

CITY OF DETROIT OFFICE OF CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP NO. 185608,1

Audio & Video Production Services for Small Scale Events (Tier I)

Buyer: Leonard Jones

EVENT / ACTIVITY	DUE DATE / TIME
ADVERTISEMENT DATE	March 11, 2025
PRE-PROPOSAL	Monday, March 31, 2025, at 2:00 PM
CONFERENCE	EST.
	Location: Teams Meeting
Microsoft Teams Need help?	
Join the meeting now	
Meeting ID: 265 981 879 946	
Passcode: Nw9yn6AD	
Dial in by phone	
+1 469-998-6602,,773623351# United States, Dallas	
Find a local number	
Phone conference ID: 773 623 351#	
QUESTIONS DUE	All questions must be submitted online in
QCDSTTOTIS DOL	the Supplier Portal as indicated in Section
	3.3 of this RFP.
ANSWERS DISTRIBUTED	24hrs.
PROPOSAL DUE DATE *	Monday, April 14, 2025 @ 4:00PM EST
	In the Supplier Portal as specified in
	Section 4.5 of this RFP.

^{*} Respondents must register in Oracle to download bid documents and submit bids. The City cannot guarantee the accuracy of any bid documents obtained from outside of Oracle, and bids submitted outside of Oracle will not be accepted. Detailed resources about registering and bidding, including video tutorials and live, virtual office hours, are available at www.detroitmi.gov/suppliersupport.

Questions about the specifics of this RFP must be asked within the

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Proposals must be uploaded in <u>Oracle</u> on or prior to the date and time indicated above. Late and/or emailed proposals will not be accepted.

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Section 1. Project Summary and Background

1.1. PROJECT REQUEST

The City of Detroit Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP), on behalf of the Media Services Department request proposals from qualified Respondents to render certain technical or professional services ("Services") as set forth in this RFP, to provide Audio & Video Production and Rental Equipment Services for Small Scale Events (Tier I).

1.2. BACKGROUND/DESCRIPTION OF ENVIRONMENT

The types of events for small scale audio & video production services include Assessor's Board of Review and Community Meetings. These events may be held in hot or cold weather conditions and inside or outside locations.

1.3. AWARD CLAUSE INCLUDING RENEWAL OPTIONS

If a contract is awarded as a result of this RFP, it will be a City of Detroit <u>Professional Services</u> <u>Contract</u> (Attachment E). The term of the contract will be for (3) three years with an option for (2) two one-year renewal options. Any renewal option exercised under this contract is effective only after the approval of the Detroit City Council and signed by the Chief Procurement Officer. The City anticipates one or multiple awards as a result of the RFP.

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Section 2. Statement of Work

2.1. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED

Tier I

Assessor Board of Review meetings typically occur over a span of (25) to (30) days within a period of 1 to 2 months. During this time, 2 to 4 meetings are scheduled each day, all starting at the same time, but taking place at various designated locations across the area. It is essential that staff members are available and present at these meetings to ensure a smooth review process, facilitate discussions, and address any inquiries or concerns that arise from the participants. This structured schedule allows for thorough assessments while accommodating the availability of both staff and community members. Events can be held at churches, community rooms, recreation centers, restaurants, City Hall, and gymnasiums. Attendance ranges from 1 – 100.

Audio/Video Equipment Services Requirements:

- Must be available to provide audio/video equipment services with a two-hour notice.
- Must be able to conduct an on-site walk-through within one hour to assess setup and audio/video needs.
- Must provide a laptop/Mac and/or desktop with a 200-foot range, a clicker, and an internet gateway for presentations at Town Halls, the Mayor's offices, City Council, and Assessor's Community Meetings.
- Must handle audio setup for 1 to 16 microphones, including handheld, wireless, lavalier, and/or headset options. Wireless microphones must have a range of up to 200 feet and provide professional sound quality.

Additional Requirements:

- Must have the necessary resources to fulfill tasks specified in Tiers I.
- Must be available for questions or changes to job specifications with one-hour notice.
- Must provide cabling and broadcasting equipment at town hall and community meetings.
- Must have equipment in place, ready, and tested two hours before the start of the event.
- Must supply a variety of projector screen sizes suitable for 4x3 and 16x9 formats, accommodating audiences from 1 to 100 people.
- Must supply a 6K-14K projector for presentations in 4x3 and 16x9 formats. Projectors should be either rear or front views, as Media Services requires.

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- Must supply high-quality wireless microphones that ensure professional sound.
- Must provide speakers capable of covering room sizes from 1 to 100 people.
- Must be able to resolve any technical issues on-site quickly and professionally.
- Must provide LED lighting for events when necessary.
- Must offer 70'-80' HD video monitors for viewing if needed.
- Must provide draping or curtains for events as needed.
- Must be on site for the entire duration of the event.
- Must handle outdoor press conferences and meetings and provide a generator for electricity.
- Must supply necessary audio/video equipment, including podiums, microphone stands, speaker stands, and easels.
- Must maintain a professional appearance in the setup of audio/video presentations.
- Must have a successful track record in organizing press conferences and town hall meetings.
- Provide a wireless network for events, capable of monitoring connectivity for up to 100 people.

2.2. OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

Awarded Contractor(s) will work closely with City agency staff. The Respondent is expected to provide service in accordance with the terms of the contract executed under the rules, regulations, and supervision of the City.

2.3. TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Requirements for Event AV Services:

- Must be able to provide HDMI, SDI, VGA, XLR, DA, and any other requested cabling for broadcast equipment at press conferences and events.
- Must have a press Multi Box available for requested events, accommodating up to 24 press feeds.
- Must provide Wi-Fi access

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- Must offer an uplink truck/downlink trailer with access to satellite feeds for special events from Media Services.
- Must provide projector screens ranging from 8 to 16 feet that support 4x3 and 16x9 formats, suitable for audiences from 1 to 100 people. This includes both rear and front viewing screens, which must be draped properly upon request.
- Must supply speakers with microphone stands capable of handling events with audiences from 1 to 100 people. Each speaker must be at least 1,000 watts adjustable based on the event's needs.
- Must provide LED lighting for events as needed, capable of illuminating spaces for audiences ranging from 1 to 100 people.
- Must be able to provide professional draping or curtains for events when required.
- Must be able to provide digital 16 to 24 track mixers for events.
- Must have an HD/SDI switcher with at least 8 inputs, along with audio/video DAs, a scope, multi-viewer, transcoders, and a router.
- Must be able to set up and manage Zoom meeting functionality on-site, ensuring seamless video conferencing capabilities for citizens by establishing and facilitating Zoom meetings upon request.
- Must be capable of live streaming on all social media platforms, providing a separate camera feed for Instagram.
- Must have ENG cameras, Steadicam, Jib Camera Crane, and aerial drone equipment available upon request for production needs. ENG cameras should have a minimum 21x zoom lens and include tripods with wheels.
- Must provide Spider Pods upon request.
- Must offer HD Rattler fiber transceivers/receivers upon request.
- Must provide a teleprompter monitor upon request.
- Must supply wireless headsets for communication with camera operators.

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Section 3. Proposal Evaluation and Selection Process

3.1. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Proposals will only be accepted from those firms demonstrating a minimum of (3) three years of experience providing the services requested in the RFP for projects of a similar scope and size.

3.2. ADHERENCE TO TERMS OF PROPOSALS

A proposal once accepted by the City of Detroit may become a binding contractual obligation of the Respondent. The failure of a successful Respondent to accept this obligation and to adhere to the terms of the Respondent's proposal may result in rejection of the proposal and the cancellation of any provisional award to the respondent. Respondents are not permitted to take advantage of any errors or omissions in specifications since full instructions will be given should they be discovered before the bid submission date.

3.3. QUESTION DEADLINE

All questions regarding the RFP shall be submitted through the Supplier Portal no later than the time and date specified on the Cover Page. In the interest of transparency, only written questions will be accepted. Answers to questions will be posted within the Supplier Portal. The City of Detroit does not guarantee a response to questions submitted after the question deadline.

Should a Respondent be in doubt as to the true meaning of any portion of this RFP or find any patent ambiguity, inconsistency, or omission herein, the Respondent must make a written request for an official interpretation or correction in accordance with the instructions for submitting questions as specified in this RFP.

Respondents are advised that no oral interpretation, information or instruction by an officer or employee of the City of Detroit shall be binding upon the City of Detroit.

Respondents requesting changes to the RFPs terms and conditions, specifications, quantities, etc.; or if clarifications are needed, must make the request in writing by the stated bid submission deadline.

3.4. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Qualifications & Experience

25 Points

- Please provide a detailed explanation of three (3) similar scopes of work and projects completed within the past three (3) years. For each project, include the following information:
 - Project name:
 - Subject matter:
 - o Services provided:
 - o Location:

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- Additionally, please provide at least three (3) references for the media services rendered.
- Also, identify the key personnel who will be working on the project and include their resumes, qualifications, organizational charts, and any relevant certifications.

Capacity 25 Point

- Please provide an inventory list of all **owned** audio and video equipment, as well as vehicles, that will be used for media services.
- Ability to Perform the Required Services:
 - Please outline a detailed implementation plan demonstrating your approach to fulfilling the needs specified in the Scope of Work.

Cost Proposal 15 Points

Technical Proposals will be evaluated before Cost Proposals are reviewed.

Proposal Evaluation Criteria	Possible Points
1. Qualifications & Experience	25 points
2. Capacity	25 points
3. Cost Proposal	15 points
Total Points Possible	65

PHASE TWO CRITERIA – PRIME CONTRACTOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Proposal Evaluation Criteria	Possible Points
Detroit headquartered business	15 points
2. Detroit based business	5 points
Total Points Possible	15

Maximum points for phase two not to exceed fifteen (15) points.

PHASE THREE CRITERIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & CONTRACT PERFORMANCE OF PRIME AND SUBCONTRACTOR(S)

Proposal Evaluation Criteria	Possible Points
Detroit headquartered business	20 points
2. Detroit based business	10 points
Total Points Possible	20

Maximum points for phase three not to exceed twenty (20) points.

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Following the receipt of proposals, a City designated Evaluation Committee will evaluate each response. All PROPOSALS, which meet the required format of this RFP, will be evaluated. Any proposals determined to be non-responsive to the specifications or other requirements of the RFP, including instructions governing submission and format, will be disqualified unless the City determines, in its sole discretion, that non-compliance is not substantial or that an alternative proposed by the Respondent is acceptable.

The City may also at its discretion request oral presentations, make site visits at Respondent's facility and may request a demonstration of Respondent's operations. If scheduled, a final determination will be made after the oral presentations and/or demonstrations are complete.

The City may also at its sole discretion, elect to rank order the qualified proposals, and negotiate with some limited number of the highest scored qualified respondents. A final determination would include the cumulative inputs of this evaluation procedure. All decisions reached by the Evaluation Committee will be by consensus.

Any of the additional data specs and standards described in Section 2.3 that are met will be factored positively into the overall score.

3.6. ORAL PRESENTATION/DEMONSTRATION

The City reserves the right, at its own discretion, to request oral presentations regarding proposals submitted in response to the RFP. Failure to make an oral presentation will be grounds for rejection of your proposal. Respondents will be notified by the Office of Contracting and Procurement of the date, time and location for oral presentations.

3.7. REJECTIONS, MODIFICATIONS, CANCELLATIONS

The City of Detroit expressly reserves the right to:

- 1) accept or reject, in whole or in part, any and all proposals received;
- 2) waive any non-conformity;
- 3) re-advertise for proposals;
- 4) withhold the award for any reason the City determines;
- 5) cancel and/or postpone the request for proposals, in part or in its entirety, and/or,
- 6) take any other appropriate action that is in the best interest of the City.

This RFP does not commit to the City of Detroit to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of a proposal under this request, or to procure or contract for services.

3.8. PROTESTS

Protests can be filed with the Office of Procurement. Interested parties aggrieved by a solicitation or the award of any resulting contract may file written notice of protest to the following:

City of Detroit Chief Procurement Officer 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1008 Detroit, MI 48226 "Procurement Protest"

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At a minimum, such protests shall include:

- 1) name of protestor.
- 2) solicitation/contract number and description; and
- 3) statement of grounds for protest (reference specific text in the solicitation, bid or contract document that is at issue).

The decision of the Chief Procurement Officer and/or the Department Director are final and is not subject to appeal.

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Section 4. Required Proposal Content and Submission Process

4.1. ACCURACY AND COMPLETENESS OF INFORMATION

All information pertaining to the prospective respondent's approach in meeting the requirements of the RFP shall be organized and presented in the prospective respondent's proposal. The instructions contained in this RFP must be strictly followed.

Accuracy and completeness are essential. Omissions and ambiguous or equivocal statements will be viewed unfavorably and may be considered in the evaluation. Since all or a portion of the successful proposal may be incorporated into any ensuing contract, all prospective respondents are further cautioned not to make any claims or statements that cannot be subsequently included in a legally binding agreement.

4.2. REQUIRED PROPOSAL CONTENT AND FORMAT

To be considered responsive, each proposal must, at a minimum, respond to the following RFP sections in their entirety, responses must be uploaded in the Supplier Portal along with the Affidavit of Disclosure Interests Form and Non-Collusion Affidavit found under requirements section of the of RFP#185608,1:

Req	uired Response Item		
1.	Letter of Transmittal		
	The prospective respondent's proposal shall include a letter of transmittal signed by an		
	individual or individuals authorized to bind the prospective respondent contractually. The		
	letter must state that the proposal will remain firm for a period of one hundred twenty		
	(120) days from its due date and thereafter until the prospective respondent withdraws it,		
	or a contract is executed, or the procurement is terminated by the City of Detroit,		
	whichever occurs first.		
2.	. Attachment A – Respondent Questionnaire		
	Respondent shall provide their Proposal Introduction and Experience / Capacity &		
	Staffing, according to the requirements provided in Attachment A.		
3.	Attachment B – Proposal Introduction and Solution / Approach		
	Respondent shall provide their Proposal Introduction and Solution / Approach, per the		
	requirements provided in Attachment B.		
4.	Attachment C – Pricing		
	Respondent shall provide their Pricing proposal, per the requirements provided in		
	Attachment C.		
5.	Attachment D – Forms, Affidavits and Documents- Award Winners Only		
	Respondent will be required to provide their completed Forms, Affidavits, Insurance and		
	Documents, if they are selected as the award winner provided in Attachment D.		
6.	Attachment E – Model Professional Services Contract		
	Respondent shall provide for their agreement to the Model Professional Services Contract		
	or note any exceptions provided in Attachment E.		

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4.3. REQUIRED COST PROPOSAL

Respondents are requested to make a firm cost proposal to the City of Detroit, through the completion of **Attachment** C. If a contract is entered into as a result of this RFP, it will be a contract for fees as related to providing all requested services, with a price not to exceed the total price quoted in the proposal. The City of Detroit reserves the right to select proposals from the most responsible Respondents with the most reasonable costs. The City reserves the right to select one or more firms to perform all or separate parts of this function.

4.4. ECONOMY OF PREPARATION

Proposals should be prepared simply and economically providing a straightforward, concise description of the Respondent's ability to meet the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be on the completeness and clarity of content.

4.5. SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

All proposals <u>must</u> be submitted through the Supplier Portal. Each Respondent is responsible for ensuring that its proposal is received by the City on a timely basis. **Faxed or mailed proposals will not be accepted.**

Firms shall not distribute their proposals to any other City office or City employee. Proposals received become the property of the City. The City is not responsible for any costs associated with preparation or submission of proposals. All proposals submitted by the due date will be recorded in the Supplier Portal. Responses received will not be available for review. Proposals received will be subject to disclosure under the state of Michigan's Freedom of Information Act. An officer of the company authorized to bind the company to a contractual obligation with the City must sign the proposals in the Supplier Portal. The successful respondent will receive an award letter. Respondents who are not awarded will receive a notification that the award decision has been made.

E-Procurement Open Assistance Sessions Learning How to Navigate Oracle To join E-Procurement experts for Oracle demonstrations and Q&A pick one of the time slots			
Virtual Learning Session (30 min. each)	Day & Time Option 1	Day & Time Option 2	
Supplier Registration	Mondays, 10:30 AM	Thursdays, 1:00 PM	
Supplier Profile Updates	Mondays, 11:30 AM	Thursdays, 1:30 PM	
Responding to Bids	Mondays, 9:30 AM	Fridays, 9:30 AM	
Invoicing	Tuesdays, 1:30 PM	Fridays, 11:30 AM	
Online Office Hours (General)	Tuesdays, 3:00 PM	Wednesdays, 9:30 AM	

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Section 5. General Conditions and Requirements for RFP

5.1. CONTRACT APPROVAL

Upon contract award, the City and the successful Respondent shall execute a professional services contract, which shall contain all contractual terms and conditions in a form provided by the City. No contract shall become effective until the contract has been approved by the required City Departments and Detroit City Council and signed by the City of Detroit Chief Procurement Officer. Prior to the completion of this approval process, the successful Respondent shall have no authority to begin work under the contract. The Chief Financial Officer shall not authorize any payments to the successful Respondent prior to such approvals; nor shall the City incur any liability to reimburse the successful Respondent regarding any expenditure for the purchase of materials or the payment of services.

5.2. PAYMENT

All properly executed invoices submitted by the successful Respondent will be paid in accordance with the City of Detroit Prompt Payment Ordinance.

5.3. INVOICES

Vendors must be registered in City of Detroit Vendor Portal and be a registered vendor with the City of Detroit to submit invoices and receive payments. Go to http://www.detroitmi.gov/Supplier to register.

AUTHORIZATION TO COMMENCE WORK OR SHIP GOODS – READ CAREFULLY!!!

Contractors may begin work or ship goods upon receipt of the required authorization, which is the CPA (Contract Purchase Agreement), in addition to SPO (Standard Purchase Order), from Procurement.

The CPA (City Council Approved and Awarded Contract Purchase Agreement) alone is NOT authorization to begin work! NO letter of Intent, or Letter to Commence Work will be issued. **Work commencing without issuance of the SPO is subject to Payment Delays and/or Non-Payment! **

Required vendor steps to invoice:

- 1) Invoices should NOT be uploaded until the Contractor receives confirmation of review and approval from the City of Detroit.
- 2) Vendors should submit their invoices via City of Detroit Vendor Portal. Portal invoice amount and creation date must match the date on attached invoice. Please follow the below invoice requirements:

Invoice MUST contain or have as attachment:

- Vendor Name and address on Invoice
- Contact Info on Invoice (Accounts Receivable contact with phone and email)
- Remittance information (MUST be included, or the invoice is subject to rejection

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- City of Detroit contact (person who authorized work to commence)
- Invoice Date
- Date of service/delivery
- Contract number
- Purchase order number
- Total Invoice amount
- The wording "Goods/Services" (must be noted on every invoice)

Other invoice requirements:

- Invoice must be billed based on Purchase Order rates
- Total invoice amount must tie to the total supporting documents
- Supporting documentation must be attached to the invoice in the portal

Terms are standard NET 30 Days, unless otherwise negotiated, and start from the invoice receipt date, provided that the invoice is submitted timely to our AP department with the necessary supporting documentation.

If you need payment assistance, please contact the Office of Departmental Financial Services (ODFS) 313-410-7804.

5.4. ASSIGNMENT

The services to be performed by the successful Respondent shall not be assigned, sublet, or transferred, nor shall the successful Respondent assign any monies due or to become due to him under any contract entered into with the City pursuant to these specifications, without prior written approval of the City.

5.5. MODIFICATION OF SERVICES AFTER CONTRACT APPROVAL

The City reserves the right to modify the services provided by the successful Respondent awarded a contract. Any modification and resulting changes in pricing shall be made by amendment to the contract by the successful Respondent and the City.

5.6. NEWS RELEASE

News releases pertaining to these proposal specifications or the provisions to which they relate shall not be made without prior approval of the City and then only in coordination with the City.

5.7. MISCELLANEOUS

It shall be the responsibility of the Respondent to thoroughly familiarize themselves with the provisions of these specifications. After executing the contract, no consideration will be given to any claim of misunderstanding.

The Respondent agrees to abide by the rules and regulations as prescribed herein by the City as the same now exists or may hereafter from time to time be changed in writing.

Contractors are encouraged to contract with small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, labor surplus area firms and Detroit businesses. The City strongly encourages the hiring of Detroit residents whenever possible by contacting Detroit At Work for your hiring needs. Visit the Detroit At Work website at www.detroitatwork.com for specific contact information regarding these opportunities.

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Contractors are encouraged to employ innovative approaches, including ethically and responsibly leveraging artificial intelligence and advanced technologies, to enhance goods delivery, services, and operational performance. Vendors using AI solutions will be asked to provide information on how the AI solution functions.

5.8. OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

- 5.8.1. In accordance with Section 2-106.6 of the City Charter, this Contract shall be voidable or rescindable at the discretion of the Mayor or Inspector General at any time if a Public Servant who is a party to the Contract has an interest in the Contract and fails to disclose such interest.
- 5.8.2. This Contract shall also be voidable or rescindable if a lobbyist or employee of the contracting party offers a prohibited gift, gratuity, honoraria or payment to a Public Servant in relation to the Contract.
- 5.8.3. A fine shall be assessed to the Contractor in the event of a violation of Section 2-106.6 of the City Charter. If applicable, the actions of the Contractor, and its representative lobbyist or employee, shall be referred to the appropriate prosecuting authorities.
- 5.8.4. Pursuant to Section 7.5-306 of the City Charter, the Inspector General shall investigate any Public Servant, City agency, program or official act, contractor and subcontractor providing goods and services to the City, business entity seeking contracts or certification of eligibility for City contracts and person seeking certification of eligibility for participation in any City program, either in response to a complaint or on the Inspector General's own initiative in order to detect and prevent waste, abuse, fraud and corruption.
- 5.8.5. In accordance with Section 7.5-310 of the City Charter, it shall be the duty of every Public Servant, contractor, subcontractor, and licensee of the City, and every applicant for certification of eligibility for a City contract or program, to cooperate with the Inspector General in any investigation pursuant to Article 7.5, Chapter 3 of the City Charter.
- 5.8.6. Any Public Servant who willfully and without justification or excuse obstructs an investigation of the Inspector General by withholding documents or testimony, is subject to forfeiture of office, discipline, debarment or any other applicable penalty.
- 5.8.7. As set forth in Section 7.5-308 of the City Charter, the Inspector General has a duty to report illegal acts. If the Inspector General has probable cause to believe that any Public Servant or any person doing or seeking to do business with the City has committed or is committing an illegal act, then the Inspector General shall promptly refer the matter to the appropriate prosecuting authorities.

<u>For purposes of this Article</u>: "Public Servant" means the Mayor, members of City Council, City Clerk, appointive officers, any member of a board, commission or other voting body established by either branch of City government or the City Charter, and any appointee, employee or individual who provides services to the City within or outside of its offices or facilities pursuant to a personal services contract.

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RFP Attachments List

The following Attachments are available to download on the Supplier Portal.

Attachment A - Respondent Questionnaire

Attachment B - Proposal Introduction and Solution / Approach

Attachment C - Pricing

Attachment D - Forms, Affidavits and Documents-(Award winner only)

Attachment E - Model Professional Services Contract (Sample)

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