1 HHA reserves the right to waive any informality and make an award that is in the best interest of HHA.
  - 15.1.1 Minor informalities are matters of form rather than substance. They are insignificant mistakes that can be waived or corrected without prejudice to the other proposers/bidders and have little or no effect on price, quantity, quality, delivery, or contractual conditions. Examples include failure to: return the number of signed bids required by the bid package; sign the bid, provided that the unsigned bid is accompanied by other documents indicating the bidder's intent to be bound (e.g., a signed cover letter or a bid guarantee); complete one or more certifications; or acknowledge receipt of an amendment or addendum, provided that it is clear from the bid that the bidder received the amendment/addendum and intended to be bound by its terms, or the amendment/addendum had a negligible effect on price, quantity, quality, or delivery.

#### 16.0 **INSURANCE**

16.0 HHA will specify the amount of insurance that will be required during the Period of Performance.

#### 17.0 MINORITY WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (M/WBE) PARTICIPATION

17.1 Refer to Attachment C for M/WBE Participation requirements.

#### 18.0 MISTAKES IN BIDS

- 18.1 General
  - 18.1.1 While proposers/bidders will be bound by their submittals (the "firm bid rule"), circumstances may arise where correction or withdrawal of their bid or proposal is proper and may be permitted. Correction or withdrawal of a bid or proposal will be done in a manner that will protect and maintain the integrity and fairness of the competitive solicitation process.
- 18.2 Mistakes Discovered Before Solicitations Are Opened
  - 18.2.1 Interested parties may withdraw or modify their submittals by written or facsimile notice prior to the opening of the solicitations.
- 18.3 Review of Mistakes
  - 18.3.1 After the solicitations are opened, HHA will review all submittals to ensure there are no obvious mistakes, e.g., the sum of individual bid line items does not equal the total price. If a submittal appears to have a mistake, HHA will notify the interested of any apparent mistake(s) in his/her submittal, and request verification of the total price as submitted.
- 18.4 Mistakes After Solicitations Are Opened

18.4.1 If this solicitation is soliciting bids, then in general, bidders will not be permitted to change a bid after bid opening. In rare cases, HHA may permit the revision of a bid if the bidder is able to present clear and convincing evidence, acceptable to HHA, of a mistake and the intended bid price. Allowing changes to bids without appropriate evidence may compromise the integrity of the public bid process and serve to undermine public confidence in HHA's bidding process. Therefore, HHA will request as much evidence as it deems necessary. Examples of evidence may include: original work papers, bids from suppliers and subcontractors used to develop the bid, bonding or insurance evidence supporting a different bid price, etc. Failure or refusal by a bidder to provide adequate evidence shall result in the original bid remaining unchanged. Consultation with HHA's Legal Dept. will occur before authorization is given change a bid. If justified, a low bidder can be replaced with the next lowest bidder.

#### 19.0 **PAYMENT TERMS**

19.1 HHA will process all invoices after the work has been approved by HHA's Project Manager. Payment terms are Net 30 days.

#### 20.0 **PERMITS**

20.1 The successful bidder(s) or proposer(s) shall obtain and pay (independent of HHA), all permits, certificates, and licenses required and necessary for the performance of the work specified herein. Furthermore, they shall post all notices required by law, and shall comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations which may affect their performance.

#### 21.0 **PROJECT MANAGER**

21.1 HHA will designate a Project Manager during the Period of Performance.

#### 22.0 **QUESTIONS**

- 22.1 Interested parties should follow the instructions on page 1 should they have any questions about this solicitation. Oral instructions, interpretations, or representations will not be binding upon HHA or HHA's representatives.
- 22.2 Interested parties are prohibited from querying HHA personnel or members of its Board of Commissioners regarding this solicitation except through written questions submitted in the manner, and within the time frame indicated on page 1 of this solicitation.

#### 23.0 **REMOVAL OF EMPLOYEES**

- 23.1 HHA may request the successful bidder(s) or proposer(s) to remove immediately from the contract/project any employee found unfit to perform their duties due to one or more of the following reasons, which includes, but is not limited to:
  - 23.1.1 Negligence, being disorderly, using abusive or offensive language, quarreling or fighting, stealing, vandalizing property; and,

23.1.2 Engaging in immoral or inappropriate behavior (e.g., being intoxicated, or under the influence of mind-altering substances), or pursuing criminal activity (e.g., selling, consuming, possessing or being under the influence of illegal substances).

#### 24.0 **RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

24.1 Depending upon the circumstance(s), HHA reserve the right to change, modify, or alter any Draft Contract associated with this solicitation.

#### 25.0 STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

25.1 During the period of performance, the employees of the successful bidder(s) or proposer(s) shall conduct themselves in a responsible and professional manner, and may be removed from the project if they display behavior that is unacceptable to HHA.

#### 26.0 **SUBCONTRACTING**

Any contract issued as a result of this solicitation will not be assigned, transferred, or subcontracted (in whole, or in part) unless it has been previously approved by HHA in writing.

#### 27.0 **TAXES**

27.1 HHA is exempt from State of Texas, and Local Taxes.

#### 28.0 TRAVEL AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Any prices/fees mutually agreed upon shall include all necessary out-of-pocket expenses needed to perform the work specified herein. HHA will not issue any reimbursements for travel, lodging, meals, or other miscellaneous or ancillary expenses, unless it is defined in the final contract.

#### 29.0 **VALIDITY OF RESPONSES**

29.1 Responses will not be unilaterally withdrawn or modified for a period of ninety (90) days after they have been received and opened by HHA.

#### 30.0 **SUPPLEMENTS**

30.1 The following documents are incorporated by reference into this solicitation:

Attachment A: Declaration

Attachment B: Non-Collusive Affidavit
Attachment C: M/WBE Participation Forms

Attachment D: Section 3 Requirements and Commitment

Attachment E: Conflict of Interest (CIQ) Form

Attachment F: Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders Public

and Indian Housing Programs (Form HUD 5369-A)

Attachment G: Vendor Profile Form

Attachment H: Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction (Form HUD 5369-B)
Attachment I: General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts Section 1

(Form HUD 5370-C)

Exhibit A: Scope of Work (SOW)
Exhibit B: Evaluation Criteria
Exhibit C: Sample Inspection Form

30.2 Interested parties are responsible for ensuring they have all documents referenced and incorporated in this solicitation, and are familiar with the contents of those documents. Failure to do so shall be at the sole risk of the offeror and no relief shall be given for errors or omissions by the offeror.

#### **END OF SECTION III**

#### ATTACHMENT A

#### **DECLARATION**

The undersigned declares the following:

- This response is being submitted in good faith, and without collusion or fraud
- The only person(s) interested in the aforementioned solicitation is listed below, and that this response is being submitted without connection or arrangement with any other person
- They have complied with the requirements of the aforementioned solicitation, have read all addenda (if any), and is satisfied that they fully understand the intent of the aforementioned solicitation and the terms and conditions that will govern any award issued by HHA as a result of this solicitation
- They agree to execute an agreement with HHA based on the latter accepting the submittals required by the aforementioned solicitation

Persons Interested in this Response: Name	Identity of Interest
1.	
2.	
3.	
NAME OF CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR/FIRM/	INDIVIDUAL/CORPORATION
MANUAL OR E-SIGNATURE	
TITLE	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	
PHONE NUMBER / FAX NUMBER	
ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP	
SURMITTAL DATE	

#### **ATTACHMENT B**

#### NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS		
COUNTY OF HARRIS		
	, being first duly sworn, deposes and says	that he is
(a partner of officer of the firm of, etc.)		
the party making the foregoing proposal or sham; that said bidder has not colluded, c manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agr person to fix the bid price or affiant or of an said bid price, or of that of any other bidder,	onspired, connived or agreed, directly or in reement or collusion, or communication or or y other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profi	indirectly, with any conference with any
THE HOUSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY	•	
of any person interested in the proposed Cor	ntract; and that all statements in said proposa	al or bid are true.
	Signature of Bidder, if Bidder is an Individ	_ ual
	Signature of Bidder, if Bidder is a Partners	– hip
	Signature of Officer, if Bidder is a Corpora	_ ution
Subscribed and sworn to before me this	day of	, 2021
Notary Public		
My Commission expires		

Note: This Form must have a manual signature.

#### ATTACHMENT C

REQUIREMENTS FOR SUBCONTRACTING WITH SMALL BUSINESSES AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WO MEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS.

#### I. INSTRUCTIONS.

Any Prime Contractor awarded a contract pursuant to this procurement must agree to comply with the subcontracting requirements set forth below. Please note that the capitalized terms used in this document are defined below in § VII.

(1) Please read this document carefully; (2) sign the acknowledgement; and (3) complete and sign the attached "Bidder's Proposed M/WBE Participation Form."

#### II. OVERVIEW.

Any contract resulting from this procurement must comply with: (1) the requirements in HHA's Procurement Policy (the "Policy") and the Code of Federal Regulations (the "Code") regarding Subcontracting with small and minority-owned businesses, women business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms (the "Policy Requirements"); and (2) HHA's goal regarding Subcontracting with minority business enterprises and women business enterprises (the "HHA's Goal"). Any person or firm that receives an award pursuant to this procurement must take affirmative steps to comply with the Policy Requirements and must use their best efforts to meet HHA's Goal. The Policy Requirements and HHA's Goal are described in detail below.

#### III. THE POLICY REQUIREMENTS.

Pursuant to the Policy, at § 15, and the Code, at 2 CFR § 200.321, if a Prime Contractor awarded a contract pursuant to this procurement lets Subcontracts, then the Prime Contractor must take affirmative steps to assure that, when possible, Subcontracts are let to Small Business Enterprises ("SBEs"), Minority Businesses Enterprises ("MBEs"), Women Business Enterprises ("WBEs"), and Labor Area Surplus Firms ("LASFs"). The affirmative steps a Prime Contractor who lets Subcontracts must take are:

- Placing SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs, on solicitation lists;
- Assuring that SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs, are directly solicited for bids or proposals whenever such entities are potential sources to perform Subcontracts;
- Dividing total job requirements, whenever economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs, in a given project;
- Establishing delivery schedules, when the requirement permits, that encourage participation by SBEs, MBEs, and WBEs;
- Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce; and,

• Including in Subcontracts, to the greatest extent feasible, a clause that requires Subcontractors to provide opportunities for training and employment for lower income persons who reside in the project area.

The affirmative steps listed above shall remain in effect for the duration of the Prime Contract awarded pursuant to this procurement. HHA encourages Prime Contractors to implement these steps when acquiring the materials they need to perform their obligations under the Prime Contract.

#### IV. HHA'S GOAL.

#### A. Overview of HHA's Goal and related requirements.

In addition to taking the affirmative steps outlined above in § III, a Prime Contractor who anticipates using Subcontracts to complete any work associated with this procurement must use its best efforts to satisfy HHA's Goal regarding the participation of MBEs and WBEs in work under contracts awarded by HHA. HHA's Goal, as adopted by its Board of Commissioners, is that when Subcontracts are being let, at least 30% of the Prime Contract's total dollar amount is subcontracted to MBEs or WBEs, with at least 15% of the Prime Contract's total dollar amount being subcontracted to MBEs, and at least 15% being subcontracted to WBEs.

In furtherance of HHA's Goal, a Prime Contractor awarded a contract under this procurement who intends to let Subcontracts must use its best efforts to Subcontract with MBEs and WBEs. Specifically, a Prime Contractor letting Subcontracts must use its best efforts (1) to Subcontract at least 15% of the Prime Contract's total dollar amount to MBEs, and (2) to Subcontract at least 15% of the Prime Contract's total dollar amount to WBEs. A Prime Contractor's obligation to use its best efforts to subcontract with MBEs and WBEs in accordance with HHA's Goal shall remain in effect for the duration of the Prime Contract, shall apply in any instance that the Prime Contractor lets Subcontracts, and shall apply equally to all Prime Contractors letting Subcontracts, regardless of whether the Prime Contractor is itself an MBE or WBE.

• A Prime Contractor must document its use of best efforts to meet HHA's Goal. Generally, written evidence of a Prime Contractor's attempts to Subcontract with MBEs and WBEs shall suffice to document a Prime Contractor's best efforts. Written evidence may include, but is not necessarily limited to, emails, phone logs, or correspondence showing that a Prime Contractor attempted to Subcontract with MBEs and WBEs by, at a minimum, soliciting bids or quotes. Contractors may access a list of designated MBEs and WBEs at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/cmbl/cmblhub.html">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/cmbl/cmblhub.html</a>. In addition, upon request, HHA may assist contractors in identifying MBEs and WBEs (but, requesting such assistance, standing alone, is not sufficient to show best efforts).

A Prime Contractor's duty to document its best efforts to meet HHA's Goal shall remain in effect for the duration of the Prime Contract and shall apply to all Prime Contractors awarded a contract pursuant to this procurement. HHA encourages Prime Contractors to use their best efforts to procure from MBEs and WBEs the materials necessary for the Prime Contractor to perform its obligations under the Prime Contract.

# V. CONTRACTOR'S AGREEMENT TO COMPLETE REQUIRED FORMS AND TO COOPERATE WITH HHA REGARDING THE POLICY REQUIREMENTS AND HHA'S GOAL.

All respondents to this procurement who anticipate letting subcontracts must complete and return the attached "Bidders Proposed M/WBE Participation Form" (the "Form"). Respondents should include the Form in their response to this procurement; in addition, information documenting the respondent's use of best efforts to subcontract with MBEs and WBEs should accompany the Form. If it does not anticipate letting subcontracts, a respondent must, along with its response, inform HHA of same, and provide a brief explanation of why no subcontracts will be let. HHA will consider as non-responsive any response that fails to include a completed Form; HHA will, however, allow respondents an opportunity to cure a failure to include the Form with a response.

In addition to completing and submitting the Form to HHA, any entity awarded a contract by HHA pursuant to this procurement must provide "M/WBE Confirmation of Payment Form(s)," as necessary or as requested by HHA. Prime Contractor must also submit proof of payments to SBEs, MBEs, WBEs, and LASFs, as requested by HHA, or as otherwise is required by law.

# VI. CONSEQUENCES FOR FAILING TO TAKE THE AFFIRMATIVE STEPS MANDATED BY THE POLICY REQUIREMENTS OR USING BEST EFFORTS TO MEET HHA'S GOALS.

If a Prime Contractor letting subcontracts does not take the affirmative steps mandated by the Policy Requirements, use its best efforts to meet HHA's Goal, or cooperate with HHA with respect to the requirements set forth herein, HHA reserves the right to refuse to award a contract to the Prime Contractor, to deem the Prime Contractor's response to a solicitation non-responsive, to terminate an existing contract with the Prime Contractor, and to bar the Prime Contractor from being awarded any future contracts by HHA.

#### VII. DEFINITIONS.

- "Code" means the Code of Federal Regulations.
- "Form" means the "Bidders Proposed M/WBE Participation Form" included with this procurement.
- "<u>HHA</u>" means the Houston Housing Authority, and, for the purposes of the requirements set forth herein, HHA's affiliates and any property management company procuring work or services for the benefit of a property owned by HHA or its affiliates.
- <u>LASFs</u>" refers to Labor Area Surplus Firms. Labor Area Surplus Firms are businesses that will expend more than fifty percent of the cost of performing a contract in areas of concentrated unemployment or underemployment, as defined by the Department of Labor and promulgated at 20 CFR Part 654.

- "MBE(s)" refers to minority business enterprises. Minority business enterprises are businesses that are at least fifty-one percent owned by one or more minority group members, or, in the case of a publically owned business, a business where at least fifty-one percent of the business's voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals. Minority group members include, but are not necessarily limited to: (a) Black Americans; (b) Hispanic Americans; (c) Native Americans; (d) Asian-Pacific Americans; (e) Asian-Indian Americans; and (f) Hasidic Jewish Americans.
- "Policy" means the Houston Housing Authority's Procurement Policy.
- "Policy Requirements" shall have the meaning set forth in § II above.
- "<u>Prime Contract(s)</u>" means the contract awarded pursuant to this procurement that is between a respondent to the solicitation and HHA. For all purposes herein, the term is inclusive of all change orders or amendments to the initial contractor entered between the Prime Contractor and HHA.
- "<u>Prime Contractor(s)</u>" means the person or entity who responds to this procurement and is awarded a contract by HHA.
- "<u>SBEs</u>" refers to small business enterprises. Small business enterprises are businesses that are independently owned, not dominant in their field of operation, and not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business that is dominant in its field of operation.
- "<u>Subcontract(s)</u>" means the contract between the Prime Contractor and a Subcontractor entered to accomplish all or a part of the Prime Contractor's obligations under its contract with HHA that results from this procurement.
- "Subcontractor(s)" means a person or entity who the Prime Contractor contracts with to perform a part or all of the Prime Contractor's obligations under the Prime Contractor's contract with HHA that results from this procurement.
- "<u>WBEs</u>" refers to women business enterprises. Women business enterprises are businesses that are at least fifty-one percent owned by a woman who is a United States citizen, or by women who are United States citizens and who control and operate the business.

#### VIII. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

The undersigned has read the foregoing "Requirements for Subcontracting with Small Businesses, Minority Businesses, Women Business Enterprises, and Labor Area Surplus Firm," and understands and accepts the requirements and obligations set forth therein. When Subcontracting any portion of the work associated with this procurement, the undersigned agrees to take the affirmative steps stated in § III above, and agrees to use its best efforts to meet HHA's Goal, as stated in § IV above. The undersigned understands and acknowledges that failure to comply the requirements set forth herein may result in HHA refusing to award a contract to the undersigned or the termination of an existing contract.

Name of Firm	
Complete Address	
Name of Individual Completing this Form	
Title	
Direct Phone Number / Cell Phone Number	
Direct Fax Number	
E-Mail Address	
Date	
Manual or F-Signature	

#### **Bidder's Proposed M/WBE Participation Form**

#### **Instructions**

- HHA requires bidders (Prime Contractors) who let Subcontracts to use their best efforts to Subcontract at least 30% of a Prime Contract's total dollar amount to Minority Business Enterprises ("MBEs") or Women Business Enterprises ("WBEs").
- It is HHA's Goal, that Prime Contractors letting Subcontracts award at least 15% of the Prime Contract's total amount to MBEs and at least 15% of the Prime Contract's total amount to WBEs.
- The requirement that Prime Contractors letting Subcontracts use their best efforts to Subcontract with MBEs and WBEs applies to all Prime Contractors, regardless of their own status as a MBE or WBE.
- Please <u>complete and sign</u> the form below indicating firm Subcontracting commitments from <u>MBEs and WBEs</u>. Use additional pages, if necessary.
- For detailed information on HHA's MBE and WBE Subcontracting requirements, see Attachment C.

	Name of MIBE Subcontractor	Certification(s)	Amount of Subcontract	Percent of Contract Total
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	Name of MBE Subcontractor	Certification(s)	Amount of Subcontract	Percent of Contract Total
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**Manual or E-Signature** 

Date

#### **ATTACHMENT D**

#### **HHA SECTION 3 REQUIREMENTS & COMMITMENT**

Company Name:		
Name of Contact Person for Section 3 Commitment:		
Contact Number:		
Contact Person E-Mail:		
Solicitation Title: Housing Inspection Services		Solicitation #: RFP 21-38

#### I. Background

Section 3 of the Housing & Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (hereinafter "Section 3") requires HHA, to the greatest extent feasible, to provide employment opportunities to residents of HHA, and other low-income individuals within the City of Houston. These employment opportunities are provided by contracts funded by HHA and/or its affiliates. The goal is to utilize HHA and/or its affiliates' contracts to promote economic self-sufficiency among low-income populations.

#### **II. Solicitation Requirements**

Interested parties responding to a solicitation issued by HHA are required to include in their submission, this form (Section 3 Requirements & Commitment), which describes the efforts that will be taken to engage Section 3 Participants in employment and training opportunities "to the greatest extent feasible." While low-income individuals who are not clients of HHA are eligible candidates for Section 3 opportunities, HHA expects consideration to be given to individuals who are clients of HHA's affordable housing programs (public housing & voucher-holders).

#### **III. Section 3 Expectations**

Below are examples of acceptable Section 3 opportunities that will comply with HHA's Section 3 requirements:

#### 1. Preferred Options (All responses to HHA solicitations shall include at least one of these options)

• Hire low-income participants preferably clients of HHA, and/or provide paid job training/apprenticeship opportunities for low-income participants, preferably clients of HHA.

## 2. <u>Secondary Options (Should be considered only when circumstances impact the availability of jobs/training)</u>

- Subcontract at least 25% of the contract amount to a Section 3 Business, which is defined as 51% ownership held by a low-income individual(s), preferably a client of HHA.
- Provide evidence that the company is a Section 3 Certified firm which, demonstrated by the company's ownership is at least 51% owned by low-income individual(s), preferably a client of HHA.
- In the event employment and training opportunities are not available, a cash contribution shall be provided to HHA's Self-Sufficiency Fund for support of viable workforce development programs.

A Fair Housing and Equal Employment Opportunity Agency. For assistance: Individuals with disabilities may contact the 504/ADA Administrator at 713-280-0353, TTY 713-280-0547 or 504ADA@housingforhouston.com

#### **IV.** Section 3 Contract Expectations

Pursuant to Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968, 12 U.S.C. 1701u, and its implementing regulations, 24 CFR Part 135 ("Section 3"), if additional job training, employment and other economic opportunities are generated by a contract administered directly or indirectly by Houston Housing Authority then, to the greatest extent feasible, these opportunities must be directed to low-income and very low-income persons. In addition to employment and training opportunities, Section 3 also seeks to benefit businesses owned by public housing residents and other low-income persons. The following provisions of 24 CFR 135.38 shall apply to all contracts involving Section 3 covered work with Houston Housing Authority or its property managers:

- a. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- b. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediments that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.
- c. The Contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the worksite where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth the minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- d. The Contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135 and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.
- e. The Contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.
- f. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD-assisted contracts.
- g. With respect to work performed in connection with section 3 covered Indian housing assistance, section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450e) also applies to the work to be performed under this contract. Section 7(b) requires that to the greatest extent feasible (i) preference and opportunities for training and employment shall be given to Indians, and (ii) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to Indian organizations and Indian-owned Economic Enterprises. Parties to this contract that are subject to the provisions of section 3 and section 7(b) agree to comply with section 3 to the maximum extent feasible, but not in derogation of compliance with section 7(b).

#### V. Section 3 Commitment

Identify what efforts will be taken to comply with HHA's Section 3 Requirements to the greatest extent feasible:

#### (Must select at least one option below)

PRIMARY OPTIONS	<b>DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS</b>	"TO THE GREATEST EX	TENT FEASIBLE"
PRIMARY OPTION 1 Hire Section 3 participants to	Title: Duties: Qualifications:		·
fill employment opportunities listed in the solicitation	Title: Duties: Qualifications:		
	Title:	# of Positions:	Pav
PRIMARY OPTION 2 Provide paid job training/ apprenticeship opportunities to train Section 3 participants	Duties:Qualifications:		·
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	Qualifications:		
SECONDARY OPTIONS	DESCRIPTION OF EFFORTS	"TO THE GREATEST EX	TENT FEASIBLE"
SECONDARY OPTION 3 Subcontract at least 25 % of the contract to a Section 3 Business (51% ownership held by a low-income individual(s), preferably a HHA client).	Provide the name of Section 3 coleast 25% of the contract amoun  Company Name  Contract Amount \$  Company Name  Contract Amount \$  Company Name  Contract Amount \$  Company Name  Contract Amount \$	t)	ntracts (totaling at

SECONDARY OPTION 4	The majority of the company (at least 51%) is owned by a low-income individual:
Demonstrate that the company's ownership (at least	Owner's Name:
51%) is owned by low-income individual(s), preferably a	% of Ownership:
client of HHA.	Owner's Name:
	% of Ownership:
SECONDARY OPTION 5  Due to unavailability of inho(training apportunities a	If this Secondary Option is selected, the Contractor must explain why job/training opportunities are not available:
jobs/training opportunities, a cash contribution will be	
provided to a Self-Sufficiency Compliance Fund to support	
economic self-sufficiency opportunities and/or job training opportunities  (NOTE: IF THIS OPTION IS SELECTED, HHA	Contracts awarded up to \$100,000 shall contribute a minimum of 5% of the total contract amount into the Section 3 Compliance Fund, while contract exceeding \$100,000 shall contribute a minimum of 3% of the total contract amount into the Section 3 Compliance Fund. Indicate how much will be contributed:
RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WITHHOLD THE CONTRIBUTION AMOUNT FROM PROGRESS PAYMENTS, IF ANY, OR FROM THE TOTAL	FOR CONTRACTS VALUED UP TO \$100,000.00: I pledge to contribute
AMOUNT OWED TO THE CONTRACTOR.)	FOR CONTRACTS VALUED IN EXCESS OF \$100,000.00: I pledge to contribute% of the total contract amount to comply with a minimum of 3% of the contract amount to be contributed into a Self-Sufficiency Compliance Fund maintained by HHA.
	Indicate how contribution pledge(s) will be fulfilled, during the contract period:  Monthly Payments Quarterly Payments
	ons governing HHA's Section 3 requirements and commit to honoring the 3 Plan, upon the execution of a contract with HHA.
Signature of Owner or Author	rized Representative Date

# HHA SECTION 3 COMPLIANCE REPORT

Submission Date:				Reporti	ng Period:			
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Person completing in	voice							
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#### **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
	ance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who y Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the n 176.006(a).	Date Received
,	th the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be overnment Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendo offense under this section is a misdemea	r knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An nor.	
Name of vendor who has a busin	ess relationship with local governmental entity.	1
completed questionnaire wit	ing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th busine originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate	ess day after the date on which
3 Name of local government office	r about whom the information is being disclosed.	
	Name of Officer	
officer, as described by Section Complete subparts A and B for each CIQ as necessary.  A. Is the local government of the local	ther business relationship with the local government of 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship wach employment or business relationship described. Attainment officer or a family member of the officer receiving or it income, from the vendor?  Yes No  iving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable entity?  Yes No  business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1	ith the local government officer. ch additional pages to this Form  likely to receive taxable income,  nt income, from or at the direction income is not received from the
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Signature of vendor doing l	pusiness 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
      - (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.

Attachment F RFP 21-38

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

# Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders Public and Indian Housing Programs

Previous edition is obsolete form **HUD-5369-A** (11/92)

# Representations, Certifications, and Other Statements of Bidders

Public and Indian Housing Programs

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#### 1. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

- (a) The bidder certifies that--
- (1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
- (2) The prices in this bid have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a competitive proposal solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (b) Each signature on the bid is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory--
- (1) Is the person in the bidder's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(l) through (a)(3) above; or
- (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(I) through (a)(3) above.

full name of person(s) in the bidder's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder's organization];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

- (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.
- (c) If the bidder deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder must furnish with its bid a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.
- [ ] [Contracting Officer check if following paragraph is applicable]
- (d) Non-collusive affidavit. (applicable to contracts for construction and equipment exceeding \$50,000)
- (1) Each bidder shall execute, in the form provided by the PHA/ IHA, an affidavit to the effect that he/she has not colluded with any other person, firm or corporation in regard to any bid submitted in response to this solicitation. If the successful bidder did not submit the affidavit with his/her bid, he/she must submit it within three (3) working days of bid opening. Failure to submit the affidavit by that date may render the bid nonresponsive. No contract award will be made without a properly executed affidavit.
- (2) A fully executed "Non-collusive Affidavit"  $\ [\ ]$  is,  $\ [\ ]$  is not included with the bid.

#### 2. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision:

"Bona fide employee" means a person, employed by a bidder and subject to the bidder's supervision and control as to time, place, and manner of performance, who neither exerts, nor proposes to exert improper influence to solicit or obtain contracts nor holds out as being able to obtain any contract(s) through improper influence.

"Improper influence" means any influence that induces or tends to induce a PHA/IHA employee or officer to give consideration or to act regarding a PHA/IHA contract on any basis other than the merits of the matter.

- (b) The bidder represents and certifies as part of its bid that, except for full-time bona fide employees working solely for the bidder, the bidder:
- (1) [ ] has, [ ] has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and
- (2) [] has, [] has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.
- (c) If the answer to either (a)(1) or (a)(2) above is affirmative, the bidder shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA/IHA Contracting Officer.
- (d) Any misrepresentation by the bidder shall give the PHA/IHA the right to (1) terminate the contract; (2) at its discretion, deduct from contract payments the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the contract.

# 3. Certification and Disclosure Regarding Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

(a) The definitions and prohibitions contained in Section 1352 of title 31, United States Code, are hereby incorporated by reference in paragraph (b) of this certification.

- (b) The bidder, by signing its bid, hereby certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief as of December 23, 1989 that:
- (1) No 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 on his or her behalf in connection with the awarding of a contract resulting from this solicitation;
- (2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds (including profit or fee received under a covered Federal transaction) 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 on his or her behalf in connection with this solicitation, the bidder shall complete and submit, with its bid, OMB standard form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities;" and
- (3) He or she will include the language of this certification in all subcontracts at any tier and require that all recipients of subcontract awards in excess of \$100,000 shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- (c) Submission of this certification and disclosure is a prerequisite for making or entering into this contract imposed by section 1352, title 31, United States Code. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under this provision or who fails to file or amend the disclosure form to be filed or amended by this provision, shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000, and not more than \$100,000, for each such failure.
- (d) Indian tribes (except those chartered by States) and Indian organizations as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B) are exempt from the requirements of this provision.

#### 4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

The bidder certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, he or she does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work to be performed under this proposed contract and the bidder's organizational, financial, contractual, or other interests may, without some restriction on future activities:

- (a) Result in an unfair competitive advantage to the bidder; or,
- (b) Impair the bidder's objectivity in performing the contract work.
- [ ] In the absence of any actual or apparent conflict, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no actual or apparent conflict of interest exists with regard to my possible performance of this procurement.

#### 5. Bidder's Certification of Eligibility

- (a) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief, neither it, nor any person or firm which has an interest in the bidder's firm, nor any of the bidder's subcontractors, is ineligible to:
- (1) Be awarded contracts by any agency of the United States Government, HUD, or the State in which this contract is to be performed; or,
  - (2) Participate in HUD programs pursuant to 24 CFR Part 24.
- (b) The certification in paragraph (a) above is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the bidder knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, the contract may be terminated for default, and the bidder may be debarred or suspended from participation in HUD programs and other Federal contract programs.

#### 6. Minimum Bid Acceptance Period

- (a) "Acceptance period," as used in this provision, means the number of calendar days available to the PHA/IHA for awarding a contract from the date specified in this solicitation for receipt of bids.
- (b) This provision supersedes any language pertaining to the acceptance period that may appear elsewhere in this solicitation.
- (c) The PHA/IHA requires a minimum acceptance period of [Contracting Officer insert time period] calendar days.
- (d) In the space provided immediately below, bidders may specify a longer acceptance period than the PHA's/IHA's minimum requirement. The bidder allows the following acceptance period: calendar days.
- (e) A bid allowing less than the PHA's/IHA's minimum acceptance period will be rejected.
- (f) The bidder agrees to execute all that it has undertaken to do, in compliance with its bid, if that bid is accepted in writing within (1) the acceptance period stated in paragraph (c) above or (2) any longer acceptance period stated in paragraph (d) above.

### 7. Small, Minority, Women-Owned Business Concern Representation

The bidder represents and certifies as part of its bid/ offer that it -(a) [] is, [] is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121.

(b) [ ]is, [ ]is not a women-owned business enterprise. "Women-owned business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business that is at least 51 percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.

(c) [ ] is, [ ] is not a minority business enterprise. "Minority business enterprise," as used in this provision, means a business which is at least 51 percent owned or controlled by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals. For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:

(Check the block applicable to you)

Black Americans	[ ] Asian Pacific Americans
[ ] Hispanic Americans	[ ] Asian Indian Americans
[ ] Native Americans	[ ] Hasidic Jewish Americans

8. Indian-Owned Economic Enterprise and Indian Organization Representation (applicable only if this solicitation is for a contract to be performed on a project for an Indian Housing Authority)

The bidder represents and certifies that it:

- (a) [ ] is, [ ] is not an Indian-owned economic enterprise. "Economic enterprise," as used in this provision, means any commercial, industrial, or business activity established or organized for the purpose of profit, which is at least 51 percent Indian owned. "Indian," as used in this provision, means any person who is a member of any tribe, band, group, pueblo, or community which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and any "Native" as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.
- (b) [ ] is, [ ] is not an Indian organization. "Indian organization," as used in this provision, means the governing body of any Indian tribe or entity established or recognized by such governing body. Indian "tribe" means any Indian tribe, band, group, pueblo, or

community including Native villages and Native groups (including corporations organized by Kenai, Juneau, Sitka, and Kodiak) as defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which is recognized by the Federal Government as eligible for services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

### 9. Certification of Eligibility Under the Davis-Bacon Act (applicable to construction contracts exceeding \$2,000)

- (a) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that neither it nor any person or firm who has an interest in the bidder's firm is a person or firm ineligible to be awarded contracts by the United States Government by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (b) No part of the contract resulting from this solicitation shall be subcontracted to any person or firm ineligible to be awarded contracts by the United States Government by virtue of section 3(a) of the Davis-Bacon Act or 29 CFR 5.12(a)(1).
- (c) The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in the U. S. Criminal Code, 18 U.S.C. 1001.

#### Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities (applicable to contracts exceeding \$10,000)

- (a) The bidder's attention is called to the clause entitled **Equal Employment Opportunity** of the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction.
- (b) "Segregated facilities," as used in this provision, means any waiting rooms, work areas, rest rooms and wash rooms, restaurants and other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms and other storage or dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation or entertainment areas, transportation, and housing facilities provided for employees, that are segregated by explicit directive or are in fact segregated on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin because of habit, local custom, or otherwise.
- (c) By the submission of this bid, the bidder certifies that it does not and will not maintain or provide for its employees any segregated facilities at any of its establishments, and that it does not and will not permit its employees to perform their services at any location under its control where segregated facilities are maintained. The bidder agrees that a breach of this certification is a violation of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause in the contract.
- (d) The bidder further agrees that (except where it has obtained identical certifications from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) prior to entering into subcontracts which exceed \$10,000 and are not exempt from the requirements of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause, it will:
- (1) Obtain identical certifications from the proposed subcontractors;
  - (2) Retain the certifications in its files; and
- (3) Forward the following notice to the proposed subcontractors (except if the proposed subcontractors have submitted identical certifications for specific time periods):

### Notice to Prospective Subcontractors of Requirement for Certifications of Nonsegregated Facilities

A Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities must be submitted before the award of a subcontract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Employment Opportunity clause of the prime contract. The certification may be submitted either for each subcontract or for all subcontracts during a period (i.e., quarterly, semiannually, or annually).

**Note:** The penalty for making false statements in bids is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**11. Clean Air and Water Certification** (applicable to contracts exceeding \$100,000)

The bidder certifies that:

- (a) Any facility to be used in the performance of this contract [ ] is, [ ] is not listed on the Environmental Protection Agency List of Violating Facilities:
- (b) The bidder will immediately notify the PHA/IHA Contracting Officer, before award, of the receipt of any communication from the Administrator, or a designee, of the Environmental Protection Agency, indicating that any facility that the bidder proposes to use for the performance of the contract is under consideration to be listed on the EPA List of Violating Facilities; and,
- (c) The bidder will include a certification substantially the same as this certification, including this paragraph (c), in every nonexempt subcontract.
- **12. Previous Participation Certificate** (applicable to construction and equipment contracts exceeding \$50,000)
- (a) The bidder shall complete and submit with his/her bid the Form HUD-2530, "Previous Participation Certificate." If the successful bidder does not submit the certificate with his/her bid, he/she must submit it within three (3) working days of bid opening. Failure to submit the certificate by that date may render the bid nonresponsive. No contract award will be made without a properly executed certificate.
- (b) A fully executed "Previous Participation Certificate"[ ] is, [ ] is not included with the bid.

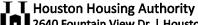
#### 13. Bidder's Signature

The bidder hereby certifies that the information contained in these certifications and representations is accurate, complete, and current.

(Signature and Date)		
(Typed or Printed Name)		
(Title)	 	
(Company Name)		
(Company Address)		

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#### **VENDOR PROFILE FORM**

#### **Instructions:**

- 1) Complete both pages (2) of this form electronically.
- 2) Print
- 3) Sign on page 2.
- 4) Attach a completed W-9.
- 5) Scan all documents and email to Purchasing@housingforhouston.com. See Page 2 for other submission options.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Name of Business, O	rganization, or Name of	Person (if payme	ent is to an individ	lual)			
Mailing Address for I	Payments			City		State	Zip
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Note: A completed W-9 must accompany this Form when you submit it to HHA.



Please use this space to list the product(s) or service(s) your company offers.  Please attach additional pages if necessary.  SIGN BELOW  Signature of Authorized Representative of Vendor  The applicable terms and conditions that are referenced on HHA's purchase orders can be found at: http://www.housingforhouston.com/doing-business-with-hha/forms.aspg.  HHA prefers that vendors return this form via email to Purchasing@housingforhouston.com. However, you may also return the form via the following methods:  Delivery Houston Housing Authority Procurement Department 2640 Fountain View Dr., Suite 408 Houston, TX 77057		
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# **General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts**

Section I – (With or without Maintenance Work)

### U.S. Department of Housing and UrbanDev elopment

Office of Public and Indian Housing
Office of Labor Relations
OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 11/30/2023)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and an applicant is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Applicability. This form HUD-5370-C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

- Non-construction contracts (without maintenance) greater than \$150,000 - use Section I;
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 905.100) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$150,000 - use Section II; and
- Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance), greater than \$150,000 – use Sections I and II.

### Section I - Clauses for All Non-Construction Contracts greater than \$150,000

#### 1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

- (a) "Authority or Housing Authority (HA)" means the Housing Authority.
- (b) "Contract" means the contract entered into between the Authority and the Contractor. It includes the contract form, the Certifications and Representations, these contract clauses, and the scope of work. It includes all formal changes to any of those documents by addendum, Change Order, or other modification.
- (c) "Contractor" means the person or other entity entering into the contract with the Authority to perform all of the work required under the contract.
- (d) "Day" means calendar days, unless otherwise stated.
- (e) "HUD" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban development, his delegates, successors, and assigns, and the officers and employees of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development acting for and on behalf of the Secretary.

#### 2. Changes

- (a) The HA may at any time, by written order, and without notice to the sureties, if any, make changes within the general scope of this contract in the services to be performed or supplies to be delivered.
- (b) If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the hourly rate, the not-to-exceed amount of the contract, or the time required for performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, or otherwise affects the conditions of this contract, the HA shall make an equitable adjustment in the not-to-exceed amount, the hourly rate, the delivery schedule, or other affected terms, and shall modify the contract accordingly.
- (c) The Contractor must assert its right to an equitable adjustment under this clause within 30 days from the date of receipt of the written order. However, if the HA decides that the facts justify it, the HA may receive and act upon a

- proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.
- (d) Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under clause Disputes, herein. However, nothing in this clause shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed.
- (e) No services for which an additional cost or fee will be charged by the Contractor shall be furnished without the prior written consent of the HA.

#### 3. Termination for Convenience and Default

- (a) The HA may terminate this contract in whole, or from time to time in part, for the HA's convenience or the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations (default). The HA shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a written Notice of Termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, the Contractor shall: (i) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise); and (ii) deliver to the HA all information, reports, papers, and other materials accumulated or generated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process.
- (b) If the termination is for the convenience of the HA, the HA shall be liable only for payment for services rendered before the effective date of the termination.
- (c) If the termination is due to the failure of the Contractor to fulfill its obligations under the contract (default), the HA may (i) require the Contractor to deliver to it, in the manner and to the extent directed by the HA, any work as described in subparagraph (a)(ii) above, and compensation be determined in accordance with the Changes clause, paragraph 2, above; (ii) take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or otherwise, and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by the HA; (iii) withhold any payments to the Contractor, for the purpose of off-set or partial payment, as the case may be, of amounts owed to the HA by the Contractor.
- (d) If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations (default), it is determined that the Contractor had not failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been effected for the convenience of the HA, and the Contractor shall been titled to payment as described in paragraph (b) above.
- (e) Any disputes with regard to this clause are expressly made subject to the terms of clause titled Disputes herein.

#### 4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

(a) The HA, HUD, or Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until 3 years after final payment under this contract, have access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent books, documents, papers, or other records involving transactions related to this contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

- (b) The Contractor agrees to include in first-tier subcontracts under this contract a clause substantially the same as paragraph (a) above. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, excludes purchase orders not exceeding \$10,000.
- (c) The periods of access and examination in paragraphs (a) and (b) above for records relating to:
  - (i) appeals under the clause titled Disputes;
  - (ii) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract; or,
  - (iii) costs and expenses of this contract to which the HA, HUD, or Comptroller General or any of their duly authorized representatives has taken exception shall continue until disposition of such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions.

# 5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

The HA shall have exclusive ownership of, all proprietary interest in, and the right to full and exclusive possession of all information, materials and documents discovered or produced by Contractor pursuant to the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to reports, memoranda or letters concerning the research and reporting tasks of this Contract.

## 6. Energy Efficiency

The contractor shall comply with all mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163) for the State in which the work under this contract is performed.

# 7. Disputes

- (a) All disputes arising under or relating to this contract, except for disputes arising under clauses contained in Section III, <u>Labor Standards Provisions</u>, including any claims for damages for the alleged breach there of which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this dause.
- (b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the HA. A claim by the HA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the HA.
- (c) The HA shall, with reasonable promptness, but in no event in no more than 60 days, render a decision concerning any claim hereunder. Unless the Contractor, within 30 days after receipt of the HA's decision, shall notify the HA in writing that it takes exception to such decision, the decision shall be final and conclusive.
- (d) Provided the Contractor has (i) given the notice within the time stated in paragraph (c) above, and (ii) excepted its claim relating to such decision from the final release, and (iii) brought suit against the HA not later than one year after receipt of final payment, or if final payment has not been made, not later than one year after the Contractor has had a reasonable time to respond to a written request by the HA that it submit a final voucher and release, whichever is earlier, then the HA's decision shall not be final or conclusive, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (e) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the HA.

## 8. Contract Termination; Debarment

A breach of these Contract clauses may be grounds for termination of the Contract and for debarment or denial of participation in HUD programs as a Contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 24 CFR Part 24.

## 9. Assignment of Contract

The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this contract; except that claims for monies due or to become due from the HA under the contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution. If the Contractor is a partnership, this contract shall inure to the benefit of the surviving or remaining member(s) of such partnership approved by the HA.

#### 10, Certificate and Release

Prior to final payment under this contract, or prior to settlement upon termination of this contract, and as a condition precedent thereto, the Contractor shall execute and deliver to the HA a certificate and release, in a form acceptable to the HA, of all claims against the HA by the Contractor under and by virtue of this contract, other than such claims, if any, as may be specifically excepted by the Contractor in stated amounts set forth therein.

## 11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

- (a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under this contract and a contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that:
  - (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage; or
  - (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award it discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract or any task/delivery order under the contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the contract or task/delivery order for the convenience of the HA if it would be in the best interest of the HA.
- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the Contracting Officer, the HA may terminate the contract for default.
- (d) The terms of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts and consulting agreements wherein the work to be performed is similar to the service provided by the prime Contractor. The Contractor shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.

# 12. Inspection and Acceptance

(a) The HA has the right to review, require correction, if necessary, and accept the work products produced by the Contractor. Such review(s) shall be carried out within 30 days so as to not impede the work of the Contractor. Any

- product of work shall be deemed accepted as submitted if the HA does not issue written comments and/or required corrections within 30 days from the date of receipt of such product from the Contractor.
- (b) The Contractor shall make any required corrections promptly at no additional charge and return a revised copy of the product to the HA within 7 days of notification or a later date if extended by the HA.
- (c) Failure by the Contractor to proceed with reasonable promptness to make necessary corrections shall be a default. If the Contractor's submission of corrected work remains unacceptable, the HA may terminate this contract (or the task order involved) or reduce the contract price or cost to reflect the reduced value of services received.

#### 13. Interest of Members of Congress

No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States of America or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit to arise there from, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

# 14. Interest of Members, Officers, or Employees and Former Members, Officers, or Employees

No member, officer, or employee of the HA, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, no member of the governing body in which the HA was activated, and no other pubic official of such locality or localities who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the project, shall, during his or her tenure, or for one year thereafter, have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

# 15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

"Agency", as defined in 5 U.S.C. 552(f), includes Federal executive departments and agencies as well as independent regulatory commissions and Government corporations, as defined in 31 U.S.C. 9101(1).

"Covered Federal Action" means any of the following Federal actions:

- (i) The awarding of any Federal contract;
- (ii) The making of any Federal grant;
- (iii) The making of any Federal loan;
- (iv) The entering into of any cooperative agreement; and,
- (v) The extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

Covered Federal action does not include receiving from an agency a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan.

"Indian tribe" and "tribal organization" have the meaning provided in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B). Alaskan Natives are included under the definitions of Indian tribes in that Act.

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before 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 any covered Federal action. "Local government" means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government.

"Officer or employee of an agency" includes the following individuals who are employed by an agency:

- (i) An individual who is appointed to a position in the Government under title 5, U.S.C., including a position under a temporary appointment;
- (ii) A member of the uniformed services as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.;
- (iii) A special Government employee as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.; and,
- (iv) An individual who is a member of a Federal advisory committee, as defined by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, title 5, appendix 2.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, company, association, authority, firm, partnership, society, State, and local government, regardless of whether such entity is operated for profit or not for profit. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Recipient" includes all contractors, subcontractors at any tier, and subgrantees at any tier of the recipient of funds received in connection with a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. The term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Regularly employed means, with respect to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, an officer or employee who is employed by such person for at least 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person for receipt of such contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. An officer or employee who is employed by such person for less than 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of submission that initiates agency consideration of such person shall be considered to be regularly employed as soon as he or she is employed by such person for 130 working days.

"State" means a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a territory or possession of the United States, an agency or instrumentality of a State, and a multi-State, regional, or interstate entity having governmental duties and powers.

(b) Prohibition.

- (i) Section 1352 of title 31, U.S.C. provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay 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 any of the following covered Federal actions: 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.
- (ii) The prohibition does not apply as follows:

- (1) Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.
  - (a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in paragraph (i) of this section, does not apply in the case of a payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, if the payment is for agency and legislative activities not directly related to a covered Federal action.
  - (b) For purposes of paragraph (b)(i)(1)(a) of this clause, providing any information specifically requested by an agency or Congress is permitted at any time.
  - (c) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted at any time only where they are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered Federal action:
  - (1) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstrations) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and,
  - (2) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.
  - (d) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted where they are prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action:
  - (1) Providing any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action:
  - (2) Technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official submission; and
  - (3) Capability presentations by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507 and other subsequent amendments.
  - (e) Only those activities expressly authorized by subdivision (b)(ii)(1)(a) of this clause are permitted under this clause.
- (2) Professional and technical services.
  - (a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply in the case of-
    - (i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.
    - (ii) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a

- person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action. Persons other than officers or employees of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action include consultants and trade associations.
- (b) For purposes of subdivision (b)(ii)(2)(a) of clause, "professional and technical services" shall be limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline.
- (c) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation, or reasonably expected to be required by law or regulation, and any other requirements in the actual award documents.
- (d) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivisions (b)(ii)(2)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section are permitted under this clause.
- (iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.
- (c) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply to the following selling activities before an agency by independent sales representatives, provided such activities are prior to formal solicitation by an agency and are specifically limited to the merits of the matter:
  - (i) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstration) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and
  - (ii) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.
- (d) Agreement. In accepting any contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or loan resulting from this solicitation, the person submitting the offer agrees not to make any payment prohibited by this clause.
- (e) Penalties. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under paragraph (b) of this clause shall be subject to civil penalties as provided for by 31 U.S.C. 1352. An imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.
- (f) Cost Allowability. Nothing in this clause is to be interpreted to make allowable or reasonable any costs which would be unallowable or unreasonable in accordance with Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), or OMB Circulars dealing with cost allowability for recipients of assistance agreements. Conversely, costs made specifically unallowable by the requirements in this clause will not be made allowable under any of the provisions of FAR Part 31 or the relevant OMB Circulars.

## 16. Equal Employment Opportunity

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor/Seller agrees as follows:

(a)The [contractor/seller] will not discriminate against any emplo yee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin. The

[contractor/seller] will take affirmative action to ensure that appli cants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin. Such action shall in clude, 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/seller] agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(b)The [contractor/seller] will, in all solicitations or advertisement s for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employ ment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin.

(c)The [contractor/seller] 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 instance s in which an employee who has access to the compensation inform ation 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 acces s to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a form al 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/seller]'s legal duty to furnish information.

(d)The [contractor/seller] will send to each labor union or representat ive of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or oth er contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the [contractor/seller] 's commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(e)The [contractor/seller] 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.

f)The [contractor/seller] will furnish all information and reports re quired by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(g)In the event of the [contractor/seller]'s non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rule s, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the [contractor/seller] may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies in voked 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.

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(g)In the event of the [contractor/seller]'s non-compliance with

## 17. Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities

to protect the interests of the United States.

1.The [contractor/seller] will not discriminate against any e mployee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental disability in regard to any position for which the employee or applican t for employment is qualified. The [contractor/seller] agrees to take aff irmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals with disabilities, and to treat qualified individuals without discrimination on the basis of their physical or mental disability in all employment practices, including the following:

becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a sub-

contractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the [contractor/seller] may request the United States to enter into such litigation

i.Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures; ii.Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion, transfer, layoff, termination, right of return from layoff and rehiring; iii.Rates of pay or any other form of compensation and chan

ges in compensation;
iv.Job assignments, job classifications, organizational struct

ures, position descriptions, lines of progression, and seniority lists;

v.Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave; vi.Fringe benefits available by virtue of employment,

whether or not administered by the [contractor/seller];

vii. Selection and financial support for training, including app renticeship, professional meetings, conferences, and other related activities, and selection for leaves of absence to pursue training;

viii.Activities sponsored by the [contractor/seller] including social or recreational programs; and

ix. Any other term, condition, or privilege of employment.

- 2.The [contractor/seller] agrees to comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.
- 3.In the event of the [contractor/seller] noncompliance with the requirements of this clause, actions for noncompliance may be taken in accordance with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.
- 4.The [contractor/seller] agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices in a form to be prescribed by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, provided by or through the contracting officer. Such notices shall state the rights of applicants and employees as well as the [contractor/seller] 's obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified employees and applicants with disabilities.

The [contractor/seller] must ensure that applicants or employees with disabilities are provided the notice in a form that is accessible and understandable to the individual applicant or employee (e.g., providing Braille or large print versions of the notice, or posting a copy of the notice at a lower height for easy viewing by a person using a wheelchair). With respect to employees who do not work at a physical location of the [contractor/seller], a [contractor/seller] will satisfy its posting obligations by posting such notices in an electronic format, provided that the [contractor/seller] provides computers, or access to computers, that can access the electronic posting to such employees, or the [contractor/seller] has actual know ledge that such employees otherwise are able to access the electro nically posted notices. Electronic notices for employees must be post ed in a conspicuous location and format on the company's intranet or sent by electronic mail to employees. An electronic posting must be used by the [contractor/seller] to notify job applicants of their rights if the [contractor/seller] utilizes an electronic application process. Such electronic applicant notice must be conspicuously stored with, or as part of, the electronic application.

- **5.**The [contractor/seller] will notify each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract understanding, that the [contractor/seller] is bound by the terms of section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and is committed to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment, and shall not discriminate against, individuals with physical or mental disabilities.
- **6.**The [contractor/seller] will include the provisions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of \$ 10,000, unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to section 503 of the act, as amended, 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 Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs may direct to enforce such provisions, including action for noncompliance.
- 7.The [contractor/seller] must, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment and will not be discriminated against on the basis of disability.

## 18. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

No information or material shall be disseminated or disclosed to the general public, the news media, or any person or organization without prior express written approval by the HA.

## 19. Contractor's Status

It is understood that the Contractor is an independent contractor and is not to be considered an employee of the HA, or assume any right, privilege or duties of an employee, and shall save harmless the HA and its employees from claims suits, actions and costs of every description resulting from the Contractor's activities on behalf of the HA in connection with this Agreement.

# 20. Other Contractors

HA may undertake or award other contracts for additional work at or near the site(s) of the work under this contract. The contractor shall fully cooperate with the other contractors and with HA and HUD employees and shall carefully adapt scheduling and performing the work under this contract to accommodate the additional work, heeding any direction that may be provided by the Contracting Officer. The contractor shall not commit or permit any act that will interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor or HA employee.

#### 21. Liens

The Contractor is prohibited from placing a lien on HA's property. This prohibition shall apply to all subcontractors.

# 22. Training and Employment Opportunities for Residents in the Project Area (Section 3, HUD Act of 1968; 24 CFR 135)

- (a) The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- (b) The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the Part 135 regulations.
- (c) The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- (d) The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 135.
- (e) Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts
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# 22. Procurement of Recovered Materials

(a) In accordance with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Contractor shall procure items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of

- recovered materials practicable consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition. The Contractor shall procure items designated in the EPA guidelines that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable unless the Contractor determines that such items: (1) are not reasonably available in a reasonable period of time; (2) fail to meet reasonable performance standards, which shall be determined on the basis of the guidelines of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, if applicable to the item; or (3) are only available at an unreasonable price.
- (b) Paragraph (a) of this clause shall apply to items purchased under this contract where: (1) the Contractor purchases in excess of \$10,000 of the item under this contract; or (2) during the preceding Federal fiscal year, the Contractor: (i) purchased any amount of the items for use under a contract that was funded with Federal appropriations and was with a Federal agency or a State agency or agency of a political subdivision of a State; and (ii) purchased a total of in excess of \$10,000 of the item both under and outside that contract

# Exhibit A

# (Scope of Work (SOW)

At a minimum, the successful proposer(s) shall be required to furnish all the necessary personnel, technical expertise, supervision, equipment, transportation, supplies, tools, materials, and any other ancillary item(s), resource(s), or professional service(s) needed to perform the following, which includes but is not limited to:

## General:

Scheduling and inspecting prospective units and units currently under the Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) contracts for the Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP). All physical inspections will be conducted in accordance with HUD Housing Quality Standards regulations at 24 CFR 982.401; the Lead Safe Housing Regulations at 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, M, and R; and recorded using the Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection Form. (See Exhibit C)

# **Standard Inspection Services:**

The selected Firm(s) will:

- 1. Schedule all inspections in accordance with industry best practices, and be responsible for the cost of scheduling the inspections (forms, telephone cost, stamps, etc.) and associated notifications.
- 2. Make contact by telephone with landlords or their designee within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of a Request for Tenancy Approval (RFTA) from HHA's Inspection Department to schedule an initial inspection. If contact cannot be made with the landlord after two documented unsuccessful attempts by phone and e-mail, HHA's Inspections Department will be provided with a status update.
- 3. Complete an initial inspection within three (3) business days (excluding HHA observed holidays) of receiving scheduling information from HHA.
- 4. Schedule an initial inspection, and associated re-inspections by speaking to, or e-mailing the landlord (or their designee). Inspections will only be scheduled with the tenant is leasing in place.
- 5. Contact HHA Inspection Specialist if a unit does not pass re-inspection.
- 6. Complete all initial re-inspections within three (3) business days of being notified by the landlord (or their designee) that the unit is ready to be reinspected.
- 7. Return a completed inspection on an HHA Inspection form within one (1) business day (excluding HHA observed holidays) from completion of a "pass" inspection.

- 8. All notifications (about all inspection types), regardless of type must contain at a minimum the following information:
  - 8.1 Date notification was printed
  - 8.2 Name and complete mailing address of landlord/agent
  - 8.3 Name and complete mailing address of the client
  - 8.4 Type of Inspection/Re-inspection
  - 8.5 Date of Inspection/Re-inspection
  - 8.6 Scheduling Timeframe of Inspection/Re-inspection
  - 8.7 If this is a "Deficiency Notification," provide a complete detailed listing of all deficiencies identified during the inspection
  - 8.8 Name of inspector
  - 8.9 Contact telephone number
- 9. Provide Biennial Inspections to HHA no less than twenty-one (21) days before the scheduled inspection date.
- 10. Complete re-inspections of all life-threatening "Fail" items within twenty-four (24) hours of the first inspection.
- 11. Assess who is responsible for damages (tenant responsibility or landlord responsibility) for every failed item listed on all deficiency reports or correspondences. Send all notifications and related follow-up correspondence, to both landlord and tenant by email with HHA's Inspection Department copied including pass or fail notifications, reschedule notifications, and no-show notifications. Forward similar copies electronically to the email addresses, if provided, of both landlord and tenant. Include reinspection dates and times in all inspection results correspondence. Complete one (1) attempt for each no-show inspection before issuance of abatement notification to the owner, and for each non-emergency "fail" inspection before issuance of abatement notification to the owner. Forward a copy of all abatement notifications issued to the assigned HHA Inspection Specialist.
- 12. Complete rent comparability study for:
  - 12.1 Each unit with a passed inspection on initial or annual inspections.
    - 12.1.1 HHA will provide the payments standards to the offeror for comparison.
  - 12.2 All rent increases HHA owned units, including Project-Based Voucher units.
  - 12.3 Overflow rent determinations to reduce inspections backlog (these may be assigned on demand).
- 13. Within fifteen (15) calendar days of contract execution, develop and submit to HHA's Project Manager for approval, Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for all inspection processes described herein, including all forms and form letters to be used. The SOP must demonstrate to HHA's satisfaction the selected offeror's ability to provide all services requested. HHA is open to recommendations for changes that will increase the efficiency of the inspection process.

# Exhibit B

# **Evaluation Criteria**

ITEM	CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS
1	Offeror's qualifications and experience in performing similar work and record of performance	20
2	Methodology / Project Plan	30
3	Proposed Fees	35
4	Cost Control	20
5	M/WBE Participation	10
6	Section 3 Participation	10
	TOTAL POINTS	125

# Exhibit C RFP 21-38

# **Inspection Checklist**

**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**Office of Public and Indian Housing

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Housing Choice Voucher Program

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Name of Family				Tenant ID Number	Date	Date of Request (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Inspector				Neighborhood/Census Tract	Date	of Inspection (mm/dd/yyyy)	
Type of Inspection Initial Special Reinspection	]			Date of Last Inspection	mm/dd/yyyy) PHA		
A. General Information							
	nstruct	ed (yy	<b>'yy)</b> 2017			using Type (check as appropriate	
Full Address (including Street, City, County, State, Zip)						ngle Family Detached	
						uplex or Two Family	
						ow House or Town House ow Rise: 3, 4 Stories,	
						cluding Garden Apartment	
Number of Children in Family Under 6						gh Rise; 5 or More Stories	
					1 1	anufactured Home	
Owner				Te:	Co	ongregate	
Name of Owner or Agent Authorized to Lease Unit Inspected				Phone Number		poperative	
						dependent Group esidence	
Address of Owner or Agent					Si	ngle Room Occupancy	
					SI	nared Housing	
					Ot	her	
B. Summary Decision On Unit (To be completed at Number of Bedrooms for Purposes				illed out bing Rooms			
Pass of the FMR or Payment Standard							
Inconclusive	- 1						
Inspection Checklist							
Item	Yes	No	In-			Final Approval	
No. 1. Living Room	Pass	Fail	Conc.	Comment		Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
1.1 Living Room Present							
1.2 Electricity							
1.3 Electrical Hazards	Ш						
1.4 Security							
1.5 Window Condition							
1.6 Ceiling Condition							
1.7 Wall Condition							
1.8 Floor Condition							

		, TV R			trance Halls, Corridors, Halls, Staircases; 5 = Additional E	
No.	1. Living Room (Continued)	Yes Pas	No Fail	In- Conc.	Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
1.9	Lead-Based Paint			1	Not Applicable	
	Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?	Ш	L	4		
	if not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?					
	2. Kitchen					1
2.1	Kitchen Area Present	Г				1
2.2	Electricity					
2.3	Electrical Hazards					
2.4	Security					
2.5	Window Condition		┢			
2.6	Ceiling Condition					†
2.7	Wall Condition		┢	╫		
2.8	Floor Condition					
2.9	Lead-Based Paint			1	Not Applicable	
	Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated			1		
	paint?			1		
	If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?					
2.10	Stove or Range with Oven					
2.11	Refrigerator					
2.12	Sink					
2.13	Space for Storage, Preparation, and Serving of Food					
	3. Bathroom					
3.1	Bathroom Present					
3.2	Electricity					
3.3	Electrical Hazards					
3.4	Security					
3.5	Window Condition					
3.6	Ceiling Condition					
3.7	Wall Condition					
3.8	Floor Condition					
3.9	Lead-Based Paint Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated			]	Not Applicable	
	paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?			]		
3.10	Flush Toilet in Enclosed Room in Unit			1		
3.11	Fixed Wash Basin or Lavatory in Unit					
3.12	Tub or Shower in Unit					
3.13	Ventilation			1		1

Item $_{\mbox{\scriptsize No.}}$ 4. Other Rooms Used For Living and Halls	Yes Pass	No Fai		c. Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
4.1 Room Code* and Room Location	,	ircle (	One) er/Left	(Circle One) Front/Center/Rear Floor Level	
4.2 Electricity/Illumination	Tagri		- I/Leit	Tronvententeal1 loor Level	
4.3 Electrical Hazards			1		
4.4 Security	-	╫╴			
4.5 Window Condition	-	╟	1/1		
4.6 Ceiling Condition	┢	-	1		
4.7 Wall Condition	┢	╟	+		
4.8 Floor Condition		╁	1		
4.9 Lead-Based Paint			_	Not Applicable	
Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?  If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?				пчос друпсавте	
4.10 Smoke Detectors					
4.1 Room Code* and Room Location		ircle ( /Cent	One) er/Left	(Circle One) Front/Center/RearFloor Level	
4.2 Electricity/Illumination					
4.3 Electrical Hazards					
4.4 Security					
4.5 Window Condition					
4.6 Ceiling Condition					
4.7 Wall Condition					
4.8 Floor Condition					
4.9 Lead-Based Paint				Not Applicable	
Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?  If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than			<u> </u>		
10% of a component?	느				
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4.3 Electrical Hazards					
4.4 Security					
4.5 Window Condition					
4.6 Ceiling Condition	1				
4.7 Wall Condition					
4.8 Floor Condition					
4.9 Lead-Based Paint				Not Applicable	
Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?		L			
If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?			]		
4.10 Smoke Detectors					
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Item No.	4. Other Rooms Used For Living and Halls	Yes Pass	No Fail	In- Conc.	Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
4.1	Room Code *	,	cle Or	,	(Circle One)	, , , , , ,
	and Room Location	Right	/Cent	er/Left	Front/Center/RearFloor Level	
4.2	Electricity/Illumination					
4.3	Electrical Hazards					
4.4	Security					
4.5	Window Condition					
4.6	Ceiling Condition					
4.7	Wall Condition			]		
4.8	Floor Condition	]				
4.9	Lead-Based Paint				Not Applicable	
	Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?	Ш				
	If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?					
4.10	Smoke Detectors					
4.1	Room Code* and Room Location	(( Right/	Circle Cente	,	(Circle One) Front/Center/RearFloor Level	
4.2	Electricity/Illumination					
4.3	Electrical Hazards					
4.4	Security					
4.5	Window Condition					
4.6	Ceiling Condition					
4.7	Wall Condition			Ţ		
4.8	Floor Condition					
4.9	Lead-Based Paint				Not Applicable	
	Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?					
	If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?					
4.10	Smoke Detectors	l				
	5. All Secondary Rooms (Rooms not used for living)					
5.1	None Go to Part 6					
5.2	Security					
5.3	Electrical Hazards		L			
5.4	Other Potentially Hazardous Features in these Rooms					

Item No.	6. Building Exterior	Yes Pass	No Fail	In - Conc.	Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
6.1	Condition of Foundation	$\Box$				
6.2	Condition of Stairs, Rails, and Porches					
6.3	Condition of Roof/Gutters					
6.4	Condition of Exterior Surfaces					
6.5	Condition of Chimney	$\overline{\square}$		1		
6.6	Lead Paint: Exterior Surfaces				Not Applicable	
	Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?				•	
	If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed 20 square feet of total exterior surface area?			]		
6.7	Manufactured Home: Tie Downs					
	7. Heating and Plumbing					
7.1	Adequacy of Heating Equipment					
7.2	Safety of Heating Equipment					
7.3	Ventilation/Cooling			1		
7.4	Water Heater			ĺ		
7.5	Approvable Water Supply					
7.6	Plumbing			1		
7.7	Sewer Connection					
	8. General Health and Safety					
8.1	Access to Unit					
8.2	Fire Exits					
8.3	Evidence of Infestation					
8.4	Garbage and Debris					
8.5	Refuse Disposal					
8.6	Interior Stairs and Commom Halls					
8.7	Other Interior Hazards					
8.8	Elevators					
8.9	Interior Air Quality					
8.10	) Site and Neighborhood Conditions					
8.1	Lead-Based Paint: Owner's Certification				Not Applicable	

If the owner is required to correct any lead-based paint hazards at the property including deteriorated paint or other hazards identified by a visual assessor, a certified lead-based paint risk assessor, or certified lead-based paint inspector, the PHA must obtain certification that the work has been done in accordance with all applicable requirements of 24 CFR Part 35. The Lead -Based Paint Owner Certification must be received by the PHA before the execution of the HAP contract or within the time period stated by the PHA in the owner HQS violation notice. Receipt of the completed and signed Lead-Based Paint Owner Certification signifies that all HQS lead-based paint requirements have been met and no re-inspection by the HQS inspector is required.

# C. Special Amenities (Optional)

This Section is for optional use of the HA. It is designed to collect additional information about other positive features of the unit that may be present. Although the features listed below are not included in the Housing Quality Standards, the tenant and HA may wish to take them into consideration in decisions about renting the unit and the reasonableness of the rent. Check/list any positive features found in relation to the unit.

1. Living Room  High quality floors or wall coverings Working fireplace or stove Balcony, patio, deck, porch Special windows or doors  Exceptional size relative to needs of family Other: (Specify)	4. Bath  Special feature shower head Built-in heat lamp Large mirrors Glass door on shower/tub Separate dressing room Double sink or special lavatory Exceptional size relative to needs of family Other: (Specify)
2. Kitchen  Dishwasher  Separate freezer  Garbage disposal  Eating counter/breakfast nook Pantry or abundant shelving or cabinets  Double oven/self cleaning oven, microwave  Double sink  High quality cabinets  Abundant counter-top space  Modern appliance(s)  Exceptional size relative to needs of family  Other: (Specify)	5. Overall Characteristics Storm windows and doors Other forms of weatherization (e.g., insulation, weather stripping) Screen doors or windows Good upkeep of grounds (i.e., site cleanliness, landscaping, condition of lawn) Garage or parking facilities Driveway Large yard Good maintenance of building exterior Other: (Specify)
3. Other Rooms Used for Living  High quality floors or wall coverings  Working fireplace or stove Balcony,  patio, deck, porch Special windows  or doors  Exceptional size relative to needs of family  Other: (Specify)	Disabled Accessibility  Unit is accessible to a particular disability.  Disability  Yes  No

	Does the owner make repairs when asked? Yes No How many people live there?
3.	How much money do you pay to the owner/agent for rent? \$
4.	Do you pay for anything else? (specify)
5.	Who owns the range and refrigerator? (insert O = Owner or T = Tenant) Range Refrigerator Microwave
6.	Is there anything else you want to tell us? (specify) Yes No

E. Inspection Summary/Comments (Optional)  Provide a summary description of each item which resulted in a rating of "Fail" or "Pass with Comments."								
Tenant ID Number	Inspector	each item	D	ate of Inspection (mm/d	d/yyyy) Address of Insp	pected Unit		
Type of Inspection	Initial	Special						
Item Number			Reason for "Fail"	or "Pass with Comme	ents" Rating			
Continued on additi	onal page	Yes	No 🗌					