REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS (RFQ)



Issue Date: September 27, 2022

RFQ# <u>2023-RFQ-4101710</u>

Title: Discover Black Charlottesville

Term: One (1) year from final contract execution date and a notice to proceed with no renewal options.

Issuing Agency: County of Albemarle

Procurement Office

401 McIntire Road, Suite 248 Charlottesville, VA 22902

Using Department/Division and/or location where work will be performed: County of Albemarle, CACVB

Request for Quotations will be received until **10:00 AM ET on Monday, October 17, 2022** for furnishing the Goods/Services described herein.

All inquiries for information should be directed to: <u>Lisa Thomas</u> at <u>LTHOMAS3@ALBEMARLE.ORG</u> AND copy to <u>rfq@albemarle.org</u> or by telephone at 434-296-5854 x3145

QUOTATIONS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY BY THE STATED DUE DATE AND TIME, THROUGH THE <u>ALBEMARLE COUNTY PROCUREMENT INTAKE FORM</u>, on the Albemarle County Office of Procurement Solicitations page

QUOTATIONS MAY TO BE SHIPPED/MAILED OR HAND DELIVERED DIRECTLY TO ISSUING AGENCY SHOWN ABOVE. No Telephoned or Faxed Quotes will be Considered.

In compliance with this Request for Quotation and to all the conditions imposed therein, the undersigned offers and agrees to furnish the Goods/Services at the price(s) indicated herein.

By my signature on this solicitation, I certify that this firm/individual and subcontractor is properly licensed for providing the goods/services specified.

| Name and Address of Firm: | |
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| | By: |
| Zip Code: | (Signature In Ink) |
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This public body does not discriminate against faith-based organizations in accordance with the Code of Virginia, § 2.2-4343.1 or against a bidder or offeror because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment.

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I. <u>PURPOSE</u>: The Charlottesville Albemarle Convention and Visitors Bureau (CACVB) seeks a Contractor to inform the strategic Marketing and Public Relations strategy and create content for its Discover Black Charlottesville (Cville) effort, highlighting Black-owned businesses and attractions while attracting Black visitors and others to Charlottesville and Albemarle County.

II. <u>BACKGROUND</u>:

On March 26, 2022, the Charlottesville Albemarle Convention & Visitors Bureau (CACVB) celebrated the national launch of Discover Black Cville, a community-led initiative that tells modern, historically accurate, and inclusive Black stories in Charlottesville and Albemarle County, to attract black visitors, while also promoting Black-owned businesses and attractions. The kick-off included a mural unveiling at Ix Art Park and a new digital passport to bring travelers to local, Black-owned businesses. With a clear goal to highlight Black stories told by Black people, instead of about Black people, now visitors and locals alike can learn, explore and connect online at Discover Black Cville's website.

As an organization we recognized the need for a more open dialogue, and we have taken great strides to listen and collaborate with our Black residents. The tragic events that took place in August 2017 sparked necessary dialogues about systemic racism and propelled our community to take action to support all residents and visitors. The CACVB is working toward more equitable representation in the tourism economy by putting underrepresented voices and businesses first in the narrative. We're hopeful this work will help visitors of all backgrounds feel more welcome in Charlottesville and Albemarle County. We are extremely proud of what we have been able to achieve in a short time while recognizing that there is certainly more work to be done.

The idea for Discover Black Cville was born in 2020 and started with a series of collaborative listening sessions in the community. The CACVB collaborated with dozens of local Black residents throughout the process to ensure wide acceptance and input from the community. The ongoing efforts are guided and informed by a steering committee, with members representing different sectors of the local tourism economy.

The CACVB held a soft launch of Discover Black Cville's landing page and social media channels in spring 2021, which was met with resounding positivity. On the day of the mural unveiling, national media, travel influencers and visitors experienced Ix Art Park's inaugural Black Makers Market, followed by Vibe Fest, an annual celebration of Black music and culture from local and regional performers.

The CACVB has led this effort in-house to date with the assistance of a social media contractor and through the advice of a steering committee of volunteers. These partners would remain in place to provide guidance and feedback to the Contractor as the direction develops. Discover Black Cville is an award-winning Marketing and Public Relations campaign that has incorporated community building as a major function of its strategy. Most recently, it won a Destiny Award for Community Building through the U.S. Travel Association's ESTO conference. The CACVB is looking to build on this success with the next phase of its effort.

he Charlottesville Albemarle Convention and Visitors Bureau (CACVB) serves as the global resource for marketing the tourism assets of the City of Charlottesville and County of Albemarle, and assists tour operators, meeting planners, and other groups in planning overnight visits to the destination.

III. <u>COMPETITION INTENDED</u>: It is the County's intent that this Request for Quote (RFQ) permits competition. It shall be the Bidder's responsibility to advise the Purchasing Agent in writing if any language requirement, specification, etc. or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this RFQ to a single source, or otherwise restrict competition. All comments, questions, or requests for clarification, including any notification regarding restrictions to competition, must be received by the Purchasing Agent not later than seven (7) days prior to the date set for receipt of offers. Offerors may not rely on any oral explanations, clarifications, or changes to the solicitation. All explanations, clarifications, or changes will be issued in written form as detailed below. The County will not be bound by any oral statements.

All inquiries and any changes to the requirements of this solicitation shall be answered by issue of written addenda to the solicitation. It shall be the responsibility of the Offeror to acknowledge all addenda by signing and returning a copy of all addenda with the quote submission or by separate acknowledgement of each addendum by number and date, in writing. Offerors are advised to contact this office to confirm the number of addenda before the date established for bid opening. All addenda will be issued in a timely manner to allow sufficient time prior to due date of the quotes.

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IV. <u>TERM OF CONTRACT</u>: One (1) year from final contract execution date and a notice to proceed with no renewal options.

V. STATEMENT OF NEEDS:

Note: No reimbursable expenses for this RFP

The Charlottesville Albemarle Convention and Visitors Bureau (CACVB) seeks a Contractor to inform the strategic Marketing and Public Relations strategy and create content for its Discover Black Cville effort, highlighting Black-owned businesses and attractions while attracting Black visitors and others to Charlottesville and Albemarle County.

The selected Contractor would conduct research and create a Marketing and Public Relations strategy to build upon the success of Discover Black Cville, develop a plan for a microsite build out for the Discover Black Cville page and recommend next steps to expanding this brand. This work would be accomplished in coordination with the Discover Black Cville steering committee, the CACVB team and other tourism partners as needed.

The selected Contractor would use the knowledge from this process to inform the CACVB's overall Marketing strategy and refine its Historic Vines New Roots campaign. This campaign positions our destination as a historic destination that is placing its roots in new demographics. It's primarily focused on wine but also how we are retelling our story to be more welcoming.

The selected Contractor shall have proven effective experience attracting Black visitors to a community, the ability to prove strategies are working in attraction, creating welcoming campaigns, community building experience, a research-based approach for informed efforts, and the ability to scale marketing campaigns. The Contractor will need to fully understand the Charlottesville and Albemarle community, its complicated and difficult history and have proven tools to navigate complex topics and message in an authentic way that will be welcomed by visitors and accepted by the community.

Estimated budget for this RFP project is \$50,000 to \$70,000.

VI. QUOTE SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

- A. Sealed Quotes shall be received by the date and time specified herein, late quotes may not be considered. Quotes must be provided by submission on County and shall include acceptance of all County Terms and Conditions, expressly stated herein or incorporated by reference. Quote submission must include fully executed Attachments A, B, C, D, G (Proprietary/confidential Form)
 - If redactions requested per Attachment G, offeror must submit a separate redacted quote per Attachment G requirements.
 - Please submit Volume I and Volume II separately:
 - o Technical Volume I- See section V. and section VII
 - o Price Volume II-Attachment A
 - If paper quotes are submitted, a USB must be included with quote in pdf format.
- B. Quotations Should Be Submitted Electronically by the stated due date and time, through the ALBEMARLE COUNTY PROCUREMENT INTAKE FORM located on the Albemarle County Office of Procurement Solicitations Webpage (https://www.albemarle.org/government/finance/procurement/solicitations). Alternatively, quotations may be shipped/mailed, or hand delivered directly to the Albemarle County Office Building, 401 McIntire Road, Room 248, Charlottesville, Virginia 22902 by not later than the date and time established herein or as modified by an addendum hereto. A secure lockbox is available, at the exterior of the County Office Building, at the front Visitors Entrance, and is labeled Vendor/Contractor Bids or Proposals Only. Quotes may be placed in this box or be delivered to Room 248, prior to the established due date and time for each solicitation.
 - Regardless of the method of delivery, it shall be the Bidder's responsibility to ensure timely and
 accurate delivery. Quotes delivered to the wrong location or received in the specified location late
 will not be considered.

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- C. Ownership of all data, materials, and documentation originated and prepared for the County pursuant to the RFQ shall belong exclusively to the County and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the *Virginia Freedom of Information Act*. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the *Virginia Freedom of Information Act*; however, the offeror must invoke the protections of *Virginia Code* 2.2-4342(F), in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. The classification of an entire quote document, line item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable.
- D. All costs of proposal preparation and presentation shall be borne by each offeror. The County is not liable for any cost incurred by the offeror prior to issuance of a contract.
- E. <u>AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS</u>: Pursuant to *Virginia Code* § 2.2-4311.2 and in accordance with Title 13.1, Title 50, or as otherwise required by law, a contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized by the State Corporation Commission to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity and shall maintain registration as current throughout the life of the awarded contract. Attachment C applies, an executed copy of which shall be included with your quote submission.

VII. EVALUATION AND CONTRACT AWARD:

- A. Timely received quotes will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth below.
- B. Basis for Contract Award: The Contract, if awarded, will be awarded to the Offeror whose proposal is considered to provide the best value to the County provided the offered quote is reasonable and is in the best interest of the County to accept it and subject to the County's right to reject any and all offers and to waive an informality in the offer. Evaluation will be based on price and price related factors, as well as technical criteria as follows:

Information will be evaluated and scored through the following methodology:

Proposals that meet all the mandatory qualifications as outlined above will be evaluated by the CACVB based on the following Selection Criteria:

| CRITERIA | POINT VALUE |
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| Technical evaluation consisting of: a. Demonstrated Experience Relevant tourism | |
| experience in performing services similar to those described above for similar | |
| destination clients with clear, demonstrated impact | 20 points |
| Quality of Approach & Performance Metrics: Thorough and creative plan proposed to accomplish Scope of Services with demonstrated ability to execute said proposal in a timely fashion. | |
| Your proposal must address each item listed above and a timeline for execution plan of action. | 25 points |
| Organizational capability :Commitment, capability and expertise of the specific | |
| staff to be assigned to this account | 15 points |
| Resources evaluation : Evaluation of the adequacy, appropriateness, effectiveness and | |
| reasonableness of the resources proposed by the firm to accomplish the scope of services and tasks set to | forth 20 points |
| Pricing :Evaluation of the cost proposed | 20 points |
| Total | 100 points |

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C. THE CONTRACT: The successful Offeror(s) shall be issued a County Prepared Purchase Order (PO) or may be awarded a contract in such form, terms and conditions if found at Attachment H hereto. A County PO must be accepted by the awardee or, when used in lieu of a PO, the County contract shall be signed by the parties as a requirement to receive an award pursuant to this solicitation. Any Offeror that requires, as policy of the Offeror, certain terms and conditions to be included in the contract shall provide such with the written proposal submission. Albemarle County Terms and Conditions shall take precedence over any conflicting Offeror terms and conditions. The County reserves the right to make multiple awards to multiple contractors, including awards at line item pricing levels, as determined to be to the best advantage to the County.

VIII. PRE-QUOTE CONFERENCE: N/A

IX. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

A. Refer to the General Terms and conditions located online at https://www.albemarle.org/government/finance-and-budget/procurement/general-terms-and-conditions

X. SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- A. <u>ADDITIONAL SITES</u>: The County of Albemarle reserves the right to add additional sites during the term of this contract as needed. When sites are added, all awarded Contractors will be contacted, and pricing will be requested. The additional site will be awarded to the contractor who submits the lowest pricing based on the requirements of that request. A contract modification will then be completed.
- B. <u>AUDIT</u>: The contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited by the County of Albemarle, whichever is sooner. The agency, its authorized agents, and/or the County of Albemarle shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during the said period.
- C. <u>AWARD TO MULTIPLE OFFERORS</u>: The County of Albemarle reserves the right to make multiple awards as a result of this solicitation. The award(s) will be made to the Offeror(s) meeting the requirements of the solicitation. The County of Albemarle reserves the right to conduct any tests it may deem advisable and to make all evaluations. The County of Albemarle also reserves the right to reject any or all offers, in whole or in part, to waive informalities and to delete items prior to making the award, whenever it is deemed in the sole opinion of the procuring public body to be in its best interest.
- D. ERROR IN EXTENSION OF PRICES: In the case of error in the extension of prices the unit price shall govern.
- E. <u>ORDERING OPTION</u>: The County of Albemarle, may during the first sixty (60) days after this contract is awarded, with the concurrence of the contractor, place additional orders under the contract at the original unit price through the issuance of separate purchase orders. The aggregate of such additional orders shall not exceed 100% of the quantity originally stated in the contract.
- F. <u>RENEWAL OF CONTRACT</u>: Contract shall be for One (1) Year beginning date of final execution with no renewal options.

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XI. <u>METHOD OF PAYMENT</u>: Invoices shall be submitted directly to the CACVB on a monthly basis, the awarded vendor will be paid within forty-five (45) days from the receipt of invoice after services are rendered and invoice approved by the CACVB.

XII <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>:

| ATTACHMENT A | Quotation Form |
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| ATTACHMENT B | Offeror Data Sheet |
| ATTACHMENT C | State Corporation Commission & Registered Agent Form |
| ATTACHMENT D | Certification of No Collusion |
| ATTACHMENT E | Not Used |
| ATTACHMENT F | Not Used |
| ATTACHMENT G | Proprietary/Confidential Information Identification |
| ATTACHMENT H | Contract Form/SAMPLE ONLY IF USED |

QUOTATION FORM

RFQ#: 2023-RFQ-4101710 Discover Black Charlottesville

| Research Based Marketing and Public Relations Strategy for Discover Black Charlottesville and Plan for overall CACVB Marketing and Public Relations Strategy. | \$Basis of Award |
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A County PO must be accepted by the awardee or, when used in lieu of a PO, the County contract shall be signed by the parties as a requirement to receive an award pursuant to this solicitation.

| Date: | | |
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| Company: | | |
| Printed Name: | | |
| Signature: | | |

ATTACHMENT B

OFFEROR DATA SHEET

Note: The following information is required as part of your response to this solicitation. Failure to complete and provide this sheet may result in finding your quotation nonresponsive.

| 1. | Qualifica requirem | cation: The vendor must have the capability and capacity in all respects to satisfy fully all of the contractual ments. | | |
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| 2. | Vendor's | Primary Contact: | | |
| | Nan | ne: | Phone: | |
| 3. | Years in | Business: Indicate the lea | ngth of time you have been in business providing this type of good or serv | rice: |
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| 4. | Vendor I | nformation: | | |
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| 5. | company | | four (4) current or recent accounts, either commercial or governmental, to has provided similar goods. Include the length of service and the name, of contact. | |
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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION & REGISTERED AGENT FORM

Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) registration information.

Code of Virginia § 13.1-757. A foreign corporation may not transact business in the Commonwealth until it obtains a certificate of authority from the Commission.

The Offeror:

| is a corporation or other business entity with the following Virginia SCC identification number:OR- |
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| is not a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust - OR - |
| is not required to obtain a certificate of authority from the Virginia SCC, pursuant to <i>Virginia Code</i> § 13.1-757(B) because its sole contact(s) with the Commonwealth consist(s) of: 1. □ Maintaining, defending, or settling any proceeding; 2. □ Holding meetings of the board of directors or shareholders or carrying on other activities concerning internal corporate affairs; 3. □ Maintaining accounts in financial institutions; 4. □ Maintaining offices or agencies for the transfer, exchange, and registration of the corporation's own securities or maintaining trustees or depositories with respect to those securities; 5. □ Selling through independent contractors; 6. □ Soliciting or obtaining orders, whether by mail or through employees or agents or otherwise, if the orders require acceptance outside this Commonwealth before they become contracts; 7. □ Creating or acquiring indebtedness, deeds of trust, and security interests in real or personal property; 8. □ Securing or collecting debts or enforcing deeds of trust and security interests in property securing the debts; and holding, protecting, or maintaining property so acquired; 9. □ Owning, protecting, and maintaining property; 10. □ Conducting an isolated transaction that is completed within 30 consecutive days and that is not one in the course of similar transactions; 11. □ For a period of less than 90 consecutive days, producing, directing, filming, crewing or acting in motion picture feature films, television series or commercials, or promotional films that are sent outside of the Commonwealth for processing, editing, marketing and distribution. The term "transacting business" as used in this subsection shall have no effect on personal jurisdiction under § 8.01-328.1; or 12. □ Serving, without more, as a general partner of, or as a partner in a partnership which is a general partner of, a domestic or foreign limited partnership that does not otherwise transact business in the Commonwealth; or |
| is an out-of-state business entity that is including with this bid <u>an opinion of legal counsel</u> which accurately and completely discloses the undersigned bidder's current contacts with Virginia and describes why those contacts do not constitute the transaction of business in Virginia within the meaning of § 13.1-757 or other similar provisions in Titles 13.1 or 50 of the Code of Virginia. Attach opinion of legal counsel to this form. |

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Attachment C

Registered Agent Information

| Please specify the Registered | Agent who will accept service of process on your l | behalf. |
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| Agent Name: | | |
| Physical Address (no Post O | fice Boxes): | |
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| I certify the accuracy of this | information. | |
| Signed: | Title: | Date: |

ATTACHMENT D

CERTIFICATION OF NO COLLUSION

| The undersigned, acting on behalf of | , does hereby certify in connection |
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| with the procurement and bid to which this Certification of N | to Collusion is attached that: |
| | on with another person engaged in the same line of business or t of fraud punishable under Article 1.1 of Chapter 12 of Title eq.) |
| | Signature of Company Representative |
| | Name of Company |
| | Date |
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| &18.2-498.4. Duty to provide certified statement. A. The Clocal government or any department or agency thereof, may business or commerce with it, or seeking, offering or agreeing | F VIRGINIA Commonwealth, or any department or agency thereof, and any require that any person seeking, offering or agreeing to transact g to receive any portion of the public funds or moneys, submit a g thereon is not the result of, or affected by, any act of collusion commerce, or any act of fraud punishable under this article. |
| B. Any person required to submit a certified statement as pro statement shall be guilty of a Class 6 felony. (1980, c.472) | vided in paragraph A above who knowingly makes a false |
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| Attachment D | |

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ATTACHMENT G

PROPRIETARY/CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION IDENTIFICATION

| Name of Firm/Offeror: | |
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Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, the offeror must invoke the protections of § 2.2-4342F of the Code of Virginia, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected including the section of the proposal in which it is contained and the page numbers, and state reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures or paragraphs that constitute trade secrets or proprietary information. In addition, a summary of proprietary information shall be submitted on this form. The classification of an entire proposal document, line item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable.

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«City», «State» «PostalCode»

[corporate status, as confirmed by SCC] (i.e. "a Virginia Corporation" or "a [name of state] Partnership, (Contractor)

COUNTY OF ALBEMARLE, VIRGINIA, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, 401 McIntire Road Albemarle, Virginia 22902 (County)

This Agreement (the "Agreement" or "Contract") made and entered into on this ____* day of _____* of 2018, between the Contractor as identified above and the County, collectively, the Parties, hereby agree, in consideration of the mutual covenants and stipulations set forth below:

- 1. <u>Scope of Work</u>: Contractor agrees to perform such goods or services as specified in the County [Request for Proposals/Invitation for Bids] [RFP/IFB] # [20XX-XXXXX-XX] documentation, and said [RFP/IFB] is hereby incorporated in its entirety by reference and made a part of this Agreement. The detailed scope of work for this contract is included herewith as Exhibit A.
- 2. <u>Incorporation of Documents and Order of Precedence</u>: To the extent that it does not conflict with the terms of this agreement or the [RFP/IFB], the Contractor's proposal/bid, dated [month day, year], is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Agreement. In the event that a conflict or ambiguity exists or is created between this Agreement, the [RFP/IFB], or Contractor's proposal/bid, the terms of this Agreement first and the [RFP/IFB] second, if necessary, shall govern and supersede any such conflicting or ambiguous terms.
- 3. Payment/Consideration Schedule: In consideration of the work to be performed by Contractor, as set forth in the section entitled, "Scope of Work," the County agrees to pay Contractor for completed and accepted work as ordered under this Contract upon receipt of a valid invoice and, if not subject to a contract claim or claim for additional compensation as described herein, as determined by the County. A valid invoice shall be an invoice submitted for completed and accepted work and shall include detailed hours worked under each rate category, each hour of equipment used, and the rates for each of the forgoing in accordance with Contract Exhibit B, attached hereto. Prior to start of work, Contractor will provide and the Parties shall agree to a not-to-exceed proposal for any project when requested by the County. The not-to-exceed proposal shall include estimated, detailed hours worked under each rate category, estimated hours for each category of equipment, [and the rates for each of the forgoing in accordance with contract Exhibit B, attached hereto.] [Detailed pricing and maximum liability to the County for this Agreement is included herewith as Exhibit B.]
- 4. <u>Term</u>: The County's requirements of the products/services hereinafter specified are for the term of date of contract award and terminating 365 [or such completion date or period as determined by the solicitation/requirements] days after contract award, [with optional renewal clause for up to four (4) additional one (1) year terms. Renewal shall not be automatic, and any and all extensions shall by written agreement and signed by both parties in the same manner as the Agreement was executed.]
- 5. <u>Non-Appropriation</u>: The continuation of the terms, conditions, and provisions of this Agreement beyond June 30 of any year, the end of the County's fiscal year, are subject to its approval and ratification by the County and appropriation by them of the necessary money to fund said contract for each succeeding year. In the event funds are not appropriated and budgeted in any fiscal year for

payments due under this Agreement, the County shall immediately notify Contractor of such occurrence, and this Agreement shall terminate on the last day of the fiscal year for which appropriations were received without penalty or expense to the County of any kind whatsoever.

- 6. <u>Preconditions to Obligation</u>: It is understood and agreed between the parties to this contract that the County shall not be obligated to purchase or pay for materials by such contract unless and until they are ordered and delivered, and that quantities may be increased or decreased as required.
- 7. <u>Faith-based Organizations</u>: County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations in accordance with Code of Virginia §2.2-4343.1.
- 8. Nondiscrimination: During the performance of this contract, Contractor agrees as follows:
 - A. Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of Contractor. Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this Nondiscrimination clause.
 - B. Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Contractor, will state that Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - C. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
 - D. Contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs A, B, and C in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- 9. <u>Drug-Free Workplace</u>: During the performance of this contract, pursuant to Virginia Code Section § 2.2-4312, Contractor agrees to:
 - A. Provide a drug-free workplace for Contractor's employees.
 - B. Post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
 - C. State in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Contractor that Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace.
 - D. Include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- 10. <u>Compliance with Immigration Laws</u>: Contractor agrees that he does not and shall not during the performance of this Agreement knowingly employ an unauthorized alien as defined in the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, in accordance with the Code of Virginia, §2.2-4311.1.
- 11. <u>Business Entity Registration</u>. Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-4311.2, Contractor shall be registered and authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 or as otherwise required by law. Contractor shall submit proof of such registration to the County. Additionally, Contractor shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required under Title 13.1 or Title 50, to be revoked or canceled at any time during the term of the Agreement.
- 12. <u>Compliance with All Laws</u>: Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter adopted, in the performance of scope of work set forth herein. Contractor represents that it possesses all necessary licenses and permits required

- to conduct its business and will acquire any additional licenses and permits necessary for performance of this Agreement prior to the initiation of work.
- 13. <u>Business License Requirement</u>: If Contractor is a business located in Albemarle County, Virginia or at any time during the performance of this Agreement obtains situs for purposes of business license taxes, it shall be unlawful for such business to conduct or engage in such business, trade, or occupation without having first obtained the proper license from the Albemarle County Department of Finance. Contractor covenants that it has a business license where one is required to perform this Agreement.
- 14. <u>Non-Assignment</u>: All of the conditions and provisions in this Agreement shall extend to and bind the legal representatives, successors and assigns of the respective parties. Neither party to the Agreement shall assign or transfer their interest in the contract without the prior written consent of the other, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 15. Audit: The Contractor shall maintain full and accurate records with respect to all matters covered under the Agreement including, without limitation, accounting records, written policies and procedures, time records, telephone records, reproduction cost records, travel and living expense records and any other supporting evidence necessary to substantiate charges related to the Agreement. Contractor's records shall be open to inspection and subject to audit and/or reproduction, during normal working hours by the County and its employees, agents or authorized representatives to the extent necessary to adequately permit evaluation and verification of any invoices, payments, or claims submitted by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. Such records subject to examination shall also include, without limitation, those allocations as they may apply to costs associated with the contract. The County's employees, agents, or authorized representatives shall have access to the Contractor's facilities, shall have access to all necessary records, and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space, in order to conduct audits in compliance with this paragraph.
- 16. Termination with Cause: In the event that Contractor shall for any reason or through any cause be in default of the terms of this Agreement, the County may give Contractor written notice of such default by certified mail/return receipt requested at the address set forth in Section 20 herein. Unless otherwise provided, Contractor shall have ten (10) days from the date such notice is mailed in which to cure the default. Upon failure of Contractor to cure the default, County may immediately cancel and terminate this Agreement as of the mailing date of the default notice. Upon termination, Contractor shall withdraw its personnel and equipment, cease performance of any further work under the Agreement, and turn over to the County any work in process for which payment has been made. In the event of violations of law, safety or health standards and regulations, this Agreement may be immediately cancelled and terminated by County, and provisions herein with respect to opportunity to cure default shall not be applicable.
- 17. <u>Termination without Cause</u>: The County may at any time, and for any reason, terminate this Agreement by written notice to Contractor specifying the termination date, which shall be not less than thirty (30) days from the date such notice is mailed. In the event of such termination, Contractor shall be paid such amount as shall compensate Contractor for the work satisfactorily completed, and accepted by County, at the time of termination. If County terminates this Agreement without cause, Contractor shall withdraw its personnel and equipment, cease performance of any further work under this Agreement, and turn over to County any work completed or in process for which payment has been made.
- 18. <u>Choice of Laws and Venue</u>: This Agreement shall be governed by the provisions hereof and by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, excepting the law governing conflicts of laws. Disputes arising out of this Agreement shall be resolved in the courts of the Commonwealth of Virginia in and for Albemarle County.
- 19. <u>Indemnification and Hold Harmless</u>: It is understood and agreed that Contractor hereby assumes the entire responsibility and liability for any and all damages to persons or property caused by or

resulting from or arising out of any act or omission on the part of Contractor, its subcontractors, agents, or employees under or in connection with this Agreement or the performance or failure to perform any work required by this Agreement. Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County and its agents, volunteers, servants, employees, and officials from and against any and all claims, losses, or expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses suffered by any indemnified party or entity as the result of claims or suits due to, arising out of or in connection with (a) any and all such damages, real or alleged, (b) the violation of any law applicable to this Agreement, and (c) the performance of the work by Contractor or those for whom Contractor is legally liable. Upon written demand by the County, Contractor shall assume and defend at Contractor's sole expense any and all such suits or defense of claims made against the City, its agents, volunteers, servants, employees, or officials.

20. <u>Notices</u>: All notices and requests required or permitted hereunder shall be sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, and to be effective, shall be postmarked not later than the final date for giving of such notice, or such notices may be sent by commercial messenger service, in which event, to be effective, such notices shall be delivered to a commercial messenger service not later than the final date for giving such notice.

Notices for County shall be addressed as follows:

[name of your project manager]
[Name of school, department, or division]
[street/mailing address]
[Charlottesville, VA 22902]

With a copy to:

Allison McNally Purchasing Agent 401 McIntire Rd. Charlottesville, VA 22902

Notices for Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

[Contractor responsible party name] [Contractor Business Name] [street/mailing address] [City, State, zip]

Such addresses may be changed at any time and from time to time by like written notice given by either party to the other.

- 21. <u>Entire Agreement</u>: This Agreement and the documents incorporated by reference and included expressly as Exhibits to this Agreement constitute the entire agreement between the Parties. This Agreement supersedes all prior written or oral agreements or proposals between the parties, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may not be modified except in a writing signed by both parties that is expressly stated to be an amendment hereto.
- 22. <u>Independent Contractor</u>: Contractor shall agree and covenant that it is and shall be at all times, an independent contractor and, as such, shall have and maintain complete control over all of its employees and operations. Neither the Contractor nor anyone employed by it shall be, represent, act, purport to act, or be deemed to be an agent, representative, employee or servant of the County. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to absolve or otherwise limit the Contractor's liability and responsibility to safely and correctly perform its duties under this Agreement.
- 23. Waiver: No failure of County to exercise any right or power given to it by law or by this

Agreement or to insist upon strict compliance by Contractor with any of the provisions of this Agreement, and no custom or practice of the parties at variance with the terms hereof, shall constitute a waiver of the County's right to demand strict compliance with the terms of this Agreement.

- 24. <u>Interpretation</u>: Whenever the context hereof shall require, the singular shall include the plural, the plural the singular, and the use of any gender shall be applicable to all genders.
- 25. <u>Severability</u>: The provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to be severable, and should any one or more of such provisions be declared or adjudged to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be unaffected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.
- 26. <u>Cooperative Procurement</u>: This Agreement was awarded in accordance with Section 2.2-4304 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA), and in accordance with the Purchasing Manual of Albemarle County and the County. The procurement was conducted on behalf of the County and other public bodies. Therefore, pursuant to Code Section 2.2-4304, other public bodies and agencies shall have the right to utilize the provisions of the Agreement. However, when other public bodies and agencies utilize the contract, Contractor must establish a separate contractual relationship between it and the other party. Under no circumstances shall the County be a party to or incur any obligations or responsibilities, contractual or otherwise, in association with these contractual agreements between the Contractor and another public body or agency.
- 27. Contract Claims by Contractor: Prompt knowledge by the County of an existing or impending claim for damages or other relief may alter the plans, scheduling, or other action of the County and/or result in mitigation or elimination of the effects of the claim. Therefore, a written statement providing the County with notice of the Contractor's intention to file a claim which (i) describes the act or omission by the County or its agents that the Contractor contends caused it damages or entitles it to other relief; and (ii) provides a description of the nature and amount of the claim. Such written statement shall be submitted to the Purchasing Office of the Albemarle County Department of Finance within 20 days of the time of the occurrence or beginning of the work upon which the claim is based; provided, however, if such damage is deemed certain in the opinion of the Contractor to result from its acting on an order from the County, it shall immediately take written exception to the order. For purposes of this provision, "claim" shall include, without limitation, any request for an increase in the Agreement price or time and any request for equitable adjustment. Submission of a notice of claim as specified shall be mandatory, and failure to submit such notice shall be a conclusive waiver to such claim for damages or other relief by the Contractor. Neither an oral notice or statement, nor an untimely notice or statement will be sufficient to satisfy the requirements herein. The County will review the claim and render a final decision in writing within thirty (30) days of receipt of Contractor's written request for a final decision. Such decision shall be final and binding to the fullest extent allowed by law.
- 28. Claims for Extra Compensation: If Contractor encounters work and services not included in this Agreement or any supplement thereto but which in the opinion of Contractor is necessary for the successful completion of the Agreement and requires extra compensation, Contractor shall, before it begins the work on which it bases its claim, promptly notify the Purchasing Office of the Albemarle County Department of Finance in writing of its intention to perform the work and to make claim for extra compensation. Notification by Contractor under the terms of this paragraph shall not be construed as proving the validity of the claim. No claim for extra compensation will be filed or considered unless notification is given as herein set forth. Upon notification, the County shall promptly review any claim for extra compensation. If a claim is accepted by the County, it shall be paid as extra work in accordance with the terms of a supplemental agreement executed by the parties before such work is begun. The amounts claimed as extra compensation by Contractor shall be separately itemized, become a part of the claim, and serve as documentation thereto. The amounts itemized shall be in sufficient detail to enable the County to analyze the need for the extra work and the costs claimed for the work.

- Payments to Subcontractors: In accordance with Virginia Code Section 2.2-4354 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act, the Contractor shall make payment to all subcontractors, as defined in the Code, within seven (7) days after receipt of payment from the County; or, shall notify the County and the subcontractor in writing of the intention to withhold all or part of the amount due with the reason for nonpayment. In the event payment is not made as noted, the Contractor shall pay interest at the rate of one percent (1%) per month unless otherwise provided in the contract to the subcontractor on all amounts that remain unpaid after seven (7) days except for the amounts withheld as provided herein. These same requirements shall be included in each subcontract and shall be applicable to each lower-tier subcontractor. The Contractor shall provide the County with its social security number or federal taxpayer identification number prior to any payment being made under this Agreement.
- 30. <u>Insurance</u>: Contractor agrees to secure and maintain in full force and effect at all times during the term of this Agreement, the following policies of insurance:
 - A. Workers' Compensation Insurance of not less than \$500,000.
 - B. Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, including contractual liability and products and completed operations liability coverages, in an amount not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limits (CSL).
 - C. Automobile Liability Insurance including coverage for non-owned and hired vehicles in an amount not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limits (CSL).
 - D. Errors and Omissions (Professional Liability) Insurance at limits not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000). [NOTE: Delete if not needed.]

All policies of insurance required herein shall be written by insurance companies licensed to conduct the business of insurance in Virginia and acceptable to the County, and shall carry the provision that the insurance will not be cancelled or materially modified without thirty days (30) prior written notice to the County. In certain cases, where coverage is unavailable through licensed carriers, certificates of insurance written by a Surplus Lines Carrier authorized by the Virginia State Corporation Commission to transact the business of insurance in Virginia and acceptable to the County may be approved. Contractor shall furnish the County with certificate of insurance showing Contractor's compliance with the foregoing requirements.

For all insurance coverage except Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability, the School Board and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers must be named as additional insureds and shall be so endorsed to the policy or policies.

- 31. Payment/Performance Bonds: Contractor shall furnish to the County a payment bond and a performance bond in conformity with Va. Code § 2.2-4337 and/or 2.2-4339 [choose one-then delete this note] each payable to the County and each in the sum of the Agreement amount. The performance bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement in strict conformity with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, and the payment bond shall be conditioned upon the prompt payment for all such material furnished or labor supplied or performed in the prosecution of the work. Each of the bonds shall be executed by one or more surety companies selected by Contractor which are licensed and legally authorized to conduct the business of insurance, including surety, within the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 32. <u>School Contractor Certification</u>: Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 22.1-296.1, Contractor and agrees and certifies by his signature below that any and all persons who will provide services for or on behalf of the Contractor on public school property have not been convicted of a felony; any offense involving the sexual molestation, physical or sexual abuse or rape of a child; or any offense for which registration is required as defined in Virginia Code Section 9.1-902. Contractor hereby agrees that this Certification shall be binding throughout the contract term and that it will provide immediate notice to the County of Albemarle and the Albemarle County of any event that renders this certification untrue.

Contractor hereby acknowledges that any person making a materially false statement regarding any

such offense shall be guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, the fact of such conviction shall be grounds for the revocation of this Agreement and, when relevant, the revocation of any license required to provide such services.

33. Other:

| <u>COUNTY'S ACCEPTANCE</u> | CONTRACTOR'S ACCEPTANCE |
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| County of Albemarle County, Virginia | «Company» |
| SIGNATURE | SIGNATURE |
| NAME (type/print) Allison McNally | NAME (type/print) |
| TITLE Purchasing Agent | TITLE |
| DATE | DATE |
| NOTARY CERTIFICATE FOR CONTRACTOR | |
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| , a | e thisday of, 20, by, of corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He/She is |
| personally known to be or has produced | as proper identification. |
| | Notary Public |
| My Commission expires: My Registration Number: | |