

Loudoun County, Virginia

INVITATION FOR BID

CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING FACILITY

ACCEPTANCE DATE: Prior to <u>4:00</u> p.m., <u>April 25, 2024</u> "Atomic" Time

IFB NUMBER: RFQ 640812

ACCEPTANCE PLACE:

Loudoun County Government Offices 1 Harrison Street, S.E., <u>1st Floor, Procurement Bids and</u> <u>Proposals Drop Box</u> Leesburg, Virginia 20175

Due to security restrictions, public access to County facilities is extremely limited. The mailing of bids is preferred. However, if a bid is hand delivered, it will be received in the lobby of 1 Harrison Street, SE, Leesburg, VA 20175 ONLY in the Drop Box labeled: <u>Procurement Bids and Proposals</u> between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

ALL HAND DELIVERED BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THIS LOCATION PRIOR TO 4:00 P.M. on the Acceptance Date of the bid in order to be considered. Bids will not be accepted at any other building locations or after 4:00 P.M. Bids will be opened and announced by the Procurement Division staff via audio/video teleconference at 4:30 p.m. (Atomic time) on the Acceptance Date. To participate in the audio portion of the opening, please dial the number provided in the Instruction to Bidders and follow the prompts as designated. You may also witness the announcement of received bids as they are opened using Microsoft Teams Meeting with the instructions included in the Instructions to Bidders

Please contact the Contracting Officer or Assistant Purchasing Agent designated on the front cover of the solicitation with any questions regarding this process. Bidders are strongly encouraged to check the County's website routinely for updates.

** ONLY THOSE FIRMS PREQUALIFIED THROUGH RFQ 612791 - PREQUALIFICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING FACILITY, LEESBURG SOUTH STATION & ROUND HILL STATION ARE ELIGIBLE TO SUBMIT BIDS FOR THIS PROJECT. BIDS FROM NON-PREQUALIFIED FIRMS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

The List of Pre-qualified firms are:

- Branch Builds Inc.
- Carlson Bros., Inc.
- Dustin Construction Inc.
- F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates LLC
- HESS Construction Company, LLC
- Keller Brothers, Inc.
- San Jose Construction Group, Inc.
- Waynesboro Construction Co., Inc.

PLEASE NOTE:

A. To obtain the plans and specifications for this project, send an email to the IFB point of contact/Contracting Officer below and the County will make them available using the Microsoft One Drive. Bidders will receive a first email from the Contracting Officer. Then, bidders will be prompted to enter a verification code. The verification code will be from no-reply@sharepointonline.com. Please note that this email often goes into spam/ junk folder.

Upon request the plans and specifications will be provided on a CD. If you would like the CD sent by private carrier, or overnighted (UPS/FedEx), please provide your account code in the email, otherwise the CD will be sent by US Mail.

Please note, the Plans & Specification and the Geotechnical information will be sent upon request. The Geotechnical Report Release form must be signed by an individual authorized to bind the firm into a contract and submitted to the Contracting Officer.

Please attach the Geotechnical Report Release Form to your email requesting transfer of the files using the Microsoft One Drive or the CD. Until further notice, you will not be able to pick-up a CD in person.

- B. <u>Bid Forms</u>. Bid forms may be downloaded from the County's web site: <u>www.loudoun.gov/procurement</u>.
- C. <u>Pre-Bid Conference</u>. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams on March 21, 2024 at 10:00 am for clarification of any questions on the drawings, specifications, and site conditions. Bidders may log in using the below information:

Meeting ID: 212 459 523 326 Passcode: 2vhkmB <u>Download Teams</u> | <u>Join on the web</u> **Or call in (audio only)** +1 757-600-4923,,481417583# United States, Virginia Beach Phone Conference ID: 481 417 583# D. <u>Site Inspection</u>. Instructions to participate in a site inspection (if provided) can be found in Section 21, Instruction to Bidders, Paragraph 21.5. Please read this section carefully as there may be specific dates established to register for the site inspection.

The terms and conditions contained in this Invitation for Bid and in the County-Contractor Agreement are not negotiable.

Requests for information related to this Invitation should be directed to:

Name: Farah Navder Title: Contacting Officer (703).771.5438 E-mail address: <u>Farah.Navder@Loudoun.gov</u> This document can be downloaded from our web site: <u>www.loudoun.gov/Procurement</u>

Issue Date: March 13, 2024

IF YOU NEED ANY REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION FOR ANY TYPE OF DISABILITY IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCUREMENT, PLEASE CONTACT THIS DIVISION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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Authorized By: Farah Navder Contracting Officer Date: March 13, 2024

CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING FACILITY

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The intent of this Invitation for Bid (IFB) is for the County of Loudoun, Virginia (County) to obtain the services of a prequalified General Contractor to construct the Fire and Rescue Training Facility (*the "Project"*). This Project shall include construction of a new two (2)-story, 22,070 square-foot facility and associated site improvements within an existing fire training campus. The Project is located at 16600 Courage Court, Leesburg, Virginia, 20175 (County Parcel Identification Number 191-16-9866-000).

The new Basic Training Facility for Loudoun County Fire and Rescue will not serve as an operational fire station but serve as a classroom for recruits to study and learn. The facility will provide administrative offices, classrooms, training/breakout rooms, restrooms, showers, kitchen and dining areas, decontamination areas, supply storage, and mechanical areas, plus five (5) drive-thru apparatus bays.

The estimated construction cost for the Fire and Rescue Training Facility is \$16,000,000.

- 1.2 The County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB requires the payment of **Prevailing Wage Rates.** Refer to Section 3.0 of this IFB.
- 1.3 The costs associated with the removal of any and all unsuitable soils and/or rock encountered below subgrade (as defined in Specification 312000), during the construction of this project shall be borne by the County. The County requests that the Contractor provide unit prices for unsuitable soils removal and rock removal. Unit Prices shall include the import of suitable material as needed to replace those quantities removed (It shall be assumed that suitable material will be procured from an off-site source). Unit prices shall be included on the Pricing Page of the Bid, and shall be multiplied times an assumed quantity provided by the County for an extended price. The extended price shall be carried by the County as an Owner's Allowance in the final Contract Price and will be paid to the Contractor on a "per occurrence" basis, with any remaining allowance(s) being returned to the County upon completion of the project. This will apply to all excavations with the only exception being Drilling Activities (i.e. borings, geothermal wells, etc.). In these specific instances the Contractor should assume that rock will be encountered and price the drilling accordingly as part of their Base Bid Cost. Refer to Specification 312000 for soil classification and responsibility for all unsuitable soils and/or rock encountered above subgrade.
- 1.4 The County will require the Contractor awarded this Project to use e-Builder Construction Program Management Software. The County will provide licenses for the Contractor's use and will provide training for the Contractor to ensure proficiency as recommended by e-Builder. The license and training will be provided to the Contractor at no cost and prior to the

issuance of Notice to Proceed. Further training due to a lack of proficiency will be the responsibility of the Contractor.

The e-Builder Construction Program Management Software will be utilized for all Project management documentation and correspondence, including but not limited to: Requests for Information (RFIs), submittals, meeting minutes, pay applications, proposed change orders/change orders, close-out documentation, etc. Contact e-Builder for further information at <u>www.e-builder.net</u> or 1-800-580-9322.

2.0 COMPETITION INTENDED

It is the County's intent that this IFB 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 IFB to a single source. Such notification must be received by the Purchasing Agent not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the date set for bids to close.

3.0 PREVAILING WAGE RATES

Remuneration to any individual performing work on the County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB shall be at a rate equal to or greater than to the prevailing wage rate identified in Attachment 4 to this IFB.

- 1. The General Contractor awarded a County Construction Contract as a result of this IFB, and any sub-contractors hired by the General Contractor to perform Work on the County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB, shall pay wages, salaries, benefits, and other remuneration to any mechanic, laborer, or worker employed, retained, or otherwise hired to perform Work in connection with the resulting County Construction Contract at or greater than the prevailing wage rate identified in this IFB.
- 2. Any General Contractor or any subcontractor who employs any mechanic, laborer, or worker to perform Work under the County Construction Contract resulting from this IFB, at a rate that is less than the prevailing wage rate identified in this IFB (i) shall be liable to such individuals for the payment of all wages due, plus interest at an annual rate of eight percent accruing from the date the wages were due; and (ii) shall be disqualified from bidding on public contracts with any public body until the contractor or subcontractor has made full restitution of the amount described in clause (i) owed to such individuals. A contractor or subcontractor who willfully violates this section is guilty of a Class I misdemeanor.
- 3. After award of the County Construction Contract, the General Contractor to whom such contract is awarded shall certify under oath, to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry the pay scale for each craft or trade employed on the project to be used by such contractor and any of the contractor's subcontractors for work to be performed under such public contract. This certification shall, for each craft or trade employed on the

project, specify the total hourly amount to be paid to employees, including wages and applicable fringe benefits, provide an itemization of the amount paid in wages and each applicable benefit, and list the names and addresses of any third-party fund, plan or program to which benefit payments will be made on behalf of employees. The certification shall be sent to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry each pay period for the duration of the Project.

- 4. The General Contractor awarded a County Construction Contract as a result of this IFB, shall keep, maintain, and preserve (i) records relating to the wages paid to and hours worked by each individual performing the work of any mechanic, laborer, or worker and (ii) a schedule of the occupation or work classification at which each individual performing the work of any mechanic, laborer, or worker on the public works project is employed during each workday and week. The employer shall preserve these records for a minimum of six years and make such records available to the Department of Labor and Industry within ten (10) days of a request and shall certify that records reflect the actual hours worked and the amount paid to its workers for whatever time period they request.
- 5. No later than ten (10) days after the date of the Notice to Proceed, the General Contractor awarded a County Construction Contract as a result of this IFB and subcontractors performing on a County Construction Contract shall post the prevailing wage rate for each craft and classification involved, as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, including the effective date of any changes thereof, in prominent and easily accessible places at the site of the work or at any such places as are used by the contractor or subcontractors to pay workers their wages. Within ten (10) days of such posting, a contractor or subcontractor shall certify to the Commissioner of Labor and Industry its compliance with this subsection.
- 6. The General Contractor awarded a County Construction contract as a result of this IFB shall include the requirement in all subcontracts issued and require the same requirement to be inserted by all lower tier subcontractors in their subcontracts to pay wages, salaries, benefits, and other remuneration to any mechanic, laborer, or worker employed, retained, or otherwise hired to perform Work in connection with the resulting County Construction Contract at or greater than the prevailing wage rate identified in this IFB.
- 7. Information regarding Prevailing Wage Rates and the Department of Labor and Industry Forms can be found at <u>https://www.doli.virginia.gov/prevailing-wage-law/</u>.

4.0 BIDDER MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Bidders must demonstrate that they have the resources and capability to provide the materials and services as described herein. <u>All bidders must submit the</u> <u>documentation and information indicated below with their bid.</u> Failure to provide any of the required documentation/information will be cause for bid to be deemed non-responsive and/or non-responsible and rejected.

The following criteria shall be met in order to be eligible for this Contract:

- 4.1 Debarment: By signing the Pricing Page contained in the IFB, bidders are certifying that bidder is not currently debarred by any local or state government or the federal government. Bidders shall provide in their bid documentation related to all debarments that occurred within the last ten (10) years.
- 4.2 The Contractor submitting a bid shall not be disqualified from bidding for a violation of the Commonwealth of Virginia prevailing wage law.
- 4.3 Provide evidence of a contractor's certificate of registration, whether resident or nonresident of Commonwealth of Virginia, as required by the following:
 - Registered Commonwealth of Virginia Contractor: Class A. Include a copy of the Class A Contractors license in your bid.
- 4.4 Verification of Bonding Capability. Bidder shall include in their bid a letter from a surety or insurance company (with a Best's Financial Strength Rating of A or better and Financial Size Category VII or higher by A.M. Best Co.) stating that the bidder is capable of obtaining a performance and payment bond based on the bidder's estimated contract value for the construction of the Project, which bonds will cover the Project and any warranty periods. The letter of surety shall clearly state the rating categorization noted above and reference the estimated contract value as identified in herein, in a manner similar to the notation provided below:

"As surety for [the above named Contractor], [XYZ Company] with A.M. Best Financial Strength Rating [rating] and Financial Size Category [Size Category] is capable of obtaining 100% Performance Bond and 100% Labor and Materials Payment Bond in the amount of the anticipated cost of construction, and said bonds will cover the Project and any warranty periods as provided for in the Contract Documents on behalf of the Contractor, in the event that such firm be the successful bidder and enter into a contract for this Project." This letter shall also state the bidder's per project and total bonding program limits and that the Surety is authorized/licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

5.0 SPECIFICATIONS

The work to be performed as a result of this IFB shall be in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by *Boarman Kroos Vogel Group Inc., dated November* <u>17, 2023.</u>

6.0 GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

The General Conditions of the Construction Contact contained in Attachment 3 to this Invitation for Bid are incorporated into the Contract Documents.

7.0 DISCREPANCIES

Should a bidder find discrepancies in the plans and/or specifications or be in doubt as to the meaning or intent of any part thereof, the bidder shall request clarification from the County in writing, not later than the date established in the Instructions to Bidders. Any changes to the IFB that result from such a clarification request, will be communicated through a written addendum and posted on the Procurement home page at <u>www.loudoun.gov/procurement</u>. Failure to request such a clarification is a waiver of any claim by the bidder for additional expenses because its interpretation was different than the County's.

8.0 BUSINESS, PROFESSIONAL, AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE REQUIREMENT

All firms or individuals located or doing business in Loudoun County are required to be licensed in accordance with the County's "Business, Professional, and Occupational Licensing (BPOL)" Tax Ordinance during the initial term of the Contract or any renewal period.

Wholesale and retail merchants <u>without</u> a business location in Loudoun County are exempt from this requirement. Questions concerning the BPOL Tax should be directed to the Office of Commissioner of Revenue, telephone (703) 777-0260.

9.0 PAYMENT OF TAXES

All Contractors located or owning property in Loudoun County during the initial term of the Contract, or any renewal period shall assure that all real and personal property taxes are paid.

The County will verify payment of all real and personal property taxes by the Contractor prior to the award of any Contract or Contract renewal.

10.0 NOTICE OF REQUIRED DISABILITY LEGISLATION COMPLIANCE

The County is required to comply with state and federal disability legislation: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504, The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for 1990 Title II and The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Specifically, Loudoun County, may not, through its Contractual and/or financial arrangements, directly or indirectly avoid compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Public Law 101-336, which prohibits discrimination by public entities on the basis of disability. Subtitle A protects qualified individuals with disability from discrimination on the basis of disability in the services, programs, or activities of all State and local governments. It extends the prohibition Act of 1973 Section 504 to all activities of State and local governments, including those that do not receive Federal financial assistance, and incorporates specific prohibitions of discrimination on the basis of disability in Titles I, III, and V of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1973 Section 504.

11.0 ETHICS IN PUBLIC CONTRACTING

The provisions contained in §§ 2.2-4367 through 2.2-4377 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act as set forth in the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, shall be applicable to all Contracts solicited or entered into by the County. A copy of these provisions may be obtained from the Purchasing Agent upon request.

The above-stated provisions supplement, but do not supersede, other provisions of law including, but not limited to, the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.), the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act (§ 18.2-498.1 et seq.) and Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 18.2. The provisions apply notwithstanding the fact that the conduct described may not constitute a violation of the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act.

12.0 EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION BY CONTRACTORS PROHIBITED

Every Contract of over \$10,000 shall include the following provisions:

- A. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
 - 1. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service disabled veteran, 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 the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - 2. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, shall state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - 3. Notices, advertisements, and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule, or regulation shall be deemed sufficient to meet this requirement.
- B. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs, 1, 2, and 3 in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

13.0 DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

Every Contract of over \$10,000 shall include the following provisions:

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) 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 the

Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific Contract awarded to a Contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

14.0 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS

The County does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.

15.0 EXEMPTION FROM TAXES

Pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-609.1, the County is exempt from Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes and Federal Excise Tax, therefore the Contractor shall not charge the County for Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes or Federal Excise Tax on the finished goods or products provided under the Contract. However, this exemption does not apply to the Contractor, and the Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any sales, use, or excise tax it incurs in providing the goods required by the Contract, including, but not limited to, taxes on materials purchased by a Contractor for incorporation in or use on a construction project. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Contractor from including its own sales tax expense in connection with the Contract in its Contract price.

16.0 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS

Within fifteen (15) calendar days after the effective date of the County – Contractor Agreement, the following bonds or security shall be delivered to the County and shall become binding on the parties upon the execution of the Contract:

- A A performance bond satisfactory to the County, executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Virginia with a Best's Key Rating of Level A or better and in a financial size of Class VII or higher, or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to the County, for the faithful performance of the Contract in strict conformity with the plans, specifications, and conditions of the Contract. The bond shall be in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the price specified in the Contract; and
- B A payment bond satisfactory to the County, executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Virginia with a Best's Key Rating of Level A or better and in a financial size of Class VII or higher, or otherwise secured in a manner satisfactory to the County, for the protection of all persons supplying

labor and material to the Contractor or its subcontractors for the performance of the work provided for in the Contract. Labor and materials shall include public utility services and reasonable rentals of equipment, but only for the periods when the equipment rented is actually used at the site. The bond shall be in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the price specified in the Contract.

- C. The amount of the performance and payment bonds shall increase without the necessity of any action by the County, to the same extent the Contract Price increases due to changes.
- D. All sureties providing bonds shall give written notice to the County at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration or termination of the bond(s).
- E. If at any time, any surety or sureties become insolvent or are determined by the County to be unable to adequately secure the interests of the County, the Contractor shall within thirty (30) days after such notice from County to do so, substitute an acceptable bond(s) in such form and sum and signed by such other sureties as may be satisfactory to County. The premium on such bond(s) shall be paid by the Contractor at no additional cost to the County provided reasonable justification can be provided by the County for its determination.
- F. The Contractor shall not be precluded from requiring each subcontractor to furnish a payment bond with surety thereon in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract with such subcontractor.
- G. The successful bidder's failure to furnish to the County acceptable bonds, within fifteen (15) days after the effective date of the County Contractor Agreement shall be considered just cause for cancellation of the award and forfeiture of the construction contract bid security. In such event, the proposal guaranty shall become the property of the County, not as a penalty but in liquidation of damages sustained.

17.0 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT BOND FORMS AND COPIES; ALTERNATIVE FORMS

In lieu of a payment or performance bond, the Contractor may furnish a certified check or cash escrow in the face amount required for the bond. If approved by the County Attorney, a Contractor may furnish a personal bond, property bond, or bank or savings and loan association's letter of credit on certain designated funds in the face amount required for the payment or performance bond. Approval shall be granted only upon a determination that the alternative form of security proffered affords the same protection to the County equivalent to the corporate surety bond.

18.0 CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT RETAINAGES

The Contractor shall be paid ninety-five percent (95%) of the earned sum when payment is due, with not more than five percent (5%) being retained to assure faithful performance of the Contract. All amounts withheld may be included in the final

payment. Any subcontract which provides for similar progress payments shall be subject to the same limitations.

19.0 ESCROW ACCOUNT FOR RETAINED FUNDS

Not used.

20.0 AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA

A Contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, limited partnership, or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described herein that enters into a Contract with the County pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act 2.2-4300 et seq. 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 of the Code of Virginia, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the Contract. The County may void any Contract with a business entity if the business entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.

21.0 INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

- 21.1 Preparation and Submission of Bids
 - A. Before submitting a bid, read the **ENTIRE** solicitation including the Contract Terms and Conditions. Failure to read any part of this solicitation will not relieve a bidder of the Contractual obligations.
 - B. Pricing must be submitted on IFB pricing form only. Include other information, as required.
 - C. All bids must be submitted to the Division of Procurement in a sealed container. The face of the sealed container shall indicate the IFB number, time and date of opening and the title of the IFB as well as "Division of Procurement".
 - D. All bids shall be signed in ink by the individual or authorized principals of the firm.
 - E. All attachments to the IFB requiring execution by the bidder are to be returned with the bids.
 - F. Bids must be received by the Division of Procurement prior to 4:00 p.m., local Atomic time on the cover of this IFB. The time can be verified by visiting <u>https://time.gov/</u> and selecting Eastern Time. Requests for extensions of this time and date will not be granted, unless deemed to be in the County's best interest. Bidders mailing their bids or using a private carrier shall allow for sufficient mail time to ensure receipt of their bids by the Division of Procurement by the time and date fixed for acceptance of the bids. Do not rely on overnight

delivery capabilities of private carriers to guarantee timely delivery of bids. Bids or unsolicited amendments to bids received by the County after the acceptance date and time will not be considered. Bids will be publicly accepted and logged in at the time and date specified above.

- G. The County is implementing increased security measures at the Government Center and other County buildings. Please allow ample time for unexpected delays when entering the building to drop off your bids.
- H. Bids must be submitted via one of the following options:

<u>US Mail to</u>: County of Loudoun, Virginia Division of Procurement PO Box 7000 Leesburg, Virginia 20177-7000;

or

<u>Hand delivered to</u>: County of Loudoun, Virginia Division of Procurement 1 Harrison Street, S.E., <u>1st Floor,</u> <u>Procurement Bids and Proposals Drop Box</u> Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

or

Private carrier (UPS/FedEx) to: County of Loudoun, Virginia Division of Procurement 1 Harrison Street, S.E., ATTN: PROCUREMENT BIDS & PROPOSALS Leesburg, Virginia 20175

Faxed and e-mailed bids will not be accepted.

Please note: Bidders choosing to submit bids via US Mail or UPS/FedEx should allow at least an additional twenty-four (24) hours in the delivery process to ensure bids are received on time.

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<u>NOTE</u>: Bids delivered in person or via private carrier services will not be able to obtain a signature. Please ensure that requirement is removed from the package to avoid delays or rejection of the package. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THIS LOCATION PRIOR TO 4:00 P.M. on the Acceptance Date of the bid in order to be considered. Bids will not be accepted at any other building location or after 4:00 P.M. Failure by a bidder to address and label their bids in accordance with the requirements of this section may result in bid being delivered to an incorrect location which will ultimately result in bid rejection for late submission.

Failure by an offeror to address and label their proposal in accordance with the requirements of this section may result in proposal being delivered to an incorrect location which will ultimately result in proposal rejection for late submission.

- I. Each firm shall submit one (1) original of their bid and one (1) electronic copy (in PDF format) on a USB flash drive to the County's Division of Procurement as indicated on the cover sheet of this Invitation for Bid.
- J. A public bid opening will be held virtually using Microsoft Teams at approximately 4:15 P.M. on the Acceptance date. See the Microsoft Teams log in information provided below. To participate in the audio portion of the opening, please dial the number provided below and follow the prompts as designated. You may also witness the announcement of received bids as they are opened using Microsoft Teams Meeting with the instructions provided below. Bidders may not participate in the bid opening in-person at this time.

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21.2 Questions and Inquiries

Questions and inquiries will be accepted in writing (email) only, from any and all bidders. The Division of Procurement is the sole point of contact for this solicitation unless otherwise instructed herein. Unauthorized contact with other Loudoun County staff regarding the IFB may result in the disqualification of the bidder. Inquiries pertaining to the Invitation for Bid must give the <u>IFB number</u>, time and date of opening, and the title of the IFB. Material questions will be answered in writing with an Addendum provided, however, that all questions are received **by 5:00 p.m. April 4, 2024**. It is the responsibility of all bidders to ensure that they have received all Addendums and to include signed copies with their bid. Addendums can be downloaded from www.loudoun.gov/procurement.

21.3 Prevailing Wage Rate Request for Additional Classifications

Bidders' requests for additional Prevailing Wage Rate classifications shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer not later than fifteen (15) days after the Issue Date of this IFB on the attached Virginia Department of Labor and Industry, Request for Additional Wage Classification Form. Bidder shall complete the attached form, provide sufficient supporting documentation to allow the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry to render a decision and sign. Any requests for additional information from the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry shall be provided to the Contracting Officer within seventy-two (72) hours of receipt. Requests for additional Prevailing Wage Rate classifications received after fifteen (15) days from the Issue date of this IFB will not be responded to.

21.4 Exceptions/Additions

No exceptions or additions to the Specifications/Scope of Work or Terms and Conditions shall be permitted. Any questions or concerns regarding any part of the IFB shall be submitted to the Division of Procurement prior to the date specified in the Questions and Inquiries section above. Bids containing any exceptions to the Specifications/Scope of Work or Terms and Conditions or submitting additional terms and conditions shall be deemed non-responsive and rejected. Exceptions or additions proposed after bid submission by the successful bidder shall not be accepted.

21.5 Inspection of Site

All bidders are encouraged to make an on-site inspection of the location where the work will be performed to become completely familiar with the existing conditions. Failure to comply with this requirement will not relieve the successful bidder of its obligation to carry out the scope of the resulting Contract. The project site is in a secured County facility, not accessible to the public. The site visit will occur on March 29, 2024, at 10:00 am. Access to the site will only be provided at this time. Please contact Joe Rinaldi at joseph.rinaldi@loudoun.gov prior to March 26, 2024, to schedule a site visit. Questions resulting from your site inspection should be provided in writing to the Contracting Officer prior to the deadline in Paragraph 21.2 above. Answers received during the site inspections will not be binding. Site address is: 16600 Courage Court, Leesburg, Virginia 20175.

21.6 Firm Pricing for County Acceptance

Bid price must be firm for County acceptance for a minimum of one hundred and twenty (120) days from bid opening date.

21.7 <u>Proprietary Information</u>

Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by a bidder in connection with this solicitation shall not be subject to disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; however, **pursuant to § 2.2-4342 of the Code of Virginia, the bidder must invoke the protections of this section prior to or upon submission of the data or other materials, and must clearly** identify the data or other materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. Failure to abide by this procedure may result in disclosure of the bidder's information. Bidders shall not mark sections of their bid as proprietary if they are to be part of the award of the Contract and are of a "Material" nature.

21.8 <u>Authority to Bind Firm in Contract</u>

Bids MUST give full firm name and address of bidder. Failure to manually sign bid may disqualify it. Person signing bid should show TITLE or AUTHORITY TO BIND THE FIRM IN A CONTRACT. Firm name and authorized signature must appear on bid in the space provided on the pricing page. Those authorized to sign are as follows:

If a sole proprietorship, the owner may sign.

If a general partnership, any general partner may sign.

If a limited partnership, a general partner must sign.

If a limited liability company, a "member" may sign or "manager" must sign if so specified by the articles of organization.

If a regular corporation, the CEO, President or Vice-President must sign.

Others may be granted authority to sign but the County requires that a corporate document authorizing him/her to sign be submitted with bid.

21.9 <u>Withdrawal of Construction Contract Bid Due to Error</u>

A bidder for a construction Contract may withdraw its bid from consideration if the price bid was substantially lower than the other bids due solely to a mistake therein, provided the bid was submitted in good faith, and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgment mistake, and was actually due to an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor, or material made directly in the compilation of a bid, which unintentional arithmetic error or unintentional omission can be clearly shown by objective evidence drawn from inspection of original work papers, documents, and materials used in the preparation of the bid sought to be withdrawn. The bidder shall give notice in writing of its claim of right to withdraw its bid within two business days after the conclusion of the bid opening procedure and shall submit original work papers with such notice.

21.10 Subcontractors

Please refer to Article 5: Subcontractors, of the *County of Loudoun General Conditions of the Construction Contract*.

21.11 Late Bids

LATE bids will be returned to bidder UNOPENED.

21.12 Rights of County

The County reserves the right to reject all or any part of any bid, waive informalities, and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to best serve the interest of the County. Informality shall mean a minor defect or variation of a bid from the exact requirements of the Invitation to Bid which does not affect the price, quality, quantity, or delivery schedule for the goods, services, or construction being procured.

21.13 Prohibition as Subcontractors Under Competitive Sealed Bidding

No bidder who is permitted to withdraw a bid shall, for compensation, supply any material or labor to, or perform any subcontract or other work agreement, for the person or firm to whom the Contract is awarded or otherwise benefit, directly or indirectly, from the performance of the project for which the withdrawn bid was submitted.

21.14 Vendor Preference in Tie Bids

The Division of Procurement and all other departments of the County making purchases of goods, services, and construction shall give preference to goods, services, and construction sold by Loudoun County and the Commonwealth of Virginia vendors, in that order, in all cases of tie bids, quality and service being equal.

21.15 Anti-Trust Violations

Tie bids may cause rejection of bids by the Division of Procurement and/or prompt an investigation for anti-trust violations.

21.16 Basis for Award

Contract award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder based upon the lump sum.

Whenever the lowest responsive and responsible bidder is a resident of a state other than Virginia and such state under its laws allows a resident contractor of that state a percentage preference, a like preference shall be allowed to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder who is a resident of Virginia and is the next lowest bidder. If the lowest bidder is a resident contractor of a state with an absolute preference, the bid preference shall not be considered.

21.17 Negotiation with the Lowest Responsible Bidder

Unless all bids are cancelled or rejected, the County reserves the right granted by § 2.2-4318 of the *Code of Virginia* to negotiate with the lowest responsive, responsible bidder to obtain a Contract price within the funds available whenever such low bid exceeds the available funds. Negotiations with the low bidder may include both modifications of the bid price and the specifications/scope of work to be performed.

21.18 Notice of Award

A Notice of Award will be posted on the County's web site (<u>www.loudoun.gov/procurement</u>).

21.19 Protest

Bidders may refer to §§ 2.2-4357 through 2.2-4364 of the Code of Virginia to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process. Protests shall be submitted to the Director, Department of Finance and Budget.

21.20 Construction Contract Bid Security

Bid security is required for this project. Bid security shall be a bond provided by a surety company selected by the bidder and authorized to do business in Virginia, or the equivalent in cash, or otherwise supplied in a form satisfactory to the County. Bid security shall be in an amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. Non-compliance with this provision requires that the bid be rejected unless it is determined that the bid fails to comply in a non-substantial manner the security requirements.

The apparent low bidder's Contract Bid Security shall be subject to forfeiture if the apparent low bidder withdraws his bid prior to award, or fails to sign and return the County – Contractor Agreement. The Contract Bid Security shall be forfeited according to the forfeiture provisions in Code of Virginia (§ 2.2-4336) and the proposal guaranty.

21.21 Construction Contract Bond Forms and Copies; Alternative Forms

In lieu of a bid, payment or performance bond, a bidder may furnish a certified check or cash escrow in the face amount required for the bond. If approved by the County Attorney, a bidder may furnish a personal bond, property bond, or bank or savings and loan association's letter of credit on certain designated funds in the face amount required for the bid, payment or performance bond. Approval shall be granted only upon a determination that the alternative form of security proffered affords the same protection to the County equivalent to the corporate surety bond.

21.22 Debarment

By submitting a bid, the bidder is certifying that bidder is not currently debarred by a local or state government or the federal government. A copy of the County's debarment procedure in accordance with § 2.2-4321 of the Code of Virginia is available upon request.

21.23 Proof of Authority to Transact Business in Virginia

A bidder organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia shall include in its bid or proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission. Any bidder that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law shall include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the bidder is not required to be so authorized. Any bidder described herein that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an award unless a waiver of this requirement and the administrative policies and procedures established to implement this section is granted by the Purchasing Agent or his designee. The SCC may be reached at (804) 371-9733 or at http://www.scc.virginia.gov/default.aspx.

21.24 <u>W-9 Form Required</u>

Each bidder shall submit a completed W-9 form with their bid. In the event of Contract award, this information is required in order to issue purchase orders and payments to your firm. A copy of this form can be downloaded from <u>http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf</u>.

21.25 Insurance Coverage

Bidders shall include with their bid a copy of their current Certificate of Insurance that illustrates the current level of coverage the bidder carries. The Certificate can be a current file copy and does not need to include any "additional insured" language for the County for submission with the bid.

21.26 Acknowledgement of Contract

By submitting a bid, the bidder acknowledges that it understands and agrees to the Terms and Conditions contained herein.

21.27 Legal Action

No bidder or potential bidder shall institute any legal action until all statutory requirements have been met.

21.28 <u>Certification by Contractor as to Felony Convictions</u>

No one with a felony conviction may be employed under this Contract and by the signature of its authorized official on the response to this Solicitation, the Contractor certifies that neither the contracting official nor any of the Contractor's employees, agents, or subcontractors who will work under the Contract Documents have been convicted of a felony.

21.29 Unit Price Items

The Unit Price Items, identified on the Pricing Page, quantities, and extended prices are to be included in the Bidder's lump sum and used for bid evaluation purposes only; if the actual quantities, as measured by field survey, are above/below those shown above, then the unit price will be used for addition/credit to the Contract amount. The activity schedule and schedule of values shall include each Unit Price Item as a separate and distinct item. Unit price Items are to be used with County authorization only.

21.30 Substitutions

Substitutions are defined as changes in products, materials, equipment, and methods of construction from those required by the Contract Documents and proposed by Contractor.

A. Substitutions for Cause are changes proposed by Contractor that are required due to changed Project conditions, such as unavailability

of product, regulatory changes, or unavailability of required warranty terms.

B. Substitutions for Convenience are changes proposed by Contractor or Owner that are not required in order to meet other Project requirements but may offer advantage to Contractor or Owner.

The County will not consider substitutions for convenience during the bidding process. They will be considered after contract award. Refer to Article 4.17 – Equal Products in the General conditions of the Construction Contract for procedures. Substitution for Cause once verified may be addressed during the bidding process at the discretion of the County.

All references in the specifications to substitutions being approved during the bidding process shall be deleted.

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Division of Procurement One Harrison Street, 4th Floor Leesburg, Virginia 20175

22.0 PRICING PAGE CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE TRAINING FACILITY

Attention bidders: Do not take any exceptions or make any qualifications to your bid.

1. Construction of the Fire and Rescue Training Facility

Base bid

Total of Unit Price Items (Section 2 below) \$_____

+\$_____

Lump Sum =\$_____

2. Unit Price Items

Bidders shall give unit price and extended price for each of the items listed below. The Unit Price Items, quantities, and extended prices <u>are to be included in the lump sum</u> and used for bid evaluation purposes only; if the actual quantities, as measured by field survey, are above/below those shown above, then the unit price will be used for addition/credit to the Contract amount. The activity schedule and schedule of values shall include each Unit Price Item as a separate and distinct allowance item. Reference Specification Section 012200. Bid unit price on quantity specified, extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern.

ltem		Estimated Qty.	Unit Price	Extended Price
Subgr replac	isfactory soil excavation below ade and disposal off-site and cement with satisfactory soil ial from off-site.	1,450 CY	\$/CY	\$
below and re	isfactory rock mass excavation v subgrade and disposal off-site eplacement with satisfactory so ial from off-site.		\$/CY	\$
below and re	isfactory rock trench excavation subgrade and disposal off-site eplacement with satisfactory so ial from off-site.	;	\$/CY	\$
4.	Return the following with your bid. If bidder fails to provide with their bid, items shal provided within twenty-four (24) hours of bid opening.			heir bid, items shall b
5.	ITEM: 1. W-9 Form (21.24): 2. Certificate of Insurance 3. Addenda, if any (Infor 4. Geotechnical Report 5. One (1) electronic cop Failure to provide the following non-responsive and/or non-responsive and/or non-re	mality) (21.12): Release Form (Attac by on USB Flash driv ng items with your b esponsible. It is the p	ve bid shall be cause responsibility of th	ne bidder to ensure tha
	b. Virginia Contra (Include with b	ransact Business e 25): ns (4.0) story, if required (4.7 actor Class A license	e (4.3):	INCLUDED: (X) net 30 or Other

Bidder shall indicate below its intended use, or nonuse of the escrow provisions available:

Person to contact regarding this bid:			
Title <u>:</u>	Phone:	Fax:	
E-mail Address:		_	
Name of person authori	zed to bind the Firm (21.8):		
Signature:		Date:	
Address:			

By signing and submitting a bid, your firm acknowledges and agrees that it has read and understands the IFB documents, to include the general Conditions of the Construction Contract and agrees to the Terms and Conditions as contained herein and that your Firm is not currently Debarred by a local or state government or the Federal Government.



PROOF OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN VIRGINIA THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR BID/PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO INCLUDE THIS FORM SHALL RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR BID/PROPOSAL

Pursuant to Virginia Code §2.2-4311.2, a bidder/offeror organized or authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth pursuant to Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia shall include in its bid/ proposal the identification number issued to it by the State Corporation Commission ("SCC"). Any bidder/offeror that is not required to be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a foreign business entity under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law shall include in its bid or proposal a statement describing why the offeror is not required to be so authorized. Any bidder/offeror described herein that fails to provide the required information shall not receive an award unless a waiver of this requirement and the administrative policies and procedures established to implement this section is granted by the Purchasing Agent or his designee.

If this bid/proposal for goods or services is accepted by the County of Loudoun, Virginia, the undersigned agrees that the requirements of the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-4311.2 have been met.

Please complete the following by checking the appropriate line that applies and providing the requested information. *PLEASE NOTE: The SCC number is NOT your federal ID number or business license number. The Bidder:*

□ is a corporation or other business entity with the following SCC identification number: ______-OR-

 \Box is not a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust **-OR-**

□ is an out-of-state business entity that does not regularly and continuously maintain as part of its ordinary and customary business any employees, agents, offices, facilities, or inventories in Virginia (not counting any employees or agents in Virginia who merely solicit orders that require acceptance outside Virginia before they become contracts, and not counting any incidental presence of the bidder in Virginia that is needed in order to assemble, maintain, and repair goods in accordance with the contracts by which such goods were sold and shipped into Virginia from bidder's out-of-state location) **-OR-**

 \Box is an out-of-state business entity that is including with this bid an opinion of legal counsel 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.

NOTE >> Check the following box if you have not completed any of the foregoing options but currently have pending before the SCC an application for authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and wish to be considered for a waiver to allow you to submit the SCC identification number after the due date for

bids (The County reserves the right to determine in its sole discretion whether to allow such waiver): Please attach additional sheets of paper if you need to explain why such bidder/offeror is not required to be authorized to transact business in Virginia.

Legal Name of Company (as listed on W-9)

Legal Name of Bidder/Offeror

Date

Authorized Signature

Print or Type Name and Title

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THIS INVITATION FOR BID? RFQ-640812

Please take the time to mark the appropriate line and return with your bid.

Associated Builders & Contractors	Loudoun Times Mirror
Bid Net	Our Web Site
Builder's Exchange of Virginia	NIGP
Email notification from Loudoun County	The Plan Room
Dodge Reports	Reed Construction Data
	Tempos Del Mundo
India This Week	Valley Construction News
LS Caldwell & Associates	☐ Virginia Business Opportunities
Loudoun Co Small Business Development Center	VA Dept. of Minority Business Enterprises
Loudoun Co Chamber of Commerce	

Other

SERVICE RESPONSE CARD RFQ-640812 Date of Service:				
How did we do?				
Please let us know how we did in serving you. We'd like to know if we are serving you at an acceptable level.				
How w	How would you rate the way your request for this document was handled?			
	Excellent 🗌 Good 🗌 🛛 Average 🗌 Fair 🗌 Poor 🗌			
	Did you have contact with Procurement staff? 🗌			
How would	you rate the manner in which you were treated by the Procurement staff?			
	Excellent 🗌 Good 🗌 Average 🗌 Fair 🗌 Poor 🗌			
	How would you rate the overall response to your request?			
	Excellent 🗌 Good 🗌 🛛 Average 🗌 Fair 🗌 Poor 🗌			
COMMENTS:				
	Thank you for your response!			
	We can better assess our service to <i>you</i> through feedback from <i>you</i> .			
Your Name:				
Address:				
	day)evening return completed form to: Assistant Purchasing Agent for Capital Projects•			
	IEB REO 640812			

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ATTACHMENT 1

(Proposed)

COUNTY-CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

THIS COUNTY-CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT ("Agreement") for construction of the Fire and Rescue Training Facility hereinafter referred to as the "Project," is effective on the date it is fully executed by and between the **COUNTY OF LOUDOUN, VIRGINIA** (herein referred to as the "County"), and ______ (herein referred to as the "Contractor").

In consideration of the promises made herein and other good and valuable consideration, the following terms and conditions are hereby agreed to between the County and Contractor.

This Agreement consists of and incorporates by reference the following attachments:

Attachment 1	The County's Invitation for Bid No. RFQ 640812 dated March 13, 2024, including any addenda;		
Attachment 2	The General Conditions of the Construction Contract; including any addenda;		
Attachment 3	The Contract Plans and Specifications including any addenda;		
Attachment 4	The Contractor's bid dated		

In the event that Attachment 4 contradicts or limits this Agreement or Attachments 1 through 3, this Agreement and Attachments 1 through 3 shall prevail.

The capitalized terms herein shall have the same meanings as set forth in section 1.1 of the General Conditions of the Construction Contract.

Article 1

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES FIRM

1.1 The Architect/Engineer (hereinafter referred to as the "A/E and as defined in the General Conditions) shall be <u>Boarman Kroos Vogel Group Inc.</u>, whose address is 1054 31st Street, NW, Suite 410, Washington, DC 20007. Provided, however, that the County may, at its sole discretion, amend this Article from time to time by designating a different person or organization to act as its A/E and advise the

Contractor in writing, at which time the person or organization so designated shall be the A/E for purposes of this Contract.

1.2 The Construction Support Services Firm shall be ATCS PLC, whose address is 2553 Dulles View Drive, Suite 300, Herndon, Virginia 20171. Provided, however, that the County may, at its sole discretion, amend this Article from time to time by designating a different person or organization to act as its Construction Support Services Firm and advise the Contractor in writing, at which time the person or organization so designated shall be the Construction Support Services Firm for the purposes of this Contract.

Article 2

TIME OF COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION

- 2.1 The Contractor shall commence the Work as defined in the General Conditions of the Construction Contract upon the date established in the Notice to Proceed. Notice to Proceed will be issued as set forth in Article 8 of the General Conditions.
- 2.2 Time is of the essence in this Agreement.
- 2.3 The Contractor shall achieve <u>Substantial</u> Completion, as defined in the General Conditions no later than 460 calendar days after the date of the Notice to Proceed. This time period shall be designated as the Time for Completion.
- 2.4 The Contractor shall complete the Work within the flowing Milestone dates:

<u>ACTIVITY</u> :	DATE:
Substantial Completion	No later than 460 days after Notice to Proceed
Final Completion	30 Calendar Days after Substantial Completion

2.5 The liquidated damages incurred by the County due to the Contractor's unexcused failure to complete the Work within the Contract Times, including any extensions thereof, and meet the Milestones designated in section 2.4 above, will be applied as follows:

Milestone

<u>Liquidated Damages</u>

Substantial Completion

\$1,500 / each consecutive Calendar Day

2.6 If liquidated damages are assessed, the County will assess the amount of liquidated damages set forth in section 2.5 above cumulatively. This provision for liquidated damages does not bar the County's right to enforce other rights and remedies against Contractor, which are otherwise legally enforceable, including but not limited to, specific performance or injunctive relief.

2.7 The Contractor hereby waives any defense as to the validity of any liquidated damages stated in this Agreement as they may appear on grounds that such liquidated damages are void as penalties or are not reasonably related to actual damages.

Article 3

CONTRACT PRICE

3.1 Provided that the Contractor shall strictly and completely perform all of its obligations under the Contract Documents, and subject only to additions and deductions by Modification or as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the County shall pay to the Contractor, in current funds and at the times and in the installments hereinafter specified, the sum of _______) (herein referred to as the "Contract Price").

Article 4

PROGRESS PAYMENTS

- 4.1 The Contractor shall provide a Payment Schedule as referred to in section 9.3.6 of the General Conditions.
- 4.2 The Contractor hereby agrees that on or about the first day of the month for every month during the performance of the Work Contractor will deliver to the A/E an Application for Payment in accordance with the provisions of section 9.3 of the General Conditions. This date may be changed upon mutual agreement, stated in writing, between the County and Contractor. Payment under this Contract shall be made as provided in the General Conditions.
- 4.3 An acceptable CPM Schedule Update shall be submitted in conjunction with each Application for Payment. Failure to provide an acceptable CPM Schedule Update will result in the rejection of the Application, and no Payment will be made until such time as an acceptable CPM Schedule Update is received.

Article 5

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

5.1 The Contractor shall submit the Performance Bond, Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Certification of Insurance as required by the Contract Documents within fifteen (15) calendar days of the effective date of the County – Contractor Agreement. The Guarantee or Warranty Bond shall be submitted as described in section 9.8.5.2 of the General Conditions.

- 5.2 To the extent required by the Commonwealth of Virginia (see e.g. 54.1-1100 et seq. of the Code of Virginia) or the County of Loudoun, the Contractor shall be duly licensed to perform the services required to be delivered pursuant to this Contract.
- 5.3 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 to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described herein that enters into a Contract with the County pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act 2.2-4300 et seq. 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 of the Code of Virginia, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the Contract. The County may void any Contract with a business entity if the business entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.
- 5.4 During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
 - a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service-disabled veteran, 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 the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - b. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, shall state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - c. Notices, advertisements, and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule, or regulation shall be deemed sufficient to meet this requirement.
- 5.5 During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) 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 the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific Contract awarded to a

Contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

5.6 All notices and other communications made pursuant to the Contract Documents and not required to be made through e-Builder shall be deemed to have been given when made in writing and either (a) delivered in person, (b) delivered to an agent, such as an overnight or similar delivery service, or (c) deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, certified or registered, addressed as follows:

TO CONTRACTOR:

TO COUNTY:

Division of Procurement P.O. Box 7000 1 Harrison Street, S.E. Leesburg, VA 20177

If sent via (a) or (b) County of Loudoun Virginia Division of Procurement ATTN: Purchasing Agent 1 Harrison Street, S. E., <u>1st Floor,</u> Procurement Bids and Proposals Drop Box Leesburg, VA 20175

If sent via (c) County of Loudoun, Virginia Division of Procurement PO Box 7000 ATTN: Procurement Bids and Proposals Leesburg, VA 20177

Notices shall be deemed received (i) if hand delivered, when received, (ii) if given by overnight delivery service, the first business day after being sent prepaid by such overnight delivery service, or (iii) if given by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, two (2) days after posting with the United States Postal Service. Either party may change its address by notifying the other party in a manner described above.

Due to security restrictions, public access to County facilities is extremely limited. The mailing or delivery by an agent of notices is preferred. However, if a notice is hand delivered, it will be received in the lobby of 1 Harrison Street, SE, Leesburg, Virginia 20175 ONLY in the Drop Box labeled: <u>Procurement Bids and Proposals</u> between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Article 6

IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986

6.1 By entering this Contract, the Contractor certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of this Contract violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits employment of illegal aliens.

Article 7

ENTIRE CONTRACT AND SEVERABILITY

- 7.1 This Agreement, together will all attachments, represents the entire and integrated Contract between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or contracts, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended or changed only by an Amendment or Modification. Nothing contained in the Contract Documents shall create any Contractual relationship between the County, (or any agent, consultant, or independent Contractor employed by the County) and any subcontractor, sub-subcontractor, supplier or vendor of the Contractor, but the County shall be entitled to performance of all obligations intended for the County's benefit, and to enforcement thereof.
- 7.2 In the event that any provision of this Contract shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Contract but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding, and in full force and effect.

Article 8

GOVERNING LAW/FORUM

- 8.1 This Contract shall be governed and construed in all respects by its terms and by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any judicial action shall be filed in the Commonwealth of Virginia, County of Loudoun or if jurisdiction exists, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia in Alexandria. Contractor expressly waives any objection to venue or jurisdiction of the Loudoun County Circuit Court, Loudoun County, Virginia. Contractor expressly consents to waiver of service of process in an action pending in the Loudoun County Circuit Court pursuant to Virginia Code Section 8.01-286.1.
- 8.2 Each of the parties irrevocably waive trial by jury in any action, proceeding, or counterclaim, whether at law or in equity, brought by either party for any claim, demand, action, or cause of action, arising out of this Agreement. Each of the parties hereby agrees and consents that any such claim, demand, action, or cause of action shall be decided by court trial without a jury.

Article 9

COUNTERPARTS

9.1 This Contract and any amendments or modifications hereto may be executed in a number of counterparts, and each counterpart signature, when taken with the other counterpart signatures, is treated as if executed upon one original of this Contract or any amendment or renewal. A signature by any party to this Contract provided by facsimile or electronic mail is binding upon that party as if it were the original.

WITNESS the following signatures:

COUNTY OF Division of Pro 1 Harrison Str Leesburg, VA	reet, S.E.	CONTRACTOR
	(703) 777-0403	Phone:
Fax:	(703) 771-5097	Fax:
Ву:		Ву:
Name:		Name:
Title:		Title:
Date:		Date:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: Tina P. Estevao Senior Assistant County Attorney

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT Geotechnical/Geophysical Release Form ATTACHMENT 2:

This form shall be signed and submitted prior to obtaining plans and specifications from the Division of Procurement. CD's will not be released if a signed form has not been submitted.

As evidenced by the Bidder's signature below, the site and soils data, photographs, boring and well construction diagrams, pilot project notes, and Geotechnical and/or Geophysical Engineering Report(s) dated December 20, 2022, prepared, or compiled by Timmons Group and related to RFQ 640812 Construction of the Fire and Rescue Training Facility (Project) is being made available to the Bidder in good faith in order to apprise the Bidder of the information within the possession of the County. The Bidder understands that these report(s) are for informational purposes only and are not part of the Contract and the County provides no warranty as to the accuracy, completeness, or correctness of such report(s). These report(s) were developed for design and information purposes only. The Bidder agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the County, its employees, agents, servants, and representatives from and against any costs, claims, extension of Contract time, or liabilities of any kind resulting from the use of or reliance on these reports.

By making this information available, the County is not classifying the site. Additionally, this information is not a substitute for personal and independent investigation, interpretation, and judgment by the Bidder. In the event the Bidder elects not to perform his/her own investigation of the subsurface conditions prior to the submission of the Bid, the Bidder will relinquish the County from any liability, extension of Contract time, or cost associated with this decision. It is the obligation of the Bidder to make its own interpretation of all subsurface data that may be available and satisfy itself, through its own independent investigation, as to the nature, condition, and extent of the material to be excavated, graded, or driven through or any other geotechnical aspect of this Project.

If Bidder elects to conduct its own site investigation of County property, the Bidder shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the County, its employees, agents, servants and representatives from and against any and all claims, suits, demands, actions (regardless of the merits thereof) and damages of whatever nature arising out of or resulting from its site visit and any associated work, including jurisdictional labor disputes or other labor troubles that may occur during the performance of the Work.

Site investigation work shall be conducted between 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

The Bidder is responsible for:

- 1. Coordinating the time and date of the site investigation with the County.
- 2. Any damage to adjacent property.
- 3. Backfilling and compacting borings or test pits prior to departing the site.
- 4. Coordinating with Miss Utility to locate utilities prior to any work being done.
- 5. Damage to onsite utilities.
- 6. Management of traffic and safety of the public on roads adjacent to the site.

7. Safety requirements for equipment and personnel brought to the site.

The submission of a Bid shall be considered conclusive evidence that the Bidder has satisfied itself as to the subsurface conditions that may be encountered in performing the work for the Project.

FIRM NAME:

Principal or authorized representative (Print Name)

Date

Date

Principal or authorized representative (Signature)

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